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Dear Rob,

Mainstreaming climate change scrutiny of the Scottish Government's draft budget

Thank you for your further letter, of 26 September, on considering climate change issues when scrutinising the draft budget.

While I had previously written to say that the Education and Culture Committee would not be able to undertake meaningful scrutiny of climate change issues in the time available, your response helpfully suggested that it would be useful if we could question witnesses on climate issues. Given this, I can highlight that the Committee discussed with Skills Development Scotland issues around energy skills, the college sector and the Scottish economy. The exchange can be found at column 2929 of our Official Report from 1 October¹.

Yours sincerely,

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¹ <http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/28862.aspx?r=8536&mode=pdf>