Engagement Log 1 March 2023 to 31 March 2024



This log provides a summary of the Scottish Fiscal Commission's engagement over 2023-24. As this is the first log we have produced it also covers March 2023 during which our first Fiscal Sustainability Report was published.

Scottish Parliament

Evidence on Fiscal Sustainability Report, March 2023, to Finance and Public Administration Committee, 28 March 2023 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph, John Ireland)

Breakfast seminar on Fiscal Sustainability Report, March 2023, for MSPs and Parliamentary staff, sponsored by Convener, Finance and Public Administration Committee, 29 March 2023 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph)

Evidence on Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, May 2023, to Finance and Public Administration Committee, 6 June 2023 (Graeme Roy, Francis Breedon, John Ireland)

Participation in Finance and Public Administration Committee public engagement event, Largs, 30 August 2023 (Graeme Roy, Robin Frost)

Evidence on Forecast Evaluation Report, September 2023, to Finance and Public Administration Committee, 5 September 2023 (Graeme Roy, Francis Breedon, Claire Murdoch)

Participated in round table on Pre-budget scrutiny on health, Health, Social Care and Sport Committee, 19 September 2023 (David Ulph)

Presentation / Training events for MSPs and Parliamentary staff sponsored by SPICe on Scottish budget and finance, 26 September 2023 (Graeme Roy, Claire Murdoch and Xavi Villa)

Participated in round table on VAT Assignment, Finance and Public Administration Committee, 14 November 2023 (John Ireland)

Evidence on Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, December 2023, to Finance and Public Administration Committee, 20 December 2023 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph, Claire Murdoch)

First Annual Evidence Session on Scottish Fiscal Commission, Finance and Public Administration Committee, 20 December 2023 (Graeme Roy, John Ireland)

Evidence on Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, December 2023, to Social Justice and Social Security Committee, 11 January 2024 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph, Michael Davidson)

Breakfast seminar on Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, December 2023, for MSPs and Parliamentary staff, sponsored by Convener, Finance and Public Administration Committee, 31 January 2024 (Graeme Roy, Domenico Lombardi)

Evidence on Fiscal Sustainability Perspectives: Climate Change, to Finance and Public Administration Committee, 26 March 2024 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph, Claire Murdoch, John Ireland)

Breakfast seminar on Fiscal Sustainability Perspectives: Climate Change, for MSPs and Parliamentary staff, sponsored by Convener, Finance and Public Administration Committee, 27 March 2024 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph)

Public Sector

Seminar on Fiscal Sustainability Report, March 2023, for Scotland Office and other UK Government Departments organised by Scotland Office, 29 March 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation to Scottish Government Executive Team on Fiscal Sustainability / Social Security Forecasts, 30 May 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on Fiscal Sustainability of Scottish Budget to Scottish Government's Equality and Human Rights Budget Advisory Group, 20 July 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on SFC and Fiscal Sustainability to Public Bodies Directors of Finance, 13 September 2023 (John Ireland)

Presentation to Devolution Learning Week organised by Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities on "Fiscally Frank: Hear from the Fiscal Councils in the UK about challenges and opportunities of working together", 27 November 2023 (Graeme Roy and chairs OBR, and NI Fiscal Council)

Presentation on Fiscal Sustainability to executive team at Public Health Scotland, January 2024 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on Scottish Budget to Skills Development Scotland, January 2024 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on Fiscal Sustainability as part of Scottish Government's "Evidence in Policy Fortnight", 8 February 2024 (Claire Murdoch, Gregor Phimister, Gordon Hopkin-Jack)

Presentation on Fiscal Sustainability to seminar organised by SOLACE, 22 February 2024 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation to UK Government's Scotland Office on the Scottish Budget, 29 February 2024 (Graeme Roy, Xavi Villa)

Conferences

Presentation on Fiscal Sustainability of Scottish Budget to Northern Ireland Fiscal Council conference, Belfast, 18 September 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on Fiscal Sustainability to Economic Observatory conference on Assessing Fiscal Frameworks, 21 September 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on Fiscal Sustainability of Scottish Budget to COSLA Annual Conference, 28 September 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on Scottish research interests at DWP Areas of Research Interest Workshop, University of Glasgow, 4 October 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on Economic Context and Tackling Inflationary Pressures to Scottish Government national Procurement Conference, 31 October 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on Fiscal Sustainability to Scottish Leaders Forum Annual Conference, 1 November 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Presentation on Evidence, Fiscal Advocacy and Budget Literacy to IPFIN Annual Conference, Paris, 16 November 2023 (John Ireland)

SFC publications

Fiscal Sustainability Report, March 2023

Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, May 2023

Forecast Evaluation Report, August 2023

Productivity and Fiscal Sustainability, August 2023

Supplementary Costing – Carer Support Payment, September 2023

Annual Report and Accounts for year ended 31 March 2023, October 2023

Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, December 2023

Spending trends in the 2024-25 Scottish Budget, January 2024

How we set Policy Baselines, February 2024

Fiscal Sustainability Perspectives: Climate Change, March 2024

SFC events

Media conference following publication Fiscal Sustainability Report, March 2023, 24 March 2023 (Graeme Roy)

Public webinar on Fiscal Sustainability Report, March 2023, 19 April 2023 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph, Domenico Lombardi, Francis Breedon)

Media conference following publication Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, May 2023, 25 May 2023 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph, Domenico Lombardi, Francis Breedon)

Public webinar on Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, May 2023, 7 June 2023 (Graeme Roy, Domenico Lombardi, Francis Breedon)

Media conference following publication Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, December 2023, 20 December 2023 (Graeme Roy, Domenico Lombardi, Francis Breedon)

Public webinar on Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts, December 2023, 17 January 2024 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph, Domenico Lombardi, Francis Breedon)

Media conference following publication Fiscal Sustainability Perspectives: Climate Change, 14 March 2024 (Graeme Roy, David Ulph)

Newspaper articles

"Fiscal pressures not unique to Scotland but plan needed", Herald, 13 March 2023 (Graeme Roy)

"Scotland not alone but fiscal sustainability questions cannot be ignored", Herald, 10 April 2023 (Graeme Roy)

"Despite economic positivity inflation remains too high", Herald, 12 June 2023 (Graeme Roy)

"Significant progress on the economy is still required", Herald, 11 September 2023 (Graeme Roy)

"Scots population shifts and the future of public services", Herald, 9 October 2023 (Graeme Roy)

"Shona Robison now has more pieces of the budget puzzle", Times, 22 November 2023 following UKG Autumn Statement (Graeme Roy)

"Scottish Government income tax policy - the key numbers", Herald, 8 January 2024 (Graeme Roy)

"Scottish Budget weaving its way through parliamentary scrutiny", Herald, 12 February 2024 (Graeme Roy)

"Time for frank conversation on cost of climate measures", Herald, 11 March 2024 (Graeme Roy)

Other

Attending economics careers event at University of Glasgow, 13 June 2023 (Ian Halliday)

Attending Economics Futures career event, University of Strathclyde, 25 October 2023 (Callum McGrath, Caroline Carney, Tony Kestner)

Training event for Economic Development Association Scotland on Scottish budget and finance, 6 November 2023 (Graeme Roy)

TV interviews (BBC Scotland and Borders TV) following publication of Fiscal Sustainability Perspectives: Climate Change, 14 March 2024 (Graeme Roy, Claire Murdoch)

20 May 2024