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**Express
Scottish Government Draft Budget 2012-13 Call for Evidence**

Dear David

Scottish Government's **draft budget for 2012-13 and spending review** will be published in September 2011 and there is currently [a call for evidence](#) from the Scottish Parliament's Finance Committee.

This Finance Committee has agreed to build on the work of its predecessor and focus on **preventative spending** in its scrutiny of the forthcoming spending review and 2012-13 draft budget.

Part of the focus of the spending review will be on the extent to which the Scottish Government is encouraging a more preventative approach to public spending and how this approach is being implemented and shared across key agencies such as **Community Planning Partnerships**, NHS boards, local authorities and police forces.

You can read the [Finance Committee's report on preventative spending](#) as well as the [response by the Scottish Government](#).

The Finance Committee has set out questions on its preventative spending commitments and on the Community Planning Partnerships.

We will be putting together a **response** to these questions for the Parliamentary Committee and have set up a survey to collect and collate members' views and evidence. There are eight questions on preventative spending and eight on Community Planning Partnerships (which you only are asked to answer if you are involved in a CPP)

[Click here to take survey](#)

We would also encourage members to respond directly to the Call for Evidence.

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