

SCRUTINY CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

Meeting: 4 July 2022

At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillors Colin Foster, Oliver Johnstone, Tom McGee and David Sedgwick.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

RESOLVED – That Councillor Tom McGee be elected Chair of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee for the period until the next Annual Council Meeting.

Councillor Tom McGee in the chair

2. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 4 July 2022 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors and officers were invited to declare any interests which they had in any of the items on the agenda for the meeting.

No declarations were made.

4. CALL-IN

There were no call-in items to consider.

5. PORTFOLIO REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS 2022/23

The Strategic Head of Service & Monitoring Officer (Legal and Democratic Governance) submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) detailing the current scrutiny reporting arrangements for the new Cabinet portfolios following the reallocation of executive functions by the Leader of the Council on 24 May 2022.

The Scrutiny Committee was invited to consider whether these reporting arrangements remained appropriate in the light of these changes.

The following comments were made/ issues raised:-

- It was noted that the Communities & Housing Scrutiny Committee was now responsible for scrutinising three cabinet portfolios.
- The redistribution of some responsibilities, such as district and local centres, may result in some matters being considered by more than one scrutiny committee.

- It was suggested that rather than make changes at this stage, the committee should further consider this matter in the light of its experience of the next cycle of scrutiny committees.

RESOLVED – (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That the Strategic Head of Service & Monitoring Officer (Legal and Democratic Governance) be requested to place this item on the agenda for the next meeting of the Scrutiny Committee in order that further consideration could be given to the matter in the light of the experience of the next cycle of scrutiny committees.

6. SCRUTINY REVIEW TOPIC SELECTION 2022/2023

The Strategic Head of Service & Monitoring Officer (Legal and Democratic Governance) submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) inviting the Committee to consider Scrutiny Review topics that had been identified and proposed by scrutiny committees for inclusion in the 2022/2023 Work Programme.

RESOLVED – That the proposed Scrutiny Work Programme of scrutiny reviews be approved.

The meeting closed at 6.13 pm