

## **SCRUTINY CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE**

Meeting: 26 September 2022  
At: 6.20 pm

PRESENT

Councillors Colin Foster, Oliver Johnstone and David Sedgwick.

### **1. ELECTION OF CHAIR**

RESOVLED – That, in the absence of the Chair, Councillor Colin Foster be elected Chair of the Committee for the duration of the meeting.

Councillor Colin Foster 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. SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22**

The Strategic Head of Service & Monitoring Officer (Legal & Democratic Governance) submitted the draft Scrutiny Annual Report 2021/22 (copies of which had been circulated).

RESOLVED – That the report be approved for submission to the next ordinary meeting of the Council Meeting.

### **6. 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 considered this item at its last meeting on 4 July 2022, and it was agreed to place this item on the agenda for this meeting in order that further consideration

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could be given to the matter in the light of the experience of the first cycles of scrutiny committees.

The following comments were made/ issues raised:-

- There were only four cycles of committees remaining in the current municipal year, and making amendments to the reporting arrangements at this stage may result in more issues than it resolved.
- The imbalance in the number of portfolios reporting to the Communities & Housing Scrutiny Committee was acknowledged.
- It would be more appropriate to consider the alignment of cabinet portfolios to scrutiny committees prior to the first round of scrutiny committees in 2023/24.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 6.32 pm