

Committee Annual Assessment - Results of independent assessment noted – Amendment to Action Plan approved.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Financial Services, providing details of the results of the year 3 independent annual assessment of the work of this committee and its effectiveness, advising

- (1) that Council Standing Order No 31 required that an annual assessment of the work of each Scrutiny Committee shall be carried out to assess the effectiveness of the working of the committee and to assess any training needs of members and officers, with the assessment being carried out by the relevant Convener in years 1 and 2 and an independent assessment being carried out in year 3 and every 3rd year thereafter;
- (2) of the main findings from the recent independent assessment of this committee undertaken by the Executive Director of Financial Services;
- (3) that as part of the review interviews were conducted with the Chair, Bailie Siddique, the Vice-Chair, Councillor Alam and the Lead Officers, the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance and the Head of Audit and Inspection and a number of committee meetings were also viewed either in person or by viewing the recording; and
- (4) of the effectiveness of the operation of the committee, together with a proposed action plan outlining areas which could be improved, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee agreed

- (a) to amend the proposed action plan to remove both points 3 and 4, as detailed in the report; and
- (b) to implement points 1 and 2 of the action plan only, that would to be led by both the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance and the Head of Audit and Inspection, in conjunction with the Chair and Vice-Chair.