Report of the General Purposes Committee held on 21 September 2022

Present: Councillor David Boothroyd (Chair), Aicha Less, Matt Noble and Paul Swaddle

1. Membership of the Westminster Scrutiny Commission

- (a) We have considered a report seeking to amend the size of the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.
- (b) The current membership of the Commission consists of 5 members, 3 Majority group members and 2 Opposition group members. As there are four Policy and Scrutiny Committees the current membership means that the Chair of one of the Policy and Scrutiny Committees is not represented on the Commission.
- (c) To ensure that there is representation on the Commission from all of the Policy and Scrutiny Committees, and also to ensure the principles of the Committee proportionality rules agreed by the Council are met, it is recommended that the membership of the Commission be increased from 5 to 7 members, consisting of 4 Majority group members and 3 Opposition group members.

Recommendation:

That Full Council be recommended to agree to amend the size of the Westminster Scrutiny Commission from 5 members to 7 members.

David Boothroyd, Chair