



T: 0300 244 4000
E: DFMCSCR@gov.scot

Claire Baker MSP
Convener
Economy and Fair Work Committee
Scottish Parliament

By email:
Economyandfairwork.committee@parliament.scot

01 August 2022

Dear Claire,

CHANGES TO MINISTERIAL PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES

As confirmed in the First Minister's letter to the Presiding Officer of 30 June, I have been asked to take on responsibility for the Finance and Economy portfolio until the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy, Kate Forbes, returns from maternity leave. This is in addition to my role as Deputy First Minister and my current portfolio responsibilities, with the exception of some additional changes to portfolio responsibilities as described in the First Minister's letter.

I am aware of the importance of this role and during this time I will continue to drive forward the Scottish Government's ambitious programme of economic transformation and support for our public services. Until Ms Forbes' return, I would be grateful if the Committee could direct any correspondence concerning matters relating to the Finance and Economy portfolio to me.

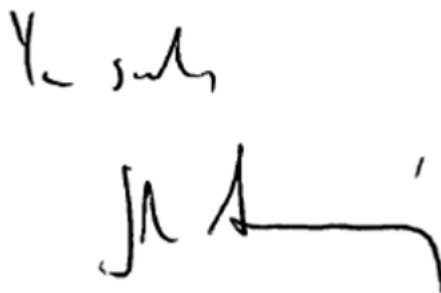
I would also like to inform you of some additional changes to ministerial responsibilities that have been made. Ivan McKee, Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism and Enterprise, will take direct responsibility for the following areas:

- Efficient Government
- Clyde Mission
- City and Regional Growth Deals
- Digital Economy
- Digital Participation
- Digital Connectivity (including 100% Broadband and Connecting Scotland)

Scottish Ministers, special advisers and the Permanent Secretary are covered by the terms of the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016. See www.lobbying.scot



I look forward to working with the Committee and would be happy to answer any questions you or other members of the Committee might have about these changes.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Swinney', written in a cursive style.

JOHN SWINNEY

Scottish Ministers, special advisers and the Permanent Secretary are covered by the terms of the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016. See www.lobbying.scot

St Andrew's House, Regent Road, Edinburgh EH1 3DG
www.gov.scot



INVESTORS
IN PEOPLE

Accredited
Until 2020

