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By email

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Dear Kenneth

Scottish Fiscal Commission – Reappointment of Chair

Professor Graeme Roy's first term as Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission (SFC) comes to an end on 31 May 2026. I am pleased to recommend to the Committee that Professor Roy be reappointed to serve a second term as Chair for a further four years from 1 June 2026. This would take him to the maximum of eight years allowed by the Ethical Standards Commissioner's Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies in Scotland.

I consider that Professor Roy has provided steady and authoritative leadership during this time, which has enhanced the reputation of the SFC. He has proved to be a very effective communicator with Parliament and wider audiences and has helped promote understanding of fiscal and economic issues and raised the profile of the SFC. I believe that his reappointment will provide stability to the SFC and enable him to lead the next phase of organisational development.

I would be grateful if you could initiate the Parliamentary scrutiny process to ensure that Professor Roy, subject to Parliament's approval, may take up reappointment from 1 June 2026. Please let me know if you wish any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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