



**MINUTE OF THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENTARY CORPORATE BODY (SPCB) MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 3 DECEMBER 2020 AT 10.30AM, Q1.03 and VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE (vc)**

**Present:** Ken Macintosh MSP (Chair)      David Stewart MSP (vc)  
Jackson Carlaw MSP (vc)      Sandra White MSP (vc)  
Liam McArthur MSP      Andy Wightman MSP

**In attendance:** David McGill (vc)  
Michelle Hegarty (vc)  
Sara Glass (vc)  
Lis Craig (vc)  
Mairi Pearson (vc)  
Eric MacLeod (vc)  
Joanne McNaughton (vc)  
Huw Williams (vc)  
Lisa Creamer (vc)  
Judith Proudfoot, Secretary

**STAFF COST PROVISION REVIEW REPORT – SPCB(2020)Paper 69**

1. The SPCB approved the Review Report and its recommendations. The financial resourcing implications would be included in the SPCB's 2021-22 Budget Bid. The Report would also be circulated to all MSPs.

**RESOURCE ALLOCATION FOR 2021-22 AND FUTURE YEARS**

2. The SPCB had a further discussion on its budget submission for 2021-22. The SPCB noted that the ASHE index, used to uprate Members' pay, was 5.1%. The SPCB agreed that, taking account of a range of external economic factors, it would be inappropriate to apply the ASHE index as an uplift in these exceptional circumstances. As such the SPCB agreed a pay freeze on Members' salaries for the 21/22 financial year. The SPCB noted that this was an exceptional decision and should not be regarded as setting a precedent for future years.

3. A final version of the budget paper would be circulated for agreement by correspondence in order to meet the deadline for submission to the Finance and Constitution Committee.

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

4. The next meeting was due to take place on 10 December 2020.

**SPCB secretariat**  
December 2020