

AGENDA ITEM NO 3(b)

APPENDIX xx to the minute of meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee of 29 August 2023.

MINUTE of HYBRID MEETING of the **SPECIAL SUB-COMMITTEE** of the **POLICY and RESOURCES COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Tuesday 6 June 2023 at 12.45pm.

Present: Councillors BETH WHITESIDE, KENNY BRAES, BILL DUFF, DAVID FAIRWEATHER, IAN MCLAREN and LOIS SPEED.

Councillor WHITESIDE, Convener, in the Chair.

1. APOLOGIES/SUBSTITUTES

There were no apologies intimated.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/STATEMENT OF TRANSPARENCY

Councillor Duff made a statement of transparency in relation to Item 4, Report No 167/23, in that in previous elections for the Angus North & Mearns constituency he had either been the Campaign Manager or Election agent for one of the candidates.

3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of this Sub-Committee of 28 November 2022 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

4. SECOND REVIEW OF SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT BOUNDARIES

With reference to Article 3 of the minute of meeting of the Special Sub-Committee of the Policy and Resources Committee of 28 November 2022, there was submitted Report No. 167/23 by the Chief Executive advising members of the publication of Boundaries Scotland provisional proposals for the review of Scottish Parliament constituencies on 17 May 2023.

The Report indicated that there were 73 constituencies for the Scottish Parliament, each constituency returning a single member (MSP), and it was noted that the review would not change the current number of constituencies, regions nor the number of MSP's.

Appendix 1 outlined the provisional proposals for constituencies, with Appendices 2 and 3 outlining the Boundaries Scotland initial proposals for the two constituencies covering the Angus local government area, Angus North and Mearns and Angus South. The current constituencies and boundaries were unchanged.

The Chief Executive provided a brief overview of the provisional proposals, following which the Sub-Committee agreed:-

- (i) to note that the consultation on the initial proposals ran until 17 June 2023;
- (ii) to note that the proposals were not recommending any changes to the current Scottish Parliament constituency boundaries of Angus North and Mearns and Angus South; and
- (iii) that there was no requirement to submit a representation regarding the provisional proposals.