S47. SCRUTINY PANEL - UPDATE

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing an update on the review of elected members' representation on external organisations.

The appendix to the report set out the Council's current appointees on external organisations with committee making reference to additional external organisations with which elected members may also be associated.

Discussion took place on the process and background for appointing members to external organisations; the value of the appointment to both the organisation and Falkirk Council; the role of the elected member; the potential conflict which may arise, and the impact on elected members' workload.

The committee considered that in an attempt to rationalise the process for appointing members to external organisations, the Scrutiny Panel seek input from elected members on their experiences, their understanding of their role on these organisations, and whether there is any value to the Council and/or the organisation in having representation.

Decision

The Committee noted the progress to date in reviewing the Council's representation on external organisations.