

The Presiding Officer

Kenneth Gibson MSP Convener Finance and Public Administration Committee

By email

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Dear Convener

Scotland's Commissioner Landscape: A Strategic Approach

Thank you for your letter of 16 September 2024 and for sharing a copy of the Committee's inquiry report.

The SPCB discussed the report at its meeting on 26 September and welcomed the Committee's findings.

We note the conclusions and recommendations. On the specific recommendations for the SPCB, I am pleased to confirm that we will continue to promote the SPCB's shared services agenda and provide details of services being shared in our budget bid to the Committee. We will consider whether we can enhance and make more transparent our governance arrangements with the officeholders, and we will review the Written Agreement with the Convener's Group.

The SPCB looks forward to contributing to this important debate.

Yours sincerely

Rt Hon Alison Johnstone MSP

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