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Dear Vicky Wemyss-Cooke

Thank you for getting back to me so quickly

In your email to me dated 12th, you asked me for a "short statement summarising what you wish to say"

I hope the text below is a good enough summary for the committee Chair's purposes:

The scrutiny process has never been more central to trust and confidence in the Council at a time when the challenges facing it are arguably the most serious and difficult it has faced since its inception in 1965

In 2000, scrutiny committees were envisaged as a vital complement to the new Cabinet system holding the Cabinet to account

However, in the last quarter of a century their importance has been diminished or ignored. Voters simply don't know about their existence

We would like to put forward a small number of proposals designed to encourage greater engagement between members, officers and the public, and to enhance accountability

I look forward to hearing from you

kind regards

Tom Young

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