1. **Summary**

1.1 The membership of the Scotland Excel Executive Sub-Committee is renewed annually.

1.2 The purpose of this report is to seek the Joint Committee’s approval to the continued appointment of the existing membership of the Sub-Committee for a further period to the next Local Government Elections on 4th May 2017.

2. **Recommendations**

2.1 It is recommended that the Joint Committee agrees that:-

   (a) Members of the Executive Sub – Committee shall continue to come from those member Councils listed in paragraph 3.3 of this report;

   (b) The existing members appointed to the Executive Sub-Committee shall continue in post until the next Local Government Election on 4 May 2017.

3. **Background**

3.1 The Scotland Excel Terms and Conditions document signed by all member councils provides that there shall be an Executive Sub-Committee with the role and functions of the Sub-Committee to be determined by the Joint Committee.

3.2 In June 2014, the Joint Committee agreed to increase the number of members of the Sub-Committee from 10 to 12 and the Procedural Standing orders for the Joint Committee were amended to reflect that change. However, the new arrangements remained subject to the requirement that where possible the membership of the executive Sub-Committee shall reflect the geographic diversity of the Constituent Authorities.
3.3 It was agreed at that meeting that the membership of the Executive Sub-Committee should comprise elected members from the following Councils:-

1. Renfrewshire
2. Angus
3. Aberdeenshire
4. Comhairle nan Eilean Sar
5. Fife
6. Glasgow City
7. Highland
8. North Ayrshire
9. City of Edinburgh
10. South Lanarkshire
11. Shetlands Islands
12. Dumfries & Galloway

3.4 The Joint Committee in June 2015 agreed to continue with the same membership and it is proposed to further continue those arrangements until the next local government elections which are due on 4 May 2017.

3.5 The main function of the Executive Sub-Committee is to consider and decide upon the award of contracts. The proposal to continue with the existing membership will ensure that the knowledge and experience built up over the lifetime of the current arrangements is not lost or diluted. The membership of the Executive Sub-Committee will be reviewed at the Joint Committee in June 2017 following the appointment of newly elected members to the Joint Committee.