

Engagement

- Having the Committee visiting different parts of Scotland to take evidence is a really useful way of engaging, but this could be developed further but having informal sessions (chatting with communities over a cup of tea, visiting locations/activities etc. (do the formal session in the morning, informal engagement in the afternoon)
- I think having the entire Parliament going on tour would be hugely expensive, logistically difficult and a waste of time and money

Distinct Identity

- Personally I think the Parliament should drop the title "Presiding Officer" and replace it with "speaker". I think that would give the role more status and raise the independence of the Parliament from the Executive.
- Scottish Parliament Information Centre is very well respected and their capacity should be strengthened

Do any of the checks and balances need strengthening to better enable the Scottish Parliament to hold the Scottish Government to account?

- Strengthened committee system with freely elected Conveners.