

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting

11 March 2025

Present:

- Alison Johnstone (Chair)
- Jamie Hepburn
- Alexander Burnett
- Martin Whitfield
- Gillian Mackay

Also attended:

- Annabelle Ewing
- Liam McArthur
- Emma Harper

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Tracey White
- Irene Fleming
- Katy Orr
- Mark Brough
- Sigrid Robinson
- Joanna Hardy
- Jason Nairn
- Fran Iwanyckyj
- Jennifer Griffin
- Gail Grant
- Joanne Kendall
- Samantha Currie
- Ellen Wright
- Matthew Linden

Agenda item 1 – Previous minutes and matters arising

1. The Bureau agreed the minutes of its meeting on 4 March.

Agenda item 2 – Business Programme

2. The Bureau confirmed the programme of business for the week beginning 10 March and agreed a programme of business for the weeks beginning 17 and 24 March.

- 3. Business Managers noted that Members Business in the week beginning 17 March would be—
 - Tuesday 18 March: Clare Adamson: MacDiarmid's Brownsbank Cottage, a Scottish Cultural Treasure;
 - Wednesday 19 March: Tess White: Addressing Sexual Violence in Scotland's Hospitals;
 - Thursday 20 March: Michael Matheson: Awareness of Criminal Exploitation of Children.

Agenda item 3 – Approval of SSIs

- 4. Business Managers noted that motions to approve the following instruments would be lodged—
 - Scottish Landfill Tax (Standard Rate and Lower Rate) Order 2025.
 - The Tied Pubs (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025

Agenda item 4 – Referral of a Supplementary LCM

5. The Bureau agreed to refer a supplementary LCM on the Product Regulation and Metrology Bill to the Economy and Fair Work Committee as lead committee.

Agenda item 5 – Correspondence from the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

6. The Bureau considered its response to correspondence from the Citizens Participation and Public Petitions Committee regarding scrutiny of the A9 dualling programme.

Agenda item 6 – Review of Motions for Members' Business

- 7. Business Managers agreed to retain the following Members' Business Motions:
 - S6M-15136: Colin Smyth: Justice for the Fornethy Survivors
 - S6M-15164: Daniel Johnson: Concerning Figures About Violence Against Public Service Staff Set Out in Unison Scotland Report
 - S6M-15898: Elena Whitham: No Rollback on Housing Rights
 - S6M-16094: Bob Doris: Celebrating 50 Years of Summerston
 - S6M-16128: Liz Smith: 300 Years of the Black Watch
 - S6M-15955: Alexander Stewart: Additional Support Needs in Scotland
 - S6M-16154: Katy Clark: ScotRail's Plans to Reduce Ticket Office Opening Hours
 - S6M-16194: Elena Whitham: Common Ground Forum on Deer

Katy Orr Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau March 2025