

Conveners group

Minutes

3rd Meeting, 2024 (Session 6) Wednesday 24 April 2024

Present:

Liam McArthur MSP, Convener Karen Adam - Equalities, Human Rights & Civil Justice Committee Clare Adamson – Constitution, Europe, External Affairs & Culture Committee Ariane Burgess - Local Government, Housing & Planning Committee Jackson Carlaw - Citizen Participation & Public Petitions Committee Finlay Carson - Rural Affairs and Islands Kenneth Gibson – Finance & Public Administration Committee Clare Haughey - Health, Social Care & Sport Committee Stuart McMillan - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee Edward Mountain - Net Zero, Energy & Transport Committee Audrey Nicoll - Criminal Justice Committee Collette Stevenson – Social Justice and Social Security Committee Martin Whitfield - Standards, Procedures & Public Appointments Committee Sue Webber - Education, Children and Young People Committee

Apologies were received from: Claire Baker - Economy & Fair Work Committee Richard Leonard - Public Audit Committee

1. Minutes: The Conveners Group agreed the minutes of the last meeting.

Matters arising:

- The Group agreed to a briefing by officials at the meeting on 29 May on forthcoming Scottish Government legislation to reflect a revised timetable for achieving net zero by 2045.
- The Group noted a response to the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee on financial interests of witnesses.
- 2. Elected conveners: The Group considered correspondence from the Convener of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee on elected conveners. The Group agreed to write to the SPPA Committee and for the Chair to sign off the letter.

- **3. Framework bills:** The Group considered correspondence from the Convener of the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee (RIA) on framework bills. The Group agreed to write to the RAI Committee and for the Chair to sign off the letter.
- **4. Strategic priority Continuous professional development for Members:** The Group considered and endorsed the principles for CPD for Members. In doing so, it also agreed to include information relating to the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

Date of Next Meeting: 29 May 2024

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