

**SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review Committee**  
**Thursday 12 December 2024**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Meeting, 2024 (Session 6)**

## **Choice of Convener**

### **Purpose of paper**

1. This paper explains the procedure for choosing a Convener at the first meeting of a committee. The Committee will not have a Deputy Convener.

### **Oldest member**

2. Standing Orders oblige all committees to choose a Convener at their first meeting. Rule 12.1.6 states that the meeting is to be chaired by the Oldest Committee Member until a Convener is chosen. The “Oldest Committee Member” is defined as the oldest member of the Committee who is present at the meeting and who has indicated to the Clerk a willingness to chair the meeting.

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3. On 5 December 2024, the Parliament agreed to motion *S6M-15753*, which specifies that only members of the Scottish National Party are eligible to be chosen as Convener of the SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review Committee. The Oldest Committee Member will invite the nomination of a member of that party for the convenership. Committee members may nominate themselves or another committee member. There is no requirement for nominations to be submitted in advance of the meeting or to be seconded.
4. Committee members will then be invited to choose the nominated person as Convener.
5. On being chosen by the Committee, the Convener will immediately take the chair and will chair the rest of the meeting.

### **Clerks to the Committee** **December 2024**