

The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting 07 February 2023 at 12:00 pm Q1.03/MS Teams

Present:

- Alison Johnstone (Chair)
- Annabelle Ewing
- George Adam
- Alexander Burnett
- Neil Bibby
- Gillian Mackay

Also attended:

Gordon MacDonald

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Tracey White*
- Catherine Fergusson
- Jo Hardy
- Mark Brough
- Rebecca Carradice
- Jason Nairn
- Jennifer Bell
- Callum Thomson*
- Irene Fleming *
- Gail Grant *
- Samantha Currie*

Apologies:

Liam McArthur

Previous minutes

1. The minutes of 31 January 2023 were agreed.

Business Programme

- 2. The Bureau considered and agreed to propose to the Parliament a revised programme of business for the week commencing 6 February and a programme of business for the weeks commencing 20 and 27 February 2023.
- 3. The Bureau agreed that Members' Business on Tuesday 21 February would be Motion S6M-07559: Russell Findlay: Victims Awareness Week, Championing the Rights of Crime Victims; and on Wednesday 22 February, Motion S6M-07345: Jenni Minto: Special Tribunal on Russian Aggression in Ukraine. The Bureau noted that a Motion by the Scottish Liberal Democrats for debate on Thursday 23 February would follow.

Timetabling of a Bill at Stage 1

4. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 30 June 2023.

Approval of SSIs

- 5. The Bureau noted that motions would be lodged inviting the Parliament to agree to the following instruments—
 - the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Local Taxation Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland (Composition) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2022/Draft)
 - the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions of Valuation Appeals Committees) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2022/Draft)
 - the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions of the Council Tax Reduction Review Panel) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2022/Draft)
 - Upper Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Valuation for Rating Appeal Functions of the Lands Tribunal for Scotland) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2022/Draft)
 - Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft)

Membership of European Bodies – update

6. The Bureau agreed to nominate Alasdair Allan as a full Member and Sarah Boyack as an alternate Member of the Committee of Regions Contact Group, and to nominate Jenni Minto as a full Member and Maurice Golden as alternate Member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe.

Recess dates

7. The Bureau agreed to propose to the Parliament a motion to set dates for summer recess in 2023 from Saturday 1 July 2023 to Sunday 3 September 2023.

Request by a Committee to meet at same time as Chamber

8. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament by motion that the Public Audit Committee be given permission to meet at the same time as the Chamber during Members' Business on Thursday 23 February

Catherine Fergusson Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau 07 February 2023