



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting

25 November 2025

Present:

- Alison Johnstone (Chair)
- Graeme Dey
- Tim Eagle
- Martin Whitfield
- Lorna Slater
- Willie Rennie

Also attended:

- Annabelle Ewing
- Rona Mackay

Apologies:

- Liam McArthur

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Callum Thomson
- Tracey White
- Irene Fleming
- Katy Orr
- Mark Brough
- Sigrid Robinson
- Lucy Scharbert
- Claire Murrie
- Joanna Hardy
- Jason Nairn
- Fran Iwanyckyj
- Jennifer Griffin
- Gail Grant
- Samantha Currie
- Ellen Wright
- Matthew Linden

Agenda item 1 – Previous minutes and matters arising

1. The Bureau agreed the minutes of its meeting on 18 November.

Agenda item 2 – Business Programme

2. The Bureau agreed a revised programme of business for the week beginning 24 November and a programme of business for the weeks beginning 1 and 8 December.
3. Business Managers noted that Members' Business for the week commencing 1 December would be—
 - Tuesday 2 December: Pam Duncan-Glancy: International Day of Persons with Disabilities.
 - Wednesday 3 December: Elena Whitham: Bereavement Support and Awareness.
 - Thursday 4 December: Jamie Hepburn: 70th Anniversary of Cumbernauld as a New Town.

Agenda item 3 – Timetabling of Bills at Stage 1 and 2

4. Business Managers agreed—
 - to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Greyhound Racing (Offences) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 30 January 2026.
 - to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 16 January 2026.
 - to refer the Tertiary Education and Training (Funding and Governance) (Scotland) Bill back to the Education, Children and Young People Committee for consideration at Stage 2, and to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Bill at Stage 2 be completed by Friday 5 December 2025.

Agenda item 4 – Approval of SSIs

5. Business Managers noted that motions to approve the following instruments would be lodged—
 - The Budget (Scotland) Act 2025 Amendment Regulations 2025.
 - The Public Procurement (Iraq Free Trade Agreement) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025.

- The Cross-Border Public Procurement (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025.

Agenda item 5 – Members’ Business Motions

6. Business Managers agreed to retain the following Motions on the Business Bulletin—
 - S6M-18469: Emma Roddick: Growing2Gether Programme Success
 - S6M-18523: Craig Hoy: Urgent Action to Dual the A75
 - S6M-18595: Pam Duncan-Glancy: World Arthritis Day 2025
 - S6M-18720: Rona Mackay: Awareness of Aphasia
 - S6M-18847: Elena Whitham: Bereavement Support and Awareness
 - S6M-18951: Fergus Ewing: Restoration of Vaccination Services in NHS Highlands to GPs
 - S6M-19207: John Mason: Nature Champions Initiative

Agenda item 6 – Committee Request to Meet at the same time as the Parliament

7. Business Managers agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee be given permission to meet, if necessary, at the same time as a meeting of the Parliament during Members’ Business on Tuesday 25 November.

Katy Orr
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
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