

PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU: COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

1. The Scottish National Party is seeking to make the following changes to committee memberships—

Committee	Membership Change(s)
Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture	Kate Forbes to replace Ben Macpherson Keith Brown to replace Alasdair Allan
Criminal Justice	John Swinney to replace Collette Stevenson
Economy and Fair Work	Kevin Stewart to replace Fiona Hyslop Ash Regan to replace Michelle Thomson
Education, Children and Young People	Michelle Thomson to replace Bob Doris
Net Zero, Energy and Transport	Ben Macpherson to Replace Fiona Hyslop
Rural Affairs and Islands	Kate Forbes to replace Christine Grahame
Social Justice and Social Security	Bob Doris to replace Gordon Macdonald
Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments	Christine Grahame to replace Emma Harper Ivan McKee to replace Bob Doris

2. The Bureau has previously discussed the matter of gender balance on committees. These changes would result in the following changes to the gender balance of the relevant committees¹:

Committee	Total	Before changes				After changes				Change
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
CEEAC	7	6	1	86%	14%	5	2	71%	29%	+1M-1F
CJ	8	3	5	38%	62%	4	4	50%	50%	+1M-1F
EFW	9	5	4	56%	44%	6	3	67%	33%	-1M+1F
ECYP	10	6	4	60%	40%	5	5	50%	50%	+1M-1F
NZET	7	3	4	43%	57%	4	3	57%	43%	0
RAI	9	3	6	33%	67%	3	6	33%	67%	0
SJSC	8	5	3	63%	37%	5	3	63%	37%	0
SPPA	5	4	1	80%	20%	4	1	80%	20%	0

3. In order for these changes to be made in time for Committees to start planning for meetings after recess, the Bureau is invited to agree to lodge a motion proposing these changes to take effect from close of Business on Thursday 29 June and that the motion be taken on Wednesday 28 June.

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¹ The figures for the EFW Committee and NZET Committee reflect the gender balance before Fiona Hyslop's resignation following her appointment as a junior Scottish Minister.