

# The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 1, No. 75, Session 6

## Meeting of the Parliament

## Thursday 27 January 2022

Note: (DT) signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

The meeting opened at 11:40 am.

**1. General Questions:** Questions were answered by Cabinet Secretaries and Ministers.

**2.** First Minister's Questions: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Nicola Sturgeon).

3. Holocaust Memorial Day to be Marked on 27 January 2022: The Parliament debated S6M-02600 in the name of Jackson Carlaw—That the Parliament reflects on the horrors of the Holocaust; believes that it is important to impart the lessons of this despicable event to each generation so that everyone is instilled with an ethos of tolerance and respect for all, irrespective of background; recognises that the Holocaust was the systematic attempt to murder all Jewish people living in Europe from 1941 to 1945; acknowledges that the Holocaust resulted in 6 million Jewish men, women and children being murdered in concentration and extermination camps and in ghettos and mass shootings; notes that Holocaust Memorial Day will take place on 27 January 2022 and that its theme will be "One Day"; understands that this theme, which can be interpreted in many different ways, has been chosen with the general aim that for the One Day of 27 January, people will come together to learn about and reflect on the horrors of the Holocaust and other genocides that took place in the years following 1945, in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur; further understands that underpinning the theme is the hope that, by educating others about past genocides, it will be possible to look forward to a future One Day where there is no genocide; agrees that the Holocaust is an incredibly dark chapter in human history and that the Memorial Day held on 27 January is an important opportunity to

reinforce the necessity of striving to ensure that One Day, genocides will become a thing of the past.

**4. Motion without Notice:** Jackson Carlaw moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by up to 30 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

**5. Portfolio Questions:** Questions on Education and Skills were answered by the Cabinet Secretary and Ministers.

**6. Budget (Scotland) Bill:** The Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy (Kate Forbes) moved S6M-02949—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Budget (Scotland) Bill.

Liz Smith moved amendment S6M-02949.1—

As an amendment to motion S6M-02949 in the name of Kate Forbes (Budget (Scotland) Bill), insert at end ", but, in so doing, regrets that, despite a £3.9 billion increase in core block grant funding from the UK Government, the Scottish Government is delivering a cut of £371 million to local government budgets, which will have serious implications for the delivery of front line services and local businesses."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 33, Against 88, Abstentions 0).

Daniel Johnson moved amendment S6M-02949.2—

As an amendment to motion S6M-02949 in the name of Kate Forbes (Budget (Scotland) Bill), insert at end ", but, in so doing, believes that this must be a Budget that prioritises Scotland's recovery; expresses concern that the measures in this Budget are not of a scale or pace needed to meet the child poverty targets and lift children in Scotland out of poverty, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to deliver an immediate increase to social care pay to at least £12 per hour."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 25, Against 98, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 69, Against 54, Abstentions 0).

**7. Committee Meeting Times:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-02964—That the Parliament agrees that, under rule 12.3.3B of Standing Orders, the Criminal Justice Committee, Health, Social Care and Sport Committee and Social Justice and Social Security Committee can meet jointly at the same time as a meeting of the Parliament between 3.30 pm and 4.30 pm on Tuesday 1 February 2022.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

**8. Motion without Notice:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that, under Rule 11.2.4, Decision Time be brought forward to 4.57 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

**9. Decision Time:** The Parliament took decisions on items 6 and 7 as noted above.

**10. Support for the 70/30 Campaign to Reduce ACEs by 2030:** The Parliament debated S6M-02798 in the name of Rona Mackay—That the Parliament acknowledges what it sees as the devastation caused to lives through adverse childhood experiences (ACEs); recognises the aim of the Wave Trust 70/30 Campaign to eradicate poverty and reduce child abuse and neglect and other ACEs by at least 70% by 2030; notes the calls on all political parties to work collegiately, through cross-portfolio action, to achieve this; understands that 122 MSPs and 513 MPs have signed the 70/30 Campaign pledge to create a better future for everyone, including for people in the Strathkelvin and Bearsden constituency, and notes the calls for all elected members to do so.

The meeting closed at 6.01 pm.

David McGill Clerk of the Parliament 27 January 2022

#### Appendix (Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

#### **Committee Reports**

The following report was published on 27 January 2022-

Economy and Fair Work Committee, 1st Report, 2022 (Session 6): Subordinate legislation considered by the Economy and Fair Work Committee on 26 January 2022 (SP Paper 95)

#### **Legislative Consent Memorandums**

The following memorandum was lodged on 26 January 2022—

Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Housing and Local Government: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Building Safety Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-13)

The following memorandums were lodged on 27 January 2022—

Kate Forbes, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Professional Qualifications Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-3a)

Humza Yousaf, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Health and Care Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-5b)

#### **Subordinate Legislation**

#### **Made Affirmative Instruments**

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 27 January 2022 and is subject to the made affirmative procedure—

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Requirements) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 2022 (SSI 2022/29)

laid under paragraph 6(2) and (3) of schedule 19 of the Coronavirus Act 2020

#### Affirmative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 27 January 2022 and are subject to the affirmative procedure—

Forensic Medical Services (Modification of Functions of Healthcare Improvement Scotland and Supplementary Provision) Regulations 2022 [draft]

laid under sections 13(4)(a) and 19(3)(a) of the Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Act 2021

Forensic Medical Services (Self-Referral Evidence Retention Period) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 [draft]

laid under section 8(7) of the Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Act 2021

Local Authority (Capital Finance and Accounting) (Scotland) (Coronavirus) Amendment Regulations 2022 [draft]

laid under section 165(5) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

Non-Domestic Rates (Valuation Roll) (Modification) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 [draft]

laid under section 2A(10)(b) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975

#### Laid Only Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 27 January 2022 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014 (Commencement No. 9) Order 2022 (SSI 2022/22 (C. 1))

laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Act 2020 (Commencement No. 2, Transitional and Saving Provisions (Amendment) and Commencement No. 3 and Saving Provision) Regulations 2022 (SSI 2022/23 (C. 2))

laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Act 2021 Commencement Regulations 2022 (SSI 2022/24 (C. 3))

laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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