

Thursday 13 May 2021

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## **Election of the Presiding Officer**

The Presiding Officer wishes to announce that the following Member has been nominated —

Nominee: Alison Johnstone MSP Proposer: Beatrice Wishart MSP Seconder: Ruth Maguire MSP

## **Today's Business**

The first meeting of the Parliament in Session 6 will take place today from 9.00 am for the purpose of Members' oath-taking and affirmations and then for the purpose of the election of the Presiding Officer.

Full details of today's business can be found in Today's Business section.

## **Election of the Presiding Officer**

Members will be able to submit nominations for Presiding Officer electronically to the Parliamentary Business Team. The period during which nominations may be submitted will be announced by the Presiding Officer and the meeting will be suspended during this period. Nominations may only be submitted during the nomination period.

The nominating Member should email the Parliamentary Business Team ([business.team@parliament.scot](mailto:business.team@parliament.scot)) from their parliamentary email address confirming the name of the nominee and the name of the Member who is seconding the nomination. The Parliamentary Business Team will email the nominee and the seconder in order to confirm that the information provided is correct.

Shortly after the end of the nomination period, the names of all nominees will be announced by the Presiding Officer over the public address system. The names of nominees will also be sent to all Members by email.

The Presiding Officer will reconvene the meeting 30 minutes after the end of the nomination period.

Members should note that the election of the Presiding Officer is held by secret ballot.

## **Presiding Officer and Deputy Presiding Officer elections: locations**

Temporary Standing Orders have been put in place for the purposes of the Presiding Officer and Deputy Presiding Officer elections that allow the current Presiding Officer to determine that, in addition to the Chamber, other areas of the building are locations where a meeting of the Parliament can be held. The Presiding Officer has determined these additional locations as the Chamber gallery and the Main Hall.

## **Parliamentary Questions and Motions**

Members may lodge parliamentary questions and motions after they have taken the oath or made the solemn affirmation. These should be lodged with the clerks of the Chamber Desk via the Q & M portal or emailed to the Chamber Desk email box:chamberdesk@parliament.scot

## **Office of the clerk dates to end of May 2021**

For the purposes of Rule 2.1.3 of the Standing Orders, the Presiding Officer has appointed the following days as days when the Office of the Clerk will be open – 13 May 2021 to 21 May 2021, excluding Saturdays and Sundays.

## **Today's Business**

### **Meeting of the Parliament**

**10:00 am** Members' Oaths and Affirmations  
**followed by** Election of the Presiding Officer

### **Committee Meetings**

There are no meetings today.

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## Contacts for Further Information

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