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16th Meeting 2023, Session 6

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*Maggie Chapman (North East Scotland) (Green)

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*Karen Adam (Banffshire and Buchan Coast) (SNP)

*Meghan Gallacher (Central Scotland) (Con)

*Fulton MacGregor (Coatbridge and Chryston) (SNP)

*Paul O’Kane (West Scotland) (Lab)

*Annie Wells (Glasgow) (Con)

*attended

LOCATION

The James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

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[The Convener opened the meeting at 09:45]

Interests

The Convener (Kaukab Stewart): Good morning, and welcome to the 16th meeting in 2023 of the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee. We have received no apologies this morning.

Agenda item 1 is to invite our new members, Meghan Gallacher and Annie Wells, to declare any relevant interests.

Meghan Gallacher (Central Scotland) (Con): Thank you for your warm welcome to the committee, convener. I have no declaration of interests to make now, but that could change in the future. If it does, I will alert you to that.

The Convener: Thank you. I call Annie Wells, please.

Annie Wells (Glasgow) (Con): I also thank you for the warm welcome, convener, and I look forward to working with you all. I have no interests to declare at this time.

The Convener: I thank you both. Once again, on behalf of the committee, I offer you the warmest of welcomes.

Decision on Taking Business in
Private

09:46

The Convener: Agenda item 2 is to decide whether to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private. Are we agreed to do so?

Members indicated agreement.

Subordinate Legislation

The Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) (No. 3) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/178)

09:46

The Convener: Agenda item 3 is consideration of a Scottish statutory instrument under the negative procedure. I refer members to paper 1. Do members have any comments to make on the instrument?

No member has indicated that they have comments to make. Are members content not to make any comment to Parliament on the instrument?

Members *indicated agreement.*

The Convener: That concludes our consideration of the SSI. We will move into private session to consider the remaining items on our agenda.

09:47

Meeting continued in private until 11:57.

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