

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee  
Tuesday, 18 June 2024  
20th Meeting, 2024 (Session 6)

## Post-legislative scrutiny of self-directed support

### Background

1. As part of its post-legislative scrutiny of the Social Care (Self-directed Support) (Scotland) Act 2013, the Committee agreed a two-phase process, with phase one focused on information gathering and phase two focused on developing recommendations for future implementation of the Act, informed by analysis of the evidence gathered during phase one:
  - Phase one to be undertaken between October 2023 – February 2024
  - Phase two to be undertaken March 2024 onwards
2. The Committee's [phase one report](#), published on 3 May 2024, sets out a number of areas for further scrutiny, namely:
  - Commissioning and tendering
  - Fair work and staffing
  - Local authority processes
  - Monitoring and transparency
  - National consistency

### Phase two

3. At its meeting on 30 April 2024, the Committee agreed to undertake phase two during June 2024 with four oral evidence sessions exploring:
  - implementation of SDS by Health and Social Care Partnerships and Local Authorities,
  - outcomes and actions set out in the [Self-directed support: improvement plan 2023 to 2027](#),
  - monitoring and evaluation of SDS, and
  - evidence from the Scottish Government.

## **Today's meeting**

4. During today's meeting, the Committee will explore what effective monitoring and evaluation looks like in relation to SDS and what key data may be required to help drive forward improvements in SDS implementation.
5. The panel comprises representatives from organisations involved in scrutinising SDS implementation, or working in the sphere of health and social care improvement in Scotland.

**Clerks to the Committee**  
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