



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting  
29 March 2022 at 12.00 pm  
Q1.03 and MS Teams

**Present:**

- Annabelle Ewing (Chair)
- Liam McArthur
- George Adam
- Neil Bibby\*
- Stephen Kerr
- Gillian Mackay

**Apologies:**

- Alison Johnstone
- David McGill
- Mark Brough

**Also attended:**

- Gordon MacDonald

**Officials present:**

- Jennifer Bell\*
- Polly Davidson\*
- Catherine Fergusson\*
- Gary Cocker
- Irene Fleming\*
- Gail Grant
- Rebecca Carradice
- Connor Duffy\*
- Jason Nairn\*
- Callum Thomson\*
- Tracey White

## Previous minutes

1. The minutes of 22 March 2022 were agreed.

## Business Programme

2. The Bureau agreed a revised programme of business for the week commencing 28 March 2022, and programmes of business for the weeks commencing 18 and 25 April 2022.
3. After the Minister declined requests from Stephen Kerr and Neil Bibby to include a statement from the First Minister on ferry procurement in the week's business, Stephen Kerr and Neil Bibby reserved their party's positions on the revised programme of business for w/c 28 March 2022.
4. The Bureau agreed that Members Business on Tuesday 19 April would be S6M-02795: Jeremy Balfour: Welcoming the Down Syndrome Bill; on Wednesday 20 April would be S6M-03367: Joe FitzPatrick: Sexism in Football, and on Thursday 21 April would be S6M-02902: Katy Clark: Keeping CalMac Public and Publicly-Owned Ferry Services.

## Timetabling of Bills

5. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Non-Domestic Rates (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 29 April 2022.
6. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 6 May 2022.
7. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Hunting with Dogs (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 30 September 2022.

## Approval of SSIs

8. The Bureau noted that, subject to the Social Justice and Security Committee recommending approval of the SSI at its meeting on Thursday 31 March, a motion to approve the Social Security (Up-Rating) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SSI 2022/Draft) would be taken in the Chamber on Thursday 31 March.

## Time for Reflection

9. The Bureau noted that, after Easter recess, Time for Reflection will be delivered in person with the option of contributors still being able to pre-record their contribution if that is their preference.
  
10. The Bureau also agreed for the Presiding Officer to finalise contributions to the programme for April-June 2022, including any adjustments due to contributor availability.

Catherine Fergusson  
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau  
29 March 2022