

The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

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Meeting of the Parliament

Tuesday 20 June 2017

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

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

- **1. Time for Reflection:** Mr Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow OBE, Founder and CEO, Mary's Meals, led Time for Reflection.
- **2. Business Motion:** Joe FitzPatrick, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-06229—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—
- (a) Tuesday 20 June 2017—

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.15 pm Decision Time

(b) Wednesday 21 June 2017—

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.20 pm Decision Time

and (c) Thursday 22 June 2017—

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

4.30 pm Decision Time

The motion was agreed to.

3. Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill: Joe FitzPatrick, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-06189—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill, debate on the group of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limit indicated, that time limit being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended (other than a suspension following the first division in the stage being called) or otherwise not in progress:

Group 1: 30 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

- **4. Oaths and Affirmations:** Jamie Halcro Johnston and Tom Mason took their oaths of allegiance before the Clerk.
- **5. Topical Questions:** Questions were answered by Cabinet Secretaries.
- **6. Ministerial Statement:** The Cabinet Secretary for Justice (Michael Matheson) made a statement and answered questions on Policing 2026.
- **7. Ministerial Statement:** The Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy and Connectivity (Fergus Ewing) made a statement and answered questions on Next Steps for the Crofting Commission.
- Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage
 3.

Amendment 1 was agreed to (without division).

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

- 1A (For 29, Against 86, Abstentions 0)
- 1B (For 30, Against 85, Abstentions 0)
- 1C (For 30, Against 87, Abstentions 0).

The Presiding Officer determined, under Rule 9.8.5BA, that, in his view, no provision of the Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill related to a protected subject-matter.

9. Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Constitution (Derek Mackay) moved S5M-06164—That the Parliament agrees that the Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 108, Against 11, Abstentions 0).

10. Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill – Financial Resolution: The Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Constitution (Derek Mackay) moved S5M-05202—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

- **11. Decision Time:** The Parliament took decisions on items 9 and 10 as noted above.
- 12. The Scottish Civic Trust, 50 Years of Protecting Scotland's Built Heritage: The Parliament debated S5M-05856 in the name of Linda Fabiani—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Civic Trust on its 50th anniversary; notes that the trust began in 1967 to respond to the destruction of buildings and townscapes around Scotland; acknowledges that it helped to save New Lanark from dereliction and assisted in developing a network of local civic trusts around Scotland; welcomes initiatives that it has established, including Doors Open Day and the My Place Awards; recognises that the trust has an ongoing commitment to save buildings and townscapes, keeping communities at the heart of its movement, and thanks all volunteers, past and present, for their sterling work.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

P E Grice Clerk of the Parliament 20 June 2017

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

Negative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 16 June 2017 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 (Prescribed Days) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/207) laid under section 42(3) of the Carers (Scotland) Act 2016

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 20 June 2017 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Building (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/214)

laid under section 54(4) of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003

Laid only instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 16 June 2017 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session 1994 and Sheriff Court Rules Amendment) (Regulation (EU) 2015/848) 2017 (SSI 2017/202) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 20 June 2017 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Act of Sederunt (Summary Application Rules 1999 Amendment) (Trafficking and Exploitation Orders) 2017 (SSI 2017/211) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Committee Reports

The following reports was published on 20 June 2017–

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 33rd Report 2017 (Session 5) Subordinate Legislation (SP Paper 177)

Health and Sport Committee, 10th Report, 2017 (Session 5): Subordinate Legislation (SP Paper 178)

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on the 16th June 2017 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Audit Scotland Annual Report and Accounts 2016/17: SP Paper 175 laid under section 25(6) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Civil Justice Council - Fourth Annual Report and Programme: SCJC/2017/01

laid under section 5(4) of the Scottish Civil Justice Council and Criminal Legal Assistance Act 2013

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on the 20th June 2017 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Enterprise Business Plan 2017–2018 Operating Year Update: SG/2017/89 laid before the Scottish Parliament at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power

Scottish Police Authority 2026: Serving a Changing Scotland – our 10 year strategy for policing in Scotland: SPA/2017/02 laid under section 34 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on the 19th June 2017 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Police Authority Annual Report of Policing 2016/17: SPA/2017/01 laid under section 39 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

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