The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. **Business Motion**: Joe FitzPatrick, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S4M-10095—that the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 21 May 2014—

   delete

   3.30 pm     Stage 1 Debate: Courts Reform (Scotland) Bill

   and insert

   3.30 pm     Debate on a Motion of No Confidence

   *followed by*     Stage 1 Debate: Courts Reform (Scotland) Bill

   delete

   5.30 pm     Decision Time

   and insert

   5.45 pm     Decision Time

The motion was agreed to.
2. **Portfolio Questions:** Questions on Commonwealth Games, Sport, Equalities and Pensioners’ Rights, and Training, Youth and Women’s Employment were answered by Cabinet Secretaries.

3. **General Questions:** Questions were answered by Cabinet Secretaries and Ministers.

4. **First Minister’s Questions:** Questions were answered by the First Minister (Alex Salmond).

5. **Motion of No Confidence:** Neil Findlay moved S4M-10088—That the Parliament has no confidence in the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Wellbeing as a result of his failure to disclose his involvement in the decision to reverse the planned closure of mental health services at Monklands Hospital.

After debate, the motion was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 57, Against 67, Abstentions 0).

6. **Courts Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Cabinet Secretary for Justice (Kenny MacAskill) moved S4M-10090—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

7. **Courts Reform (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution:** The Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Employment and Sustainable Growth (John Swinney) moved S4M-09375—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Courts Reform (Scotland) Bill, agrees to—

(a) any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(a) of the Parliament’s Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act,

(b) any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b) of the Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act, and

(c) any charge or payment in relation to which Rule 9.12.4 of the Standing Orders applies arising in consequence of the Act.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT) by division: For 70, Against 55, Abstentions 0).

8. **Business Motion:** Joe FitzPatrick, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S4M-10094—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Tuesday 27 May 2014

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)
Local Government and Regeneration Committee Debate: Inquiry into the Delivery of Regeneration in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members’ Business

Wednesday 28 May 2014

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions
Finance, Employment and Sustainable Growth

followed by Scottish Labour Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members’ Business

Thursday 29 May 2014

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister’s Questions

12.30 pm Members’ Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Ministerial Statement: Climate Ready Scotland, the Scottish Climate Change Adaptation Programme

followed by Scottish Government Debate: The Impact of Immigration Policy on Higher Education in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 3 June 2014

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Topical Questions (if selected)
followed by Scottish Government Business
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 4 June 2014

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2.00 pm Portfolio Questions
Rural Affairs and the Environment;
Justice and the Law Officers
followed by Scottish Government Business
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 5 June 2014

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
11.40 am General Questions
12.00 pm First Minister’s Questions
12.30 pm Members’ Business
2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Scottish Government Business
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time

The motion was agreed to.

9. Approval of SSI: Joe FitzPatrick, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S4M-10097—That the Parliament agrees that the Valuation and Rating (Exempted Classes) (Scotland) Order 2014 [draft] be approved.

S4M-10098—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government and Regeneration Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

S4M-10099—That the Parliament agrees that the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Legal Writings (Counterparts and Delivery) (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

10. **Decision Time:** The Parliament took decisions on items 5, 6, 7 and 9 as noted above.

11. **Scottish Learning Disability Awareness Week 2014:** The Parliament debated S4M-09911 in the name of Jackie Baillie—That the Parliament notes that 19 to 24 May 2014 is Scottish Learning Disability Awareness Week; understands that there are at least 120,000 people who have learning disabilities in Scotland and that, of that number, 26,000 adults and 16,000 children and young people are known to be receiving social care and educational support from local authorities; reflects on what it considers the significant progress made over the last few decades to improve access to education and employment for people who have learning disabilities and for them to live in their own communities as a result of the closure of long-stay institutions; is concerned that people with learning disabilities continue to experience significant health inequalities, have lower access to employment and education than the general population and continue to experience isolation, loneliness and bullying in their communities; acknowledges the role of family carers in supporting their loved one to live an independent life and their need in turn for access to peer support and respite opportunities; welcomes the publication in the summer of 2013 of The keys to life: Improving Quality of Life for People with Learning Disabilities, the Scottish Government’s 10-year strategy to improve the quality of life for people who have learning disabilities; recognises the work of the many organisations across Scotland that are providing innovative support and advocacy to people with learning disabilities and their family carers to overcome these challenges and co-produce support and services that empower people with learning disabilities to live the life that they want to live; congratulates in particular ENABLE Scotland on reaching its 60th anniversary in 2014, and notes calls for the voluntary and statutory sectors to continue to work in partnership with people who have learning disabilities to develop communities, attitudes and support that will enable people with learning disabilities throughout Scotland to access their human rights.

The meeting closed at 6.35 pm.

P E Grice
Clerk of the Parliament
21 May 2014
Appendix
(Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

Subordinate Legislation

Affirmative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 21 May 2014 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Revenue Scotland as Specified Authority) Order 2014 [draft]
laid under section 18(4) of the Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 21 May 2014 and is not subject to Parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Compendium of Investigation Reports and Report of Discontinued Investigations for May 2014 (SPSO/2014/05) —
Volume 1
Case 201203602: Lothian NHS Board - Acute Division
Case 201204510: Lothian NHS Board
Volumes 2 & 3
Annex: Report of Discontinued Investigations
laid under Sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

Committee Reports

The following reports are being published on 22 May 2014—

City of Edinburgh Council (Portobello Park) Bill Committee, 1st Report 2014 (Session 4): Consideration Stage Report (SP Paper 529)

Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment Committee, 4th Report, 2014 (Session 4): Subordinate legislation (SP Paper 531)