The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. **Time for Reflection:** Michele Morrison, Church Elder, Banchory West Church led Time for Reflection.


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

3. **Long Leases (Scotland) Bill - Stage 1:** The Minister for Environment and Climate Change (Stewart Stevenson) moved S4M-02682—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Long Leases (Scotland) Bill.

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

4. **Business Motion:** Bruce Crawford, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S4M-02691—That the Parliament agrees—

   (a) the following programme of business—

   Wednesday 2 May 2012
1.30 pm   Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
1.35 pm   Themed Question Time
           Finance, Employment and Sustainable Growth
2.15 pm   General Question Time
2.35 pm   First Minister’s Question Time
3.05 pm   Scottish Government Debate: National Performing Companies
followed by Public Body Consent Motion: Public Bodies (Abolition of the Advisory Committee on Hazardous Substances) Order 2012
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm   Decision Time
followed by Members’ Business

Wednesday 9 May 2012
2.30 pm   Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Scottish Government Business
followed by Business Motion
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm   Decision Time
followed by Members’ Business

Thursday 10 May 2012
9.15 am   Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Scottish Government Business
11.40 am   General Question Time
12.00 pm   First Minister’s Question Time
2.15 pm   Themed Question Time
           Justice and the Law Officers; Rural Affairs and the Environment
2.55 pm   Scottish Government Business
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
Decision Time

followed by

Members’ Business

(b) that the period for members to lodge questions for First Minister’s Question Time on 10 May 2012 ends at 12 noon on Thursday 3 May; and

(c) that the period for members to lodge questions for First Minister’s Question Time on 7 June 2012 ends at 2.00 pm on Thursday 31 May.

The motion was agreed to.

5. Business Motion: Bruce Crawford, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S4M-02692—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Agricultural Holdings (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 11 May 2012.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Substitution on Committee: Bruce Crawford, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S4M-02693—That the Parliament agrees that Jenny Marra be appointed to replace Anne McTaggart as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Equal Opportunities Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3 and 6 as noted above.

8. Allotments Regeneration Initiative in North Ayrshire: The Parliament debated S4M-01922 in the name of Kenneth Gibson—That the Parliament acknowledges that there are more than 500 community, therapeutic and allotment gardens throughout Scotland involving more than 12,500 people every year; encourages the introduction of the Green Gym scheme, which has so far been established in various areas throughout Scotland, including Kilbirnie in North Ayrshire; understands that planning permission has been granted for more than 70 community vegetable plots and 72 individual allotment plots in Kilbirnie for the Garnock Valley Allotment Association; considers that the Allotments Regeneration Initiative indicates that allotments allow local people not only to grow their own fruit and vegetables in a sustainable way but keep active, meet new people and improve mental health, and understands from similar projects in South Ayrshire that allotment gardening can contribute in many different areas including healthy eating, sustainable food supply, healthy activity, educational purposes and fostering community links and green spaces.

The meeting closed at 5.41 pm.

P E Grice
Clerk of the Parliament
25 April 2012
Appendix
(Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

Subordinate Legislation

Affirmative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 25 April 2012 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Official Statistics (Scotland) Amendment Order 2012 [draft]  
laid under section 65(6)(a) of the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007

Negative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 20 April 2012 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 (National Parks) (Consequential Provisions) Order 2012 (SSI 2012/117)  
laid under section 58(4) of the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006

Bankruptcy Fees etc. (Scotland) Regulations 2012 (SSI 2012/118)  
laid under section 72(1) of the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 1985

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 23 April 2012 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Food Additives (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 (SSI 2012/119)  
laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 25 April 2012 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Snares (Training) (Scotland) Order 2012 (SSI 2012/124)  
laid under section 26 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 20 April and is not subject to any Parliamentary procedure—

The Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Strategic Plan 2012-2016 (SPSO/2012/SP)—  
laid under section 17A of the Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc Act 2010

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 23 April and are not subject to any Parliamentary procedure—
The Adam Smith College Annual Accounts for the 12 months ended 31 July 2011 (SG/2012/74)—

The North Highland College Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2011 (SG/2012/75)—

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 25 April and is not subject to any Parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Compendium of Case Reports for April 2012 (SPSO/2012/04)—

Volume 1 of 3

Case 201004658: Lanarkshire NHS Board
Case 201101255: Greater Glasgow and Clyde NHS Board - Acute Services Division
Case 201004742: Highland NHS Board

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Case 201100109: Fife NHS Board
Case 201101426: Grampian NHS Board
Case 200904100: The Golden Jubilee National Hospital

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Annex: Report of Discontinued Investigations

laid under Sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

**Legislative Consent Memorandum**

The following memorandum was lodged on 25 April 2012

Fiona Hyslop: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Finance (No. 4) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM(S4) 9.1)

**Committee Reports**

The following reports were published on 25 April 2012—

Infrastructure and Capital Investment Committee, 5th Report, 2012 (Session 4): Public Bodies Consent: British Waterways Board and Inland Waterways Advisory Council (SP Paper 116)
Subordinate Legislation Committee, 21st Report 2012 (Session 4): Subordinate Legislation (SP Paper 117)

Subordinate Legislation Committee, 22nd Report 2012 (Session 4): Welfare Reform (Further Provision) (Scotland) Bill (SP Paper 118)