EDUCATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

3rd Meeting, 2014 (Session 4)

Tuesday 21 January 2014

Present:

George Adam
Colin Beattie
Neil Bibby (Deputy Convener)
Joan McAlpine
Liz Smith

Jayne Baxter
Marco Biagi (Committee Substitute)
Stewart Maxwell (Convener)
Liam McArthur

Also present: Mary Fee, Alex Johnstone, Mike MacKenzie

Apologies were received from Clare Adamson.

The meeting opened at 9.52 am.

1. **Children and Young People (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 4).


   The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—
   - 406 (For 7, Against 2, Abstentions 0)
   - 408 (For 7, Against 0, Abstentions 2)
   - 409 (For 7, Against 2, Abstentions 0)

   The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—
   - 254 (For 2, Against 6, Abstentions 0)
   - 255 (For 2, Against 6, Abstentions 0)
   - 82 (For 3, Against 4, Abstentions 0)
   - 256 (For 1, Against 6, Abstentions 0)
The following amendments were moved and, no member having objected, withdrawn: 433, 434 and 435.

The following amendments were not moved: 408A, 409A, 436, 437 and 438.

The following provisions were agreed to without amendment: sections 74, 76, 78, 79 and 80 and the long title.

The following provisions were agreed to as amended: sections 68, 69, 70, 71, 73 and 75, schedule 4 and section 77.

The Committee completed Stage 2 consideration of the Bill.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee considered the following negative instrument—

   Colleges of Further Education (Transfer and Closure) (Scotland) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/354).

   The Committee agreed to make no recommendations in relation to the instrument.

3. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed that its consideration of its work programme, correspondence on school closures and correspondence from the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee on its inquiry into the procedures for considering legislation, should be taken in private at future meetings.

The meeting closed at 11.59 am.

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