The meeting opened at 9.01 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take in private, at future meetings, consideration of (a) candidates for the post of adviser on scrutiny of the draft budget 2014-15, (b) a request to sponsor an event coinciding with Black History Month and African History Month, and (c) the Scottish Government's response to the Committee's *Where Gypsy/Travellers Live* report.

2. **Equality and Human Rights Commission:** The Committee considered recent correspondence about the Commission and agreed to write seeking a response, from the Commission, to the concerns raised.

3. **Gender pay gap information:** The Committee considered gender pay-gap information recently published under the Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) (Scotland) Regulations 2012 and agreed to consider the matter further following the Scottish Government's response to the Committee's forthcoming *Women and Work* report.

4. **Women and work (in private):** The Committee considered a revised draft report. Various changes were agreed to, and the report was agreed for publication.

The meeting closed at 10.36 am.