HEALTH AND SPORT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

33rd Meeting, 2015 (Session 4)

Tuesday 1 December 2015

Present:

Malcolm Chisholm  Rhoda Grant
Colin Keir  Richard Lyle
Mike MacKenzie  Duncan McNeil (Convener)
Nanette Milne  Dennis Robertson
Michael Russell (Committee Substitute)

Also present: Anne McTaggart

Apologies were received from Bob Doris (Deputy Convener).

The meeting opened at 9.47 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 5 in private.

   Michael Russell declared an interest in that he is a Professor in Scottish Culture and Governance at the University of Glasgow.

2. **Carers (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 2).

   The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68 and 69.

   The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—
   104 (For 4, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
   84 (For 4, Against 5, Abstentions 0)
   107 (For 4, Against 5, Abstentions 0)

   The following amendments were moved and, no member having objected,
withdrawn: 82 and 87.

The following amendments were not moved: 83, 105, 85, 106, 89, 90 and 91.

The following provisions were agreed to without amendment: sections 32, 33, 34, 35, 38, 39, 40 and 41 and the long title.

The following provisions were agreed to as amended: sections 28, 29, 30, 31, 36 and 37 and the schedule.

The Committee completed Stage 2 consideration of the Bill.

3. **Transplantation (Authorisation of Removal of Organs etc.) (Scotland) Bill:**
   The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

   Sally Johnson, Director of Organ Donation and Transplantation, Liz Waite, Specialist Nurse – Organ Donation, and Irene Young, Specialist Nurse – Organ Donation, NHS Blood and Transplant;

   Professor Alison Britton, Convener to the Society’s Health and Medical Law Committee, Law Society of Scotland;

   Lorna Marson, Vice President, British Transplantation Society.

4. **Transplantation (Authorisation of Removal of Organs etc.) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee considered the main themes arising from the oral evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

5. **Access to newly licensed medicines:** The Committee considered and agreed an approach.

The meeting closed at 12.42 pm.

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