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

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

   - Police Service of Scotland Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/35);
   - Police Service of Scotland (Promotion) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/39);
   - Police Service of Scotland (Special Constables) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/43).

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

3. **Policing:** The Committee considered and noted correspondence from the Chair of the Scottish Police Authority.

4. **Inquiry into the effectiveness of the provisions in the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003:** The Committee took evidence from—

   - Alex Middleton, Chief Executive Officer, Greenbelt Holdings Ltd;
Wendy Quinn, Solicitor, Greenbelt Group Ltd;
Kevin Wilkinson, Director, Ethical Maintenance;
Alison Brynes, Scottish Federation of Housing Associations;
David Doran, Director, Hacking and Paterson Management Services;
Jennifer Russell, Managing Director, Your Place Property Management.

Sandra White declared an interest as a recipient of factoring services provided by Hacking and Paterson Management Services.

5. **Public Bodies Consent:** The Committee considered its approach to the scrutiny of a Scottish Government memorandum relating to the Public Bodies (Abolition of Administrative Justice and Tribunals Council) Order 2013 (PBCM(S4) 7.1). The Committee agreed to write to the Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs seeking further information on the PBCM and to invite the Minister to give oral evidence at its next meeting.

The meeting closed at 12.55 pm.

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