The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. **Time for Reflection:** Imam Habibur Rahman, Dunfermline Central Mosque and Islamic Centre, led Time for Reflection.

2. **Topical Questions:** Questions were answered by a Cabinet Secretary.

3. **Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Bill:** The Minister for Children and Young People (Maree Todd) moved S5M-14704—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Bill.

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

4. **Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Bill – Financial Resolution:** The Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Economy and Fair Work (Derek Mackay) moved S5M-14567—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b) of the Parliament’s Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

   The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. **Motion Without Notice:** Graeme Dey, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that, under Rule 11.2.4, Decision Time be brought forward to 4.47 pm. The motion was agreed to.
6. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 3 and 4 as noted above.

7. Texas Instruments: The Parliament debated S5M-13551 in the name of Stuart McMillan—That the Parliament expresses its concern at reports that the Texas Instruments semi-conductor plant in Greenock is scheduled to close in 2019; notes the effect that this closure could have on the current employees and Inverclyde economy; further notes that a total of 572 positions would be affected with 318 direct jobs, 127 indirect jobs and 127 induced jobs; acknowledges that the Texas Instruments task force, which includes Inverclyde Council, the Scottish Government, parliamentarians, councillors and various public agencies, was established after the announcement, with an initial remit of trying to find a buyer for the plant and to safeguard as many jobs as possible; suggests that all avenues to date have sadly fallen through, and notes calls on everyone involved to redouble their efforts to find a resolution to try and assist the workforce, as well as the Inverclyde economy.

The meeting closed at 5.20 pm.

P E Grice
Clerk of the Parliament
13 November 2018
Appendix
(Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

Affirmative instruments

The following draft affirmative instrument was withdrawn on 9 November 2018—

Common Financial Tool (Scotland) Regulations 2018 [draft]

Negative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 12 November 2018 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Charities Accounts (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/344)
laid under section 28(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Diligence against Earnings (Variation) (Scotland) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/345)
laid under section 104 of the Debtors (Scotland) Act 1987

laid under section 254(1) of the Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act 2014

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 9 November 2018:

Education and Skills Committee, 5th Report, 2018 (Session 5): The Assigned Colleges (University of the Highland and Islands) Order 2018 (Draft) (SP Paper 417)

The following report was published on 12 November 2018—
Health and Sport Committee, 10th Report, 2018 (Session 5): Preventative Action and Public Health (SP Paper 412)

The following reports were published on 12 November 2018:

Education and Skills Committee, 5th Report, 2018 (Session 5): The Assigned Colleges (University of the Highland and Islands) Order 2018 (Draft) (SP Paper 417)

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee, 8th Report 2018 (Session 5) Legislative Consent Memorandum on the UK Agriculture Bill (SP Paper 418)

The following report was published on 13 November 2018:

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 54th Report 2018 (Session 5) Scottish Crown Estate Bill as amended at Stage 2 (SP Paper 420)

The following report is being published on 14 November 2018—
Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee, 7th Report, 2018 (Session 5): Confidentiality of reports from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards for Public Life in Scotland (SP Paper 419)

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 9 November 2018 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure-

VisitScotland Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2018 SG/2018/239 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 12 November 2018 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure-

Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh Annual Report and Consolidated Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2018 SG/2018/213 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000


Cairngorms National Park Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2017/18 SG/2018/242 laid under section 26(5) of the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000 and section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Annual Accounts and Report 2017/18 SG/2018/243 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Annual Report 2017/18 SG/2018/245 laid under Section 26(5) of the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Natural Heritage Annual Report and Accounts 2017/18 SG/2018/244 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 13 November 2018 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure-