JUSTICE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

20th Meeting, 2017 (Session 5)

Tuesday 30 May 2017

Present:

George Adam (Committee Substitute)  Mairi Evans
Mary Fee  John Finnie
Rona Mackay (Deputy Convener)  Ben Macpherson
Liam McArthur  Margaret Mitchell (Convener)
Oliver Mundell  Douglas Ross
Stewart Stevenson

Also present: Humza Yousaf, Minister for Transport and the Islands.

Apologies were received from Fulton MacGregor.

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. Declaration of interests: George Adam was invited to declare any relevant interests. Mr Adam had no interests to declare.


Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Scottish Government.

3. Subordinate legislation: Michael Matheson (Cabinet Secretary for Justice) moved—

S5M-05624—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2017 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to without debate or dissent.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee took evidence on the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 (Relevant Trafficking or Exploitation Offences and Relevant UK Orders) Regulations 2017 [draft] from—

   Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Scottish Government.

5. **Subordinate legislation:** Michael Matheson (Cabinet Secretary for Justice) to move—

   S5M-05625—that the Justice Committee recommends that the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 (Relevant Trafficking or Exploitation Offences and Relevant UK Orders) Regulations 2017 [draft] be approved.

   The motion was agreed to without debate or dissent.

6. **Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

   Clare Connelly, Faculty of Advocates;

   Lindsey McPhie, Past President, Glasgow Bar Association;

   Grazia Robertson, Member, Criminal Law Committee, Law Society of Scotland;

   Andrew Tickell, Lecturer in Law, Glasgow Caledonian University.

7. **Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2.

   The following amendments were a agreed to (without division): 1 and 2.

   The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

   - 3 (For 5, Against 6, Abstentions 0)
   - 4 (For 5, Against 6, Abstentions 0)
   - 5 (For 5, Against 6, Abstentions 0)
   - 6 (For 4, Against 7, Abstentions 0)
   - 10 (For 5, Against 6, Abstentions 0).

   The following amendments were not moved: 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

   The following provisions were agreed to without amendment: sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and the Long Title.

   Section 1 was agreed to as amended.

   The Committee completed Stage 2 consideration of the Bill.
8. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing**: The Committee noted a report back from the Convener of the Sub-Committee on the meeting held on 25 May 2017.

The meeting closed at 1.02 pm.

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