



## LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

29th Meeting, 2018 (Session 5)

Wednesday 31 October 2018

Present:

James Dornan (Convener)  
Kenneth Gibson  
Graham Simpson  
Andy Wightman

Annabelle Ewing  
Monica Lennon (Deputy Convener)  
Alexander Stewart

Also present: Jeremy Balfour, Claudia Beamish, Alex Cole-Hamilton, Mary Fee, John Finnie, Patrick Harvie, Lewis Macdonald, Alex Rowley, Mark Ruskell and Kevin Stewart (Minister for Local Government, Housing and Planning) (all at agenda item 2).

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Planning (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 5).

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 257, 307, 323A, 323, 259, 260, 261.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division):

306 (For 4, Against 3, Abstentions 0)  
208 (For 4, Against 3, Abstentions 0)  
258 (For 4, Against 3, Abstentions 0)  
1 (For 4, Against 3, Abstentions 0)  
22 (For 4, Against 3, Abstentions 0).

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division):

324 (For 3, Against 4, Abstentions 0)  
144 (For 3, Against 3, Abstentions 1; amendment disagreed to on casting vote)

165 (For 2, Against 5, Abstentions 0).

The following amendments were moved and, no member having objected, withdrawn: 318, 15, 164, 316.

The following amendments were not moved: 80, 141, 294, 331, 230, 142.

The following provisions were agreed to without amendment: section 15.

The following provisions were agreed to as amended: section 16.

The Committee ended consideration of the Bill for the day, amendment 316 having been disposed of.

Patrick Harvie declared an interest as a member of the Campaign for Real Ale and indicated that he is a member of the Cross-Party Group on Beer and Pubs.

Graham Simpson indicated that he is a member of the Cross-Party Group on Beer and Pubs.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee considered the following negative instrument—

The Private Landlord Registration (Information and Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/292).

The Committee agreed to make no recommendation in relation to the instrument.

4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny (in private):** The Committee considered and agreed a draft letter to the Scottish Government on its Pre-Budget Scrutiny.
5. **Fuel Poverty (Target, Definition and Strategy) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee further considered its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1 and agreed witnesses for its first oral evidence session.

The meeting closed at 12.46 pm.

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