



PUBLIC AUDIT AND POST-LEGISLATIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

30th Meeting, 2017 (Session 5)

Thursday 7 December 2017

The Committee will meet at 9.00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4).

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Major Capital Projects:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Major Capital Projects progress update from—

Peter Reekie, Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Investments, and Kerry Alexander, Investment Programmes Director, Scottish Futures Trust;

Eleanor Emberson, Director of Financial Strategy, Helen Carter, Infrastructure Investments Team Leader, and Alan Morrison, Capital Accounting And Policy Manager, Scottish Government;

Robert McBride, Project Manager, Rail Directorate, Transport Scotland.

3. **Major Capital Projects:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Graeme Greenhill, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.

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The papers for this meeting are as follows—

Item 2:

Note by the Clerk

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Introduction

1. The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's most recent 'Major Capital Projects update', which covers the six months ending September 2017. The update is available via this [link](#)¹.

Background

2. The Scottish Government provides biannual updates on major capital projects in response to recommendations contained within the Session 3 Public Audit Committee's report 'Major Capital Projects'². Upon receipt of a report, it is up to the Committee to decide what further action, if any, to take.
3. This is the third update provided this session. In November 2016 the Committee took oral evidence on the September 2016 update from the Scottish Government, Scottish Futures Trust and Transport Scotland officials³.
4. In June 2017, the Committee considered the March 2017 update and agreed to request that various pieces of new information be included in future reports⁴. As explained in the covering note for the latest update, not all of this information could be provided in time although officials are exploring how it could be included in the next report.

¹ http://www.parliament.scot/S5_Public_Audit/General%20Documents/Major_Capital_Projects_Progress_Update.pdf

² <http://archive.scottish.parliament.uk/s3/committees/publicAudit/reports-09/paur09-03.htm>

³ http://www.parliament.scot/S5_Public_Audit/Official_Report_24_November.pdf

⁴ <http://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/report.aspx?r=10990&mode=pdf>