



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

RURAL ECONOMY AND CONNECTIVITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

26th Meeting, 2018 (Session 5)

Wednesday 24 October 2018

Present:

Peter Chapman

Jamie Greene

John Mason

Gail Ross (Deputy Convener)

Colin Smyth

Maureen Watt

John Finnie

Richard Lyle

Edward Mountain (Convener)

Mike Rumbles

Stewart Stevenson

The meeting opened at 8.16 am.

1. **Salmon Farming in Scotland (in private):** The Committee considered a draft report.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 5 and future consideration of its approaches to the Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Scotland) Bill and the anticipated South of Scotland Enterprise (Scotland) Bill in private.
3. **Transport (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Martin Reid, Policy Director, Road Haulage Association;

Gavin Thomson, Air Pollution Campaigner at Friends of the Earth Scotland, Scottish Environment Link;

Tony Kenmuir, Treasurer and member of the Executive Committee, Scottish Taxi Federation;

Neil Greig, Policy and Research Director, IAM RoadSmart.

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

The Road Traffic (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (Falkirk Council) Designation Order 2018 (SSI 2018/279)

Parking Attendants (Wearing of Uniforms) (Falkirk Council Parking Area) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/280)

The Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (Falkirk Council) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/281)

The Plant Health (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Order 2018 (SSI 2018/283)

The Marketing of Ornamental Plant Propagating Material Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/284)

and agreed not to make any recommendations in relation to the instruments.

5. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny (in private):** The Committee considered a draft letter on its Pre-Budget Scrutiny.

The meeting closed at 11.41 am.

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