

Restricted – policy

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Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting 7 January 2020 at 12 noon

Present:

- Ken Macintosh (chair)
- Linda Fabiani
- Christine Grahame
- Graeme Dey
- Maurice Golden
- Rhoda Grant
- Patrick Harvie
- Willie Rennie

Observing:

- George Adam

Apologies:

- Elaine Smith

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Tracey White
- Irene Fleming
- Catherine Fergusson
- Lewis McNaughton
- Kathryn Stewart
- Joanne McNaughton
- Steven Bell

Previous minutes

1. The minutes of 17 December 2019 were agreed.

Matters arising

2. There were no matters arising.

Future business programme

3. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament a revised programme of business for the week commencing 6 January 2020 and a programme of business for the weeks commencing 13 and 20 January 2020.
4. The Bureau noted that Members' Business on Tuesday 14 January 2020 would be motion S5M-20270 Richard Lyle on The Showmen's Guild of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, on Wednesday 15 January 2020 (after Decision Time) would be motion S5M-20295 John Finnie on Celebrating Scotland's Wetlands on World Wetlands Day and on Thursday 16 January 2020 would be motion S5M-20261 Lewis Macdonald on Sustainable Development Goals in Scotland, On Target for 2030?.
5. The Bureau noted that a further nomination for Members' Business on Wednesday 15 January 2020 (at 1.15pm) would be made by the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party.

Timetabling of a Bill at Stage 1

6. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the deadline for consideration of the Children (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to Friday 27 March 2020.

Letter from the SPPA Committee: Equalities and Human Rights Committee Remit

7. The Bureau consider a letter from the SPPA Committee in relation to a request from the Equalities and Human Rights Committee for the permanent inclusion of human rights within its remit. The Bureau was broadly supportive of the request from the Equalities and Human Rights Committee and that it would write to the SPPA Committee accordingly.

Referral of a legislative consent memorandum

8. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the Finance and Constitution Committee be designated as lead committee for consideration of the legislative consent memorandum on the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill (UK Legislation).

Publication scheme

9. It was agreed that all papers considered at the meeting should be published.

Date of next meeting

10. The next meeting of the Bureau would be at 12 noon on Tuesday 14 January 2020.

Irene Fleming
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
7 January 2020