



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Restricted – policy

PB/S5/20/MINS/21

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting 9 June 2020 at 12 Noon

Present:

- Ken Macintosh (Chair)
- Linda Fabiani
- Christine Grahame
- Lewis Macdonald
- Graeme Dey
- Liz Smith
- Rhoda Grant
- Patrick Harvie*
- Willie Rennie

Observing:

- Elaine Smith*

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Tracey White
- Irene Fleming*
- Catherine Fergusson
- Neil Stewart
- Lewis McNaughton*
- Joanne McNaughton*
- Fergus Cochrane*
- Steven Bell*
- Gail Grant
- Jason Lloyd*
- Emma Cameron*
- Tim Ferguson*

* indicates attendance by videoconference

Previous minutes

1. The minutes of 2 June 2020 were agreed.

Future business programme

2. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament a revised programme of business for the week commencing 8 June 2020 and a programme of business for the weeks commencing 15 June 2020 and 22 June 2020.
3. The Bureau noted that, for Stage 3 of the Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill to take place on 23 June, a suspension of Standing Orders would be required due to the gap between Stages 2 and 3.

Approval of SSIs

4. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the following instruments be approved—
 - the Scottish Animal Welfare Commission Regulations 2020; and
 - the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 2020.

Referral of LCM

5. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the LCM on the Corporate Insolvency and Governance Bill. The Bureau noted that, due to compressed timescales for scrutiny, this motion would be taken at Decision Time on 9 June 2020.

Members' Bills

6. The Bureau considered options for referral of Members' Bills to committees.
7. The Bureau noted that the Conveners' Group had discussed its approach to Members' Bills at its meeting on 4 June and had been supportive of the Bureau reviewing its approach to referral of Members' Bills.
8. The Bureau agreed to refer Members Bills for consideration at stage 1 and to consult the relevant committees prior to consideration of Stage 1 deadlines.
9. The Bureau therefore agreed—
 - to recommend to the Parliament
 - that the Local Government and Communities Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Travelling Funfairs (Licensing) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1;
 - that the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1; and

- to refer other Bills for consideration at Stage 1 as follows
 - the European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill to the Local Government and Communities Committee;
 - the Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill to the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee;
 - the Post-mortem Examinations (Defence Time Limit) (Scotland) Bill to the Justice Committee;
 - the Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill to the Local Government and Communities Committee; and
 - the Culpable Homicide (Scotland) Bill to the Justice Committee.

Publication scheme

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

Date of next meeting

11. The next meeting of the Bureau would be at 12 noon on Tuesday 16 June 2020.

Catherine Fergusson
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
9 June 2020