



# The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

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## Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting 30 November 2021 at 12.00 pm Q1.03 / MS Teams

### Present:

- Alison Johnstone (chair)
- Annabelle Ewing\*
- Liam McArthur
- George Adam
- Neil Bibby
- Stephen Kerr
- Gillian Mackay

### Also attended:

- Gordon MacDonald

### Officials present:

- Mark Brough
- Rebecca Carradice
- Gary Cocker
- Polly Davidson\*
- Catherine Fergusson
- Irene Fleming\*
- Gail Grant\*
- David McGill
- Callum Thomson\*
- Tracey White

## Previous minutes

1. The minutes of 23 November 2021 were agreed.

## Matters arising

2. There were no matters arising.

## Business Programme

3. The Bureau agreed a revised programme of business for the week commencing 29 November, and programmes of business for the weeks commencing 6 and 13 December 2021.
4. The Bureau agreed that Members Business on Tuesday 7 December would be S6M-01820: Paul McLennan: 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence; on Wednesday 8 December, would be S6M-01675: Graham Simpson: East Kilbride Rail Line Dualling; and on Thursday 9 December would be S6M-02301: Fulton MacGregor: Human Rights Day 2021.
5. The Minister indicated that an additional statement could be included on Thursday 9 December. Stephen Kerr requested that the Scottish Government consider extending the statement on the Scottish Budget 2022/23 to two hours on that date, and the Minister said he would update Bureau at its next meeting on the Scottish Government's proposals for Thursday 9 December.

## Timetabling of Bills at Stage 1

5. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Coronavirus (Discretionary Compensation for Self-isolation) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 21 January 2022.
6. The Bureau also agreed to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Transvaginal Mesh Removal (Cost Reimbursement) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by Thursday 23 December 2021.

## Bill referral

7. The Bureau agreed to refer the draft proposal on the Right to Food (Scotland) Bill to the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee.

## Approval of SSIs

8. The Bureau noted that motions to approve the following SSIs would be lodged and taken in the Chamber on Wednesday 1 December:

- Eggs (Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/draft)
  - Scottish Dog Control Database Order (SSI 2021/draft)
9. The Bureau also noted that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Requirements) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 4) Regulations 2021 [draft] were laid on Monday 29 November, and that pending DPLR Committee consideration on Tuesday 30 November and Covid-19 Recovery Committee consideration on Thursday 2 December, a motion seeking the Parliament's approval of the draft Regulations would be lodged and taken on Thursday 2 December.

## Removal of Motions

10. The Bureau agreed that all motions lodged on or before 5 October 2021 be removed from the Business Bulletin.

## Committee membership

11. The Bureau agreed to propose to the Parliament the following change to Scottish National Party committee membership:

**Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee:** Elena Whitham to replace Paul McLennan.

## Office of the Clerk

12. The Bureau agreed to propose to the Parliament by motion that the Office of the Clerk be closed on Wednesday 29, Thursday 30 and Friday 31 December 2021. The Bureau also noted the deadlines for questions, motions and amendments over the Christmas recess.

Catherine Fergusson  
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau  
30 November 2021