



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting 9 May 2023
at 12:00 pm
Q1.03/MS Teams

Present:

- Alison Johnstone (Chair)
- Annabelle Ewing
- Gillian Mackay
- George Adam
- Alexander Burnett
- Martin Whitfield

Also attended:

- Rona Mackay

Officials present:

- Tracey White
- Catherine Fergusson
- Jo Hardy
- Rebecca Carradice
- Jason Nairn
- Jennifer Bell
- Callum Thomson
- Irene Fleming
- Samantha Currie
- Gail Grant

Apologies:

- Liam McArthur

Previous minutes and matters arising

1. The Bureau agreed the minutes of its meeting on Tuesday 2 May.

Business Programme

2. The Bureau considered a programme of business for the weeks commencing 8, 15 and 22 May 2023.
3. The Bureau agreed that Members' Business on Tuesday 16 May would be S6M-08590: Rhoda Grant: The Clearances Again, on Wednesday 17 May: S6M-07769: Evelyn Tweed: National Lyme Disease Awareness Month and on Thursday 18 May would be S6M-08721: Rona Mackay: Supporting Foster Carers in the Workplace with Fostering Friendly Employers Scheme.
4. The Bureau noted that it would be asked to consider an expedited timetable for an affirmative instrument in relation to refugees from Sudan at next week's Bureau.

Appointment of the Scottish Information Commissioner

5. The Bureau agreed to schedule consideration of the appointment of the Scottish Information Commissioner during the week commencing 26 June 2023.

Membership of European Bodies

6. The Bureau agreed to nominate Ben Macpherson as a full member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe and Neil Bibby as an alternate Member of the Committee of Regions Contact Group.

Removal of Motions

7. The Bureau agreed that the following motions be retained—
 - S6M-07973: Jackie Dunbar: VAT Burn Campaign
 - S6M-07769: Evelyn Tweed: National Lyme Disease Awareness Month
 - S6M-07928: Jackson Carlaw: East Renfrewshire Good Causes
 - S6M-08199: Murdo Fraser: Dewars Centre in Perth
 - S6M-06729: Colin Smyth: Justice for Fornethy House Survivors

Catherine Fergusson
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
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