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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting

28 October 2025

Present:

- Alison Johnstone (Chair)
- Graeme Dey
- Tim Eagle
- Martin Whitfield
- Willie Rennie
- Patrick Harvie

Also attended:

- Annabelle Ewing
- Rona Mackay

Apologies:

- Lorna Slater
- Liam McArthur

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Tracey White
- Irene Fleming
- Katy Orr
- Mark Brough
- Sigrid Robinson
- Joanna Hardy
- Jason Nairn
- Fran Iwanyckyj
- Jennifer Griffin
- Gail Grant
- Samantha Currie
- Ellen Wright

Agenda item 1 – Previous minutes and matters arising

1. The Bureau agreed the minutes of its meeting on 7 October.

Agenda item 2 – Business Programme

2. The Bureau agreed a revised programme of business for the week beginning 27 October and a programme of business for the weeks beginning 3 and 10 November.

3. Business Managers noted that Members' Business for the week commencing 3 November would be—

- Tuesday 4 November: Paul Sweeney: Dying in Poverty at the End of Life in Scotland 2025.
- Wednesday 5 November: Nicola Sturgeon: Scotland's Commitment to Global Climate Justice and Fair Climate Finance.
- Thursday 6 November: Audrey Nicoll: Protecting Scotland's Rivers.

Agenda item 3 – Referral of a Bill at Stage 1

4. Business Managers agreed to refer the Non-surgical Procedures and Functions of Medical Reviewers (Scotland) Bill to the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee for consideration at Stage 1.

Agenda item 4 – Timetabling of a Bill at Stage 1

5. Business Managers agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the deadline for consideration of the Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to Friday 14 November 2025.

Agenda item 5 – Approval of SSIs

6. Business Managers noted that motions to approve the following instruments would be lodged—

- The Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2025

- The Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Commons) Regulations 2025

- The Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Lords) Regulations 2025

- The Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Councillors) Regulations 2025.

- The Free-Range Poultrymeat Marketing Standards (Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025

- The Scottish Aggregates Tax (Administration) Regulations 2025 make provision for the administration and assurance of the Scottish Aggregates Tax.

- The Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act (Postponement of Tax Pending a Review or Appeal) Amendment Regulations 2025

- The Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act (Record Keeping) Amendment Regulations 2025

Agenda item 6 – Members' Business Debates

7. Business Managers discussed the allocation of Members' Business Debates and agreed to consider the matter further at the next meeting.

Item 7 – Referral of an LCM

8. Business Managers agreed to recommend to the Parliament by motion that Rule 9B.3.5 of Standing Orders be suspended for the purposes of consideration of the second supplementary LCM on the Planning and Infrastructure Bill.

Katy Orr
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
October 2025