



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting

19 May 2026

Present:

- Kenneth Gibson (Chair)
- Tom Arthur
- Max Bannerman
- Neil Bibby
- Lorna Slater
- Tim Eagle
- Willie Rennie

Also attended:

- Katy Clark
- Clare Adamson

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Callum Thomson
- Tracey White
- Irene Fleming
- Katy Orr
- Sigrid Robinson
- Stephen Imrie
- Katrina Venters
- Alex Bruce
- David Millett
- Kath Byrne
- Fran Iwanyckyj
- Jennifer Griffin
- Joanne Kendall
- Gail Grant
- Ellen Wright
- Matthew Linden

Agenda item 1 – Business Programme

1. The Bureau agreed to the programme of business for the week beginning 18 May and the week beginning 25 May.
2. The Presiding Officer set out his proposals for the parliamentary week.
3. The Bureau noted the process for selecting a First Minister on 19 May 2026.
4. The Bureau noted that the Presiding Officer would set dates for the Office of the Clerk to be open up to the end of May 2026, and that these would be notified in the Business Bulletin. The Bureau agreed to consider a paper on dates for the Office of the Clerk and recess dates beyond May 2026 at a future meeting.

Agenda item 2 – Elections to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

5. The Bureau noted that elections to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body are scheduled to take place on Thursday 21 May.
6. The Bureau considered the membership of the Corporate Body in Session 7 and agreed to bring forward a motion under rule 3.6.2 to vary the number of members of the Corporate Body to six.
7. The Bureau noted that the motion would be taken at Decision Time on Tuesday 19 May.

Agenda item 3 – Establishment of Committees

8. The Bureau considered a background paper on the establishment of Committees and agreed that a further paper would be considered at its next meeting.

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