



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting

22 September 2026

Present:

- Kenneth Gibson (Chair)
- Jamie Hepburn
- Claire Baker
- Max Bannerman
- Lorna Slater
- Tim Eagle
- Willie Rennie

Apologies

Also attended:

- Clare Adamson
- Katy Clark
- George Adam

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Callum Thomson
- Gavin King
- Irene Fleming
- Katy Orr
- Lucy Scharbert
- Katrina Venters
- Alex Bruce
- Kath Byrne
- Jennifer Griffin
- Sam Currie
- Gail Grant
- Kate Blackman
- Fran Iwanyckyj
- Matthew Linden
- Ellen Wright

Agenda item 1 – Previous minutes and matters arising

1. The Bureau agreed the minutes of its meeting on 15 September 2026.

Agenda item 2 – Business Programme

2. The Bureau agreed to the programme of business for the week beginning 21 September and the weeks beginning 28 September and 5 October.
3. The Bureau noted that Members' Business in the week beginning 21 September would be —
 - Tuesday 22 September: Steven Bonnar: Child Maintenance, Protecting Children and Families in Scotland
 - Wednesday 23 September: Jackie Baillie: Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
 - Thursday 24 September: Thomas Kerr: Results of the Independent Inquiry into White Working Class Educational Outcomes

Agenda item 3 – Scheduling of Members' Business

4. The Bureau discussed the forward programme for Members' Business and agreed to consider an alternative proposal for scheduling Members' Business at its next meeting.

Agenda item 4 – Removal of Motions from the Business Bulletin

5. The Bureau agreed to retain the following motions from the Business Bulletin:
 - S7M-00008 Emma Roddick – Capacity of Raigmore Hospital and Highland Healthcare
 - S7M-00179 David Barratt – The Lobular Moon Shot Project, Raising Awareness of Lobular Breast Cancer and the Lack of Research

Agenda item 5 – Approval of an SSI

6. The Bureau noted that a motion to approve the following instrument would be lodged —
 - The Visitor Levy (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026

Agenda item 6 – Correspondence from the Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

7. The Bureau considered correspondence from the EEAC Committee and agreed to approve the nominations of Patrick Harvie and Senga Beresford as observers to the UK-EU Parliamentary Partnership Assembly and Colin Beattie and Jenny Young as alternate observers.
8. The Bureau agreed to lodge a motion for the nomination of Pauline Stafford as the Parliament's full member of the Committee of the Regions UK Contact Group and David Green as the Parliament's alternate member.

Parliamentary Business Team
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