

**PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU: COMMITTEE REMITS**

1. Following the changes to ministerial roles and responsibilities, the Bureau agreed at its meeting on 18 April 2023 an approach to changing committee remits that was based on the principle of continuity, with committees maintaining responsibility for existing subjects and remits being changed accordingly.
2. Consideration has therefore been given to which committee remits may need to be changed and what those changes should be. The Bureau is now invited to consider the proposed remit changes set out in the annex to this note.

**Parliamentary Business Team**

**June 2023**

## TABLE OF REMIT CHANGES

	Current Remit	New Remit
<b>CEEAC</b>	<p>to consider and report on the following (and any additional matter added under Rule 6.1.5A)—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the Scottish Government’s EU and external affairs policy</li> <li>• policy in relation to the UK’s exit from the EU</li> <li>• the international activities of the Scottish Administration, including international development</li> <li>• any other matter falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, External Affairs and Culture and any matter relating to inter-governmental relations within the responsibility of the Deputy First Minister.</li> </ul>	<p>to consider and report on the following (and any additional matter added under Rule 6.1.5A)—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the Scottish Government’s EU and external affairs policy</li> <li>• policy in relation to the UK’s exit from the EU</li> <li>• the international activities of the Scottish Administration, including international development</li> <li>• any other matter falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, External Affairs and Culture and any matter relating to inter-governmental relations within the responsibility of the Deputy First Minister.</li> </ul> <p>Additional matter – matters falling within the responsibility of the Minister for Independence</p>
<b>CJ</b>	<p>To consider and report on matters relating to criminal justice falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans</b>, and functions of the Lord Advocate other than as head of the systems of criminal prosecution and investigation of deaths in Scotland.</p>	<p>To consider and report on matters relating to criminal justice falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs</b>, and functions of the Lord Advocate other than as head of the systems of criminal prosecution and investigation of deaths in Scotland.</p>
<b>EFW</b>	<p>To consider and report on matters relating to the <b>economy</b> falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy</b>.</p>	<p>To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy</b> with the exception of <b>matters relating to energy</b>; and on matters relating to</p>

		just transition within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Just Transition.
<b>ECYP</b>	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and matters relating to the <b>Historical Abuse Inquiry within the responsibility of the Deputy First Minister</b> .	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and matters relating to the Historical Abuse Inquiry <b>and redress</b> falling within the responsibility of the Deputy First Minister.
<b>EHRCJ</b>	To consider and report on the following (and any additional matter added under Rule 6.1.5A)— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• matters relating to equal opportunities and upon the observance of equal opportunities within the Parliament</li> <li>• human rights, including Convention rights (within the meaning of section 1 of the Human Rights Act 1998) and other human rights contained in any international convention, treaty or other international instrument ratified by the United Kingdom</li> <li>• matters relating to civil justice within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans</b></li> </ul>	To consider and report on the following (and any additional matter added under Rule 6.1.5A)— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• matters relating to equal opportunities and upon the observance of equal opportunities within the Parliament</li> <li>• human rights, including Convention rights (within the meaning of section 1 of the Human Rights Act 1998) and other human rights contained in any international convention, treaty or other international instrument ratified by the United Kingdom</li> <li>• matters relating to civil justice within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs</b></li> </ul>
<b>FPA</b>	To consider and report on the following (and any additional matter added under Rule 6.1.5A)— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any report or other document containing proposals for, or budgets of, public revenue or expenditure or proposals for the making of a Scottish rate resolution, taking into account any</li> </ul>	To consider and report on the following (and any additional matter added under Rule 6.1.5A)— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any report or other document containing proposals for, or budgets of, public revenue or expenditure or proposals for the making of a Scottish rate resolution, taking into account any</li> </ul>

	<p>report or recommendations concerning such documents made by any other committee with power to consider such documents or any part of them</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any report made by a committee setting out proposals concerning public revenue or expenditure</li> <li>• Budget Bills</li> <li>• any other matter relating to or affecting the revenue or expenditure of the Scottish Administration or other monies payable into or expenditure payable out of the Scottish Consolidated Fund</li> <li>• matters relating to public service reform and the National Performance Framework within the responsibilities of the Deputy First Minister and public administration.</li> </ul>	<p>report or recommendations concerning such documents made by any other committee with power to consider such documents or any part of them</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• any report made by a committee setting out proposals concerning public revenue or expenditure</li> <li>• Budget Bills</li> <li>• any other matter relating to or affecting the revenue or expenditure of the Scottish Administration or other monies payable into or expenditure payable out of the Scottish Consolidated Fund</li> <li>• matters relating to public service reform and the National Performance Framework within the responsibilities of the Deputy First Minister and public administration.</li> </ul>
<b>HSCS</b>	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care</b> and matters relating to <b>drugs policy</b> .	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care</b> and matters relating to <b>drugs and alcohol policy</b> .
<b>LGHP</b>	To consider and report on matters relating to <b>local government, housing and planning falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Housing and Local Government and the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy, and matters relating to the Local Government Boundary Commission and local governance review and democratic renewal within the responsibility of the Deputy First Minister.</b>	To consider and report on matters relating to <b>local government and planning falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and matters relating to housing and tenants' rights within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice</b> and matters relating to the Local Government Boundary Commission and local governance review and democratic renewal within the responsibility of the Deputy First Minister.

<b>NZET</b>	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the Cabinet Secretary for <b>Net Zero, Energy and Transport</b> , with the exception of matters relating to rural land use, wildlife crime and animal welfare.	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Just Transition</b> , with the exception of matters relating to just transition; on matters relating to land reform, natural resources and peatland, Scottish Land Commission; Crown Estate Scotland, and Royal Botanic Garden within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands</b> ; and on matters relating to energy within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy</b> .
<b>RAI</b>	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs and Islands</b> ; and on matters relating to rural land use, wildlife crime and animal welfare falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy and Transport</b> .	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands</b> , with the exception of matters relating to land reform, natural resources and peatland, <b>Scottish Land Commission, Crown Estate Scotland, and Royal Botanic Garden</b> .
<b>SJSS</b>	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Housing and Local Government</b> , excluding matters relating to local government, housing and planning.	To consider and report on matters falling within the responsibility of the <b>Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice</b> excluding matters relating to <b>housing and tenants' rights</b> .
<b>SPPA</b>	To consider and report on the following (and any additional matter added under Rule 6.1.5A)—  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the practice and procedures of the Parliament in relation to its business</li> <li>• whether a member's conduct is in accordance with these Rules and any Code of Conduct for</li> </ul>	To consider and report on the following (and any additional matter added under Rule 6.1.5A)—  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the practice and procedures of the Parliament in relation to its business</li> <li>• whether a member's conduct is in accordance with these Rules and any Code of Conduct for</li> </ul>

	<p>members, matters relating to members interests, and any other matters relating to the conduct of members in carrying out their Parliamentary duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• the adoption, amendment and application of any Code of Conduct for members</li><li>• matters relating to public appointments in Scotland</li><li>• matters relating to the regulation of lobbying</li><li>• matters relating to local government elections, Scottish general elections, implementation of the Referendums (Scotland) Act 2020 and Freedom of Information and open government falling within the responsibility of the Minister for Parliamentary Business.</li></ul>	<p>members, matters relating to members interests, and any other matters relating to the conduct of members in carrying out their Parliamentary duties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• the adoption, amendment and application of any Code of Conduct for members</li><li>• matters relating to public appointments in Scotland</li><li>• matters relating to the regulation of lobbying</li><li>• matters falling within the responsibility of the Minister for Parliamentary Business.</li></ul>
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