Parliamentary Bureau – Committee Membership and Substitutes

Committee membership

1. The Scottish Labour Party is seeking to make the following changes to committee memberships—

Committee	Membership Change(s)		
Citizen Participation and Public Petitions	Davy Russell to replace Foysol Choudhury		
Committee			
Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice	Rhoda Grant to replace Paul O'Kane		
Committee	•		
Social Justice and Social Security	Michael Marra to replace Paul O'Kane		
Committee			
Social Justice and Social Security	Carol Mochan to replace Mark Griffin		
Committee	·		

2. The Scottish Green Party is seeking to make the following changes to committee membership—

Committee	Membership Change(s)
Rural Affairs and Islands Committee	Ariane Burgess to replace Mark Ruskell

3. The Bureau has previously discussed the matter of gender balance on committees. These changes would result in the following changes to the gender balance of the relevant committees—

		Before changes			After changes				Change	
Committee	Total	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
CPPC	5	5	0	100%	0%	4	1	80%	20%	M-1; F+1
EHRCJC	7	2	5	29%	71%	1	6	14%	86%	M-1; F+1
SJSSC	8	5	3	63%	37%	4	4	50%	50%	M-1; F+1
RAIC	9	4	5	44%	56%	3	6	33%	76%	M-1; F+1

Committee substitutes

4. The Scottish Labour Party is also seeking to make the following changes to committee Substitutes—

Committee	Substitute Change(s)
Delegated Powers and Law Reform	Foysol Choudhury to replace Rhoda Grant
Committee	
Public Audit Committee	Michael Marra to be appointed
Rural Affairs and Islands Committee	Foysol Choudhury to replace Daniel Johnson
Social Justice and Social Security	Mark Griffin to replace Carol Mochan
Committee	
Standards, Procedures and Public	Rhoda Grant to be appointed
Appointments	

5. The Scottish Green Party is also seeking to make the following changes to committee Substitutes—

Committee	Substitute Change(s)
Rural Affairs and Islands Committee	Mark Ruskell to replace Ariane Burgess

Decision

6. The Bureau is invited to agree to lodge motions proposing these changes which will be taken at Decision Time on Tuesday 2 September, to take effect from that point forward.

Parliamentary Business Team August 2025