



The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 5, No. 79, Session 6

Meeting of the Parliament

Tuesday 10 February 2026

Note: (DT) signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. **Time for Reflection:** Kristers Lukins MSYP, led Time for Reflection.

2. **Revision to Business Programme:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-20746—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—

(a) Tuesday 10 February 2026—

delete

7.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.05 pm Decision Time

(b) Thursday 12 February 2026—

after

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice and Housing

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Sentencing and Penal Policy Commission

after

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Medical Training (Prioritisation) Bill – UK Legislation

insert

followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Motion: Amendments to the Scottish Parliament Salaries Scheme

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.05 pm Decision Time

The motion was agreed to.

3. Topical Questions: Questions were answered by Cabinet Secretaries.

4. Stage 3 Timetable: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-20723—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limits indicated, those time limits being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 3: 1 hour

Groups 4 and 5: 1 hour 40 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

5. Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bills: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 13, 15, 17, 19, 20, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 35 and 36.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

16 (For 93, Against 7, Abstentions 0)

26 (For 75, Against 26, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

1 (For 13, Against 82, Abstentions 0)

2 (For 14, Against 83, Abstentions 0)

14 (For 6, Against 91, Abstentions 0)

3 (For 20, Against 80, Abstentions 0)

18 (For 5, Against 96, Abstentions 0)

21 (For 20, Against 82, Abstentions 0)
22 (For 21, Against 80, Abstentions 0)
23 (For 21, Against 79, Abstentions 0)
24 (For 21, Against 79, Abstentions 0)
8 (For 13, Against 86, Abstentions 0)
9 (For 14, Against 85, Abstentions 0)
33 (For 21, Against 77, Abstentions 0)
34 (For 22, Against 77, Abstentions 0)
11 (For 15, Against 85, Abstentions 0).

The following amendments were not moved: 4, 5, 6, 7, 10 and 12.

6. Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill: The Minister for Public Finance (Ivan McKee) moved S6M-20717—That the Parliament agrees that the Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill be passed.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 103, Against 0, Abstentions 0).

7. Substitution on Committees: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-20747—That the Parliament agrees that Jamie Greene be appointed to replace Alex Cole-Hamilton as the Scottish Liberal Democrats substitute on the Education, Children and Young People Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Motion Without Notice: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved a motion without notice that, under Rule 11.2.4, Decision Time be brought forward to 4.41 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 6 and 7 as noted above.

10. Essential Role of Renewable Energy to Meet Net Zero Targets: The Parliament debated S6M-20100 in the name of Finlay Carson— That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the essential role of renewable energy in meeting Scotland's net zero targets; acknowledges what it considers is the significant growth of onshore wind farms, transmission infrastructure and energy storage developments across rural Scotland, including in Dumfries and Galloway; notes the reported concerns raised by local communities regarding the cumulative impact of large-scale developments on landscapes, biodiversity and rural economies; understands that many of these developments are advanced through planning mechanisms that limit local authority capacity and community input, including applications under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989; notes the belief that a balanced approach is needed that supports Scotland's climate ambitions while ensuring that rural communities are active partners in shaping the future of their regions; further notes the calls on the Scottish Government to publish a clear and inclusive national energy strategy that provides guidance on cumulative impact, community benefit and transmission

infrastructure, and notes the calls for reform of the planning system to strengthen transparency, local engagement and democratic accountability in energy infrastructure decisions, which ensures that all parts of Scotland benefit fairly and sustainably from the transition to net zero.

The meeting closed at 5.32 pm.

David McGill
Clerk of the Parliament
10 February 2026

Appendix
(Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 6 February 2026—

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee, 1st Report, 2026 (Session 6): Draft Climate Change Plan 2026-2040: scrutiny by the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee (SP Paper 991)

Finance and Public Administration Committee, 4th Report, 2026 (Session 6): The Scottish Aggregates Tax (Applicable Rate of Tax) Regulations 2026 [draft] (SP Paper 992)

Finance and Public Administration Committee, 5th Report, 2026 (Session 6): Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Co-ownership Authorised Contractual Schemes) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 [draft] (SP Paper 993)

Economy and Fair Work Committee, 2nd Report, 2026 (Session 6): Subordinate legislation considered by the Economy and Fair Work Committee on 4 February 2022 (SP Paper 994)

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee, 2nd Report, 2026 (Session 6): Report on visitor levy regulations considered on 3 February 2026 (SP Paper 995)

Social Justice and Social Security Committee, 1st Report, 2026 (Session 6): Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Act 2021 (Consequential and Supplementary Amendments) Regulations 2026 [draft] (SP Paper 996)

The following report was published on 9 February 2026—

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee, 5th Report, 2026 (Session 6): Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee report on the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Order 2026 [draft] (SP Paper 998)

The following report was published on 10 February 2026—

Social Justice and Social Security Committee, 2nd Report, 2026 (Session 6): Social Security (Residence and Presence Requirements) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 [draft] (SP Paper 999)

Subordinate Legislation

Affirmative Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 6 February 2026 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Local Taxation Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland (Composition and Rules of Procedure) (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 2026 [draft]

laid under section 79(2)(c) of the Tribunals (Scotland) Act 2014

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 9 February 2026 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Allocation of Functions to the Local Taxation Chamber) Regulations 2026 [draft]

laid under section 79(2)(a) of the Tribunals (Scotland) Act 2014

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 6 February 2026 and are subject to the negative procedure—

National Health Service (Common Staffing Method) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/54)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

Council Tax Reduction (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/56)

laid under section 113(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992

Water Environment (Shellfish Water Protected Areas: Designation) (Scotland) Order 2026 (SSI 2026/57)

laid under section 36(4) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003

Police Pension Scheme (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/58)

laid under section 24 of the Public Service Pensions Act 2013

Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Duty to Notify) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/60)

laid under section 38 of the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 9 February 2026 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Official Controls (Location of Border Control Posts) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/61)

laid under Article 144(2) of Regulation (EU) 2017/625

Education (Fees and Student Support) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/63)

laid under section 133(2) of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980 and section 1 of the Education (Fees and Awards) Act 1983

Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (Cancellation of Registration) Order 2026 (SSI 2026/64)
laid under section 104(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Laid Only Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 10 February 2026 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Act 2025 (Commencement No. 1 and Transitional Provision) Amendment Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/66 (C.3))
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 6 February 2026 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

The Water Environment (Shellfish Water Protected Areas: Designation) (Scotland) Order 2026 Maps (SG/2026/36) laid under section 5A(1) of The Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 9 February 2026 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Act 2019 – Report on the use of Section 28 - to take a child under 12 to a place of safety (SG/2026/16) laid under Section 32 of the Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Act 2019

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