



The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

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Meeting of the Parliament

Tuesday 13 January 2026

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

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. **Time for Reflection:** Rev Julie Moody, Minister, Milton of Campsie Parish Church, led Time for Reflection.
2. **Topical Questions:** Questions were answered by Cabinet Secretaries.
3. **Ministerial Statement:** The Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government (Shona Robison) made a statement and answered questions on Scottish Budget 2026-27.
4. **Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill:** The Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity (Jim Fairlie) moved S6M-20388—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. **Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill: Financial Resolution :** Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity (Jim Fairlie) moved S6M-20169—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule (a) 9.12.3 and (b) 9.12.3A of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Revision to Business Programme: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-20415—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for Thursday 15 January 2026—

after

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Climate Action and Energy, and Transport

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Additional Support for Learning Review

after

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill

insert

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 1st Report, 2026 (Session 6)

delete

4.10 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.30 pm Decision Time

The motion was agreed to.

6. Suspension of Standing Orders: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-20416—That the Parliament agrees, for the purposes of consideration of the second supplementary legislative consent memorandum on the Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill, Rules 9B.3.5 and 9B.3.6 of Standing Orders are suspended.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 87 (including 1 proxy vote), Against 1, Abstentions 25).

7. Designation of a Lead Committee: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Graeme Dey), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-20417—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Visitor Levy (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 4, 5, 6 and 7 as noted above.

9. Improving Support and Treatment for People Living with PKU in Scotland: The Parliament debated 20160 in the name of Fulton MacGregor— That the

Parliament recognises that phenylketonuria (PKU) is a rare, lifelong metabolic disorder in which the body is unable to process the amino acid phenylalanine, leading to a risk of severe and irreversible neurological damage without strict dietary management; acknowledges the significant daily burden placed on individuals and families living with PKU, including the need for constant monitoring and the exclusion of most everyday foods; notes the recent drop-in event hosted in the Scottish Parliament, which highlighted lived experience and current challenges in accessing treatment and support; further notes ongoing UK trials of a home blood phenylalanine monitoring device and the emerging treatment, sepiapterin, both of which offer the potential to improve quality of life; recognises the work of the National Society for Phenylketonuria (NSPKU) in advocating for improved care and access to treatment, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government and NHS Scotland to consider how services for people with PKU can be strengthened to support better long-term outcomes, including in the Coatbridge and Chryston constituency.

10. Motion without Notice: Fulton MacGregor moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by up to 30 minutes. The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.05 pm.

David McGill
Clerk of the Parliament
13 January 2026

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

Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 9 January 2026—

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee, 1st Report, 2026 (Session 6): Standing Order Rule changes - lodging deadlines for public bills (SP Paper 954)

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee, 1st Report, 2026 (Session 6): Subordinate Legislation: Draft Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Fruit and Vegetables) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SP Paper 955)

Subordinate Legislation

Affirmative Instruments

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

Conservation of Habitats and Species (Offshore Wind) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 [draft]
laid under section 294(4) of the Energy Act 2023

Visitor Levy (Scotland) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2026 [draft]
laid under section 14(9) of the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Act 2024

The following instrument was re-laid before the Parliament on 9 January 2026—

Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (Licensing of Non-surgical Procedures) Order 2026 [draft]
laid under sections 3A(3), 44(3) and 136(4)(b) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 12 January 2026 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Digital Waste Tracking (Scotland) Regulations 2026 [draft]
laid under section 160A(2) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 13 January 2026 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (Extension to Maritime Activities) Order 2026 [draft]
laid under paragraph 11 of schedule 3 of the Climate Change Act 2008

Laid Only Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 12 January 2026 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Education (Scotland) Act 2025 (Commencement No. 2, Transitional and Transitory Provisions) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/2 (C.1))
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 12 January 2026—

Gillian Martin, Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy:
Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-64b)

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 12 January 2026 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

National Records of Scotland: Public Records (Scotland) Act 2011 - Report by the Keeper of the Records of Scotland, 2024-2025 (SG/2026/12) laid under section 12 of the Public Records (Scotland) Act 2011

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 13 January 2026 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

In Fulfilment Of Section 3C(3) Of The Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 - Scottish carbon budgets (SG/2026/22) laid under section 3C(3) of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts – January 2026 (SFC/2026/1) laid under section 5(2) of the Scottish Fiscal Commission Act 2016

Scottish Budget: 2026-27 (SG/2026/13) laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government

Carbon Assessment of the 2026-2027 Budget (SG/2026/15) laid under section 94 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

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