



The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 1, No. 1, Session 6

Meeting of the Parliament

Thursday 13 May and Friday 14 May 2021

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

The meeting opened at 9.00 am on Thursday 13 May 2021.

1. Oaths and Affirmations: The following members took the oath of allegiance or made their solemn affirmation before the Clerk—

Oath

Douglas Ross
Anas Sarwar
Willie Rennie
George Adam
Clare Adamson
Alasdair James Allan
Jackie Baillie
Jeremy Ross Balfour
Colin Beattie
Miles Edward Frank Briggs
Alexander James Amherst Burnett of Leys
Donald Cameron
Jackson Carlaw
Willie Coffey
Angela Constance
Ashten Regan-Denham
Bob Doris
Finlay Hamilton Carson
Sharon Lesley Dowey
Annabelle Ewing

Affirmation

Nicola Ferguson Sturgeon
Patrick Harvie
Lorna Jane Slater
Karen Adam
Tom Arthur
Claire Baker
Neil James Bibby
Keith James Brown
Siobhian Brown
Ariane Burgess
Stephanie Callaghan
Maggie Chapman
Katy Clark
Alex Cole-Hamilton
Graeme James Dey
Natalie Don
James Dornan
Jackie Edith Elizabeth Dunbar
Pam Duncan-Glancy
James McGregor Fairlie

Fergus Stewart Ewing
Russell Findlay
Kate Forbes
Murdo MacKenzie Fraser
Meghan Gallacher
Maurice Charles Golden
Pam Gosal
Rhoda Grant
Jamie Gillan Greene
Ross John Greer
Mark Griffin
Jamie Halcro Johnston
Rachael Hamilton
Clare Haughey
Craig William Hoy
Dr Sandesh Gulhane
Liam Kerr
Stephen Kerr
Monica Lennon
Richard Leonard
Dean Lockhart
Douglas Aaron Lumsden
Fulton James MacGregor
Ruth Maguire
Michael James Marra
Michael Stephen Matheson
Màiri McAllan
Liam Scott McArthur
Paul Stewart McLennan
Marie Alexandra McNair
Pauline Mary McNeill
Edward Brian Stanford Mountain
Oliver Gordon Watson Mundell
Audrey Elizabeth Nicoll
Paul Francis O'Kane
Alex Rowley
Elizabeth Jane Smith
Colin Smyth
Alexander Stewart
Kevin Morrice Stewart
Paul John Sweeney
John Ramsay Swinney
David Torrance
Sue Webber
Annie Wells
Tess White
Brian Whittle
Humza Yousaf

Joe Martin FitzPatrick
Kenneth James Gibson
Jennifer Madeleine Gilruth
Mairi Gougeon
Christine Grahame
Neil Charles Gray
Emma Harper
James Douglas Hepburn
Fiona Jane Hyslop
Daniel Johnson
Alison Johnstone
Bill Kidd
Richard Lochhead
Gordon MacDonald
Gillian Audrey Mackay
Rona Mackay
Ben Macpherson
Gillian Anne Martin
John Mason
Ivan McKee
Christina McKelvie
Stuart McMillan
Jenni Minto
Sarah Herriot Boyack
Carol Ann Mochan
Angus Robertson
Shona Robison
Emma Roddick
Mark Ruskell
Graham Simpson
Shirley-Anne Somerville
Collette Stevenson
Kaukab Stewart
Michelle Thomson
Maree Todd
Evelyn Tweed
Mercedes Villalba
Martin David Whitfield
Elena Whitham
Beatrice Wishart
Foysol Choudhury

2. Election of Presiding Officer: Alison Johnstone was nominated as a candidate for appointment as Presiding Officer.

The result of voting was—

Yes	97
No	28
Abstentions	2
Spoilt papers	1

Alison Johnstone was duly elected as Presiding Officer.

3. Election of Deputy Presiding Officers: The following members were nominated as candidates for appointment as Deputy Presiding Officer—

Clare Adamson
Claire Baker
Jeremy Balfour
James Dornan
Annabelle Ewing
Rhoda Grant
Bill Kidd
Liam McArthur
Stuart McMillan
Edward Mountain

The result of the first round of voting was—

Clare Adamson	9
Claire Baker	13
Jeremy Balfour	10
James Dornan	7
Annabelle Ewing	35
Rhoda Grant	12
Bill Kidd	4
Liam McArthur	16
Stuart McMillan	5
Edward Mountain	13
Abstentions	1
Spoilt papers	1

Accordingly, Bill Kidd was eliminated and a second round of voting was held. The result of the second round of voting was—

Clare Adamson	5
Claire Baker	8
Jeremy Balfour	9
James Dornan	6
Annabelle Ewing	44
Rhoda Grant	11

Liam McArthur	22
Stuart McMillan	6
Edward Mountain	15
Abstentions	0
Spoilt papers	0

Accordingly, Clare Adamson was eliminated. James Dornan and Stuart McMillan withdrew. A third round of voting was held, the result of which was—

Claire Baker	9
Jeremy Balfour	6
Annabelle Ewing	58
Rhoda Grant	14
Liam McArthur	26
Edward Mountain	13
Abstentions	0
Spoilt papers	0

Accordingly, Jeremy Balfour was eliminated. Claire Baker and Edward Mountain withdrew. A fourth round of voting was held, the result of which was—

Annabelle Ewing	64
Rhoda Grant	16
Liam McArthur	44
Abstentions	1
Spoilt papers	0

Annabelle Ewing was duly elected as Deputy Presiding Officer.

After Bill Kidd withdrew, the candidates for appointment as the second Deputy Presiding Officer were—

Clare Adamson
 Claire Baker
 Jeremy Balfour
 James Dornan
 Rhoda Grant
 Liam McArthur
 Stuart McMillan
 Edward Mountain

The result of the first round of voting for the second Deputy Presiding Officer was—

Clare Adamson	10
Claire Baker	13
Jeremy Balfour	5
James Dornan	9
Rhoda Grant	10
Liam McArthur	45
Stuart McMillan	20

Edward Mountain	12
Abstentions	0
Spoilt papers	0

Accordingly, Jeremy Balfour was eliminated. Edward Mountain withdrew. A second round of voting was held for the second Deputy Presiding Officer, the result of which was—

Clare Adamson	7
Claire Baker	9
James Dornan	5
Rhoda Grant	9
Liam McArthur	74
Stuart McMillan	19
Abstentions	0
Spoilt papers	0

Liam McArthur was duly elected as Deputy Presiding Officer.

4. Urgent Question: An urgent question to ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the UK Government, and with Police Scotland, regarding the community response to attempted immigration enforcement action in Kenmure Street in Glasgow on 13 May was answered by the Cabinet Secretary for Justice (Humza Yousaf).

5. Urgent Question: An urgent question to ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the reported growing and widespread concern over the 2021 SQA examination, assessment and awards process, which has been described as an “unfolding debacle” by the author of the review into the 2020 SQA exam diet was answered by the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills (John Swinney).

6. Urgent Question: An urgent question to ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the COVID-19 situation in Moray and what additional support will be made available to residents and businesses was answered by the First Minister (Nicola Sturgeon).

The meeting closed at 4.47 pm on Friday 14 May 2021.

David McGill
Clerk of the Parliament
14 May 2021

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

Subordinate Legislation

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 13 May 2021 and are subject to the made affirmative procedure—

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 18) Amendment Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/168)
laid under paragraph 6(3) of schedule 19 of the Coronavirus Act 2020

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 8) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/179)
laid under section 122(6) and (7) of the Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 19) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/180)
laid under paragraph 6(3) of schedule 19 of the Coronavirus Act 2020

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel etc.) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/181)
laid under 122(6) and (7) of the Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 20) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/186)
laid under paragraph 6(3) of schedule 19 of the Coronavirus Act 2020

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 9) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/191)
laid under section 122(6) and (7) of the Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 21) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/193)
laid under paragraph 6(3) of schedule 19 of the Coronavirus Act 2020

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 22) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/202)
laid under paragraph 6(3) of schedule 19 of the Coronavirus Act 2020

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 10) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/204)
laid under section 122(6) and (7) of the Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 14 May 2021 and is subject to the made affirmative procedure—

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 11) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/208)
laid under section 122(6) and (7) of the Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 13 May 2021 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Milk and Healthy Snack Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/206)

laid under section 15A(2) of the Social Security Act 1988 and section 36 and paragraph 2 of schedule 4 of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Act 2020 (Championship Period and Transitory Provision etc.) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/207)

laid under section 32(3) of the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Act 2020

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 13 May 2021 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Coronavirus (Scotland) (No.2) Act 2020: Fifth report on the steps taken to ensure that the solemnisation of marriages and the registration of civil partnerships continues to be available, and on the number of marriages and civil partnerships that have taken place during the reporting period.

SG/2021/25 laid under paragraph 24 of schedule 1 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) (No.2) Act 2020

Scottish Local Government Finance Statistics 2019-20

SG/2021/88 laid under section 118 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973

Postal Voting Arrangements For The Scottish Parliament Election On 6 May 2021 SG/2021/94

laid under section 4 of the Scottish General Election (Coronavirus) Act 2021

Coronavirus (Scotland) (No.2) Act 2020: Fifth report on the Scottish Ministers' responses to requests for information under the Freedom of Information

(Scotland) Act 2002 SG/2021/97 laid under 12 of schedule 4 to the Coronavirus (Scotland) (No.2) Act 2020

Care Inspectorate: Fortnightly report to the Scottish Parliament on Care

Inspectorate inspections – 31 March 2021 SG/2021/110 laid under Section 53A of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Fortnightly report to the Scottish Parliament on Care

Inspectorate inspections – 14 April 2021 SG/2021/111 laid under Section 53A of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Fortnightly report to the Scottish Parliament on Care Inspectorate inspections – 28 April 2021 SG/2021/112 laid under Section 53A of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Fortnightly report to the Scottish Parliament on Care Inspectorate inspections – 12 May 2021 SG/2021/113 laid under Section 53A of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Scottish Legal Complaints Commission Budget 01 July 2021 – 30 June 2022 SLCC/2021/01 laid under section 29(10) of the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2007

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 14 May 2021 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 28 March 2021 SG/2021/115 laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 4 April 2021 SG/2021/116 laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 12 April 2021 SG/2021/117 laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 19 April 2021 SG/2021/118 laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 26 April 2021 SG/2021/119 laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 3 May 2021 SG/2021/120 laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 9 May 2021 SG/2021/121 laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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