

The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 2, No. 102, Session 6

Meeting of the Parliament

Thursday 4 May 2023

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

The meeting opened at 11.40 am.

1. General Questions: Questions were answered by Cabinet Secretaries and Ministers.

2. First Minister's Questions: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Humza Yousaf).

3. Firefighters' Memorial Day 2023: The Parliament debated S6M-08579 in the name of Bill Kidd—That the Parliament recognises 4 May as International Firefighters' Day (IFFD), which is also known as Firefighters' Memorial Day, and is an annual observance to honour the sacrifice of firefighters who have lost their lives in the line of duty; thanks firefighters serving communities across Scotland, including the crew at Knightswood Fire Station in Glasgow Anniesland, for their tremendous contribution in ensuring people's safety; acknowledges the courage and dedication of generations of firefighters; understands that the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service is the fourth largest serving firefighting force in the world; remembers and honours the firefighters who have sacrificed their lives in the line of duty; understands that a minute's silence will take place at 12 noon on 4 May 2023, on the forecourts of fire stations and other fire and rescue workplaces; notes the work of the Fire Brigades Union in its Red Plaque project and DECON campaign; further notes the view that all fire stations should have safe work practices, including full decontamination facilities, to ensure that firefighters and their families are not exposed to harmful particles; notes the classification by the World Health Organization's International Agency for Research on Cancer, in July 2022, of the occupational exposure of firefighters as carcinogenic to humans, which increases the likelihood of cancer, and notes the view that this classification has made health and safety measures even more important.

4. Motion without Notice: Bill Kidd moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by up to 30 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

5. Portfolio Questions: Questions on Net Zero and Just Transition were answered by a Cabinet Secretary and Ministers.

6. Moveable Transactions (Scotland) Bill (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

8 (For 89, Against 21, Abstentions 0) 18 (For 90, Against 22, Abstentions 0) 34 (For 88, Against 21, Abstentions 0)

7. Moveable Transactions (Scotland) Bill: The Minister for Community Wealth and Public Finance (Tom Arthur) moved S6M-08810—That the Parliament agrees that the Moveable Transactions (Scotland) Bill be passed.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 111, Against 0, Abstentions 0).

8. Motion without Notice: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that, under Rule 11.2.4, Decision Time be brought forward to 4.57 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took a decision on item 7 as noted above.

The meeting closed at 5.03 pm.

David McGill Clerk of the Parliament 4 May 2023

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

Subordinate Legislation

Laid Only Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 4 May 2023 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (Commencement No. 8) Order 2023 (SSI 2023/139 (C. 13))

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 4 May 2023 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Government: Report on Prisoner Voting in Scottish Devolved Elections, May 2023 (SG/2023/9) laid under section 6 of the Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Act 2020

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