



# The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 2, No. 31, Session 6

Meeting of the Parliament

Tuesday 4 October 2022

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

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

**1. Time for Reflection:** Dr Mary Njoki, PhD, Research Fellow at Stirling University and Social Worker, led Time for Reflection.

**2. Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam) moved S6M-06177—That the Parliament agrees that the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill be treated as an Emergency Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (by division: For 86, Against 28, Abstentions 0).

**3. Topical Questions:** Questions were answered by Ministers.

**4. Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill:** The Minister for Zero Carbon Buildings, Active Travel and Tenants' Rights (Patrick Harvie) moved S6M-06178—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (by division: For 88, Against 29, Abstentions 0).

**5. Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution :** The Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Covid Recovery (John Swinney) moved S6M-06179—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish

Parliament resulting from the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3A of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to.

**6. Ministerial Statement:** The Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care (Humza Yousaf) made a statement and answered questions on Health and Care Recovery and Winter Planning.

**7. Committee Announcement:** Daniel Johnson, on behalf of the Finance and Public Administration Committee, made an announcement on Report on the National Performance Framework: Ambitions into Action.

**8. Decision Time:** There were no decisions to take at Decision Time on the items noted above.

**9. Challenge Poverty Week 2022:** The Parliament debated S6M-05778 in the name of Elena Whitham—That the Parliament recognises Challenge Poverty Week 2022, which runs from 3 to 9 October; notes that activities, events and actions are taking place across Scotland aimed at highlighting the realities of, and solutions to, poverty, as well as increasing public support for tackling poverty; understands that over one million people in Scotland are living in poverty and that the cost of living crisis is pushing even more into hardship; notes the view that governments, politicians, civil society and communities all have a role to play in solving poverty; understands that particular groups of people, including low-paid women, lone parents, disabled people and people from black and minority ethnic backgrounds, are disproportionately more likely to experience poverty; notes the view that poverty in Scotland can and must be solved, by boosting incomes and reducing the cost of living; considers that people in Scotland believe in compassion and justice, and support action to end poverty, and celebrates the work undertaken by organisations and communities across Scotland to stem the rising tide of poverty.

The meeting closed at 7.12 pm.

**David McGill**  
Clerk of the Parliament  
4 October 2022

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

**Committee Reports**

The following report was published on 30 September 2022—

Economy and Fair Work Committee, 8th Report, 2022 (Session 6):  
Subordinate Legislation considered by the Economy and Fair Work  
Committee on 28 September 2022 (SP Paper 233)

The following report was published on 3 October 2022—

Finance and Public Administration Committee, 8th Report, 2022 (Session 6):  
Report on the National Performance Framework: Ambitions into Action (SP  
Paper 231)

The following report was published on 4 October 2022—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 48th Report, 2022 (Session  
6): Subordinate Legislation considered by the Delegated Powers and Law  
Reform Committee on 4 October 2022 (SP Paper 234)

**Other Documents**

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 30 September 2022 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Environmental Standards Scotland Strategic Plan - Accompanying Statement (ESS/2022/02)** laid under Schedule 2(2)4 of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 3 October 2022 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Strategic Plan 2022-2025 (SG/2022/176)** laid under Section 41B(11) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

**Scottish Housing Regulator - Annual Performance Report & Accounts 2021/22 (SG/2022/148)** laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**The Scottish National Investment Bank plc Annual Report and Accounts 2022 (SG/2022/180)** laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 4 October 2022 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Scottish Law Commission - Report on Aspects of Leases: Termination**  
**(SG/2022/184)** laid under Section 3(2) of the Law Commissions Act 1965

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