



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Conveners Group

Minutes

4th Meeting, 2025 (Session 6) 18 June 2025

Present:

Liam McArthur MSP, Convener
Karen Adam - Equalities, Human Rights & Civil Justice Committee
Clare Adamson – Constitution, Europe, External Affairs & Culture Committee
Ariane Burgess - Local Government, Housing & Planning Committee
Jackson Carlaw - Citizen Participation & Public Petitions Committee
Finlay Carson - Rural Affairs and Islands
Kenneth Gibson – Finance & Public Administration Committee
Clare Haughey - Health, Social Care & Sport Committee
Richard Leonard - Public Audit Committee
Edward Mountain - Net Zero, Energy & Transport Committee
Audrey Nicoll - Criminal Justice Committee
Douglas Ross - Education, Children and Young People Committee
Colin Smyth - Economy & Fair Work Committee
Collette Stevenson – Social Justice and Social Security Committee
Martin Whitfield - Standards, Procedures & Public Appointments Committee

Apologies were received from:

Stuart McMillan - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

1. **Minutes:** The Conveners Group agreed the minutes of the last meeting.
2. **Remote participation in committee proceedings:** The Group noted the correspondence to the Presiding Officer in relation to remote participation in committee proceedings.
3. **Annual Report:** The Group agreed its draft annual report for 2024/5.
4. **Draft Climate Change Plan:** The Group noted the correspondence from the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee.

5. **Co-ordination of Scottish Government business:** The Group noted the correspondence from the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee and agreed to reflect further on the issue its legacy report.
6. **Biannual meetings with the First Minister:** The Group noted the correspondence from the Convener of the Finance and Public Administration Committee and agreed to trial a new meeting format with the First Minister before the end of Session 6.
7. **Travel outside of the UK:** The Group approved the travel request from the Finance and Public Administration Committee to travel to Lithuania as part of its ongoing work in relation to pre-budget 2026-27 scrutiny and legacy work.

Date of Next Meeting: 24 September 2025

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