



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body (SPCB) meeting held on Thursday 1 June 2023 at 9.00am

Present:

- Alison Johnstone MSP (chair)
- Claire Baker MSP
- Jackson Carlaw MSP
- Maggie Chapman MSP
- Christine Grahame MSP

In attendance:

- David McGill
- Michelle Hegarty
- Becky Thomson
- Bob Mason
- Susan Duffy
- Jane McEwan
- Emma Armstrong
- Sally Coyne
- Alasdair MacCaluim
- Huw Williams
- Mark Brough
- Eric MacLeod
- Lisa Creamer
- Judith Proudfoot, Secretary

Previous minutes

1. The SPCB agreed the minute of the meeting held on 18 May 2023.

Matters arising

2. There were no matters arising.

Security – Paper 39

3. The SPCB previously approved the trial of a social media monitoring service that Members could opt into that would monitor potentially threatening content. A twelve-month trial of the service will be launched later in the month.
4. The SPCB also noted that advice and guidance on management of social media channels was available through the in-house IT and web teams.

Use of resources

5. The SPCB discussed the use of parliamentary funded broadcast material and agreed to consider further at a future meeting.

Gaelic Language Plan – Paper 40

6. The SPCB noted the outcome of a consultation exercise on the latest iteration of the Parliament's Gaelic Language Plan. The SPCB approved the new Plan and the Annual Report on the previous Plan to be submitted to Bòrd na Gàidhlig.

Officeholders: appointment of Accountable officer – Paper 41

7. The SPCB noted that the Chair of the Scottish Human Rights Commission, Ian Duddy, would be demitting office on 30 June. As there would be a vacancy for a period of more than 4 weeks in the position of Accountable Officer, a role currently undertaken by Mr Duddy, the SPCB agreed the appointment of Jan Savage, the current Executive Director, as Accountable Officer.

Officeholders

8. The SPCB discussed the general issue of the expansion in the number of officeholders ahead of a meeting with the Finance and Public Administration Committee.

Date of next meeting

9. The next meeting of the SPCB was scheduled for 15 June 2023.

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