

Minute of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body (SPCB) meeting held on Thursday 13 November 2025 at 9.00am

Present:

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

In attendance:

- David McGill, Clerk/Chief Executive
- Michelle Hegarty, Deputy Chief Executive
- Callum Thomson, John Paterson, Bill Ward
- · Kerry Twyman, Andrew Munro, Isla Kidd
- Heather MacLennan
- Allan Campbell
- Eric MacLeod
- Mark Brough
- Lisa Creamer
- Joanna Purves
- Lynn Russell, Head of Secretariat

Item 1: Previous meeting

1. The SPCB agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 30 October 2025.

Item 2: Matters arising

- 2. The following items were dealt with by correspondence since the meeting on 30 October 2025:
 - Paper 63: The SPCB approved the Procurement Report 2024-2025 for publication.
 - The SPCB noted a memo from the Director of People, Communications and Inclusion regarding the ongoing development of the Sexual Harassment Policy and supporting arrangements.

Item 3: Major project: Paper 60

3. The SPCB discussed a major project, as detailed in Paper 60, proposed for inclusion in the SPCB's 2026-27 budget bid.

Item 4: Budget 2026-27

4. The SPCB discussed indexation options for 2026-27, the proposed budget bid for 2026-27 and the indicative forecast for 2027-28. Following discussion, it was agreed that further analysis and options should be prepared for consideration at the next SPCB meeting.

Item 5: Officeholder budget bids 2026-27: Paper 61

5. The SPCB considered the officeholders' budget bids for 2026-27 and agreed to consider these bids further at its next meeting.

Item 6: Ethical Standards Commissioner welfare support: Paper 62

6. This item was deferred to a future meeting.

Item 7: Members Use of Parliament TV clips on social media – Draft Policy: Paper 59

7. This item was deferred to a future meeting.

Date of next meeting

8. The next meeting of the SPCB was scheduled for 20 November 2025.

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