



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

AGENDA

1st Meeting, 2016 (Session 4)

Tuesday 5 January 2016

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4).

1. **Business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 8 in private.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Community Justice Scotland as Specified Authority) Order 2016 [draft] from—

Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs, Ingrid Roberts, Community Justice Division, and Carolyn O'Malley, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** Paul Wheelhouse (Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs) to move—

S4M-14967—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Community Justice Scotland as Specified Authority) Order 2016 [draft] be approved.

4. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2016-17:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2016-17 from—

Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Neil Rennick, Director, Justice Directorate, Don McGillivray, Deputy Director, Safer Communities Directorate, and John Nicholson, Safer Communities Directorate, Scottish Government.

5. **Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Philip Lamont, Criminal

Justice Division, Patrick Down, Criminal Justice Division, Ian Fleming, Safer Communities Division, and Catherine Scott, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.

6. **Public petitions:** The Committee will consider the following petitions—

PE1280 by Dr Kenneth Faulds and Julie Love on fatal accident inquiries;

PE1370 by Dr Jim Swire, Professor Robert Black QC, Robert Forrester, Father Patrick Keegans and Iain McKie on Justice for Megrahi;

PE1479 by Andrew Muir on complaints about solicitors;

PE1501 by Stuart Graham on public inquiries into self-inflicted and accidental deaths following suspicious death investigations;

PE1510 by Jody Curtis on the closure of police, fire and non-emergency service centres north of Dundee;

PE1511 by Laura Ross on the decision made by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to close Inverness control room;

PE1567 by Donna O'Halloran on investigating unascertained deaths, suicides and fatal accidents in Scotland.

7. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—

Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Act 2005 (Commencement No. 8 and Consequential Provisions) Order 2015 (SSI 2015/397).

8. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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