Meeting of the Parliament
Tuesday 28 November 2017

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

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. **Time for Reflection:** The Most Reverend Leo Cushley, PhB STB SLL JCD, Archbishop and Metropolitan of St Andrews & Edinburgh, led Time for Reflection.

2. **Urgent Question:** An urgent question on the Scottish Government’s response to reports that councils are using their reserves to fund services was answered by the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Constitution (Derek Mackay).

3. **Ministerial Statement:** The Minister for Public Health and Sport (Aileen Campbell) made a statement and answered questions on Refreshing Scotland’s Alcohol and Drugs Strategies.

4. **Making Scotland Equally Safe:** The Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities (Angela Constance) moved S5M-09205—That the Parliament welcomes the global 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence; commends the many activists and organisations, both in Scotland and across the world, providing front-line support for survivors, raising awareness of the problem and working tirelessly to challenge the underlying attitudes and inequalities that perpetuate violence against women and girls; calls on men everywhere to stand shoulder to shoulder with women in sending a clear message that violence against women and girls is never acceptable; reaffirms its support for Equally Safe, Scotland’s strategy to prevent and eradicate all forms of violence against women and girls and welcomes the publication of the Equally Safe delivery plan, and agrees that it is for every individual, community and institution to stand up to abuse and harassment, hold perpetrators to account for their behaviour and work together to build a Scotland where everyone can live equally safe.
The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Business Motion: Joe Fitzpatrick, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-09243—That the Parliament agrees to the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 29 November 2017—

after

followed by Portfolio Questions Health and Sport

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Policing

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.30 pm Decision Time

The motion was agreed to.

6. Committee Membership: Joe Fitzpatrick, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S5M-09223—That the Parliament agrees that Claire Baker be appointed to replace Daniel Johnson as a member of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 4 and 6 as noted above.

8. World AIDS Day 2017: The Parliament debated S5M-08658 in the name of Annie Wells—That the Parliament notes that the 29th annual World AIDS Day is being marked on 1 December 2017; believes that this offers an important opportunity to remember the estimated 35 million people who have died from AIDS-related illnesses; recognises what it sees as Scotland’s role as a leader in HIV policy by ensuring access to new medicines and treatments to contribute to prevention options; further recognises that, in 2017, the country became the first in the UK to offer PrEP on the NHS; acknowledges the efforts to exceed the UNAIDS 90-90-90 goals to help Scotland contribute to the global mission to get to zero new infections; understands that there are over 6,000 people living with HIV in Scotland; notes with concern statistics suggested that two young people in the country are diagnosed with HIV every month; further notes the view that it is important to end HIV-related stigma by using Scotland’s HIV Anti-Stigma Strategy to ensure that everyone can access high-quality healthcare and support, and commends the work of HIV Scotland on what it sees as its work in promoting policy changes that are grounded in evidence and for using the experiences of people living with, or at risk of, HIV to help ensure that the voices of communities most stigmatised in society are heard.
The meeting closed at 5.44 pm.

P E Grice
Clerk of the Parliament
28 November 2017
**Appendix**

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

**Affirmative instruments**

The following draft affirmative instrument was withdrawn and subsequently re-laid before the Parliament on 28 November 2017—

Police Investigations and Review Commissioner (Application and Modification of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016) (Scotland) Order 2017 [draft]

laid under section 103(4)(a) of the Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2006

The timetable for consideration of this instrument remains unchanged

**Negative instruments**

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 24 November 2017 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Novel Foods (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/415)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990 and paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

**Laid only instruments**

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 24 November 2017 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session 1994 Amendment) (Sittings of the Court) 2017 (SSI 2017/414)

laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

**Committee Reports**

The following report is being published on 27 November 2017—

Health and Sport Committee 14th Report 2017 (Session 5): Sport for Everyone (SP Paper 236).

The following reports were published on 28 November 2017—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 56th Report 2017 (Session 5)

Subordinate Legislation considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee on 28 November 2017 (SP Paper 238)

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 57th Report 2017 (Session 5)

Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 (SP Paper 239)

The following reports was published on 29 November 2017—
Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee, 9th Report, 2017 (Session 5): Subordinate Legislation, (SP paper 237)

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 24 November 2017 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Legal Complaints Commission Annual Accounts Year ended 30 June 2017 SG/2017/226 laid under paragraph 15(2) of schedule 1 to the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2007 and section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Legal Complaints Commission Annual Report 2016-2017 SG/2017/225 laid under section 16(4) of Schedule 1 to the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2007

The Skills Development Scotland Co. Limited Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2017 SG/2017/266 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 27 November 2017 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

