



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

CULTURE, TOURISM, EUROPE AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

15th Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Thursday 16 May 2019

Present:

Annabelle Ewing
Kenneth Gibson
Ross Greer
Stuart McMillan
Alexander Stewart

Neil Findlay (Committee Substitute)
Jamie Greene
Joan McAlpine (Convener)
Tavish Scott

Also present: George Adam MSP

Apologies were received from Claire Baker (Deputy Convener).

The meeting opened at 9.04 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 4, and any consideration of draft annual reports at future meetings, in private.
2. **Local commercial radio:** The Committee took evidence from—

Glenn Preston, Director, Scotland, Tony Close, Director of Content Standards, Licensing and Enforcement, and Neil Stock, Head of Radio and Broadcast Licensing Policy, Ofcom;

Graham Bryce, Group Managing Director, Hits Radio Network, and Peter Davies, Project Manager, Bauer Media;

Adam Findlay, Head of Radio, DC Thomson Media.
3. **Annual report (in private):** The Committee considered and agreed a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2018 to 11 May 2019.
4. **Work programme — Appointment of an Adviser (in private):** The Committee agreed to consider the selection of an adviser in relation to its inquiry into Arts

Funding at a future meeting.

5. **Consideration of evidence heard (in private):** The Committee considered evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

The meeting closed at 11.26 am.

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