



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

**CULTURE, TOURISM, EUROPE AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**7th Meeting, 2017 (Session 5)**

**Thursday 23 February 2017**

Present:

Jackson Carlaw

Rachael Hamilton

Richard Lochhead

Joan McAlpine (Convener)

Tavish Scott

Ross Greer

Emma Harper

Lewis Macdonald (Deputy Convener)

Stuart McMillan

The meeting opened at 9.02 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 3 in private.
2. **Royal Charter for the continuance of the BBC and Agreement between Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport and the BBC:** The Committee took evidence from—
  - Lord Hall of Birkenhead, Director General, BBC;
  - Donalda MacKinnon, Director, BBC Scotland;
  - Ken MacQuarrie, Director, Nations and Regions, BBC;
  - Glenn Preston, Director Scotland, and Kevin Bakhurst, Group Director Content Policy, Ofcom.
3. **Royal Charter for the continuance of the BBC and Agreement between Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport and the BBC (in private):** The Committee considered the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee considered its work programme and agreed to request Chamber time from the Conveners Group to debate the Committee's reports on the EU referendum and its implications for Scotland.

The meeting closed at 11.23 am.

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