Present:

John Finnie                Liam Kerr
Bill Kidd (Committee Substitute)    Fulton MacGregor
Rona Mackay (Deputy Convener) Liam McArthur
Margaret Mitchell (Convener) Shona Robison

Apologies were received from Jenny Gilruth, James Kelly.

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
   
   Chloe Riddell, Policy Manager, Children 1st;
   
   Megan Farr, Policy Officer, Children and Young People’s Commissioner Scotland;
   
   Joanna Barrett, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, NSPCC Scotland;
   
   Fiona McMullen, Operations Manager, ASSIST;
   
   Dr Marsha Scott, Chief Executive, Scottish Women’s Aid.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee considered the following negative instrument—
   
   Firefighters’ Pension and Compensation Schemes (Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2019 (SSI 2019/382)
   
   The Committee agreed to make no recommendations in relation to the instrument.
3. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee reviewed the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

The meeting closed at 12.53 pm.

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