JUSTICE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

8th Meeting, 2020 (Session 5)

Tuesday 25 February 2020

Present:

John Finnie                James Kelly
Liam Kerr                  Fulton MacGregor
Rona Mackay (Deputy Convener)  Liam McArthur
Margaret Mitchell (Convener)  Shona Robison

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Children (Scotland) Bill**: The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

   Ash Denham, Minister for Community Safety, Simon Stockwell, Head of Family Law Unit, and Shona Spence, Looked after Children Team, Scottish Government.

2. **Secure care and prison places for children and young people in Scotland**: The Committee considered the Scottish Government's response to its report.

3. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing**: The Committee noted a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting held on 20 February 2020.

4. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private)**: The Committee reviewed the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

The meeting closed at 12.11 pm.