



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

6th Meeting, 2020 (Session 5)

Wednesday 19 February 2020

Present:

James Dornan (Convener)  
Annabelle Ewing  
Graham Simpson  
Andy Wightman

Sarah Boyack (Deputy Convener)  
Kenneth Gibson  
Alexander Stewart

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 3 in private.
2. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee took evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2020-21 from—

Councillor Gail Macgregor, Spokesperson for Resources, and Vicki Bibby, Head of Resources, COSLA;

Jim Boyle, Chair, CIPFA Scottish Directors of Finance Section;

David Robertson, Member, Society of Local Authority Chief Executives;

Aileen Campbell, Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Local Government, Kate Forbes, Cabinet Secretary for Finance, and Graham Owenson, Team Leader LG Finance, Local Taxation Policy & Business Rates, Scottish Government.

3. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21 (in private):** The Committee considered the evidence heard earlier in the meeting and agreed to write to the Scottish Government on issues raised during evidence.

The meeting closed at 12.48 pm.

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