



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

MINUTES

26th Meeting, 2020 (Session 5)

Wednesday 28 October 2020

Present:

James Dornan (Convener)
Keith Brown
Alexander Stewart
Andy Wightman

Sarah Boyack (Deputy Convener)
Gail Ross
Annie Wells

Also present: Monica Lennon (Member in charge of the Bill) and Aileen Campbell, Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Local Government

The meeting opened at 9.31 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee considered the following negative instrument—

The Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Commencement No. 5 and Saving, Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/294 (C.25)).

The Committee agreed to make no recommendations in relation to the instrument.

3. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 17, 18, 7, 19, 20 (as amended), 21, 15, 22, 23, 34, 24A, 24 (as amended), 25A, 25 (as amended), 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33.

The following amendment was agreed to (by division): 20A, (For 5, Against 1,

Abstentions 0)

The following amendment was moved and, no member having objected, withdrawn: 36.

The following amendments were not moved: 24B, 35.

The following provisions were agreed to as amended:

Section 1
Section 5
Section 6
Section 7
Section 10
Section 11

Section 12 and the long title were agreed to without amendment.

4. **European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee considered and agreed witnesses for Stage 1 of the Bill.

Under Rule 9.13A of Standing Orders, Andy Wightman, Member in charge of the Bill, took no part in this item of business.

5. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny (in private):** The Committee deferred consideration of a draft letter to the Scottish Government on the 2021-22 Scottish Budget to a later date.

The meeting closed at 11.46 am.

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