



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

PUBLIC AUDIT AND POST-LEGISLATIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

8th Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Thursday 14 March 2019

Present:

Colin Beattie
Willie Coffey
Jenny Marra (Convener)
Anas Sarwar

Bill Bowman
Liam Kerr (Deputy Convener)
Alex Neil

The meeting opened at 9.00 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee decided to take item 3 in private.
2. **Section 22 report - The 2017/18 audit of Scottish Social Services Council:** The Committee took evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "The 2017/18 audit of Scottish Social Services Council" from—

Lorraine Gray, Chief Executive, and Maree Allison, Director of Regulation, Scottish Social Services Council;

Paul Johnston, Director-General, Education, Communities and Justice, Colin Cook, Director Digital, and Michael Chalmers, Director for Children and Families, Scottish Government;

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Claire Sweeney, Audit Director, Performance and Best Value, Jillian Matthew, Senior Manager, and Gemma Diamond, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.

3. **Section 22 report - The 2017/18 audit of Scottish Social Services Council (in private):** The Committee considered the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and took further evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Claire Sweeney, Audit Director, Performance and Best Value, Jillian Matthew, Senior Manager, and Gemma Diamond, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.

The Committee agreed to write to the Permanent Secretary on certain issues that were raised in evidence.

The meeting closed at 11.27 am.

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