PUBLIC AUDIT AND POST-LEGISLATIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

9th Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Thursday 21 March 2019

Present:

Colin Beattie
Willie Coffey
Jenny Marra (Convener)
Anas Sarwar

Finlay Carson (Committee Substitute)
Liam Kerr (Deputy Convener)
Alex Neil

Also present: Christine Grahame

Apologies were received from Bill Bowman.

The meeting opened at 9.00 am.

1. **Declaration of interests**: Finlay Carson was invited to declare any relevant interests. Finlay Carson indicated he had no interests to declare. In relation to agenda item 4, Finlay Carson declared an interest as an owner of a small holding. He also indicated that he is a member of the National Farmers Union Scotland.

2. **Decision on taking business in private**: The Committee agreed to take item 5 in private.

3. **Decision on taking business in private**: The Committee agreed to consider a draft report on the Auditor General for Scotland's reports entitled "The 2016/17 audit of NHS Tayside and "The 2017/18 audit of NHS Tayside" in private at future meetings.

4. **Post-legislative scrutiny - Control of Dogs (Scotland) Act 2010**: The Committee took evidence from—

   Christine Grahame MSP;

   Ash Denham MSP, Minister for Community Safety, and Philip Lamont,
Criminal Justice Division, Scottish Government.

5. **Post-legislative scrutiny - Control of Dogs (Scotland) Act 2010 (in private):**
The Committee considered the evidence heard at agenda item 4.

The meeting closed at 10.53 am.

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