PUBLIC AUDIT AND POST-LEGISLATIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

3rd Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Thursday 24 January 2019

Present:

Colin Beattie
Willie Coffey
Jenny Marra (Convener)

Bill Bowman
Liam Kerr (Deputy Convener)
Alex Neil

Also present: Daniel Johnson

Apologies were received from Anas Sarwar.

The meeting opened at 9.00 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private**: The Committee agreed to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private.

2. **Section 22 report - The 2017/18 audit of Community Justice Scotland**: The Committee took evidence from—

   Paul Johnston, Director-General, Education, Communities and Justice, Neil Rennick, Director for Justice, and Donna Mackinnon, Deputy Director and Head of Community Justice Division, Scottish Government.

3. **Major Capital Projects**: The Committee took evidence from—

   Alyson Stafford, Director-General Finance, Rachel Gwyon, Deputy Director Infrastructure and Investment, and Alan Morrison, Capital Accounting and Policy Manager in Health, Finance and Infrastructure, Scottish Government;

   Bill Reeve, Director of Rail, and Michelle Rennie, Director of Major Transport Infrastructure Projects, Transport Scotland;

   Peter Reekie, Chief Executive, and Kerry Alexander, Investment
Programmes Director, Scottish Futures Trust.

4. **Section 22 report - The 2017/18 audit of Community Justice Scotland (in private):** The Committee considered the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and took further evidence from—

   Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

   Mark Roberts, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.

The Committee agreed to defer consideration of its next steps until it had received certain information from the Scottish Government.

5. **Major Capital Projects (in private):** The Committee considered the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and took further evidence from—

   Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

   Graeme Greenhill, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.


The meeting closed at 11.10 am.

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