



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

PUBLIC AUDIT AND POST-LEGISLATIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

7th Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Thursday 7 March 2019

Present:

Colin Beattie	Bill Bowman
Willie Coffey	Liam Kerr (Deputy Convener)
Jenny Marra (Convener)	Alex Neil
Anas Sarwar	

The meeting opened at 9.00 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Post-legislative scrutiny - Control of Dogs (Scotland) Act 2010:** The Committee took evidence from—

Jim Ferguson, Amenity Services Officer, Argyll and Bute Council;

Bill Gilchrist, Team Leader, Environmental Health, East Ayrshire Council;

Linda Gray, Assistant Manager Public Health (South), Neighbourhoods and Sustainability, Glasgow City Council;

Alastair Lee, Senior Environmental Health Officer, North Lanarkshire Council;

Kay Watson, Dog Control Officer, Fife Council;

Alan Murray, Chief Superintendent, Local Policing and Development Support, and John McKeag, Sergeant, Local Policing and Development Support, Police Scotland;

Anthony McGeehan, Head of Policy, and Fraser Gibson, Procurator Fiscal,

South Strathclyde, Dumfries and Galloway, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.

3. **Post-legislative scrutiny - Control of Dogs (Scotland) Act 2010 (in private):** The Committee considered the evidence heard at agenda item 2.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee considered its future scrutiny of the Auditor General for Scotland's reports entitled "The 2016/17 audit of the Scottish Police Authority" and "The 2017/18 audit of the Scottish Police Authority".

The Committee agreed to close its scrutiny of the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "Scotland's colleges 2018" and its post-legislative scrutiny of the biodiversity and biodiversity reporting duties.

The meeting closed at 11.29 am.

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