



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

PUBLIC AUDIT AND POST-LEGISLATIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

28th Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Thursday 5 December 2019

Present:

Colin Beattie	Bill Bowman
Willie Coffey	Liam Kerr (Deputy Convener)
Jenny Marra (Convener)	John Mason (Committee Substitute)

Apologies were received from Alex Neil, Anas Sarwar.

The meeting opened at 9.00 am.

- 1. Declaration of interests:** John Mason indicated that he is a member of the Chartered Institute of Accountants of Scotland.
- 2. Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 5 and 6 in private.
- 3. Post-legislative Scrutiny - The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee took evidence from—

Daren Fitzhenry, Scottish Information Commissioner;

Lorraine Currie, Freedom of Information Officer (Policy and Information), Scottish Information Commissioner.
- 4. Section 23 report - Scottish Public Pensions Agency: Update on management of PS project:** The Committee took evidence from—

Leslie Evans, Permanent Secretary, Alyson Stafford, Director-General, Scottish Exchequer, Gordon Wales, Chief Financial Officer, and Colin Cook, Director Digital, Scottish Government.
- 5. Section 23 report - Scottish Public Pensions Agency: Update on management of PS project:** The Committee considered the evidence heard at

agenda item 4 and took further evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Stephen Boyle, Audit Director, Audit Services, Audit Scotland.

The Committee agreed to consider a draft report on the issues arising from the Committee's scrutiny at a future meeting.

6. **Post-legislative Scrutiny - The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee considered the evidence heard at agenda item 3.

The meeting closed at 11.28 am.

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