RURAL ECONOMY AND CONNECTIVITY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

32nd Meeting, 2018 (Session 5)

Wednesday 5 December 2018

The Committee will meet at 9.00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2).

1. Decision on taking business in private: The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.

2. Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route: The Committee will take evidence from—

   Stephen Tarr, Managing Director, Major Projects Division, Balfour Beatty;
   Bill Hocking, Chief Executive Officer, Construction and Investments, Galliford Try;
   Brian Love, Director, Aberdeen Roads Ltd.

3. Transport update: The Committee will take evidence from—

   Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity, Bill Reeve, Director of Rail, Michelle Rennie, Director of Major Transport Infrastructure Projects, Graham Laidlaw, Head of Ferries, and Gary Cox, Head of Aviation, Scottish Government.

4. European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018: The Committee will consider proposals by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposals:

   Genetically Modified Organisms (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018
   The Common Agricultural Policy and Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018
   The Common Provisions (Implementing and Delegated Acts) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018
Zoonotic Disease Eradication and Control (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018

Agriculture (Zootechnics) (UK) (EU Exit) (Miscellaneous Amendments)

Veterinary Medicines and Animals and Animal Products (Examination of Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018

Farriers (Registration) and Animal Health (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

5. **Review of evidence:** The Committee will review the evidence heard during the meeting.

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The papers for this meeting are as follows—

**Agenda Item 2**

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**Agenda Item 3**

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**Agenda Item 4**

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