



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

RURAL ECONOMY AND CONNECTIVITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

6th Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Wednesday 20 February 2019

Present:

Peter Chapman

Jamie Greene

John Mason

Gail Ross (Deputy Convener)

Colin Smyth

Maureen Watt

John Finnie

Richard Lyle

Edward Mountain (Convener)

Mike Rumbles

Stewart Stevenson

Also present: Claudia Beamish MSP, Mark Ruskell MSP

The meeting opened at 8.31 am.

1. **Transport (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee considered a draft Stage 1 report.
2. **South of Scotland Enterprise Bill (in private):** The Committee considered a draft Stage 1 report.
3. **Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Neil Greig, Policy & Research Director, IAM RoadSmart;

Paul White, Deputy Director, Scotland, Confederation of Passenger Transport - Scotland;

Tony Kenmuir, Chairman, Scottish Taxi Federation;

Martin Reid, Policy Director (Scotland and Northern Ireland), Road Haulage Association;

Eric Bridgstock, Independent Road Safety Researcher, on behalf of the Alliance of British Drivers.

Stewart Stevenson declared an interest as a Member of the Institute of Advanced Motorists (IAM).

4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee considered the following negative instrument—

The Zootechnical Standards(Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/5)

and agreed not to make any recommendations in relation to the instrument.

Edward Mountain declared an interest as a partner in a farming business.

5. **Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee reviewed the evidence it heard on the Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Scotland) Bill at item 3.

The meeting closed at 12.30 pm.

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