



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## RURAL ECONOMY AND CONNECTIVITY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

22nd Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Wednesday 26 June 2019

Present:

Peter Chapman	John Finnie
Christine Grahame (Committee Substitute)	Jamie Greene
John Mason	Edward Mountain (Convener)
Gail Ross (Deputy Convener)	Mike Rumbles
Colin Smyth	Stewart Stevenson
Maureen Watt	

Also present: Jeremy Balfour, Murdo Fraser, Rachael Hamilton and Pauline McNeil (for item 3).

Apologies were received from Richard Lyle.

The meeting opened at 9.00 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee considered a proposal 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-

Food and Drink (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

The Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Market Measures and Notifications) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

The Common Agricultural Policy and Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Miscellaneous Amendments) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019.

The Committee agreed to write to the Scottish Government to confirm it is content for consent to be given in each case.

3. **Transport (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 4).

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 27 and 279.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

260 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 261 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 262 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 263 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 264 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 265 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 266 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 267 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 268 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 269 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 270 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 271 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 272 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 273 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 274 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 275 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 276 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 277 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 278 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 326 (For 5, Against 5, Abstentions 1; amendment agreed to on casting vote)  
 327 (For 5, Against 5, Abstentions 1; amendment agreed to on casting vote)  
 169 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)  
 280 (For 9, Against 1, Abstentions 1)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

316 (For 5, Against 6, Abstentions 0)  
 255 (For 4, Against 6, Abstentions 1)  
 256 (For 4, Against 6, Abstentions 1)  
 257 (For 4, Against 6, Abstentions 1)

The following amendments were moved, and, no member having objected, withdrawn: 259 and 321.

The following amendments were not moved: 268A, 319, 259, 320, 325, 322, 323, 324, 29, 252, 253, 254, and 317.

The following provisions were agreed to without amendment: sections 59, 60, 62, 63, 64, 66, 67, 68, 70 and 71.

The following provisions were agreed to as amended: sections 61, 65, and 69 and the schedule and the long title.

4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny (in private):** The Committee agreed its approach to Pre-Budget Scrutiny.
5. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee reviewed its work programme.

The meeting closed at 12.37 pm.

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