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JUSTICE COMMITTEE
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CONVENER

*Margaret Mitchell (Central Scotland) (Con)

DEPUTY CONVENER

*Rona Mackay (Strathkelvin and Bearsden) (SNP)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Mairi Evans (Angus North and Mearns) (SNP)

*Mary Fee (West Scotland) (Lab)

*John Finnie (Highlands and Islands) (Green)

*Fulton MacGregor (Coatbridge and Chryston) (SNP)

*Ben Macpherson (Edinburgh Northern and Leith) (SNP)

*Liam McArthur (Orkney Islands) (LD)

*Oliver Mundell (Dumfriesshire) (Con)

Douglas Ross (Highlands and Islands) (Con)

*Stewart Stevenson (Banffshire and Buchan Coast) (SNP)

*attended

CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE

Peter McGrath

LOCATION

The Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

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[The Convener opened the meeting at 11:00]

Decision on Taking Business in Private

The Convener (Margaret Mitchell): Good morning and welcome to the fourth meeting of the Justice Committee in 2016. We have apologies from Douglas Ross.

Agenda item 1 is a decision on whether to take in private item 3, which is consideration of an approach paper for our inquiry into the role of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service. Do we agree to take that item in private?

Members indicated agreement.

European Union Reporter

11:00

The Convener: Agenda item 2 is the appointment of a European Union reporter. I refer members to paper 1. Paragraph 4 of the paper outlines the role of the EU reporter. In addition, paragraph 5 outlines a proposed expanded role for the reporter in relation to reporting to the committee on issues that arise from the Brexit vote that are relevant to the committee's remit. If there are no comments on the paper, are there any nominations for a reporter?

Oliver Mundell (Dumfriesshire) (Con): Yes. I nominate Mary Fee.

The Convener: Mary Fee has been nominated. Are we all agreed that she should be the Justice Committee's EU reporter?

Members indicated agreement.

The Convener: Thank you very much.

Item 3 concerns our inquiry into the role of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service. We now move into private.

11:01

Meeting continued in private until 11:28.

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