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SOCIAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

11th Meeting 2017, Session 5

CONVENER

*Sandra White (Glasgow Kelvin) (SNP)

DEPUTY CONVENER

*Pauline McNeill (Glasgow) (Lab)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*George Adam (Paisley) (SNP)

Mark Griffin (Central Scotland) (Lab)

*Alison Johnstone (Lothian) (Green)

*Gordon Lindhurst (Lothian) (Con)

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

*Ruth Maguire (Cunninghame South) (SNP)

*Adam Tomkins (Glasgow) (Con)

*attended

THE FOLLOWING ALSO PARTICIPATED:

Richard Leonard (Central Scotland) (Lab) (Committee Substitute)

CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE

Simon Watkins

LOCATION

The David Livingstone Room (CR6)

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[The Convener opened the meeting at 09:31]

**Decision on Taking Business in
Private**

The Convener (Sandra White): Good morning, everyone, and welcome to the 11th meeting in 2017 of the Social Security Committee. I remind everyone to turn off their mobile phones and other devices, or set them to silent mode, so that they do not disrupt the meeting. Apologies have been received from Mark Griffin, and Richard Leonard is here to substitute for Mark. Thank you for that, Richard.

Agenda item 1 is a decision on taking business in private. Do members agree to take agenda items 4, 5 and 6 in private?

Members indicated agreement.

**Public Audit and Post-legislative
Scrutiny Committee
(Correspondence)**

09:32

The Convener: Agenda item 2 is to consider correspondence from the Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee, which has asked all committees for examples of any major recurring themes that have arisen during committee scrutiny. One theme that we have discussed and that the committee could suggest is the need for the Scottish and United Kingdom Governments to work closely together to deliver devolved social security. Do members agree to respond to the audit committee on those lines?

Members indicated agreement.

The Convener: We now move into private session for agenda item 3, which is on the Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill.

09:32

Meeting continued in private until 11:14.

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