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10th Meeting 2018, Session 5

CONVENER

*Clare Haughey (Rutherglen) (SNP)

DEPUTY CONVENER

*Patrick Harvie (Glasgow) (Green)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Tom Arthur (Renfrewshire South) (SNP)

*Jamie Halcro Johnston (Highlands and Islands) (Con)

*Tom Mason (North East Scotland) (Con)

*Elaine Smith (Central Scotland) (Lab)

*David Torrance (Kirkcaldy) (SNP)

*attended

CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE

Katy Orr

LOCATION

The James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

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[The Convener opened the meeting at 10:00]

Interests

The Convener (Clare Haughey): Good morning. I welcome members to the 10th meeting in 2018 of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee.

Under agenda item 1 we welcome our new member, Tom Mason. He joins us to replace Alexander Stewart, whom I thank for all his hard work on the committee. I ask Tom to declare any relevant interests.

Tom Mason (North East Scotland) (Con): Thank you, convener. I declare that I am a councillor on Aberdeen City Council and that my salary from that is donated to two Aberdeen charities. I am also a senior partner with the Beel partnership, a firm that provides market and corporate advice.

In addition to my home in Aberdeen, I own a share in a small cottage—more a shack—in the Highlands and Islands local authority area.

I am also a member of the certification board of Accura, which is a food inspection and certification company.

The Convener: Thank you, Tom.

Decisions on Taking Business in Private

10:01

The Convener: Under agenda item 2, we will decide whether to take item 4 in private. Do members agree to that?

Members indicated agreement.

The Convener: Under agenda item 3, we will decide whether to take in private at future meetings consideration of a report from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland, and our own draft report on the complaint. Do members agree to that?

Members indicated agreement.

The Convener: We now move into private session.

10:01

Meeting continued in private until 11:36.

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