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DELEGATED POWERS AND LAW REFORM COMMITTEE

21st Meeting 2019, Session 5

CONVENER

*Graham Simpson (Central Scotland) (Con)

DEPUTY CONVENER

*Stuart McMillan (Greenock and Inverclyde) (SNP)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Tom Arthur (Renfrewshire South) (SNP)

*Mary Fee (West Scotland) (Lab)

Alison Harris (Central Scotland) (Con)

*attended

THE FOLLOWING ALSO PARTICIPATED:

Bill Bowman (North East Scotland) (Con) (Committee Substitute)

CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE

Andrew Proudfoot

LOCATION

The Adam Smith Room (CR5)

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[The Convener opened the meeting at 10:00]

Decision on Taking Business in Private

The Convener (Graham Simpson): I welcome everyone to the 21st meeting in 2019 of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee. We have apologies from Alison Harris; Bill Bowman is taking her place today.

Under agenda item 1, it is proposed that the committee takes items 5, 6 and 7—consideration of the delegated powers provisions in the Management of Offenders (Scotland) Bill, the Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill and the Referendums (Scotland) Bill—in private. Do members agree to that?

Members indicated agreement.

European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018: Instrument Procedure and Category

Common Agricultural Policy (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment) (No 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/209)

10:00

The Convener: Agenda item 2 is consideration of a Scottish statutory instrument that has been laid under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018. We are considering the scrutiny procedure under which it has been laid and the categorisation that the Scottish Government has applied.

SSI 2019/209 has been laid under the negative procedure and has been categorised as being of low significance. It updates the Rural Development (Scotland) Regulations 2015 (SSI 2015/192) to allow the funding of legacy schemes under the Scotland rural development programme 2007 to 2013 to continue. Further amendments correct deficiencies in European Union-derived legislation that arise from the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the EU.

Our advisers indicate that the scrutiny procedure and categorisation could be appropriate. Is the committee content that the appropriate scrutiny procedure and categorisation have been applied?

Members indicated agreement.

Instruments subject to Negative Procedure

10:01

The Convener: Agenda item 3 is consideration of four negative instruments, on which no points have been raised.

Common Agricultural Policy (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment) (No 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/209)

Building (Scotland) Amendment Regulations (SSI 2019/210)

University of the West of Scotland Order of Council 2019 (SSI 2019/212)

Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh (Scotland) Amendment Order of Council 2019 (SSI 2019/213)

The Convener: Is the committee content with the instruments?

Members *indicated agreement.*

Instrument not subject to Parliamentary Procedure

Historical Sexual Offences (Pardons and Disregards) (Scotland) Act 2018 (Commencement) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/205 (C 7))

10:01

The Convener: Agenda item 4 is consideration of an instrument that is not subject to parliamentary procedure, on which no points have been raised.

Is the committee content with the instrument?

Members *indicated agreement.*

10:02

Meeting continued in private until 10:53.

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