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CONVENER

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*Ruth Maguire (Cunninghame South) (SNP)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Emma Roddick (Highlands and Islands) (SNP)
*Sue Webber (Lothian) (Con)
*Annie Wells (Glasgow) (Con)

*attended

CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE

Catherine Fergusson

LOCATION

The David Livingstone Room (CR6)

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[The Convener opened the meeting at 09:30]

Decision on Taking Business in Private

The Convener (Martin Whitfield): Good morning, and welcome to the first meeting in 2026 of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee. Agenda items 2, 3 and 4 relate to consideration of standing orders rule changes, a temporary standing orders rule change and a consultation on proposed changes to the rules on cross-party groups. Under agenda item 1, do we agree to consider items 2, 3 and 4 in private?

Members *indicated agreement.*

The Convener: Excellent. I now close the public part of this meeting.

09:30

Meeting continued in private until 10:19.

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