

# **JUSTICE 1 COMMITTEE**

Tuesday 12 March 2002  
(*Afternoon*)

Session 1

£5.00

© Parliamentary copyright. Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body 2002.

Applications for reproduction should be made in writing to the Copyright Unit,  
Her Majesty's Stationery Office, St Clements House, 2-16 Colegate, Norwich NR3 1BQ  
Fax 01603 723000, which is administering the copyright on behalf of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate  
Body.

Produced and published in Scotland on behalf of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body by The  
Stationery Office Ltd.

Her Majesty's Stationery Office is independent of and separate from the company now  
trading as The Stationery Office Ltd, which is responsible for printing and publishing  
Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body publications.

---

# CONTENTS

**Tuesday 12 March 2002**

**Col.**

<b>ITEM IN PRIVATE.....</b>	<b>3357</b>
-----------------------------	-------------

---

## **JUSTICE 1 COMMITTEE**

### **9<sup>th</sup> Meeting 2002, Session 1**

#### **CONVENER**

\*Christine Grahame (South of Scotland) (SNP)

#### **DEPUTY CONVENER**

\*Gordon Jackson (Glasgow Govan) (Lab)

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Lord James Douglas-Hamilton (Lothians) (Con)

\*Donald Gorrie (Central Scotland) (LD)

\*Maureen Macmillan (Highlands and Islands) (Lab)

Paul Martin (Glasgow Springburn) (Lab)

\*Michael Matheson (Central Scotland) (SNP)

\*attended

#### **ACTING CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE**

Alison Taylor

#### **SENIOR ASSISTANT CLERK**

Claire Menzies

#### **ASSISTANT CLERK**

Jenny Goldsmith

#### **LOCATION**

Committee Room 2



## Scottish Parliament

### Justice 1 Committee

*Tuesday 12 March 2002*

*(Afternoon)*

[THE CONVENER *opened the meeting at 13:51*]

**The Convener (Christine Grahame):** I convene the ninth meeting of the Justice 1 Committee in 2002. I have received apologies from Paul Martin. I remind members—yet again—to turn off their mobile phones and pagers.

### Item in Private

**The Convener:** Are members agreeable to item 2 being taken in private? The item covers consideration of candidates for the post of adviser for the committee's inquiry into alternatives to custody. As the discussion will reveal information about the individuals being considered for the post, I suggest to the committee that it would be inappropriate to hold that discussion in public.

**Members** *indicated agreement.*

**The Convener:** That is confirmed.

Members agreed at the previous meeting to take item 3 today in private. That item is consideration of information received by the committee since the publication of its report into legal aid. It is appropriate that that discussion takes place in private to allow us to decide how we wish to respond to that information without pre-empting the debate that is to take place tomorrow afternoon.

That means that the rest of today's agenda is in private. There are no members of the public here to ask to leave the room.

13:52

*Meeting continued in private until 14:32.*

Members who would like a printed copy of the *Official Report* to be forwarded to them should give notice at the Document Supply Centre.

No proofs of the *Official Report* can be supplied. Members who want to suggest corrections for the archive edition should mark them clearly in the daily edition, and send it to the Official Report, 375 High Street, Edinburgh EH99 1SP. Suggested corrections in any other form cannot be accepted.

The deadline for corrections to this edition is:

**Tuesday 2 April 2002**

Members who want reprints of their speeches (within one month of the date of publication) may obtain request forms and further details from the Central Distribution Office, the Document Supply Centre or the Official Report.

#### PRICES AND SUBSCRIPTION RATES

##### DAILY EDITIONS

*Single copies: £5*

*Meetings of the Parliament annual subscriptions: £350.00*

The archive edition of the *Official Report* of meetings of the Parliament, written answers and public meetings of committees will be published on CD-ROM.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT, compiled by the Scottish Parliament Information Centre, contains details of past and forthcoming business and of the work of committees and gives general information on legislation and other parliamentary activity.

*Single copies: £3.75*

*Special issue price: £5*

*Annual subscriptions: £150.00*

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS weekly compilation

*Single copies: £3.75*

*Annual subscriptions: £150.00*

Standing orders will be accepted at the Document Supply Centre.

Published in Edinburgh by The Stationery Office Limited and available from:

**The Stationery Office Bookshop**  
**71 Lothian Road**  
**Edinburgh EH3 9AZ**  
**0131 228 4181 Fax 0131 622 7017**

**The Stationery Office Bookshops at:**  
123 Kingsway, London WC2B 6PQ  
Tel 020 7242 6393 Fax 020 7242 6394  
68-69 Bull Street, Birmingham B4 6AD  
Tel 0121 236 9696 Fax 0121 236 9699  
33 Wine Street, Bristol BS1 2BQ  
Tel 01179 264306 Fax 01179 294515  
9-21 Princess Street, Manchester M60 8AS  
Tel 0161 834 7201 Fax 0161 833 0634  
16 Arthur Street, Belfast BT1 4GD  
Tel 028 9023 8451 Fax 028 9023 5401  
The Stationery Office Oriel Bookshop,  
18-19 High Street, Cardiff CF1 2BZ  
Tel 029 2039 5548 Fax 029 2038 4347

**The Stationery Office Scottish Parliament Documentation**  
**Helpline may be able to assist with additional information**  
**on publications of or about the Scottish Parliament,**  
**their availability and cost:**

**Telephone orders and inquiries**  
**0870 606 5566**

**Fax orders**  
**0870 606 5588**

**The Scottish Parliament Shop**  
**George IV Bridge**  
**EH99 1SP**  
**Telephone orders 0131 348 5412**

[sp.info@scottish.parliament.uk](mailto:sp.info@scottish.parliament.uk)

[www.scottish.parliament.uk](http://www.scottish.parliament.uk)

**Accredited Agents**  
(see Yellow Pages)

and through good booksellers