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(Afternoon)

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

7th Meeting 2004, Session 2

CONVENER

*Bristow Muldoon (Livingston) (Lab)

DEPUTY CONVENER

Mr Andrew Welsh (Angus) (SNP)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Dr Sylvia Jackson (Stirling) (Lab)

*Mr Bruce McFee (West of Scotland) (SNP)

*Michael McMahon (Hamilton North and Bellshill) (Lab)

*Paul Martin (Glasgow Springburn) (Lab)

*David Mundell (South of Scotland) (Con)

*Tommy Sheridan (Glasgow) (SSP)

*Iain Smith (North East Fife) (LD)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

Bill Butler (Glasgow Anniesland) (Lab)

Colin Fox (Lothians) (SSP)

Mr Kenny MacAskill (Lothians) (SNP)

Mr Brian Monteith (Mid Scotland and Fife) (Con)

John Farquhar Munro (Ross, Skye and Inverness West) (LD)

*attended

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Scottish Parliament

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[THE CONVENER *opened the meeting at 13:36*]

Items in Private

The Convener (Bristow Muldoon): I welcome members to the Local Government and Transport Committee's seventh meeting this year. The first agenda item is consideration of whether to take items in private. Item 3 is consideration of our draft report on the Local Governance (Scotland) Bill. It is normal practice to consider draft reports in private until they are finalised. Do we agree to take that item in private?

Members *indicated agreement.*

The Convener: Does Tommy Sheridan agree to have his dissent to that noted?

Tommy Sheridan (Glasgow) (SSP) *indicated agreement.*

The Convener: Does the committee also agree to discuss the draft report in private at subsequent meetings until it is ready for publication?

Members *indicated agreement.*

The Convener: Does Tommy Sheridan agree to have his dissent to that noted?

Tommy Sheridan *indicated agreement.*

Subordinate Legislation

Local Government Capital Expenditure Limits (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/29)

13:37

The Convener: The next item relates to subordinate legislation. No members have raised points on the regulations and no motion for annulment has been lodged. However, I draw to members' attention the Subordinate Legislation Committee's questions to the Executive about the regulations, which were answered. That committee expressed concern that there was slight doubt about whether the instrument was *intra vires*. As no motion for annulment has been lodged, do members agree that they have nothing to report on the regulations?

Members *indicated agreement.*

The Convener: The next agenda item is item 3, which we have agreed to take in private.

13:38

Meeting continued in private until 17:38.

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