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CONVENER

*Bristow Muldoon (Livingston) (Lab)

DEPUTY CONVENER

*Bruce Crawford (Mid Scotland and Fife) (SNP)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- *Mr Andrew Arbuckle (Mid Scotland and Fife) (LD)
- *Mr David Davidson (North East Scotland) (Con)
- *Fergus Ewing (Inverness East, Nairn and Lochaber) (SNP)
- *Dr Sylvia Jackson (Stirling) (Lab)
- *Paul Martin (Glasgow Springburn) (Lab)
- *Michael McMahon (Hamilton North and Bellshill) (Lab) *Tommy Sheridan (Glasgow) (SSP)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

Colin Fox (Lothians) (SSP) Mr Bruce McFee (West of Scotland) (SNP) John Farquhar Munro (Ross, Skye and Inverness West) (LD) Dr Elaine Murray (Dumfries) (Lab) Murray Tosh (West of Scotland) (Con)

*attended

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Committee Room 2

Scottish Parliament

Local Government and Transport Committee

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[THE CONVENER opened the meeting at 14:03]

Item in Private

The Convener (Bristow Muldoon): I call this meeting of the Local Government and Transport Committee to order. I wish all members a happy new year and I hope that the year ahead of us will be a productive one for the committee.

Today's meeting is likely to be mainly in private. Item 1 is to consider whether to deal in private with a paper on the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Bill. It is suggested that we take the item in private because the paper addresses the merits of potential witnesses and it would be inappropriate to consider it in public. Is it agreed that we consider item 2 in private?

Members indicated agreement.

14:03

Meeting continued in private until 14:41.

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