

STANDARDS AND PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Thursday 30 June 2005

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7th Meeting 2005, Session 2

CONVENER

*Brian Adam (Aberdeen North) (SNP)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Bill Butler (Glasgow Anniesland) (Lab)

*Linda Fabiani (Central Scotland) (SNP)

*Alex Fergusson (Galloway and Upper Nithsdale) (Con)

*Donald Gorrie (Central Scotland) (LD)

*Karen Whitefield (Airdrie and Shotts) (Lab)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

Lord James Douglas-Hamilton (Lothians) (Con)

Marilyn Livingstone (Kirkcaldy) (Lab)

Alasdair Morgan (South of Scotland) (SNP)

*attended

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LOCATION

Committee Room 5

Scottish Parliament

Standards and Public Appointments Committee

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[THE CONVENER *opened the meeting at 15:03*]

Item in Private

The Convener (Brian Adam): I ask members to switch off their mobile phones and welcome them to the seventh meeting of the Standards and Public Appointments Committee in 2005. We are here to deal with a complaint raised by the Presiding Officer against Colin Fox MSP, Frances Curran MSP, Rosie Kane MSP and Carolyn Leckie MSP. I suggest that we consider the complaint in private. Do I have members' agreement to move into private session?

Members *indicated agreement.*

15:04

Meeting continued in private.

17:10

Meeting continued in public.

Complaint

The Convener: We move back into open session, and I invite members of the public and press to join us if they so wish. We will allow a moment or two for interested observers to join us.

On 30 June 2005, the Standards and Public Appointments Committee met to consider a complaint from the Presiding Officer in relation to a breach of standing order 7.3, regarding the disorderly conduct of Colin Fox MSP, Frances Curran MSP, Rosie Kane MSP and Carolyn Leckie MSP. The committee has agreed to uphold the complaint and will be recommending sanctions to today's meeting of the Parliament.

Meeting closed at 17:12.

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