

WAVERLEY RAILWAY (SCOTLAND) BILL COMMITTEE

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CONVENER

*Tricia Marwick (Mid Scotland and Fife) (SNP)

DEPUTY CONVENER

*Christine May (Central Fife) (Lab)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Mr Ted Brocklebank (Mid Scotland and Fife) (Con)

*Gordon Jackson (Glasgow Govan) (Lab)

*Margaret Smith (Edinburgh West) (LD)

*attended

CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE

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Committee Room 2

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[THE CONVENER *opened the meeting at 12:48*]

Late Objection (Consideration)

The Convener (Tricia Marwick): Good afternoon and welcome to the ninth meeting in 2005 of the Waverley Railway (Scotland) Bill Committee. Agenda item 1 is consideration of a late objection to the bill. The committee is required to consider the objection and decide whether the objector has shown good reason for not lodging it within the specified objection period. If we agree that good reason has been shown, the objection will be allowed to proceed to the preliminary consideration stage. Do members agree that the objection should be allowed to proceed to the preliminary consideration stage?

Members *indicated agreement.*

Gordon Jackson (Glasgow Govan) (Lab): I do not know what it is, but it is agreed.

Objection (Preliminary Consideration)

12:48

The Convener: Agenda item 2 is preliminary consideration of the objection. The committee is required to give preliminary consideration to the objection and to consider its approach to how the objection might be dealt with at the preliminary stage. I invite members' views. Do members agree that the objection should be allowed to proceed to substantive scrutiny at the consideration stage?

Christine May (Central Fife) (Lab): Yes, I think that it would be unreasonable of us not to allow that.

Mr Ted Brocklebank (Mid Scotland and Fife) (Con): Given the fact that we have considered other objections that have come in late, the fact that the objection has resulted from a takeover and the fact that it is not many days late, it would be churlish of us to turn it down.

The Convener: Thank you.

It was agreed at our previous meeting on 22 June that the committee would consider in private a draft preliminary stage report. I invite members of the public, official reporters and broadcasting staff to leave the room.

12:49

Meeting continued in private until 13:42.

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