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#### **DEPUTY CONVENER**

\*Alasdair Allan (Western Isles) (SNP)

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- \*Patricia Ferguson (Glasgow Maryhill) (Lab)
- \*David McLetchie (Edinburgh Pentlands) (Con)
- \*Mary Mulligan (Linlithgow) (Lab)
- \*Jim Tolson (Dunfermline West) (LD)
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# Local Government and Communities Committee

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[The Convener opened the meeting at 10:00]

# Decisions on Taking Business in Private

The Convener (Duncan McNeil): Good morning and welcome to the first meeting of the Local Government and Communities Committee in 2010. As I usually do at this point, I remind members and the public to turn off all mobile phones and BlackBerrys.

The first item on our agenda is to consider taking items 3 and 4 in private at today's meeting. Do I have members' agreement to take item 3 and future consideration of a draft stage 1 report on the Control of Dogs (Scotland) Bill in private?

Members indicated agreement.

**The Convener:** Do I have members' agreement to take item 4 in private?

Members indicated agreement.

**The Convener:** Thank you. I take this opportunity to remind members that they previously agreed to take item 2, which is consideration of a draft report on the local government finance inquiry, in private.

10:01

Meeting continued in private until 12:20.

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