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STANDARDS, PROCEDURES AND PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE
2nd Meeting 2011, Session 3

CONVENER

*Gil Paterson (West of Scotland) (SNP)

DEPUTY CONVENER

*Marilyn Livingstone (Kirkcaldy) (Lab)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Aileen Campbell (South of Scotland) (SNP)

Jim Hume (South of Scotland) (LD)

Nanette Milne (North East Scotland) (Con)

Peter Peacock (Highlands and Islands) (Lab)

*Stewart Stevenson (Banff and Buchan) (SNP)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES

*Alasdair Morgan (South of Scotland) (SNP)

Mary Mulligan (Linlithgow) (Lab)

Mike Rumbles (West Aberdeenshire and Kincardine) (LD)

Elizabeth Smith (Mid Scotland and Fife) (Con)

*attended

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LOCATION

Committee Room 5

Scottish Parliament

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

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[The Convener *opened the meeting at 14:15*]

Commissioner for Public Appointments in Scotland (Report)

The Convener (Gil Paterson): I welcome everyone to the second meeting in 2011 of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee. We have received apologies from Aileen Campbell—Alasdair Morgan is here as her committee substitute; welcome again—and Peter Peacock. We have also received apologies from Jim Hume, so we go straight to item 2.

Item 2 is consideration of a report that the Commissioner for Public Appointments in Scotland laid before the Parliament, on the appointment of a Lord Commissioner of Justiciary to the Parole Board for Scotland. The background to the issue is set out in the report. If members have no comments, are we happy to note the report?

Members indicated agreement.

Annual Report

14:16

The Convener: I seek members' comments on our draft annual report, which covers the committee's work from May 2010 until the end of the parliamentary session. We brought the report to this meeting because the committee may not need to meet again this session.

Stewart Stevenson (Banff and Buchan) (SNP): I am a newcomer to the committee, so it would be somewhat disingenuous of me to make too much observation on the report. I see nothing in it to which I object.

Alasdair Morgan (South of Scotland) (SNP): I am happy with the report.

Marilyn Livingstone (Kirkcaldy) (Lab): I am happy with it, too.

The Convener: Are members happy for me to sign off on the report?

Members indicated agreement.

The Convener: Thank you. We move into private session.

14:17

Meeting continued in private until 14:38.

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