

Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee

5th Meeting, 2021 (Session 6), 6 October
2021

PE1865: Suspend all surgical mesh and fixation devices

Note by the Clerk

Petitioner	Roseanna Clarkin, Lauren McDougall and Graham Robertson
Petition summary	Calling on the Scottish Parliament to urge the Scottish Government to suspend the use of all surgical mesh and fixation devices while— <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a review of all surgical procedures which use polyester, polypropylene or titanium is carried out; and• guidelines for the surgical use of mesh are established.
Webpage	petitions.parliament.scot/petitions/PE1865

Introduction

1. This is a continued petition that was last considered by the Committee at its meeting on 8 September 2021. At that meeting the Committee agreed to invite the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care to give evidence at a future meeting.
2. The Scottish Government has advised that the issues raised by this petition are within the portfolio of the Minister for Public Health, Women's Health and Sport.
3. At this meeting, the Committee will take evidence from Maree Todd, Minister for Public Health, Women's Health and Sport, and David Bishop, Mesh Team Leader and Terry O'Kelly, Senior Medical Advisor, Scottish Government.

Action

4. The Committee is invited to consider what action it wishes to take on this petition.

Clerk to the Committee

Annexe

All written submissions received on the petition can be viewed on the petition [webpage](#).