

**Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee
Wednesday 24 June 2026
1st Meeting, 2026 (Session 7)**

Choice of Deputy Convener

Purpose of paper

1. This paper explains the procedure for choosing a deputy convener at the Committee's first meeting.

Procedure

2. The Parliament has specified (in motion [S7M-00269](#), agreed on 4 June 2026) that only members of the Reform UK party are eligible to be chosen as deputy convener of the Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee. Accordingly, only Thomas Kerr MSP is eligible for the position.
3. The Convener will therefore note that Thomas Kerr MSP is nominated to be deputy convener and invite Committee members to choose him as deputy convener.

**Clerks to the Committee
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