Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee

21st Meeting, 2022 (Session 6), Wednesday, 22 June

Hunting with Dogs (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1

1. The Hunting with Dogs (Scotland) Bill was introduced by the Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy and Transport on 24 February 2022. The Bill and accompanying documents can be accessed <u>here</u>. The SPICe bill briefing can be accessed <u>here</u>.

Written evidence

2. Following the Bill's introduction, the Committee launched a detailed questionnaire, which received 68 <u>responses</u>, and a survey, which was completed by 2,692 people.

Oral evidence

3. The agreed timetable for consideration of the Bill is provided below.

Committee meeting date	Evidence session topic
1 June 2022	Scottish Government officials
8 June 2022	Rural sectors and wildlife management interests
15 June 2022	Animal welfare stakeholders
22 June 2022	Legal and enforcement stakeholders
29 June 2022	Minister for Environment and Land Reform
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7 Sept 2022	Consideration of the Committee's stage 1 report
14 Sept 2022	Consideration of the Committee's stage 1 report
End Sept 2022	Stage 1 deadline

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