Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

4th Meeting, 2021 (Session 6), Tuesday, 14 September 2021

Session 6 priorities

Introduction

1. At its meeting today the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee will take evidence from the Minister for Drugs Policy on her priorities for Session 6.

Background

- 2. At its first meeting on 22 June 2021, the Committee discussed its future work programme and how this would be developed. In order to inform its work programme discussions, the Committee agreed to take evidence from the Minister for Drugs Policy.
- Ahead of the meeting on 14 September, the Minister has written to the Committee to alert it to the publication of a 'Suspected Drug Deaths in Scotland' statistical release. The report focuses on Police Scotland management information as a key indicator of recent drug death trends in Scotland and will be published quarterly going forward.
- 4. The statistical release will be published on the morning of 14 September. The full text of the letter from the Minister to the Committee can be viewed <u>here</u>.

Clerks to the Committee

9 September 2021