



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minutes of Parliamentary Bureau meeting

12 December 2023

Present:

- Annabelle Ewing (Chair)
- Liam McArthur
- Gillian Mackay
- George Adam
- Alexander Burnett
- Martin Whitfield

Also attended:

- Rona Mackay

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Tracey White
- Katy Orr
- Mark Brough
- Jen Griffin
- Fran Iwanyckyj
- Matthew Linden
- Joanna Hardy
- Jason Nairn
- Irene Fleming
- Samantha Currie
- Gail Grant

Apologies:

- Alison Johnstone



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Agenda item 1 - Previous minutes and matters arising

1. The Bureau agreed the minutes of its meeting on Tuesday 5 December.

Agenda item 2 - Business Programme

2. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament a programme of business for the weeks commencing 18 December 2023 and 8 January 2024.
3. The Bureau agreed that Members' Business on Tuesday 19 December would be S6M-09747: Alex Rowley: Supporting the Work of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust; on Wednesday 20 December S6M-10702: Clare Adamson: Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Awareness Month and on Thursday 21 December S6M-09975: Bob Doris: 75 Years of Marie Curie.
4. Alexander Burnett reserved his party's position on the Business Programme.

Agenda item 3 - Timetabling of Bills at Stage 1

5. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that –
 - consideration of the Aggregates Tax and Devolved Taxes Administration (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 17 May 2024.
 - consideration of the Social Security (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 31 May 2024.

Agenda item 4 – Referral of a Bill at Stage 1

6. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that it agrees that the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

Agenda item 5 - Approval of SSIs

7. The Bureau noted that a motion would be lodged to recommend to the Parliament that the following SSIs be approved—



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- the Council Tax (Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023.

8. Alexander Burnett reserved his party's position on the instrument.

Agenda item 6 – Draft Proxy Voting Scheme

9. Business Managers noted a draft Proxy Voting scheme and that the Parliament would be invited to agree relevant Standing Orders Rule changes with effect from 22 December 2023.

Katy Orr
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
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