



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minutes of Parliamentary Bureau meeting

29 October 2024

Present:

- Alison Johnstone (Chair)
- Jamie Hepburn
- Alexander Burnett
- Martin Whitfield
- Gillian Mackay

Apologies:

- Annabelle Ewing

Also attended:

- Liam McArthur
- Rona Mackay

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Irene Fleming
- Mark Brough
- Matthew Linden
- Katy Orr
- Sigrid Robinson
- Joanna Hardy
- Jason Nairn
- Gail Grant
- Joanne Kendall
- Jennifer Griffin
- Samantha Currie
- Ellen Wright

Agenda item 1 - Previous minutes and matters arising

1. The Bureau agreed the minutes of its meeting on 8 October.

Agenda item 2 - Business Programme

2. The Bureau agreed a revised programme of business for the week commencing 28 October and a programme of business for the weeks commencing 4 and 11 November.

Agenda item 3 – Timetabling of Bills at Stage 1

3. Business Managers agreed to recommend to the Parliament—
 - that consideration of the Education (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 20 December 2024.
 - that consideration of the Land Reform (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 28 March 2025.

Agenda item 4 – Consideration of Bills at Stage 2

4. Business Managers agreed—
 - to refer the Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill back to the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee for consideration at Stage 2, and to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Bill at Stage 2 be completed by Friday 29 November 2024.
 - to recommend to the Parliament that the deadline for consideration of the Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be extended to Friday 28 February 2025.
 - to refer the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill back to the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee for consideration at Stage 2 and to consider a deadline for completion of the Bill at Stage 2 at a future meeting.

Agenda item 5 – Approval of a Statutory Instrument and Scottish Statutory Instruments

5. Business Managers noted that motions to approve the following instruments would be lodged:
 - The Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes (Amendment) Order 2024 (SI 2024/Draft)
 - Public Procurement (International Trade Agreements) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft)
 - Coronavirus (Recovery and Reform) (Scotland) Act 2022 Extension of Temporary Justice Measures) Regulations 2024.
6. Alexander Burnett and Martin Whitfield reserved their parties' positions on the Coronavirus (Recovery and Reform) (Scotland) Act 2022 Extension of Temporary Justice Measures) Regulations 2024.

7. Business Managers noted that a motion to annul the Local Services Franchises (Traffic Commissioner Notices and Panels) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (2024/229) would be lodged in the name of Alexander Burnett on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau.
8. The Bureau agreed that 15 minutes would be allocated to debate the motion to annul.

Katy Orr
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
October 2024