



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Conveners group

Minutes

7th Meeting, 2022 (Session 6) Wednesday 21 September 2022

Present:

Liam McArthur MSP, Convener
 Clare Adamson MSP, Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee
 Claire Baker MSP, Economy and Fair Work Committee
 Siobhian Brown MSP, COVID-19 Recovery Committee
 Ariane Burgess MSP, Local Government, Housing & Planning Committee
 Finlay Carson MSP, Rural Affairs, Islands & Natural Environment Committee
 Joe FitzPatrick MSP, Equalities, Human Rights & Civil Justice Committee
 Kenneth Gibson MSP, Finance & Public Administration Committee
 Richard Leonard MSP, Public Audit Committee
 Gillian Martin MSP, Health, Social Care and Sport Committee
 Stuart McMillan MSP, Delegated Powers & Law Reform Committee (Virtual)
 Audrey Nicoll MSP, Criminal Justice Committee
 Sue Webber MSP, Education, Children and Young People Committee
 Martin Whitfield MSP, Standards, Procedures & Public Appointments Committee
 Elena Whitham MSP, Social Justice and Social Security Committee

Apologies were received from:

Jackson Carlaw MSP and Edward Mountain MSP

1. Minutes: The Conveners Group agreed the minutes of the last meeting.

2. Work programme

The Group agreed:

- the arrangements for the meeting with the First Minister on 28 September.
- to receive a briefing from the UK Committee on Climate Change at its meeting in October.
- to take evidence from the Minister for Parliamentary Business at a future meeting.
- the schedule of meetings and future committee debates.

The Group also received an update from Elena Whitham MSP, Convener of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee (SJSSC), on its inquiry into the cost

of living and its forthcoming committee debate. The Group noted the cross-cutting nature of the inquiry, the work other committees are currently undertaking on the cost of living and how this could be coordinated, and how committees can feed into the SJSSC debate.

3. Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments inquiry into Future parliamentary procedures and practices:

The Group received an update from Martin Whitfield MSP, Convener of the Standards, Procedures & Public Appointments Committee, on the outcome of its inquiry into future parliamentary procedures and practices which reported before the summer recess.

Date of Next Meeting: 26 October 2022

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