



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting 7 March 2023  
at 12:00 pm  
Q1.03/MS Teams

**Present:**

- Alison Johnstone (Chair)
- Annabelle Ewing
- Liam McArthur
- George Adam
- Alexander Burnett
- Neil Bibby
- Gillian Mackay

**Also attended:**

- Gordon MacDonald

**Officials present:**

- David McGill
- Tracey White
- Catherine Fergusson
- Jo Hardy
- Mark Brough
- Rebecca Carradice
- Jason Nairn
- Jennifer Bell
- Callum Thomson
- Irene Fleming
- Samantha Currie

## Previous minutes

1. The minutes of 28 February 2023 were agreed.

## Business Programme

2. The Bureau considered a programme of business for the week commencing 6 March and a revised programme of business for the for the weeks commencing 13 and 20 March 2023.
3. Alexander Burnett requested a ministerial statement on the Deposit Return Scheme and confirmed his requests for statements on:
  - Ferguson Marine / Ferry Services Update;
  - National Care Service Bill Stage 1 Delay and Future of the Bill;
  - Children's Orchestras Funding U-turn;
  - the Teacher Pay Deal.
4. Neil Bibby stated his party's position that parliamentary business should not take place on Wednesday 15 March due to the planned industrial action, particularly if the public gallery was to be closed.
5. Neil Bibby and Alexander Burnett expressed their concern about the rescheduling of opposition debates. It was agreed that the Minister for Parliamentary Business and Neil Bibby would discuss the scheduling of the next Scottish Labour Party debate in advance of the next Bureau meeting.
6. Alexander Burnett and Neil Bibby reserved their parties' position on the business programme.
7. The Bureau agreed that Members' Business on Tuesday 14 March would be S6M-07996: Jackie Baillie: International Long Covid Day, on Wednesday 15 March S6M-07752: Gillian Martin: Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2023 and on Thursday 16 March would be S6M-07215: John Mason: Promoting the Benefits of Camping.

## Timetabling of a Bill at Stage 1

8. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the deadline for consideration of the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 30 June 2023.
9. Alexander Burnett reserved his party's position.

## Timetabling of a Bill at Stage 2

10. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Moveable Transactions (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by Friday 24 March 2023.

## Approval of SSIs

11. The Bureau noted that a motion would be lodged inviting the Parliament to approve the—

Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Act 2022 (Amendment of Expiry Dates and Rent Cap Modification) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft).

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

Catherine Fergusson  
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau  
7 March 2023