



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting 24 October
2023 at 12:00 pm

Present:

- Alison Johnstone (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
- Connor Duffy
- Jason Nairn
- Irene Fleming
- Samantha Currie
- Gail Grant

Apologies:

- Annabelle Ewing

Previous minutes and matters arising

1. The Bureau agreed the minutes of its meeting on Tuesday 3 October.

Business Programme

2. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament a revised programme of business for the week 23 October and a programme of business for the weeks commencing 30 October and 6 November 2023.

3. The Bureau agreed in principle to recommend to the Parliament by motion that Rule 9B.3.5 be suspended for the purposes of consideration of any second supplementary LCM on the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill.

4. The Bureau agreed that Members' Business on Tuesday 31 October would be Motion S6M-09705: Katy Clark: Fire Service Cuts; on Wednesday 1 November Motion S6M-10453: Clare Adamson: Scottish Games Week and on Thursday 2 November Motion S6M-10712: Bill Kidd: Nuclear Weapons Free Europe.

Referral of a Bill at Stage 1

5. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee be designated as the lead committee for the Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

Approval of SSIs

6. The Bureau noted that motions would be lodged to recommend to the Parliament that the following SSIs be approved—

- Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft)
- Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) (No. 4) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft)
- Carer's Assistance (Carer Support Payment) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft)

7. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament by motion that the Social Security (Residence and Presence Requirements) (Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem, the Golan Heights and Lebanon) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 be referred to the Parliament.

Referral of a supplementary LCM

8. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament by motion that Rule 9B.3.5 be suspended for the purposes of consideration of the supplementary LCM on the Levelling-Up and Regeneration Bill.

Correspondence from the SPPA Committee

9. The Bureau discussed correspondence from the SPPA Committee on the pilot Proxy Voting scheme and agreed the contents of a response.

Katy Orr
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
24 October 2023