

ECONOMY, ENERGY AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

MINUTES

5th Meeting, 2016 (Session 4)

Wednesday 3 February 2016

Present:

Chic Brodie
Patrick Harvie
Richard Lyle
Lewis Macdonald

Murdo Fraser (Convener)
Johann Lamont
Gordon MacDonald
Joan McAlpine

Apologies were received from Dennis Robertson (Deputy Convener).

The meeting opened at 10.15 am.

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to consider its Session 4 legacy paper in private at future meetings.
- 2. **Employee owned businesses:** The Committee took evidence from—

Nathalie Agnew, PR Director, The Wee Agency;

Calum Currie, Chair, Portpatrick Harbour Community Benefit Society;

Sarah Deas, Chief Executive, Co-operative Development Scotland, Director, Enterprise Projects, Scottish Enterprise;

Joanna Dewar Gibb, Chairwoman, Screen Facilities Scotland;

Simon Fowler, Partnership Registrar, Group & Partnership Services, John Lewis Partnership;

Prof Nick Kuenssberg, Chairman, Scott & Fyfe Limited;

Kelly McIntryre, Programme Manager, Community Shares Scotland;

Andrew Pendleton, Professor of Human Resource Management, Durham

University Business School;

Karen Pickering, Head of Creative Workspace, Page \ Park Architects.

3. **Employee owned businesses (in private):** The Committee considered evidence heard at today's meeting and agreed to write to the Scottish Government with its findings on social enterprises, employee-owned businesses and cooperatives.

The meeting closed at 12.20 pm.

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