



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

FINANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

6th Meeting, 2013 (Session 4)

Wednesday 20 February 2013

Present:

Gavin Brown	Malcolm Chisholm
Kenneth Gibson (Convener)	Jamie Hepburn
John Mason (Deputy Convener)	Michael McMahon
Jean Urquhart	

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 3 in private.
2. **Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Alan Cook, Partner, Pinsent Masons LLP;

Elsbeth Orcharton, Director, Corporate and International Taxation, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland;

Nick Scott, Head of Property & Partner, Brodies LLP;

and then from—

Elaine Waterson, Strategy Manager, Energy Saving Trust;

Chas Booth, Senior Press & Parliamentary Officer at Association for the Conservation of Energy, Existing Homes Alliance.

3. **Post-16 Education (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered a draft report on the Financial Memorandum of the Post-16 Education (Scotland) Bill and agreed to consider and agree a further draft by correspondence.

The meeting closed at 12.14 pm.

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