

HEALTH AND SPORT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

4th Meeting, 2012 (Session 4)

Tuesday 24 January 2012

Present:

Jackson Carlaw
Jim Eadie
Fiona McLeod
Gil Paterson
Drew Smith

Bob Doris (Deputy Convener) Richard Lyle Duncan McNeil (Convener) Dr Richard Simpson

The meeting opened at 10.08 am.

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 4 in private.
- 2. **Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Professor Jonathan Chick, Honorary Professor, Queen Margaret University;

Dr John Holmes, Public Health Research Fellow, and Professor Alan Brennan, Professor of Health Economics and Decision Modelling, University of Sheffield;

Andrew Leicester, Senior Research Economist, Institute for Fiscal Studies.

- 3. **Appointment of European Union Reporter:** The Committee appointed Richard Lyle to serve as its European Union Reporter.
- 4. Work programme (in private): The Committee considered its work programme and agreed to write to the Scottish Government and Independent Healthcare Advisory Service (IHAS) regarding patients in Scotland who have received PIP implants. The Committee agreed to undertake a short inquiry into the Scottish Government's plan to integrate adult health and social care; and to hold

evidence sessions on child poverty and the outcomes of the predecessor Committee's inquiry on pathways into sport. The Committee also agreed to write to the Public Petitions Committee and the Scottish Government regarding petitions received by the Scottish Parliament in relation to individual patient treatment requests (IPTRs); and to invite the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Wellbeing and Cities Strategy to give oral evidence on progress towards delivering the priorities set by the Scottish Government in relation to health and wellbeing.

5. Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Bill (in private): The Committee agreed to defer consideration of the evidence heard to a later meeting.

The meeting closed at 12.43 pm.

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