



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

INFRASTRUCTURE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

1st Meeting, 2016 (Session 4)

Wednesday 6 January 2016

Present:

Clare Adamson	Jim Eadie (Convener)
Adam Ingram (Deputy Convener)	Alex Johnstone
Mike MacKenzie	David Stewart

Apologies were received from Siobhan McMahon.

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 4 in private.
2. **Draft Budget 2016-17:** The Committee took evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2016-17 from—

Keith Brown, Cabinet Secretary for Infrastructure, Investment and Cities, Mike Baxter, Director for Finance, Corporate and Analytical Services, and Andrew Watson, Deputy Director for Financial Strategy, Scottish Government;

Margaret Burgess, Minister for Housing and Welfare, Bill Barron, Unit Head, Housing Support and Homelessness, Caroline Dicks, Unit Head, Affordable Housing Investment, Policy and Planning, Orlando Heijmer-Mason, Social Security Policy and Delivery Division, and Angus Macleod, Unit Head, Home Energy Efficiency Programmes for Scotland, Scottish Government.

3. **Petition PE1539:** The Committee considered a petition by Anne Booth on Housing Associations to come under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. The Committee agreed to keep the petition open and to include it in its legacy paper for its successor committee to consider further in Session 5.

4. **Inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the closure of the Forth Road Bridge:** The Committee agreed its preferred candidate for appointment as adviser to its inquiry.
5. **Private Housing (Tenancies) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee considered a draft Stage 1 report. Various changes were suggested and the Committee agreed to consider a revised draft at its meeting on Wednesday 13 January.

The meeting closed at 12.43 pm.

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