



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

INFRASTRUCTURE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

9th Meeting, 2011 (Session 4)

Wednesday 16 November 2011

Present:

Malcolm Chisholm	Neil Findlay
Jamie Hepburn (Deputy Convener)	Adam Ingram
Jackson Carlaw	Gordon MacDonald
Maureen Watt (Convener)	

In attendance: Professor David Gray, Budget Adviser

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take agenda item 4 and its consideration of a draft report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum (LCM(S4) 5.1) at a future meeting, in private.
2. **Broadband Infrastructure in Scotland:** The Committee heard evidence from—

Vicki Nash, Director of Ofcom Scotland, and Matthew Conway, Director of Regulatory Development and Nations, Ofcom;

Dr Jason Whalley, Reader, University of Strathclyde;

Ewan Sutherland, Research Fellow, LINK Centre, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg;

Stuart Gibson, Consultant to Reform Scotland.
3. **Welfare Reform Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee considered and noted the legislative consent memorandum lodged by Nicola Sturgeon MSP (LCM(S4)5.1).

4. **Draft Budget 2011-12 and Spending Review 2011 Scrutiny (in private):** The Committee agreed its draft report to the Finance Committee on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2012-13 and Spending Review 2011.

The meeting closed at 12.38 pm.

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