



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

16th Meeting, 2013 (Session 4)

Tuesday 21 May 2013

Present:

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| Roderick Campbell | John Finnie |
| Christine Grahame (Convener) | Colin Keir |
| John Lamont (Committee Substitute) | Jenny Marra (Deputy Convener) |
| Alison McInnes | Graeme Pearson |
| Sandra White | |

Also present: Nigel Don and Lewis Macdonald (for item 2).

Apologies were received from David McLetchie.

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 3 in private.
2. **Scottish Court Service:** The Committee took evidence on the Scottish Court Service's report "Shaping Scotland's Court Services" from—

Eric McQueen, Chief Executive, and Cliff Binning, Executive Director Field Services, Scottish Court Service;

Stuart Fair, Treasurer, Scottish Justices Association;

James Wolffe QC, Vice-dean, Faculty of Advocates;

Stuart Naismith, Convener, Access to Justice Committee, Law Society of Scotland;

Sheriff Drummond;

Brian Carroll, PCS Scottish Court Service branch, Public and Commercial Services Union;

Lauren Wood, Social Policy Officer, Citizens Advice Scotland;

Alan McCloskey, Assistant/Deputy Chief Executive (Business Delivery),
Victim Support Scotland;

Councillor Margaret Kennedy, Chair, Fife and Forth Valley Community
Justice Authority.

Roderick Campbell indicated that he is a member of the Faculty of Advocates.

3. **Inquiry into the effectiveness of the provisions in the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (in private):** The Committee deferred consideration of a revised draft report to a future meeting.

The meeting closed at 1.06 pm.

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