

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

17th Meeting, 2013 (Session 4)

Tuesday 28 May 2013

John Finnie

Alison McInnes

Sandra White

Colin Keir

Present:

Roderick Campbell
Christine Grahame (Convener)
Jenny Marra (Deputy Convener)
Graeme Pearson

Apologies were received from David McLetchie.

The meeting opened at 9.31 am.

- 1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
- 2. **Transfer of prison healthcare to the NHS:** The Committee took evidence, in a round-table format, from—

Anne Hawkins, Chair, and Jayne Miller, Manager, National Prisoner Healthcare Network:

Dr Lesley Graham, Associate Specialist in Public Health Medicine, Information Services Division, NHS Scotland;

Dr Richard Groden, Clinical Director, Glasgow Community Health Partnership;

Joe McGhee, Senior Planning Manager, NHS Forth Valley;

Mark McEwan, Service Planning Manager, NHS Grampian;

Ruth Parker, Acting Assistant Director of Health and Care, Scottish Prison Service;

Frank Gibbons, Health Centre Manager, HMP Barlinnie;

Pete White, Co-ordinator, Positive Prison? Positive Futures.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee considered the following negative instrument—

Children's Legal Assistance (Fees) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/144).

The Committee agreed to make no recommendation in relation to the instrument.

- 4. **Tribunals (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee considered its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1 and agreed to further consider its approach at its next meeting.
- 5. Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Bill (in private): The Committee considered a draft Stage 1 report. Various changes were agreed to and the Committee agreed its report to the Parliament.
- 6. Inquiry into the effectiveness of the provisions in the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (in private): The Committee considered and agreed its report to the Parliament.

The meeting closed at 12.38 pm.

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