



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting 23 May 2023
at 12:00 pm
Q1.03/MS Teams

Present:

- Alison Johnstone (Chair)
- Anabelle Ewing
- Liam McArthur
- Gillian Mackay
- George Adam
- Alexander Burnett
- Martin Whitfield

Also attended:

- Rona Mackay
- Claire Baker
- Jackson Carlaw
- Maggie Chapman
- Christine Grahame

Officials present:

- David McGill
- Tracey White
- Catherine Fergusson
- Mark Brough
- Jo Hardy
- Rebecca Carradice
- Jason Nairn
- Jennifer Bell
- Callum Thomson
- Irene Fleming
- Samantha Currie
- Gail Grant

Previous minutes and matters arising

1. Bureau agreed the minutes of its meeting on Tuesday 16 May.

Business Programme

2. The Bureau considered a revised programme of business for the week commencing 22 May and a programme of business for the weeks commencing 29 May and 5 June 2023.

3. The Bureau agreed that Members' Business on Tuesday 30 May would be S6M-08885: Keith Brown: Protecting Devolution and the Scottish Parliament, on Wednesday 31 May, S6M-08199: Murdo Fraser: Dewars Centre in Perth and on Thursday 1 June, S6M-08947: Audrey Nicoll: Increasing the Participation of Women and Girls in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

Timetabling of a Bill at Stage 2

4. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Charities (Regulation and Administration) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by Friday 9 June 2023.

Approval of SSIs

5. The Bureau noted that a motion would be lodged to recommend to the Parliament that the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 (Interim Target) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/Draft) be approved.

Recess Dates 2024-25

6. The Bureau agreed to lodge a motion recommending dates of the Parliamentary recesses up to January 2025 for consideration by the Parliament.

Correspondence from Alexander Burnett MSP

7. The Bureau discussed a letter from Alexander Burnett MSP in relation to the establishment of a committee in relation to Operation Branchform. The Bureau agreed to ask officials to seek further information and to consider the matter again at a future meeting.

Parliamentary Sitting Times

8. The Bureau discussed parliamentary sitting times with the members of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body. The Bureau agreed to consider a draft response to the SPCB's correspondence on this issue at a future meeting.

Catherine Fergusson
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
23 May 2023