

The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 1, No. 23, Session 6

Meeting of the Parliament

Tuesday 7 September 2021

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

- **1. Time for Reflection:** The Rev Hayley Cohen, Minister of Northesk Parish Church, Musselburgh, led Time for Reflection.
- **2. Topical Questions:** Questions were answered by a Cabinet Secretary and a Minister.
- **3. Ministerial Statement:** The First Minister (Nicola Sturgeon) made a statement on Programme for Government 2021-22.
- **4. Scottish Government Debate: Programme for Government 2021-22**: The Parliament debated Programme for Government 2021-22.
- **5. Urgent Question:** An urgent question, to ask the Scottish Government what immediate action it will take in light of the record high waiting times in A&E departments during the last four weeks, was answered by the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care (Humza Yousaf).
- **6. Revision to Business Programme:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-01102—That the Parliament agrees to the following revision to the programme of business for Thursday 9 September 2021—

delete

followed by Scottish Government Debate: A Caring Nation - Recovering, Remobilising and Renewing Health and Social Care in Scotland

and insert

followed by Scottish Government Debate: COVID-19 Vaccine Certification Scheme

The motion was agreed to.

- **7. Decision Time:** There were no decisions to take at Decision Time on the items noted above.
- 8. Reserved Board Seats for Islanders: The Parliament debated S6M-00834 in the name of Alasdair Allan—That the Parliament acknowledges what it sees as the important role that Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd and CalMac Ferries Ltd play in everyday life in the Western Isles and other island communities in the west of Scotland; understands with regret that, at present, the board of neither organisation contains members who are resident on islands within the CalMac network; notes the view that there should be reserved board seats in both organisations dedicated for members who are resident on islands within the CalMac network, and believes that such a measure would promote more community input into decision-making processes.
- **9. Motion without Notice:** Alasdair Allan MSP moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by up to 30 minutes. The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.08 pm.

David McGill Clerk of the Parliament 7 September 2021

Appendix (Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 6 September 2021—

COVID-19 Recovery Committee, 1st Report, 2021 (Session 6): Subordinate Legislation Considered by the COVID-19 Recovery Committee on 2 September 2021 (SP Paper 4)

New Subordinate Legislation

Made Affirmative Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 3 September 2021 and is subject to the made affirmative procedure—

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 17) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/301)

laid under section 122(6) and (7) of the Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008

Affirmative Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 6 September 2021 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Act 2021 (Form and Content of Waiver etc.) Regulations 2021 [draft]

laid under section 107(2) of the Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Act 2021

Negative Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 7 September 2021 and is subject to the negative procedure—

National Health Service (General Medical Services and Primary Medical Services Section 17C Agreements) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/302) laid under section 105 of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 3 September 2021 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

The Coronavirus (Extension and Expiry) (Scotland) Act 2021 – Report to the Scottish Parliament, 3 September 2021 SG/2021/222 laid under Sections 5 and 7 of the Coronavirus (Extension and Expiry) (Scotland) Act 2021

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