



The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

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Meeting of the Parliament

Thursday 16 March 2023

Note: (DT) signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

The meeting opened at 11.40 am.

- 1. General Questions:** Questions were answered by Cabinet Secretaries and Ministers.
- 2. First Minister's Questions:** Questions were answered by the First Minister (Nicola Sturgeon).
- 3. Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2023:** The Parliament debated S6M-07752 in the name of Gillian Martin—That the Parliament welcomes Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2023, which runs throughout March; praises Marie Curie nursing and hospice staff who continue to provide palliative and end of life support, across Scotland in people's homes and in its two hospices in Edinburgh and Glasgow, during challenging times; understands that Marie Curie cared for over 8,660 people during 2021-22; commends the dedication, hard work and contribution of Marie Curie volunteers across Scotland; considers that the COVID-19 pandemic highlighted how important equitable access to palliative and end of life support is for people affected by terminal illness; notes that donations can be given to the appeal, and that daffodil pins are worn in memory of someone who has died; understands that Marie Curie needs to raise £250,000 per week to support its frontline services; commends the vital care and support that Marie Curie provides across Scotland, including in the Aberdeenshire East constituency; praises its information and support services, which are available for everyone affected by terminal illness, including for bereavement support, and its volunteer helper services, which provide vital emotional support, companionship and information to terminally ill people, carers and families; believes that wearing the daffodil pin unites millions of people who believe

that dying people should get the care and support that they need; considers that the funds raised will mean a great deal to terminally ill people, and notes the calls encouraging as many people as possible to support the Marie Curie Great Daffodil Appeal in March 2023.

4. Portfolio Questions: Questions on Social Justice, Housing and Local Government were answered by a Cabinet Secretary and Ministers.

5. Ministerial Statement: The Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy (John Swinney) made a statement and answered questions on Ferguson Marine Update.

6. Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Bill: The Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans (Keith Brown) moved S6M-08220—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Bill.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 70, Against 29, Abstentions 19).

7. Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution: The Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Covid Recovery (John Swinney) moved S6M-07755—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3A of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Procurement Bill - UK Legislation: The Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism and Enterprise (Ivan McKee) moved S6M-08217—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions in clause 114 and related provisions concerning cross-border procurement, as amended by government amendments lodged on 24 January 2023, of the Procurement Bill, introduced in the House of Lords on 11 May 2022, and in clauses 2 and 125 of the Procurement Bill, and related provisions concerning scope and extent, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament and alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Social Security (Additional Payments) (No. 2) Bill - UK Legislation: The Minister for Social Security and Local Government (Ben Macpherson) moved S6M-08218—That the Parliament agrees that the provisions of the Social Security (Additional Payments) (No. 2) Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 7 February 2023, so far as they relate to matters that fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Approval of SSI: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-08235—That the Parliament agrees

that the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (Register of Persons Holding a Controlled Interest in Land) Amendment Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Approval of SSI: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-08236—That the Parliament agrees that the National Bus Travel Concession Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2023 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Approval of SSI: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-08237—That the Parliament agrees that the Scottish Landfill Tax (Standard Rate and Lower Rate) Order 2023 (SSI 2023/50) be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Approval of SSI: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-08238—That the Parliament agrees that the Renewables Obligation (Scotland) Amendment Order 2023 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

14. Approval of SSI: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-08239—That the Parliament agrees that the Non-Domestic Rates (Miscellaneous Anti-Avoidance Measures) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

15. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 as noted above.

The meeting closed at 5.14 pm.

David McGill
Clerk of the Parliament
16 March 2023

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

Subordinate Legislation

Affirmative Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 16 March 2023 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

National Smart Ticketing Advisory Board (Gender Representation on Public Boards) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 [draft]
laid under section 12(4) of the Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Act 2018

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 16 March 2023 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Food Additives, Food Flavourings and Novel Foods (Authorisations) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/78)
laid under Article 14A(3) of Regulation (EC) No. 1331/2008 and Article 32A(4) of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283

National Smart Ticketing Advisory Board (Scotland) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/80)
laid under section 81(3) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001

Laid Only Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 16 March 2023 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Education (Scotland) Act 2016 (Commencement No. 6) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/74 (C.7))
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Heat Networks (Scotland) Act 2021 (Commencement No. 2) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/77 (C.8))
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 16 March 2023—

Humza Yousaf, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Powers of Attorney Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-34)

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 16 March 2023 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Proceeds of Crime Act 2002: Report of the Appointed Person for Scotland for 2021/22 (SG/2023/42) laid under Sections 127I(6), 291(5) and 303F(7) of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 and Article 65H of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (External Requests and Orders) Order 2005

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