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Meeting of the Parliament

Tuesday 18 January 2022

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

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Josh Kennedy MSYP, Outgoing Chair, The Scottish Youth Parliament, led Time for Reflection.

2. Topical Questions: Questions were answered by Ministers.

3. Revision to Business Programme: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-02849—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—

(a) Tuesday 18 January —

after

followed by First Minister's Statement: COVID-19 Update

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: ScotWind Offshore Wind Leasing Round

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.30 pm Decision Time

(b) Wednesday 19 January 2022—

after

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Health and Social Care; Social Justice, Housing and Local Government

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Strengthened Fire Alarm Standards

after

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Education Failures and Guaranteeing the 2022 Exam Diet

insert

followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Debate: Appointment of Member of the Standards Commission for Scotland

delete

5.10 Decision Time

insert

5.40 Decision Time

(c) Thursday 20 January 2022—

after

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Publication of the Second Strategic Transport Projects Review

followed by Ministerial Statement: Prestwick Airport

after

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Coronavirus (Discretionary Compensation for Self-isolation) (Scotland) Bill

insert

followed by Financial Resolution: Coronavirus (Discretionary Compensation for Self-isolation) (Scotland) Bill

The motion was agreed to.

4. Ministerial Statement: The First Minister (Nicola Sturgeon) made a statement and answered questions on Covid-19 Update.

5. Ministerial Statement: The Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy and Transport (Michael Matheson) made a statement and answered questions on ScotWind Offshore Wind Leasing Round.

6. Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee Debate: Retrofitting of Properties for Net-zero. The Parliament debated Retrofitting of Properties for Net-zero.

7. Judicial Review and Courts Bill - UK Legislation: The Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans (Keith Brown) moved S6M-02801—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Judicial Review and Courts Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 21 July 2021, relating to the transfer and enforcement of orders imposed through online justice procedures in England and Wales to Scotland, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Committee Membership: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-02850—That the Parliament agrees that Ruth Maguire be appointed to replace Bill Kidd as a member of the Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 7 and 8 as noted above.

10. Scottish History in Schools: The Parliament debated S6M-02164 in the name of Stuart McMillan—That the Parliament notes what it sees as the importance of Scotland's history being taught in schools; believes that learning about local history helps pupils engage with their area's heritage and could empower them to explore their family's history; notes the view that this work should include aspects of Scotland's past that its people are not proud of, particularly in relation to its role in the transatlantic slave trade; believes that pupils in the Greenock and Inverclyde constituency could learn about the Radical War of 1820, which saw the final battle take place in Greenock and left nine people killed and many wounded, aged eight to 65; appreciates the role of libraries and museums in assisting schools and families in exploring their history; welcomes reports that many teachers already carry out this work, aiming to ensure that lessons suit their pupils; acknowledges that learning

about the history of other nations is important, but notes the view that this should be an aside to learning about Scotland's own history; commends the efforts of community groups, such as the 1820 Society and the Society of William Wallace, for helping keep stories about the nation's history alive, and notes calls encouraging MSPs to engage with community groups in their efforts to learn about and promote local history in their constituencies and regions.

11. Motion without Notice: Stuart McMillan 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 6.59 pm.

David McGill
Clerk of the Parliament
18 January 2022

Appendix

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

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 14 January 2022—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 1st Report, 2022 (Session 6):
Subordinate Legislation considered by the Delegated Powers and Law
Reform Committee on 11 January 2022 (SP Paper 79)

New Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 17 January 2022 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

The Scottish Commission on Social Security: scrutiny report on The Social Security (Up-rating) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 SCoSS/2022/01 laid under 97(8)(a)(ii) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

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