



# The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 1, No. 108, Session 6

Meeting of the Parliament

Tuesday 10 May 2022

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

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

**1. Time for Reflection:** Rev Alan Kimmitt, Minister, St Columba's Parish Church of Scotland, Glenrothes, led Time for Reflection.

**2. Topical Questions:** Questions were answered by Ministers.

**3. Inquiry into the Scottish Government's International Work:** Clare Adamson, on behalf of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee, moved S6M-04294—That the Parliament notes the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee's 3rd Report, 2022 (Session 6), Inquiry into the Scottish Government's International Work (SP Paper 154).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

**4. Revision to Business Programme:** Stephen Kerr, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-04333—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that the Private Landlord Registration (Modification) (Scotland) Order 2022 [draft] and the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Homes for Ukraine Sponsorship Scheme) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2022 [draft] be considered by the Parliament;

(b) the following revision to the programme of business for Thursday 12 May 2022—

delete

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions  
2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

and insert

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions  
2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

followed by Ministerial Statement: Update on Cladding Remediation Programme

and after

followed by Financial Resolution: Coronavirus (Recovery and Reform) (Scotland) Bill  
insert  
followed by Appointments to the Scottish Fiscal Commission

The motion was agreed to.

**5. Committee Meeting Times:** Stephen Kerr, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-04334—That the Parliament agrees that, under Rule 12.3.3B of Standing Orders, the Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee can meet, if necessary, at the same time as a meeting of the Parliament between 1.00 pm and 2.55 pm on Thursday 12 May 2022.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

**6. Decision Time:** The Parliament took decisions on items 3 and 5 as noted above.

**7. Women in Business:** The Parliament debated S6M-03137 in the name of Michelle Thomson—That the Parliament acknowledges what it sees as the vital role played by women in business, including in the Falkirk East constituency; believes that diversity in business leadership is vital for a healthy economy; notes reports that female entrepreneurs and business leaders often face particular barriers in accessing finance and investment; recognises what it sees as the pioneering research undertaken by Women’s Enterprise Scotland; understands that the research shows that women reportedly start their businesses with 53% less capital than men do, ask for 30% less funding and consequently, it believes, are often hugely under-capitalised from the outset; further understands that, according to the research, only 14% of all capital raised went to women-led businesses, and that less than 15% of the UK’s business angels are women; notes the initiatives taken by the Scottish Government to support and promote women in business, and further notes the growing recognition that removing barriers to women will enhance leadership, decision making, ethics and performance in the business community.

The meeting closed at 5.49 pm.

**David McGill**  
Clerk of the Parliament  
10 May 2022

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

**Committee Reports**

The following report was published on 4 May 2022—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 27th Report, 2022 (Session 6): Legislative Consent Memorandum: delegated powers relevant to Scotland in the High Speed Rail (Crewe – Manchester) Bill (SP Paper 168)

The following report was published on 6 May 2022—

Finance and Public Administration Committee, 5th Report, 2022 (Session 6): Report on nominations to the Scottish Fiscal Commission (SP Paper 170)

**Subordinate Legislation**

**Affirmative Instruments**

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 6 May 2022 and are subject to the affirmative procedure—

Private Landlord Registration (Modification) (Scotland) Order 2022 [draft]  
laid under section 141(4) of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004

Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Homes for Ukraine Sponsorship Scheme) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2022 [draft]  
laid under section 10(2) of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974

Disability Assistance for Working Age People (Transitional Provisions and Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 [draft]  
laid under section 96(2) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

**Negative Instruments**

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 6 May 2022 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Education (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SSI 2022/156)  
laid under section 1(5) of the Education (Fees and Awards) Act 1983

Student Support (Scotland) Regulations 2022 (SSI 2022/157)  
laid under section 133(2) of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980

Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Homes for Ukraine Sponsorship Scheme) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SSI 2022/158)  
laid under section 125 of the Police Act 1997

## Laid Only Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 5 May 2022 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Act 2021 (Commencement and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2022 (SSI 2022/154 (C.10))  
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

## Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 6 May 2022 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Response to Scottish Commission on Social Security's Scrutiny Report on the Disability Assistance for Working Age People (Transitional Provisions and Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 SG/2022/86** laid under section 97(9)(a) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 10 May 2022 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Report by the Scottish Ministers in exercise of the power in Section 1(1) of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021 for the reporting period 29 March 2021 – 31 August 2021 and the intended future use of the power under Section 1(1) in the upcoming reporting period SG/2022/90** laid under Section 10(1) of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021

**Document describing how the Scottish Ministers have had regard to representations on the draft statement of policy and draft annual report on the Scottish Ministers exercise of the power in Section 1 of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021 SG/2022/89** laid under Sections 7(4) and 11(5) of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021

**Statement of Policy by The Scottish Ministers in exercise of the power in Section 1 of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021 SG/2022/88** laid under Section 7(1) of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021

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