



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Minute of Parliamentary Bureau meeting 21 March 2023
at 12:00 pm
Q1.03/MS Teams

Present:

- Alison Johnstone (Chair)
- Annabelle Ewing
- Liam McArthur
- George Adam
- Alexander Burnett
- Neil Bibby
- Gillian Mackay

Also attended:

- Gordon MacDonald

Officials present:

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

Previous minutes

1. The minutes of 14 March 2023 were agreed.

Business Programme

2. The Bureau considered a programme of business for the week commencing 20 March and a revised programme of business for the weeks commencing 27 March and 17 April 2023.
3. Neil Bibby requested statements on the Junior Doctors strike and cladding and the Scottish Safer Buildings Accord.
4. Alexander Burnett supported these requests. He also reiterated statement requests on the Children's Orchestras Funding U-turn and the Teacher Pay Deal and requested a statement by the First Minister's on the Ministerial Code and statements on Dentistry and the Deposit Return Scheme.
5. The Minister for Parliamentary Business indicated that the Government would consider the requests and respond in due course.
6. Alexander Burnett reserved his party's position on the revised business programme.
7. The Bureau agreed that Members' Business on Wednesday 29 March would be Liam Kerr: S6M-07327: Scotland's Courts Maintenance Backlog. The Bureau also agreed that the SNP Members' Business debate scheduled for Thursday 30 March would be postponed until after recess.

Timetabling of a Bill at Stage 1

8. The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that consideration of the Trust and Succession (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by Friday 6 October 2023.

Approval of SSIs

9. The Bureau noted that motions would be lodged inviting the Parliament to approve the following instruments—
 - The Provision of Early Learning and Childcare (Specified Children) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2023.
 - The Alcoholic Beverages, Fruit and Vegetables (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2023.
 - The Social Security (Up-rating) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2023.

- The Social Security Up-rating (Scotland) Order 2023.

Catherine Fergusson
Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
21 March 2023