

PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19 JANUARY 2010 AT 2.00 PM

Attending: Alex Fergusson (chair), Bruce Crawford, Paul Martin, David McLetchie, Mike Rumbles, Alasdair Morgan, Trish Godman

Observing: Bill Kidd, David Stewart

Officials present: Paul Grice, Ken Hughes, Joanne Clinton, Katherine Wright, Jane McEwan, Nicola Dove

1. Item 1a: Minutes of last meeting – The minutes of 12 January 2010 were agreed.
2. Future Business Programme – The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament a business programme for the weeks beginning 25 January 2010 and 1 February 2010.
3. It was noted that Members' Business on Wednesday 27 January 2010 would be S3M-5443 Christine Grahame: Post Office Development and Diversification and on Thursday 28 January 2010 would be S3M-5547 Richard Baker: Supporting Scotland's Supported Workplaces.
4. Procedural motions
Scottish Statutory Instrument – The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the draft Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 (Modification of Enactments) Order 2010 be approved.

Legislation
5. Housing (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1 referral – The Bureau agreed that the Local Government and Communities Committee be designated lead committee in consideration of the Housing (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.
6. Control of Dogs (Scotland) Bill – Extension to Stage 1 timetable – The Bureau agreed to recommend to the Parliament that the deadline for consideration of the Control of Dogs (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 12 February 2010.
7. Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2 referral – The Bureau agreed to refer the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Bill back to the Subordinate Legislation Committee for consideration at Stage 2.
8. Forth Crossing Bill – establishment of Hybrid Bill Committee – The Bureau agreed that Business Managers bring forward nominations for the composition and membership of the Committee to the next meeting.
9. Rural Affairs and Environment Committee – request to meet in Caithness and Shetland – The Bureau approved a request from the Rural Affairs and Environment Committee to meet in Caithness on 23 February and

Shetland on 2 March as part of its Stage 1 scrutiny of the Crofting Reform (Scotland) Bill.

10. Removal of motions from the Business Bulletin – The Bureau agreed that all motions lodged on or before 24 November 2009 be removed from the Business Bulletin, with the exception of the following:

Motion	Member	Title
S3M-3441	Nanette Milne	Childhood Cancer – More Than My Illness
S3M-5168	Anne McLaughlin	The Future of East Coast Rail Services
S3M-5180	Jamie McGrigor	Future of Mid Argyll Community Swimming Pool

11. Publication Scheme – It was agreed that all papers considered at the meeting should be published.
12. Date of next meeting – The next meeting of the Bureau would be held at 2.00 pm on Tuesday 26 January 2010.

Joanne Clinton
Senior Assistant Clerk to the Parliamentary Bureau
19 January 2010