



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 2, No. 13, Session 6

Meeting of the Parliament

Wednesday 15 June 2022

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

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

**1. Portfolio Questions:** Questions on Health and Social Care, and then on Social Justice, Housing and Local Government were answered by Cabinet Secretaries and Ministers.

**2. Health and Wellbeing of Children and Young People:** The Parliament debated Health and Wellbeing of Children and Young People.

**3. Good Food Nation (Scotland) Bill:** The Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs and Islands (Mairi Gougeon) moved S6M-04938—That the Parliament agrees that the Good Food Nation (Scotland) Bill be passed.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 113, Against 0, Abstentions 0).

**4. Business Programme:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-04997—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 21 June 2022

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

*followed by* Scottish Government Debate: World Refugee Day - Welcoming and Supporting Refugees in Scotland's Communities

*followed by* Stage 3 Proceedings: Non-Domestic Rates (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Bill

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Wednesday 22 June 2022

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Justice and Veterans; Finance and Economy

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Deaths in Custody

*followed by* Scottish Labour Party Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Approval of SSIs (if required)

5.40 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 23 June 2022

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

*followed by* Members' Business

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Provisional Outturn 2021-22

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Medication Assisted Treatment Standards

*followed by* Stage 3 Proceedings: Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles (Scotland) Bill

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6.30 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 28 June 2022

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

*followed by* Stage 3 Proceedings: Coronavirus (Recovery and Reform) (Scotland) Bill

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Wednesday 29 June 2022

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Covid Recovery and Parliamentary Business; Net Zero, Energy and Transport

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Approval of SSIs (if required)

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 30 June 2022

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

*followed by* Members' Business

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs and Islands

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.25 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 20 June 2022, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

The motion was agreed to.

**5. Committee Meeting Times:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-04998—That the Parliament agrees that, under Rule 12.3.3B of Standing Orders, the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee can meet, if necessary, at the same time as a meeting of the Parliament on Wednesday 22 June 2022.

The motion was agreed to.

**6. Approval of SSI:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-04999—That the Parliament agrees that the Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Amendment, Surrender and Compensation) (Scotland) Order 2022 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT)).

**7. Approval of SSI:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-05000—That the Parliament agrees that the Disability Assistance for Working Age People (Transitional Provisions and Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT)).

**8. Approval of SSI:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-05001—That the Parliament agrees that the Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT)).

**9. Approval of SSI:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-05002—That the Parliament agrees that the Surrender of Offensive Weapons (Compensation) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 [draft] be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT)).

**10. Designation of Lead Committee:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (George Adam), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-05003—That the Parliament agrees that the Criminal Justice Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

The motion was agreed to ((DT)).

**11. Decision Time:** The Parliament took decisions on items 3, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 as noted above.

**12. Better Protection for Scotland's War Memorials:** The Parliament debated S6M-01794 in the name of Meghan Gallacher—That the Parliament notes the recent petition submitted on behalf of Dennistoun War Memorial, urging the Scottish Government to introduce stronger legislation, which would recognise the desecration or vandalism of war memorials as a specific criminal offence; understands that war memorials hold a very special place within the hearts of Scotland's communities; further understands that there has been an unprecedented increase in the desecration and vandalism of Scotland's war memorials since 2015, with some of those most recently targeted being the war memorial in the Duchess of Hamilton Park in Motherwell, the Carronshore War Memorial, the Boer War Memorial in Glasgow, the Spanish Civil War Memorial in Motherwell, the Kirkcaldy War Memorial, the Cowdenbeath War Memorial, and the Prestonpans War Memorial; notes calls to bring forward stricter legislation to ensure that war memorials are given special protection status; further notes the view that this would assist the authorities when prosecuting perpetrators of what it sees as these heinous crimes, and believes that war memorials are not representative of political or religious iconography, but are rather invaluable memorials to the young men and women who have paid the ultimate sacrifice for their countries, so that everyone today, irrespective of their background, can equally enjoy freedom from tyranny and oppression.

The meeting closed at 6.57 pm.

**David McGill**  
Clerk of the Parliament  
15 June 2022

## **Appendix**

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

### **Other Documents**

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 15 June 2022 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Independent Monitoring Authority's Annual Report to the Specialised Committee on Citizens' Rights established under the Withdrawal Agreement and the Joint Committee established under the EEA EFTA Separation Agreement SG/2022/109** laid under Paragraph 31(11) of schedule 2 of the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020

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