



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

# Minute of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body (SPCB) meeting held on Thursday 31 October 2024 at 9.00am

## Present:

- Alison Johnstone MSP (chair)
- Jackson Carlaw MSP
- Maggie Chapman MSP
- Christine Grahame MSP

## Apologies:

- Claire Baker MSP

## In attendance:

- David McGill
- Michelle Hegarty
- Sara Glass, Beki Stark
- Judith Morrison, Kenny Htet-Khin, Eric MacLeod
- Mark Brough
- Lisa Creamer
- Lynn Russell
- Allan Campbell, Acting Secretary

## Previous minutes

1. The SPCB agreed the minute of the meeting held on 10 October 2024.

## Matters arising

2. The SPCB noted that the following item had been dealt with by correspondence since the previous meeting:
  - An update to the Minute of the SPCB meeting on 26 September 2024.

## **Budget 2025-26**

3. The SPCB discussed indexation options for both 2025-26 and 2026-27. Modelling would be undertaken based on the indices presented and these would be further discussed ahead of a finalised budget bid being presented for sign-off in November.

## **Strategic discussion**

4. The SPCB considered its approach to excluded complaints and its oversight of compliance with the Members' Expenses Scheme and SPCB policies. It commissioned further work from officials to support it to discharge its responsibilities and inform a draft response to the invitation for reflections issued by the Standards Procedures and Public Appointments Committee.

## **Any other business**

5. The SPCB discussed the need for all MSPs to undertake GDPR online training.

## **Date of next meeting**

6. The next meeting of the SPCB was scheduled for 14 November 2024.

**SPCB Secretariat**  
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