



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

DELEGATED POWERS AND LAW REFORM COMMITTEE

MINUTES

1st Meeting, 2020 (Session 5)

Tuesday 7 January 2020

Present:

Tom Arthur
Mary Fee
Graham Simpson (Convener)

Jeremy Balfour
Stuart McMillan (Deputy Convener)

The meeting opened at 10.02 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 6, 7, 8 and 9 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee agreed that no points arose on the following—

Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions)
(Scotland) Amendment Order 2020
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee agreed to draw the attention of the Parliament to the following—

Environmental Impact Assessment (Transport) (EU Exit) (Scotland)
(Amendment) Regulations 2019 (2019/415);
Plant Health (Official Controls and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland)
Regulations 2019 (2019/421)

The Committee agreed to write to the Scottish Government regarding the following—

Restriction of Liberty Order etc. (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019
(2019/423)

4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee agreed that no points arose on the following—

Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (Commencement No. 9) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/420 (C. 24))
5. **Instruments/documents laid for consultation:** The Committee agreed that no points arose on the following—

Proposed draft order - Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 (SG/2019/248)
Proposed Explanatory Document – Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 (SG/2019/249)
6. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee considered the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1. The Committee agreed to invite the Cabinet Secretary to give evidence.
7. **Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (in private):** The Committee considered the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2. The Committee agreed to write to the Scottish Government.
8. **European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (in private):** The Committee considered the delegated powers in the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill. The Committee agreed to write to the UK Government, the Scottish Government and the Finance and Constitution Committee.
9. **Scottish Law Commission Bills Working Group (in private):** The Committee considered an update from the Scottish Law Commission Bills working group.

The meeting closed at 11.26 am.

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