



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

19th Meeting, 2013 (Session 4)

Thursday 13 June 2013

Present:

Christian Allard  
Mary Fee (Convener)  
Alex Johnstone  
Siobhan McMahon

Marco Biagi (Deputy Convener)  
John Finnie  
John Mason

The meeting opened at 9.01 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take in private, at future meetings, consideration of (a) candidates for the post of adviser on scrutiny of the draft budget 2014-15, (b) a request to sponsor an event coinciding with Black History Month and African History Month, and (c) the Scottish Government's response to the Committee's *Where Gypsy/Travellers Live* report.
2. **Equality and Human Rights Commission:** The Committee considered recent correspondence about the Commission and agreed to write seeking a response, from the Commission, to the concerns raised.
3. **Gender pay gap information:** The Committee considered gender pay-gap information recently published under the Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) (Scotland) Regulations 2012 and agreed to consider the matter further following the Scottish Government's response to the Committee's forthcoming *Women and Work* report.
4. **Women and work (in private):** The Committee considered a revised draft report. Various changes were agreed to, and the report was agreed for publication.

The meeting closed at 10.36 am.

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