



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

**30th Meeting, 2012 (Session 4)**

**Wednesday 21 November 2012**

Present:

Gavin Brown  
Jamie Hepburn  
Elaine Murray

Kenneth Gibson (Convener)  
John Mason (Deputy Convener)  
Jean Urquhart

Apologies were received from Michael McMahon.

The meeting opened at 9.35 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 3 in private and to take further consideration of its draft report in private at future meetings.
2. **Demographic change and ageing population:** The Committee took evidence in a round table format from—

Callum Chomczuk, Senior Policy and Parliamentary Officer, Age Scotland;

David Ogilvie, Policy Manager, Scottish Federation of Housing Associations;

Fiona Collie, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Carers Scotland;

Mike Brown, Convener, Association of Directors of Social Work Resources Standing Committee;

David Bookbinder, Head of Policy and Public Affairs, Chartered Institute of Housing in Scotland;

Nancy Fancott, Policy and Development Officer, Coalition of Care and Support Providers in Scotland.

3. **Improving employability:** The Committee considered a draft report and agreed to consider a further draft at its next meeting.

The meeting closed at 12.09 pm.

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