



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

FINANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

11th Meeting, 2014 (Session 4)

Wednesday 2 April 2014

Present:

Gavin Brown	Malcolm Chisholm
Kenneth Gibson (Convener)	Jamie Hepburn
John Mason (Deputy Convener)	Michael McMahon
Jean Urquhart	

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 3, 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Eleanor Emberson, Director of Financial Strategy and Head of Revenue Scotland, Scottish Government;

John Kenny, Head of National Operations, Scottish Environment Protection Agency;

John King, Director of Registration, Registers of Scotland;

John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Employment and Sustainable Growth;

Eleanor Emberson, Director of Financial Strategy and Head of Revenue Scotland, and Colin Miller, Tax Management Bill Team Leader, Scottish Government.

John Mason declared an interest as a member of ICAS.

3. **Proposed Contingent Liability (in private):** The Committee took evidence from—

Shona Robison, Minister for Commonwealth Games and Sport, David Patel, Deputy Director, Sara Lightbody, Special Projects Manager, and Derek Glover, Finance Business Partner, Scottish Government.

The Committee agreed to the terms of a proposed contingent liability.

4. **Courts Reform (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee agreed its submission to the lead committee on the Financial Memorandum.
5. **Assisted Suicide (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee agreed its approach to the Financial Memorandum.
6. **Food (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee agreed its approach to the Financial Memorandum.

The meeting closed at 11.59 am.

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