



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

HEALTH AND SPORT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

13th Meeting, 2016 (Session 4)

Tuesday 8 March 2016

Present:

Malcolm Chisholm

Rhoda Grant

Richard Lyle

Duncan McNeil (Convener)

Dennis Robertson

Bob Doris (Deputy Convener)

Colin Keir

Mike MacKenzie

Nanette Milne

The meeting opened at 9.34 am.

1. **Burial and Cremation (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 1001,1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008, 1009, 1010, 1011, 1012, 1013, 1014,1015, 1016, 1017, 1018, 1019, 1020, 1021, 1022, 1023, 1024, 1025, 1026, 1027, 1028,1029, 1030, 1031, 1032, 1033, 1034, 1035, 1037, 1038, 1039, 1040, 1041, 1042,1043, 1044, 1045 and 1046.

Amendment 1036 was agreed to (by division: For 5, Against 4,Abstentions 0).

Amendment 1047 was moved, and no member having objected,withdrawn.

Amendment 1049 was pre-empted.

The following amendments were not moved: 1048 and 1050.

Section 46 was agreed to without amendment.

The following provisions were agreed to as amended: sections 36, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54 and 55.

The Committee completed Stage 2 consideration of the Bill.

The Committee agreed to consider Agenda item 3 ahead of Agenda item 2.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee took evidence on the Healthcare Improvement Scotland (Delegation of Functions) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/86) from—

Maureen Watt, Minister for Public Health, Elizabeth Sadler, Head of Planning and Quality Division, and Ailsa Garland, Principal Legal Officer, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government;

Robbie Pearson, Interim Chief Executive, and Jacqui Macrae, Head of Quality of Care, Healthcare Improvement Scotland.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee considered the following negative instruments—

The National Assistance (Assessment of Resources) Amendment (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/80)

National Assistance (Sums for Personal Requirements) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/87)

Country of Origin of Certain Meats (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/84)

The National Health Service Pension Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/97)

National Health Service Superannuation Scheme (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/98)

and agreed to make no recommendations in relation to the instruments.

4. **Public petitions:** The Committee considered the following petitions—

PE1398 Access to therapy for orphan diseases

PE1399 Equitable access to therapy for Pompe disease

PE1401 Access to therapy for paroxysmal nocturnal haemoglobinuria.

The Committee agreed to close the petitions.

5. **Public petitions: PE1384** The Committee considered the following petition-PE1382 by Kim Hartley on behalf of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists calling on the Scottish Parliament to urge the Scottish Government to demonstrate how its policies and guidelines ensure local authorities and NHS boards protect provision of quality speech and language therapy services for all people with speech/language communication support needs and/or swallowing difficulties.

The Committee agreed to close the petition but to also include some issues in its forthcoming legacy paper.

6. **Legacy paper (in private):** The Committee considered the draft legacy report. Various changes were agreed to, and the Committee agreed to consider a revised draft, in private, at its next meeting.

The meeting closed at 12.06 pm.

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