



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

9th Meeting, 2016 (Session 4)

Wednesday 9 March 2016

Present:

George Adam	Jayne Baxter
Cameron Buchanan	Willie Coffey
Cara Hilton	Kevin Stewart (Convener)
John Wilson (Deputy Convener)	

Also present: Lesley Brennan (Item 2), Maureen Watt (Minister for Public Health) (Item 2)

The meeting opened at 9.32 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee decided to take item 4 in private.
2. **Burial and Cremation (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered the Bill at Stage 2.

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 145, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143 and 144.

Amendment 1 was agreed to (by division: For 4, Against, 3, Abstentions 0)

Amendment 146 was disagreed to (by division: For 3, Against 4, Abstentions 0)

The following provisions were agreed to without amendment: sections 3, 4, 7, 9, 11, 15, 19, 21, 25, 26, 28, 31, 32, 33, 35, 39, 42, 58, 69, 71, 72, 76, and 77, Schedule 1, sections 78, 79, 80, and 81 and Long Title.

The following provisions were agreed to as amended: sections 1, 2, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 20, 22, 23, 24, 27, 29, 30, 34, 37, 38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 45, 56, 59, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 70, 73, 74 and 75 and Schedule 2.

The Committee completed Stage 2 consideration of the Bill.

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

Non-Domestic Rate (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/113);
Non-Domestic Rates (Levy) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/114);
Non-Domestic Rates (Enterprise Areas) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/119);
Non-Domestic Rates (Steel Sites) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/120);
Non-Domestic Rates (Renewable Energy Generation Relief) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/121);
Non-Domestic Rates (Telecommunication Installations) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/122);
Non-Domestic Rating (Unoccupied Property) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/124);
Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2016 (SSI 2016/126); and
Non-Domestic Rates (Telecommunications and Canals) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2016 (SSI 2016/129)

The Committee agreed to make no comment in recommendations in relation to the instruments.

4. **Annual report:** The Committee considered a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 11 May 2015 to 23 March 2016.

The meeting closed at 11.28 am.

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