



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

23rd Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Tuesday 24 September 2019

Present:

Maurice Corry (Committee Substitute)	John Finnie
Jenny Gilruth	James Kelly
Liam Kerr	Fulton MacGregor
Rona Mackay (Deputy Convener)	Liam McArthur
Shona Robison	

Apologies were received from Margaret Mitchell (Convener).

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Professor Paul Wiles, Commissioner for the Retention and Use of Biometric Material;

Lucy Bradshaw-Murrow, Head of Office, Office of the Commissioner for the Retention and Use of Biometric Material;

Dr Christopher Lawless, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Durham University;

Dr Hannah Graham, Senior Lecturer in Criminology, Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research (SCCJR), University of Stirling;

Dr Karen Richmond, University of Strathclyde.

2. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee considered a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposal—

The Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments (Civil and Family) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019.

The Committee agreed with the view of the Scottish Government that it should consent to the relevant changes made by the UK Government.

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

Removal, Storage and Disposal of Vehicles (Prescribed Sums and Charges etc.) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/230), and
The Police (Retention and Disposal of Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/231).

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

4. **Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (in private):** The Committee reviewed and agreed the evidence heard at today's meeting.

The meeting closed at 12.04 pm.

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