



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

4th Meeting, 2020 (Session 5)

Tuesday 28 January 2020

Present:

John Finnie
James Kelly
Fulton MacGregor
Liam McArthur

Jenny Gilruth
Liam Kerr
Rona Mackay (Deputy Convener)
Margaret Mitchell (Convener)

Apologies were received from Shona Robison.

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 4 in private.
2. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Janet Cormack, Legal Policy Manager, Clan Childlaw;

Susan Edington, Edingtons WS;

Ruth Innes QC, Faculty of Advocates;

Jennifer Gallagher, Chair, Family Law Association;

Nadine Martin, Harper Macleod LLP.

3. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee reviewed the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee considered its work programme.

The meeting closed at 12.25 pm.

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