



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

8th Meeting, 2020 (Session 5)

Tuesday 25 February 2020

Present:

John Finnie	James Kelly
Liam Kerr	Fulton MacGregor
Rona Mackay (Deputy Convener)	Liam McArthur
Margaret Mitchell (Convener)	Shona Robison

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee took evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Ash Denham, Minister for Community Safety, Simon Stockwell, Head of Family Law Unit, and Shona Spence, Looked after Children Team, Scottish Government.
2. **Secure care and prison places for children and young people in Scotland:** The Committee considered the Scottish Government's response to its report.
3. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee noted a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting held on 20 February 2020.
4. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee reviewed the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

The meeting closed at 12.11 pm.

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