



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## JUSTICE COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

**28th Meeting, 2018 (Session 5)**

**Tuesday 6 November 2018**

Present:

George Adam (Committee Substitute)	Jenny Gilruth
Daniel Johnson	Liam Kerr
Fulton MacGregor	Rona Mackay (Deputy Convener)
Liam McArthur	Margaret Mitchell (Convener)
Shona Robison	

Apologies were received from John Finnie.

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Post-legislative scrutiny of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012:** The Committee took evidence from—

Simon Routh-Jones, HM Chief Inspector, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, HM Fire Service Inspectorate in Scotland;

Douglas Scott, Senior Policy Adviser, and Graham Jones, Safer Communities and Community Justice Manager, Scottish Borders Council;

Kate Frame, Commissioner, and John McSparran, Head of Investigations, Police Investigations and Review Commissioner;

Diego Quiroz, Policy Officer, Scottish Human Rights Commission.

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

Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2018 (SSI 2018/293).

The Committee agreed to make no recommendation in relation to the instrument.

4. **Management of Offenders (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee considered reports from HM Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland and HM Inspector of Prisons for Scotland on Home Detention Curfews and agreed to take the contents of the reports into account in relation to further scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
5. **Management of Offenders (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee considered its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1 and agreed to take further evidence from a number of organisations including HM Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland, HM Inspector of Prisons for Scotland, Police Scotland, the Law Society of Scotland, the Faculty of Advocates and the Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland. The Committee asked the Convener and the clerk to make the necessary arrangements and also to discuss the deadline for the completion of Stage 1 with the Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans.
6. **Brexit and the civil and criminal justice systems and policing in Scotland (in private):** The Committee considered a draft report to the Parliament. Various changes were suggested and the Committee agreed to consider a revised draft report at future meetings.

The meeting closed at 12.43 pm.

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