



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

JUSTICE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

16th Meeting, 2019 (Session 5)

Tuesday 4 June 2019

Present:

John Finnie
Daniel Johnson
Fulton MacGregor
Liam McArthur
Shona Robison

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

The meeting opened at 10.00 am.

1. **Presumption Against Short Periods of Imprisonment (Scotland) Order 2019 [draft]:** The Committee took evidence from—

Laura Hoskins, Head of Policy, Community Justice Scotland;

Colin McConnell, Chief Executive, Scottish Prison Service;

James Maybee, The Highland Council, representing Social Work Scotland;

Kate Wallace, Chief Executive, Victim Support Scotland;

Dr Katrina Morrison, Board Member, Howard League Scotland;

Dr Sarah Armstrong, Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research, University of Glasgow;

Professor Cyrus Tata, Director of the Centre for Law, Crime and Justice, University of Strathclyde;

Rt Hon Lord Turnbull, Senator of the College of Justice, and Graham Ackerman, Secretary, Scottish Sentencing Council.

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

Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Rural Housing Bodies) Amendment Order 2019 (SSI 2019/172).

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

3. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee noted a report back from the Convener of the Sub-Committee on the meeting held on 30 May 2019.

The meeting closed at 12.25 pm.

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