



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

PUBLIC AUDIT AND POST-LEGISLATIVE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

26th Meeting, 2018 (Session 5)

Thursday 22 November 2018

Present:

Colin Beattie	Bill Bowman
Willie Coffey	Liam Kerr (Deputy Convener)
Jenny Marra (Convener)	Alex Neil
Anas Sarwar	

The meeting opened at 9.05 am.

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee agreed to take item 3 in private.
2. **Section 23 report - Children and young people's mental health:** The Committee took evidence on the joint report by the Auditor General for Scotland and the Accounts Commission entitled "Children and young people's mental health" from—

Dr Lynne Taylor, Lead Consultant Psychologist and Clinical Director CAMHS, NHS Grampian;

Bernadette Cairns, Head of Additional Support Services, Highland Council;

Stephen Brown, Director, North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership;

Dr Dame Denise Coia, Chair, Joint Scottish Government and COSLA Task Force, Children and Young People's Mental Health;

Paul Gray, Director-General Health & Social Care, Scottish Government and Chief Executive, NHS Scotland;

Donna Bell, Director for Mental Health, Scottish Government;

Nicola Dickie, Chief Officer, Children and Young People, and John Wood, Chief Officer, Health and Social Care, COSLA.

3. **Section 23 report - Children and young people's mental health (in private):**
The Committee considered the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and took further evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, Performance and Best Value, and Dharshi Santhakumaran, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.

The Committee agreed to provide a summary of the key themes arising from its scrutiny of the report to relevant subject committees and the Public Petitions Committee.

The meeting closed at 11.23 am.

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