



JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AGENDA

28th Meeting, 2000 (Session 1)

Tuesday 19 September 2000

The Committee will meet at 9.30 am, in the Chamber, Assembly Hall, the Mound, Edinburgh.

- 1. Time limit on SSI debate:** The Convener to move (S1M-1184), that the Committee agrees to debate motion S1M-1157 (motion to recommend that nothing further be done under the Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2000 (SSI 2000/187)) for no more than 30 minutes.
- 2. Item in Private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 7 in private.
- 3. Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence at Stage 1 on enforcement aspects of the Bill from—

Bill Swann, Mike Jones QC, Gordon Nardell, Scottish Campaign Against Hunting with Dogs, Mike Flynn, Chief Inspector, Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Rachel Newman, Head of Society Prosecutions, Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals;

Assistant Chief Constable Ian A Gordon, Association of Chief Police Officers in Scotland.

- 4. Abolition of Poindings and Warrant Sales Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.
- 5. Subordinate Legislation:** Phil Gallie to move (S1M-1157)—That the Committee recommends that nothing further be done under the Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2000 (SSI 2000/187).
- 6. Domestic Violence:** Maureen Macmillan will report on her recent meeting with the Minister for Justice and Minister for Communities.

- 7. Legal Aid and Access to Justice:** The Committee will consider candidates for the post of adviser to its inquiry on legal aid and access to justice.

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The following papers are attached for this meeting:

Agenda item 3

Note by Assistant Clerk on written evidence on the Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Bill. JH/00/28/1

Memorandum by Scottish Campaign Against Hunting with Dogs JH/00/28/2

Memorandum by the Law Society of Scotland (to follow) JH/00/28/6

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Note by the Senior Assistant Clerk on SSI 2000/187 JH/00/28/3

Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland)
Amendment Rules 2000 (SSI 2000/187) (members only)

[Note: The instrument is also available on the internet at
[www.scotland-legislation.hmsso.gov.uk/legislation/scotland/ssi2000/20000187 .htm](http://www.scotland-legislation.hmsso.gov.uk/legislation/scotland/ssi2000/20000187.htm)]

Agenda item 7

Note by Senior Assistant Clerk on candidates for post of adviser on legal aid and access to justice (private paper). JH/00/28/4

Papers not circulated:

Agenda item 3

Members are reminded to bring with them copies of the Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Bill (SP Bill 10) and accompanying documents (SP Bill 10-EN). Members may also wish to refer to the two SPICe briefings which have been produced on the Bill (Research Note 99/17, *Fox Hunting in Scotland*, and Research Paper 00/04, *Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Bill*).

Agenda item 4

Members are reminded to bring with them copies of the Abolition of Poindings and Warrant Sales Bill (SP3) and accompanying documents (SP Bill 3-FM), together with any papers from the Stage 1 process that are considered relevant (such as the Committee's Stage 1 report, SP Paper 82). Copies of the Marshallled List and

groupings will be available from Document Supply first thing in the morning and will also be available in the Chamber.

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Members may wish to refer to the Official Report of the statement by the Minister for Justice on family law, 14 September.

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Papers for information circulated for the 28th Meeting, 2000

Letter from the Law Society of Scotland on petition PE89	JH/00/28/5
Written evidence from Brian Hamilton on the Leasehold Casualties (Scotland) Bill.	JH/00/28/7
Letter to the Convener from the Minister for Justice on the proposed ECHR Bill	JH/00/28/8
Written Answer on Scottish prisons	
Minutes of the 27th Meeting, 2000	JH/00/27/M

Note: The Clerk has received a copy of a letter from the trustees of the Carbeth Charitable Trust and the Carbeth Hutterers' Association to the Deputy Minister for Justice. Copies of this letter may be obtained on request from the clerks.

The Scottish Executive White Paper "Parents and Children" was published on 14 September. Copies should be available from Document Supply Centre or on the Internet – <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/justice/familylaw/pac-00.asp>