

JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AGENDA

30th Meeting, 2000 (Session 1)

Wednesday 4 October 2000

The Committee will meet at 9.30 am, in Committee Room 3, Committee Chambers, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh.

- 1. Convener: The Committee will choose a new convener.
- **2. Item in private:** The Committee will decide whether to consider a draft report on the Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Bill in private at its next meeting.
- **3. Budget Process 2001-02:** The Committee will take evidence on the Executive's spending plans for justice at Stage 2 of the Budget process 2001-02 from—

Jim Wallace MSP, Minister for Justice.

4. Leasehold Casualties (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will take evidence on the general principles of the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Alistair G Rennie, Deputy Keeper, and Mr Ian Davis, Head of Legal Services, Registers of Scotland;

Dr Eric Clive and John Dods, Scottish Law Commission;

Brian Hamilton;

Micheline Brannan, Justice Department, Scottish Executive, and Stuart Foubister, Office of the Solicitor to the Scottish Executive.

- **5. Forward Programme:** The Committee will consider its forward programme.
- **6. Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider its response to evidence taken on the Bill.

Andrew Mylne Clerk to the Committee, Tel 85206

The following papers are attached for this meeting:

| Agenda item 4 Written evidence from the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors in Scotland | JH/00/30/1 |
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| Letter from Professor Robert Rennie | JH/00/30/6 |
| Agenda item 5 Note by the Senior Assistant Clerk on the forward programme | JH/00/30/2 |
| Agenda item 6 Note by the Assistant Clerk on issues arising from evidence on the Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Bill (private paper) | JH/00/30/3 |
| Opinion of Mike Jones for SCAHD | JH/00/30/4 |
| Extract of David Pannick QC's opinion referred to by Mike Jones QC | JH/00/30/5 |

Papers not circulated:

Agenda item 3:

Members should refer to the statement on justice expenditure by the Minister for Justice and the subsequent debate in the *Official Report* of the Parliament for 27 September. Members are reminded to bring with them copies of the Justice and Home Affairs Budget report and Scottish Executive response to the report (JH/00/28/9). Members may also wish to bring with them a copy of *Making a difference for Scotland – Spending Plans for Scotland 2001-02 to 2003-04* (copies available from the Document Supply Centre or on the Executive website, http://www.scotland.gov.uk, under Publications.)

The Executive has pointed out that the figure for prisons resources for 2000-01 on page 28 of *Making a Difference for Scotland* should read £249 million rather than £294 million.

Agenda item 4

Members are reminded to bring with them copies of the Bill and Accompanying Documents. Members may also wish to bring along a copy of the *Official Report* of the Justice and Home Affairs Committee meeting on 11 September. Members should also bring with them copies of letters by Brian Hamilton circulated previously (JH/00/28/7). The Scottish Law Commission's Report 165 on Leasehold Casualties is available from Document Supply Centre.

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Members may wish to bring with them copies of the Bill and Accompanying Documents, together with other papers relating to the Bill previously circulated (see JH/00/30/3).

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Papers for information circulated for the 30th meeting, 2000

Note on clerks' availability during the recess (members only)

Recent Written Answers on Prisons

Minutes of the 29th Meeting, 2000

JH/00/29/M

Note: Members may wish to be aware that the following SSIs were made on 7 September and come into force on 2 October. These instruments have not been laid before the Parliament and are therefore not subject to any Parliamentary scrutiny. Copies are available on request from the Clerks.

- Act of Adjournal (Criminal Procedure Rules Amendment No. 2) (Human Rights Act 1998) 2000 (SSI 2000 no. 315)
- Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session Amendment No. 6) (Human Rights Act 1998) 2000 (SSI 2000 No. 316)
- Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session Amendment No. 5) (Public Interest Intervention in Judicial Review) 2000 (SSI 2000 No. 317)
- Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session Amendment No. 4) (Applications under s. 1 of the Administration of Justice (Scotland) Act 1972) 2000 (SSI 2000 no. 319)