The Committee will meet at 10 am in Committee Room 1, to consider the following agenda items:

1. **Items in Private:** The Committee will consider whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.

2. **Public Petitions:** The Committee will consider the following public petitions—

   Petition PE8 from Scottish Homing Union on the impact of the number of birds of prey on the sport of pigeon racing.

   Petition PE68 by the National Farmers’ Union of Scotland calling for the agriculture sector to be exempted from the proposed Climate Change Levy.

   Petition PE187 by the Scottish Gamekeepers Association calling for the Scottish Parliament to allow limited licensed culling of raptors under the terms of the 1981 Wildlife and Countryside Act in areas where local populations have increased beyond normal levels.

   Petition PE227 by Alistair MacDonald calling for the Scottish Parliament to approve an investigation into the actions of the public agencies and National Trust for Scotland as architects of the current proposals and policies of Glencoe, in particular looking at public consultation and the future role of the National Trust of Scotland as a landowner.

   Petition PE238 by Mr James Mackie on behalf of Forth Fishery Conservation Trust calling for the Scottish Parliament to investigate a range of environmental issues relating to salmon and sea trout fishing stocks.

3. **Inquiry into the Management and Maintenance of Trunk Roads:** The Committee will consider a paper by the reporters on the next steps in the inquiry.
4. **Subordinate Legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—

   The Smoke Control Areas (Exempt Fireplaces) Scotland Order 2001 (SSI 2001/16)

5. **Water Inquiry:** The Committee will consider evidence taken as part of the Committee’s inquiry into water and the water industry.

6. **Budget Process 2001-2002:** The Committee will consider the appointment of an adviser on the budget process.

7. **Future Work Programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its future work programme.

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