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HEALTH, SOCIAL CARE AND SPORT COMMITTEE

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CONVENER

*Clare Haughey (Rutherglen) (SNP)

DEPUTY CONVENER

*Paul Sweeney (Glasgow) (Lab)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

*Joe FitzPatrick (Dundee City West) (SNP)

*Sandesh Gulhane (Glasgow) (Con)

*Emma Harper (South Scotland) (SNP)

*Patrick Harvie (Glasgow) (Green)

*Carol Mochan (South Scotland) (Lab)

*David Torrance (Kirkcaldy) (SNP)

*Elena Whitham (Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley) (SNP)

*Brian Whittle (South Scotland) (Con)

*attended

THE FOLLOWING ALSO PARTICIPATED:

Colin Gilchrist (Scottish Government)

Neil Gray (Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care)

Michael Paparakis (Scottish Government)

Annie Wells (Glasgow) (Con) (Committee Substitute)

CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE

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LOCATION

The Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

Scottish Parliament

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[The Convener opened the meeting at 09:00]

Decision on Taking Business in Private

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Members indicated agreement.

ADHD and ASD Pathways and Support

09:01

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The Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care (Neil Gray): The *Official Report* is a written record of what was said in public meetings of the Scottish Parliament and in committee meetings. It is a substantially verbatim report. This means that repetitions and redundancies are omitted and obvious mistakes are corrected. Official Report staff exercise editorial judgment to convey the spoken word in written text while maintaining the flavour of the speech.

Meeting closed at 09:05.

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