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**CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting 2025, Session 6**

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**CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE**

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**LOCATION**

The Robert Burns Room (CR1)

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*[The Convener opened the meeting at 09:00]*

### Decision on Taking Business in Private

**The Convener (Audrey Nicoll):** Our next item of business is completion of our pre-budget scrutiny. We have one panel of witnesses today and I intend to allow up to 90 minutes for this item. I refer members to papers 3 and 4. Do members agree?

**Members** *indicated agreement.*

## Antisocial Behaviour

09:01

**The Convener:** Our next item of business is completion of our pre-budget scrutiny. We have one panel of witnesses today and I intend to allow up to 90 minutes for this item. I refer members to papers 3 and 4.

**David Wallace (Social Security Scotland):** Our next item of business is completion of our pre-budget scrutiny. We have one panel of witnesses today and I intend to allow up to 90 minutes for this item. I refer members to papers 3 and 4.

**Stephen Boyle (Auditor General for Scotland):** Our next item of business is completion of our pre-budget scrutiny. We have one panel of witnesses today and I intend to allow up to 90 minutes for this item. I refer members to papers 3 and 4.

**David Wallace:** Our next item of business is completion of our pre-budget scrutiny. We have one panel of witnesses today and I intend to allow up to 90 minutes for this item. I refer members to papers 3 and 4.

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“This is a quote”

and that this is a

“run-on quote.”

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09:04

*Meeting suspended.*

09:06

*On resuming—*

## **Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Bill**

**The Convener:** Our next item of business is completion of our pre-budget scrutiny. We have one panel of witnesses today and I intend to allow up to 90 minutes for this item. I refer members to papers 3 and 4.

### **Section 1—Provisions**

**Pauline McNeill (Glasgow) (Lab):** Our next item of business is completion of our pre-budget scrutiny. We have one panel of witnesses today and I intend to allow up to 90 minutes for this item. I refer members to papers 3 and 4.

I move amendment 1.

**The Convener:** The question is, that amendment 1 be agreed to. Are we agreed?

**Members:** No.

**The Convener:** There will be a division.

### **For**

Clark, Katy (West Scotland) (Lab)  
McNeill, Pauline (Glasgow) (Lab)

### **Against**

Hepburn, Jamie (Cumbernauld and Kilsyth) (SNP)  
MacGregor, Fulton (Coatbridge and Chryston) (SNP)  
Mackay, Rona (Strathkelvin and Bearsden) (SNP)  
Nicoll, Audrey (Aberdeen South and North Kincardine) (SNP)

### **Abstentions**

Dowey, Sharon (South Scotland) (Con)  
Kerr, Liam (North East Scotland) (Con)

**The Convener:** The result of the division is: For 2, Against 4, Abstentions 2.

*Amendment 1 disagreed to.*

**The Convener:** That concludes the meeting.

09:08

*Meeting continued in private until 09:10.*

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