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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

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Meeting of the Parliament

Thursday 6 October 2022

Note: (DT) signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

The meeting opened at 11.40 am.

1. General Questions: Questions were answered by a Cabinet Secretary and Ministers.

2. First Minister's Questions: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Nicola Sturgeon).

3. Greyhound Racing in Scotland: The Parliament debated S6M-05949 in the name of Mark Ruskell—That the Parliament notes reports that the last licensed greyhound racing track in Scotland, Shawfield Stadium, Rutherglen has not been operational since March 2020; further notes the Scottish Animal Welfare Commission's view that there should be an end to greyhound racing at unlicensed tracks, including, it understands, the last remaining track at Thornton in Fife; acknowledges reported animal welfare concerns linked with greyhound racing, including neglect, malnutrition, doping with Class A substances, lack of adequate healthcare provision, and severe and fatal injuries; highlights the latest reported data released by the Greyhound Board of Great Britain (GBGB) regarding Shawfield Stadium, reporting 197 injuries and 15 deaths between 2017 and 2020; understands that there is no similar data at unlicensed tracks where there is no official regulatory body present to ensure that animal welfare standards are met, and commends campaigners and rescue organisations for their ongoing rehoming and awareness-raising work, including the Scottish SPCA, One Kind, Dogs Trust, Blue Cross, RSPCA, League Against Cruel Sports Scotland, Scotland Against Greyhound Exploitation, and others.

4. Portfolio Questions: Questions on Social Justice, Housing and Local Government were answered by a Cabinet Secretary and a Minister.

5. Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to (without division): 2, 7, 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17 and 18

The following amendments were agreed to (by division):

4 (For 83, Against 29, Abstentions 0)

5 (For 85, Against 28, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

1 (For 45, Against 63, Abstentions 0)

8 (For 20, Against 93, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were moved and, no member having objected, withdrawn: 3, 6 and 19.

The following amendments were not moved: 10, 13 and 14.

The Presiding Officer determined, under Rule 9.8.5BA, that, in her view, no provision of the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill related to a protected subject-matter.

6. Motion Without Notice: George Adam, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that, under Rule 11.2.4, Decision Time shall begin at 4.43. The motion was agreed.

7. Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill: The Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Housing and Local Government (Shona Robison) moved S6M-06213—That the Parliament agrees that the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 89, Against 27, Abstentions 0).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took a decision on item 7 as noted above.

The meeting closed at 4.47 pm.

David McGill
Clerk of the Parliament
6 October 2022

Appendix
(Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

Subordinate Legislation

Negative Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 6 October 2022 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Education (Listed Bodies) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2022 (SSI 2022/294)
laid under section 232 of the Education Reform Act 1988

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