

Minute of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body (SPCB) meeting 03 September 2020 at 9am, via video conference (vc)

Present:

- Ken Macintosh MSP (Chair)
- David Stewart MSP
- Jackson Carlaw MSP
- Liam McArthur MSP
- Sandra White MSP
- Andy Wightman MSP

In attendance:

- David McGill
- Michelle Hegarty
- Mairi Pearson
- Joanne McNaughton
- Huw Williams
- Lisa Creamer
- Judith Proudfoot, Secretary

The Presiding Officer welcomed Jackson Carlaw back to the Corporate Body following the resignation of Ruth Davidson. The Presiding Officer also noted his thanks and appreciation for Ms Davidson's contribution during her time as a member of the Corporate Body.

Item 1: Previous minutes

1. The SPCB agreed the minutes of previous meetings held on 9 July and 6 August 2020.

Item 2: Matters arising

- 2. The Presiding Officer advised that the next SPCB Question Time session had been included in the Bureau's business motion for 17 September 2020.
- 3. The Chief Executive also updated the SPCB on the appointment of a new Chief Financial Officer.



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4. The SPCB agreed not to approve the request for exceptional expenses to cover an additional temporary member of staff.

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- 5. The Presiding Officer sought feedback from members on how they were finding the new remote voting system. Experiences were generally positive and some suggestions were made which would be fed back to officials.
- The SPCB also discussed the access arrangements to Holyrood on non-business days. The Chief Executive confirmed this would be covered in a notice being issued later that day to all MSPs and staff.

Date of next meeting

7. The next meeting of the SPCB was due to take place on Thursday 17 September 2020.