

# **Committee business on the agenda at Holyrood in 2023**

**The Scottish Parliament already has a full agenda of business on the schedule for 2023.**

Some of the highlights will include:

Health Social Care and Sport Committee – NCS Stage 1 Report likely to be published in March

Public Audit Committee – Ferries report will be published in the New Year

Covid-19 Recovery Committee – the parliament is to launch a Long Covid inquiry on 12 January in the Scottish Parliament with Long Covid sufferers and media invited to attend.

Net Zero, Energy & Transport Committee – will report on its inquiry into the role of local governments and its cross-sectoral partners in financing and delivering a net zero Scotland.

Public Participation Inquiry will report around May with recommendations on how to improve how the people of Scotland engage with the Scottish Parliament.

**And this Committee Business will come in January and February 2023**

## **Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee**

The Public Participation Inquiry will conclude its call for views on the Citizens' Panel recommendations in February. The Committee will then evaluate the feedback and make a final

report on Public Participation to the Scottish Parliament in May.

### **Covid-19 Recovery Committee**

The Committee will launch a report following the recent Labour Market Inquiry in late January. On 12 January the Committee will launch a new inquiry into Long Covid in the Scottish Parliament and media will be invited to attend, interviews with long covid sufferers will be available.

### **Criminal Justice Committee**

Continue to take evidence at Stage 1 on the Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Bill.

### **Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee**

Starting their scrutiny of the Trusts and Succession Bill by launching a consultation on 6 January. While that consultation is going on the Committee will consider its usual business and Stage 2 of the Moveable Transactions Bill.

### **Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee**

Expected to be scrutinising SSIs and Budget in the first couple of weeks.

### **Education, Children and Young People Committee**

Planning to start evidence sessions for the Disabled Transitions Bill. The Committee also have a one-off evidence session with the DFM on the Redress scheme.

### **Health, Social Care and Sport Committee**

Will take evidence from the Chief Executive of Food Standards Scotland and begin oral evidence sessions on the Patient Safety Commissioner Bill.

### **Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee**

Will continue its inquiry into what constitutes a modern and sustainable ferry service for Scotland with its first evidence session on 10 January focussing on international best practise. They will also consider agreements at #COP15 and consider the Budget 2023/24.

### **Public Audit Committee**

The Committee will meet in private on 12 January and will hold evidence sessions with the Auditor General for Scotland on his Section 22 reports on the 2021/22 audit of the Scottish Government Consolidated Accounts and then the 2021/22 audit of the Crofting Commission on 19 and 26 January respectively.

### **Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee**

Will take evidence from Cabinet Secretary, Mairi Gougeon MSP on the 2023/24 Budget (11 January) and then on the Joint Fisheries Statement and the Shark Fin Bill LCM (25 January).

### **Social Justice and Social Security Committee**

Budget scrutiny with the Cabinet Secretary and some investigatory work related to their child poverty and parental employment inquiry.

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