

# Parliamentary Bureau – Removal of Members’ Business motions from the Business Bulletin

## Background

1. Admissible motions lodged by Members are published in the Business Bulletin along with the support that each motion attracts.
2. Under Rule 8.2.8 of Standing Orders, the Bureau may remove from the list of admissible motions any motion that has been on the list for more than six weeks without a date for it to be taken by the Parliament being appointed in the business programme

## Criteria for removal of motions

3. In relation to motions for Members’ Business, the Bureau previously agreed that all motions should be removed from the Bulletin after six weeks (excluding recess time) but that the Bureau will consider the following in removing or retaining motions—
  - a. the motion has the support of at least 30 other Members and these supporters came from more than three political parties (note that in cases where the number of supporters exceeds 30, the topicality of the motion and the extent of the recent support have also been taken into account when making these recommendations); or
  - b. the motion remains highly topical; or
  - c. the motion has been selected for a Members’ Business debate
4. The Business Team checks all Members’ Business motions on the list to ensure that any that may fit the criteria are recommended for retention. In addition, at a Bureau meeting, Business Managers may request that certain motions are retained if, for example, the motion is to be debated at a future date.

## Removal of motions lodged before 7 May 2024

5. The annex lists all motions marked for Members’ Business which are over six weeks old (i.e. those lodged on or before 7 May 2024) and includes the number of supporters and date of the most recent registration of support.
6. Based on the criteria in paragraph 3, it is recommended that the following motions from the attached list be considered for retention—
  - S6M-12165: David Torrance: Celebrating 125 Years of Learning with Fife College – this has been selected for Member’s Business
  - S6M-12209: Jamie Halcro Johnston: 200th Anniversary of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution
  - S6M-12232: Pam Gosal: International Women's Day

- S6M-12264: Alexander Stewart: FAST Stroke Detection Guidance
- S6M-12301: Evelyn Tweed: Increasing Benefits Uptake in the Current Economic Climate

7. Business Managers should indicate at the Bureau meeting if wish to retain any of the other motions in the annex.

### Conclusion

8. The Bureau is invited to agree any motions to be retained.

Parliamentary Business Team

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## Annex: Member's Business motions suggested for removal

Reference	Member Name	Date Lodged	Title	Total Support	Date Last Supported
S6M-12264	Stewart, Alexander	26/02/2024	FAST Stroke Detection Guidance	32	23/04/2024
S6M-12232	Gosal, Pam	22/02/2024	International Women's Day	31	13/03/2024
S6M-12209	Halcro Johnston, Jamie	20/02/2024	200th Anniversary of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution	51	12/03/2024
S6M-12979	Mountain, Edward	25/04/2024	Bowel Cancer Awareness Month	5	15/05/2024
S6M-12972	Kerr, Stephen	24/04/2024	Grangemouth Sports Stadium	21	09/05/2024
S6M-12935	Whitfield, Martin	23/04/2024	Edinburgh Children's Hospital Charity	24	14/05/2024
S6M-12918	MacGregor, Fulton	22/04/2024	Tackling Sibling Sexual Abuse in Scotland	8	02/05/2024
S6M-12866	Ewing, Fergus	16/04/2024	Dualling of the A96 from Inverness Smithton to Auldearn and the Nairn Bypass	20	28/04/2024
S6M-12852	Maguire, Ruth	16/04/2024	World Press Freedom Day	24	30/05/2024
S6M-12774	Duncan-Glancy, Pam	12/04/2024	Impact of Reductions to Education in Glasgow	13	13/05/2024
S6M-12762	Tweed, Evelyn	11/04/2024	Fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis Trust in Memory of Oliver Steele	21	30/05/2024
S6M-12740	Clark, Katy	10/04/2024	STUC Report on Renewable Jobs	8	24/04/2024
S6M-12723	Clark, Katy	04/04/2024	Ardrossan Harbour	10	03/05/2024
S6M-12700	Wishart, Beatrice	03/04/2024	DWP Maladministration and the WASPI Women	18	24/04/2024
S6M-12626	Leonard, Richard	27/03/2024	Proposed Redundancies at Babcock Rail	7	01/05/2024

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S6M-12612	Haughey, Clare	25/03/2024	WASPI PHSO Final Report Published	26	29/03/2024
S6M-12467	Findlay, Russell	28/03/2024	The Murder of Emma Caldwell	26	24/04/2024
S6M-12301	Tweed, Evelyn	28/02/2024	Increasing Benefits Uptake in the Current Economic Climate	13	27/03/2024
S6M-12302	Grahame, Christine	28/02/2024	Global Intergenerational Week 2024	18	27/03/2024
S6M-12169	Leonard, Richard	16/02/2024	Marking the 40th Anniversary of the Miners' Strike	21	22/03/2024
S6M-12165	Torrance, David	15/02/2024	Celebrating 125 Years of Learning with Fife College	20	17/03/2024