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# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

### Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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There are no meetings today.

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## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 18 December 2024

### Tuesday 7 January 2025

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Tackling Child Poverty and Inequality Through the Scottish Budget

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-13791 Foysoyl Choudhury: The Importance of Medical Technology for Patients with Diabetes

### Wednesday 8 January 2025

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business  
Justice and Home Affairs

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Scotland's Secure Accommodation Capacity

**followed by** Finance and Public Administration Committee Debate: National Performance Framework - Review of National Outcomes

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-14331 George Adam: St Mirren Announces Landmark Partnership with UWS

### Thursday 9 January 2025

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-15883 Ash Regan: Expanding Scotland's Connectivity from Edinburgh and Beyond

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions

## Education and Skills

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Building a Migration System that Supports Scotland's Economy, Public Services and Communities

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Tuesday 14 January 2025

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Wednesday 15 January 2025

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic; Finance and Local Government

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**7:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Thursday 16 January 2025

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Members' Business

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

**followed by** Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee Debate

**followed by** Business Motions

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## Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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## Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

### Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

**\*[S6M-15972](#) Meghan Gallacher: Introduction of NOVA Scotland**—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the importance of having a service of support and guidance for veterans, such as those in the Central Scotland region, including those in the justice system; understands that, whilst veterans are not more likely to commit a crime than civilians, they are more likely to engage with the justice system; further understands that, in England, Op NOVA has a decade of experience working in partnership with health and justice systems to support veterans in living healthy, stable and crime-free lives, and that it provides emotional and practical support to veterans at all points of the justice system, including pre-arrest, arrest, post-arrest and those serving a custodial sentence; considers that, having been built on the foundations of Forces Employment Charity's Project Nova, it has an evidence base and proven framework to deliver life-changing support to veterans with established partnerships in the justice sector; notes the belief, therefore, that NOVA Scotland would be crucial in enabling veterans to live stable lives by providing access to practical and emotional support across a variety of areas, and further notes the calls for the Scottish Government to look at measures to introduce NOVA Scotland.

**\*[S6M-15956](#) Alexander Stewart: Growing Health Inequalities**—That the Parliament understands that Scotland has a 25-year gap in healthy life expectancy between the most and least deprived areas, with overall life expectancy decreasing to 76.5 years for males and 80.7 years for females when it was last measured between 2020 and 2022; notes the view that, with 50% of health inequalities linked to social and environmental factors, greater investment in preventative services is instrumental in improving the health and wellbeing of communities; understands that, in 2022, the Health Foundation carried out an independent review of health inequalities in Scotland to provide a detailed and thorough analysis of the trends and wider factors that have influenced people's health, including in the Mid Scotland and Fife region, over the previous two decades; notes that this was following reported concerns regarding widespread and persistent health inequalities, which, it considers, were almost certainly widened farther because of the COVID-19 pandemic; believes that, while it is fair to observe that improvements may also have stalled across the whole of the UK, Scotland currently has the lowest average life expectancy at birth of all of the four nations, and one of the lowest in western Europe; notes the view that, as the older population is expected to grow by 30% by 2045, with the potential for accelerated growth across rural and island communities, it is essential that key services, including health and social



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care, education and transport, need to be resourced to adapt with growing and changing demands, and further notes the view that having a healthy population should be one of Scotland's most important assets and can have a vital input into people's wellbeing and building a thriving society and economy.

**\*S6M-15955 Alexander Stewart: Additional Support Needs in Scotland—**That the Parliament acknowledges that, in Scotland, additional support needs (ASN) is a term used to describe the requirements for an estimated 190,000 children and young people, or 26.6% of all school pupils, who require extra help to reach their full learning potential; believes that ASN can include having motor or sensory impairments, learning difficulties such as dyslexia, English as an additional language or a myriad of emotional and social difficulties; notes that all schools have a duty to provide appropriate support and that this requirement was laid out in the Education (Additional Support for Learning) Scotland Act 2004; further notes that the Additional Support for Learning: Statutory Guidance 2017 sets out that schools have a number of responsibilities to support pupils who have ASN, such as making adequate and efficient provision for the support required, publishing, reviewing and updating specified information about their ASN policy, providing the parents of the pupils with all of the information that they are required to publish, providing, where needed, co-ordinated support plans for the pupils, and keeping this under regular review, and providing independent and free mediation services for parents and pupils, including publishing information about these services; believes that, with the right resources and focus, schools and further education settings, including those in Stirling and Clackmannanshire, can create a whole-school environment with an emphasis on inclusion and cooperation and delivering high aspirations; further believes that social and emotional skills programmes, which aim to build resilience through learning or coordinated support plans, can build skills step by step to bring success and give pupils with ASN a chance to test their skills out and receive encouragement and feedback, developing inclusiveness that can be encouraged through good quality health and wellbeing lessons, promoting relationships and diversity, supporting pupils to feel accepted and to belong; believes that, in addition to myriad other ambitions, they can help to deal with, and reduce, bullying and discrimination, and notes the calls that, in order for all pupils with ASN to benefit in full from their education, the support that they receive should be tailored to meet their individual needs and build on their strengths to help them overcome any difficulties that they experience.

**\*S6M-15952 Alexander Stewart: Health and Social Care Integration in Scotland—**That the Parliament understands that the way that health and social care services are planned and delivered was changed by the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 in order to require local authorities and NHS boards to deliver adult community health and social care services, including services for older people at the right time and in the right setting during their care journey, with a focus on community-based and preventative care; believes that 31 health and social care partnerships were set up to manage around £9 billion in resources with the Act requiring local authorities and NHS boards to jointly prepare an integration scheme, which sets out the key arrangements for how services are planned, delivered and monitored in their areas; notes that there is a choice of ways in which they may do this, they can either delegate functions between each other, which is known as the lead agency arrangement or they can delegate to a third body, the integration joint board (IJB); understands that 30 areas adopted the IJB model, with Clackmannanshire and Stirling forming one with NHS Forth Valley; considers this IJB's membership to be broad, as it includes local authority councillors, NHS non-executive directors and others who do not possess voting rights, including professional representatives and community and staff stakeholders; notes that each IJB receives delegated funds from their NHS board and local authority, as there is no separate direct funding from the Scottish Government,

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and acknowledges the reported significant financial challenges that IJBs have been experiencing for some considerable time.

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S6M-15982](#) Jackie Baillie: Supporting USDAW's Calls to Give Shopworkers a Break on New Year's Day**—That the Parliament believes that the Scottish Government should give shopworkers the right to what it sees as a well-deserved break on New Year's Day; considers that some retail workers face challenges in working on New Year's Day, due to a lack of public transport and childcare provision; understands that the Christmas Day and New Year's Day Trading (Scotland) Act 2007 prohibits trading in most large shops on Christmas Day, and gave powers to the Scottish Ministers to stop the opening of those shops on New Year's Day; considers that the Scottish Government continues to refuse to use that power to give shopworkers a proper festive break; believes that retail staff work incredibly hard all year round and that their work is particularly busy and stressful throughout December; further believes that retail staff deserve to be able to spend time with family and friends over the festive period, and commends USDAW's ongoing efforts to secure the right to a break for shopworkers in Scotland. **R**

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**\*[S6M-15981](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulations to Palacerigg Community Trust**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Palacerigg Community Trust has signed a lease, and taken ownership of the keys, for the visitor centre in the park; believes that this was only possible through years of hard work by local residents, who formed Palacerigg Community Trust; congratulates all involved in the project and praises the improvements that have already been made to the playpark and walk ways; considers that this will be widely welcomed by the local community, and believes that those who utilise Palacerigg Country Park are grateful to the members of Palacerigg Community Trust, who have retained this community asset for the residents of the local communities near to the Country Park and beyond.

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**\*[S6M-15980](#) Paul Sweeney: Congratulations Emma Porter on Being Honoured in the Young Women's Movement's "30 under 30" List**—That the Parliament congratulates Emma Porter, of Spirit of Springburn SCIO and Springburn Youth Forum, on being honoured in the Young Women's Movement's "30 under 30" list; understands that the nomination recognises the many years of hard work that Emma has put into community events and community participation in Springburn; further understands that Emma is a driving force for many community events that are enjoyed by thousands, including the Springburn Community Street Festival and the Springburn Community Christmas Market, and extends its very best wishes to Emma for continued success in the future.

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**\*[S6M-15979](#) Monica Lennon: Research Regarding the Effect of Alcohol Marketing on People with Alcohol Problems**—That the Parliament welcomes new research, *A rapid literature review*

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*of the effect of alcohol marketing on people with, or at increased risk of, an alcohol problem, which was carried out by the University of Nottingham, and was commissioned by Alcohol Focus Scotland; recognises that there were 1,277 alcohol-specific deaths in Scotland in 2023; understands that people in Scotland are exposed to high levels of alcohol marketing on a daily basis and that this influences how much alcohol they drink; notes the findings of the review, that alcohol marketing is likely to have an effect on alcohol consumption amongst people with, or at increased risk of, an alcohol problem, and can act as a trigger for people in recovery from an alcohol problem; further notes from the evidence that people who drink heavily may be particularly vulnerable to the effects and influence of marketing; understands that, for people in recovery, alcohol adverts can be harmful, trigger cravings and potentially lead to relapse; considers that alcohol adverts often portray positive emotions and associations with drinking, which can lead to increased consumption for heavier drinkers, those with an alcohol use disorder, and people in recovery from an alcohol problem; further considers that the findings of this review imply that a causal association between alcohol marketing and alcohol use in people with, or at increased risk of an alcohol problem, is likely; believes that this adds weight to the argument for widespread marketing restrictions, and considers that regulating alcohol marketing would reduce people in Scotland's exposure to alcohol marketing, which, it believes, would in turn reduce alcohol consumption and harm, helping to improve the health and wellbeing of the nation.*

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**\*S6M-15978 Marie McNair: Bankie Comedian Donates to Local Charities—**That the Parliament recognises the beloved Clydebank comedian, Kevin Bridges, for his generous donations to local charities; understands that youth charity Y Sort It received £10,000 to continue to help young people across West Dunbartonshire; further understands that West Dunbartonshire Community Foodshare received £30,000, which will allow the charity to deliver emergency food parcels and provisions to the community, and that local charities Bags Full of Love, Improving Lives and the Children's Hospices Across Scotland Christmas Appeal received donations from Kevin and his family, and celebrates Kevin's generosity and commitment to charity in his community.

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**\*S6M-15977 Pam Gosal: SP Energy Networks Awards £55,960 to Twechar Community Action—**That the Parliament congratulates Twechar Community Action on being awarded £55,960 from the SP Networks Net Zero Fund; notes that the group transformed the old recreation centre into Twechar Healthy Living and Enterprise Centre, which is a community hub that houses a full-time pharmacy, a satellite GP surgery, café, sports hall and meeting rooms, and hosts a vast range of activities and services; appreciates that funding will allow for the purchase of a new electric minibus, replacing an ageing diesel vehicle; acknowledges the organisation's efforts to decarbonise and reach its net zero targets; understands that the £5 million Net Zero Fund was launched in 2022 by SP Energy Networks, part of the Scottish Power group, to support vulnerable communities and ensure that no one is left behind on the country's journey to net zero emissions, and directly supports organisations within SP Energy Networks' transmission areas that have green ambitions and are looking to decarbonise their communities, and wishes the management and volunteers ongoing success with the project.

**\*S6M-15976 Marie McNair: Keep Scotland Beautiful: Eco-Schools Success—**That the Parliament celebrates Spark of Genius Skypoint School on its commendation for Learning for

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Sustainability in the international environmental Eco-Schools programme, which is run by environmental charity Keep Scotland Beautiful; understands that Skypoint School has gone above and beyond in its Eco-Schools activities across all of the required categories, and notes that Eco-Schools is currently celebrating its 30th anniversary and is the largest sustainable schools programme in the world, operated internationally by the Foundation for Environmental Education and delivered by Keep Scotland Beautiful.

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**\*[S6M-15975](#) Liam Kerr: Keystore in Cults, Aberdeen, Wins Local Regional Champion at Nationwide Retail Competition** —That the Parliament congratulates Chris Cobb and the team at Keystore in Cults, Aberdeen, on their success in winning the Local Regional Champion category at an awards ceremony organised by the National Lottery operators, Allwyn; notes that the nomination came from local customers, who wished to recognise the care and dedication shown by the owners and staff towards the community; further notes that Chris has been running the store for 17 years; understands that, during this time, Keystore has established a community fund to support local projects; further understands that Keystore has a collection point for the local foodbank in the store where it donates surplus food, and extends its best wishes to Chris and the team for the future.

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**\*[S6M-15974](#) Annie Wells: £1.1 million to the National Trust for Scotland for the Mackintosh Illuminated Project**—That the Parliament congratulates the National Lottery Heritage Fund on awarding £1.1 million to the National Trust for Scotland for the Mackintosh Illuminated project, which aims to celebrate Charles Rennie Mackintosh and Margaret Macdonald; notes that Hill House, in Helensburgh, and the Mackintosh at the Willow, on Sauchiehall Street, will be the focus of the project's efforts to make Mackintosh and Macdonald better known and appreciated, internationally and at home, by encouraging more people to visit the sites to get a better understanding of the pair's work and impact; understands that the funding will also enable the trust to continue vital conservation work at the Hill House, which has been impacted by chronic damp since it was completed in 1904; further understands that a pioneering chainmail box, which was installed in 2019, has successfully allowed the house to dry out slowly, and understands that this new funding will enable the trust to move forward with the full removal of the current render, find a replacement to resolve the longstanding damp issue, remove the box in 2028, and provide updated permanent visitor facilities at the site.

**\*[S6M-15973](#) Douglas Ross: New Erskine Veterans Centre Opens in Forres**—That the Parliament congratulates veterans charity, Erskine, on the opening of its new £1.3 million centre in Forres, Moray; notes that Erskine Veterans Activity Centre North (EVAC North) opened its doors on 17 December 2024 after refurbishing the former Victoria Hotel in the town; understands that Moray has the largest concentration of veterans in the whole of Scotland, which makes this new location ideal for the many veterans living in the north of Scotland; welcomes the fact that this centre will provide peer support, wellbeing advice and tailored programmes to address the challenges facing veterans, while also providing a space for them to meet and socialise with fellow veterans; understands that these programmes and wellbeing initiatives will be complimented by recreational sports and activities all designed to better support the valued veteran community;

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commends the professional and dedicated staff, who will be based at EVAC North, for their commitment to improve the lives and opportunities of veterans, and wishes everyone involved with the valued and important new centre every success for the future.

**\*[S6M-15970](#) Fulton MacGregor: Retronix Donates £10,000 to St Augustine's Church's Toy Appeal**—That the Parliament commends the Coatbridge-based electronics company, Retronix, for its incredible donation of £10,000 to the St Augustine's Roman Catholic Church Toy Appeal; applauds the company for its additional volunteering work for the appeal; understands that Retronix's volunteers packed over 700 gift bags with more than 2,000 toys and that these will be donated to families in need across Coatbridge and wider Lanarkshire; praises everyone across the community who donated toward the appeal; acknowledges what it sees as St Augustine's significant efforts in coordinating and organising the appeal; believes that initiatives such as these underline the Christmas spirit that is present across the community in Coatbridge, and extends its warmest wishes for continued success in the future.

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**\*[S6M-15969](#) Jackie Dunbar: Tesco Winter Food Collection 2024**—That the Parliament welcomes Tesco's Winter Food Collection, which took place from 28 to 30 November 2024; understands the collection was held to gather food for Tesco's two partner charities, The Trussell Trust and FareShare; recognises that the collection at Tesco Extra in Danestone in Aberdeen, saw 1,600kg of food donated, which is enough to fill around 100 crates, and commends the efforts of all staff and customers of Tesco for their continued generosity.

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**\*[S6M-15968](#) Douglas Lumsden: Aberdeen Bus Gate Shambles**—That the Parliament condemns the reported decision of the Scottish National Party (SNP)/Liberal Democrat Aberdeen City Council administration to re-impose the bus gate right turn onto Rosemount Viaduct; laments that the administration has voted against what it sees as the interests of Aberdonians at every turn throughout what it considers to be the shameful bus gate debacle; agrees with the reported comments of the former SNP council leader that "this is an absolute shambles"; understands that an overwhelming number of businesses remain concerned and steadfastly against what it considers are more confusing and disruptive traffic measures around Union Street, and encourages decision making based on common sense at Aberdeen City Council.

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**\*[S6M-15967](#) Audrey Nicoll: Congratulating Fishermoss Primary School on Commendation for Learning for Sustainability**—That the Parliament congratulates Fishermoss Primary School on its commendation for Learning for Sustainability, as part of the international environmental Eco-Schools programme, by environmental charity Keep Scotland Beautiful; understands that Fishermoss Primary has gone above and beyond in its Eco-Schools activities across all of the required categories; notes that Eco-Schools is currently celebrating its 30th anniversary, and understands that it is the largest sustainable schools programme in the world, and is operated internationally by the Foundation for Environmental Education and delivered by Keep Scotland Beautiful.

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**\*[S6M-15966](#) Martin Whitfield: Asda Foundation Festive Grants for Groups in East Lothian—** That the Parliament welcomes the announcement that the local team from Asda Dunbar has given a grant of £1,000 to the Pennypit Community Development Trust in Prestonpans and one of £500 to Dunbar Dementia Network SCIO, as part of the company's support for community groups during the festive period; understands that, throughout this period, the Asda Foundation is supporting more than 700 groups across the UK, which have been nominated by its dedicated Community Champions, with more than £600,000 in Grassroots Grants, and commends Asda staff and Community Champions on their important contribution to supporting local groups and communities.

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**\*[S6M-15965](#) Emma Roddick: Inverness Taxis Donates £2,222.22 to Highland Action for Little Ones—** That the Parliament celebrates Inverness Taxis for its generous donation of £2,222.22 to Highland Action for Little Ones (HALO); understands that the team at Inverness Taxis opted to donate money to HALO in place of its annual Secret Santa; notes that the total donated was rounded up, to reflect the taxi's number; understands that the funds donated will be used to help HALO to purchase essential items that families across the Highlands are in need of, and commends all the team at Inverness Taxis for their donation to such a vital local charity.

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**\*[S6M-15964](#) Emma Roddick: Highland Business Women Raises £1,900 for HALO —** That the Parliament congratulates Highland Business Women on raising £1,900 at its festive Christmas carol concert; understands that the sold-out event featured performances from six local singers and included a Christmas raffle throughout the festive celebrations; notes that the funds raised will be donated to Highland Business Women's charity of the year, Highland Action for Little Ones (HALO); acknowledges that the donation will be used by HALO to support children and families across the Highlands, and extends its congratulations to all those involved in organising and performing at the event on supporting such a vital local charity.

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**\*[S6M-15962](#) Douglas Lumsden: Celebrating the Inaugural Aberdeen Beer Festival and Supporting Local Hospitality—** That the Parliament welcomes the inaugural Aberdeen Beer Festival, which is a collaborative initiative between Aberdeen Inspired and Fierce Beer, to be held at the Musical Hall in April 2025; believes that the event is a significant celebration of Scotland's brewing excellence, featuring 14 breweries showcasing the best of local and international craft beers; notes that the festival will run across two sessions, offering attendees a unique opportunity to explore diverse brewing cultures and engage directly with brewers; commends what it sees as the initiative's potential to attract visitors to Aberdeen city centre and support the local economy; believes that the event is a testament to the city's vibrant cultural and economic landscape; considers that such festivals are important in promoting local businesses and tourism; celebrates the collaborative spirit of the craft brewing community; recognises what it sees as the vital role of local businesses in city centre regeneration; calls on the Scottish Government to fully pass on business rates relief to hospitality businesses, which, it believes, are the cornerstone of local

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communities and economic recovery, and wishes the Aberdeen Beer Festival success in showcasing the city's dynamic and creative spirit.

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**\*S6M-15961 Annie Wells: Glasgow Nurse Wins Awards for New Approach to Pain Management**—That the Parliament congratulates Hayleigh Bloomfield, who won a national award after her idea for a new approach to pain management sparked national interest; understands that Hayleigh, who is a nurse working in the neurology department at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital (QEUH), has created a pain management protocol for patients living with motor neurone disease (MND); understands that Hayleigh started to notice patients struggling with pain post insertion of tubes in their stomach to help with feeding, fluid intake and medications, and wanted to find something that would allow her to help; further understands that a proper protocol did not exist on paper as such, and that Hayleigh worked with fellow nurses, doctors and pharmacy teams to develop the new written protocol, which has since been adopted on HEPMA, NHS Scotland's digital tool for prescribing and managing medicines within hospital environments; understands that the protocol is currently undergoing an audit process, seeking the views of patients who received care before the new protocol, and those receiving support under the new arrangements; notes that, while the process is ongoing, Hayleigh created a poster to explain the process of developing the new protocol, reasons for the audit and to explain the importance of the work being undertaken, and understands that Hayleigh entered the poster for Best Poster Presentation competition at the British Association of Neuroscience Nurses conference, which she went on to win.

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**\*S6M-15960 Audrey Nicoll: Welcoming the Launch of the RGU-Harbour Energy Engineering Scholarship**—That the Parliament congratulates Robert Gordon University (RGU) and Harbour Energy on the launch of their new engineering scholarship, which aims to support women pursuing careers in engineering; notes the scholarship's focus on encouraging talented women to access education in what it sees as the vital energy sector, and fostering innovation and skill development; believes that such partnerships are important in addressing industry challenges and building a sustainable future for energy and engineering in Scotland, and commends RGU and Harbour Energy for their commitment to empowering the next generation of women into engineering careers.

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**\*S6M-15959 Alexander Stewart: Active Stirling's Walking Network Programme**—That the Parliament understands that, in partnership with Paths For All, Active Stirling took another step towards strengthening community connections and promoting inclusivity through its Walking Network Programme, which was held at Forthbank, Stirling Sports Village; understands that one of Active Stirling's aims in growing its walk leader numbers is to inspire individuals, who may not believe they are capable, to fully lead walks and to take on some of the tasks in a supervised and supported manner, and become buddy walk leaders; notes that the course aimed to empower participants to lead and support community walks across Stirling and that, amongst the attendees, were two long-time walkers who have now stepped into new roles as buddy walk leaders, and whose training allows them to assist other walk leaders while continuing to take part in walks that

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they enjoy; believes that this innovative approach is said to emphasise Active Stirling's commitment to creating an inclusive environment for all participants, whatever their abilities and skills may be; considers that both walking and wheeling can be highly inclusive activities, which provide excellent physical and mental benefits while, equally importantly, being a wonderful way to socialise and meet people, and commends Active Stirling, Paths for All and all their volunteers and participants on their excellent community work.

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**\*S6M-15958 Alexander Stewart: St Mungo's Parish Church, Alloa, Receives Excellent Festival of Light Response**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that an Alloa church has received more than 30 donated Christmas trees, as part of its recent Festival of Light event; understands that St Mungo's Parish Church held the annual event towards the end of November 2024, welcoming around 700 guests across the two-day celebration, and believes that church visitors were able to vote for their favourite trees, which can all be seen in and around the church until the beginning of January 2025.

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**\*S6M-15951 David Torrance: Cottage Family Centre Reaches Christmas Appeal Goal with Help of Snipz Barbershop**—That the Parliament recognises the achievement of siblings Matthew and Abbi Lafferty, who raised £2,500 for the Christmas appeal at The Cottage Family Centre in Kirkcaldy; understands that the pair ran a raffle from Matthew's Kirkcaldy-based business, Snipz Barbershop, which was well-supported by his staff, customers and other local businesses; further understands that, because of this donation, The Cottage Family Centre has now achieved its 2024 Christmas appeal target, raising a total of £60,000; recognises that The Cottage Family Centre supports vulnerable children and families in Kirkcaldy and that the Christmas appeal supports over 2,000 families over this Christmas season with the cost of food, heating, electricity, household items, children's clothing and Christmas gifts, and thanks Matthew and Abbi for their efforts in making this possible.

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### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**S6M-15957 Alexander Stewart: Fundraising Success by Morrisons in Alloa** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Pam Gosal\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Bill Kidd\*

**S6M-15950 Clare Adamson: Bothwellpark High School Named as a Rotary Lend with Care Embassy Ambassador School** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Emma Harper\*, Bill Kidd\*

**S6M-15949 Annabelle Ewing: Benarty Arts Club** (lodged on 19 December 2024)



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New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Colin Beattie\*, Martin Whitfield\*, Clare Haughey\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**[S6M-15948](#) Douglas Lumsden: Celebrating the Partnership Between Aberdeen International Airport and AberNecessities** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Liam Kerr\*, Miles Briggs\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Pam Gosal\*, Martin Whitfield\*, Brian Whittle\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Annie Wells\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**[S6M-15947](#) Kenneth Gibson: Compensation for the WASPI Women** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll\*, Stuart McMillan\*, John Mason\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, Clare Haughey\*, Emma Roddick\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Elena Whitham\*, Rona Mackay\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Willie Coffey\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Christine Grahame\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Emma Harper\*, Ross Greer\*, Bob Doris\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-15945](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa Specsavers Collecting Toys for Clackmannanshire Women's Aid** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Pam Gosal\*, Annie Wells\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Bill Kidd\*, Brian Whittle\*, Colin Beattie\*, Miles Briggs\*

**[S6M-15944](#) Annie Wells: Caledonia Gladiators Bring Festive Spirit to Glasgow Children's Hospital** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Russell Findlay\*, Brian Whittle\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Pam Gosal\*, Liam Kerr\*, Miles Briggs\*, Douglas Ross\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Bob Doris\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-15943](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Author to Donate Christmas Film Proceeds to NSPCC** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Russell Findlay\*, Brian Whittle\*, Pam Gosal\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Miles Briggs\*, Douglas Ross\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Liam Kerr\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-15940](#) Christine Grahame: Banning Fur Imports** (lodged on 18 December 2024)

New Support: Clare Haughey\*, Rona Mackay\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-15939](#) Christine Grahame: South of Scotland Nominated for Top Global Cycling Award** (lodged on 18 December 2024)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Sarah Boyack\*

**[S6M-15938](#) Russell Findlay: Paying Tribute to Duncan and Margaret Spiers and the Success of Christopher's Saving Lives** (lodged on 18 December 2024)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Tess White\*, Craig Hoy\*, Bob Doris\*

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**[S6M-15937 Jackie Baillie: Bonhill Local Named British Heart Foundation Young Heart Hero](#)** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Annie Wells\*, Colin Beattie\*, Monica Lennon\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Sandesh Gulhane\* **R**, Bob Doris\*, Martin Whitfield\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Miles Briggs\*, Sarah Boyack\*

**[S6M-15936 Jackie Dunbar: Farmer Tractor Run Protest](#)** (lodged on 18 December 2024)

New Support: Annie Wells\*

**[S6M-15935 Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Football Club Community Trust](#)** (lodged on 18 December 2024)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Emma Harper\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-15934 Kevin Stewart: Betrayal of the WASPI Women](#)** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Bob Doris\*

**[S6M-15932 Marie McNair: Clydebank and Milngavie Constituents Help Raise £9,222.59 Through Asda Cashpot for Schools](#)** (lodged on 18 December 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Emma Harper\*

**[S6M-15931 Michelle Thomson: Support for Syria's Women and Girls](#)** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-15930 Clare Haughey: Betrayal of WASPI Women by Successive UK Administrations](#)** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Bob Doris\*

**[S6M-15926 Gillian Mackay: NHS Lanarkshire's Maternity Team's Christmas Song, "Freezy the Snow Queen"](#)** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-15909 Stuart McMillan: Continued Success for McCaskie's Butcher Shop in Wemyss Bay](#)** (lodged on 18 December 2024)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Tess White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Bob Doris\*

**[S6M-15908 Pam Duncan-Glancy: Welcoming the Final Fundraising Total of Asda's Cashpot for Schools in Glasgow](#)** (lodged on 18 December 2024)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*, Sarah Boyack\*

**[S6M-15902 Emma Roddick: Inverness Harrier Selected for European Road Running Championships](#)** (lodged on 17 December 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-15877 Patrick Harvie: Congratulating Jasleen Kaur on Winning the 2024 Turner Prize](#)** (lodged on 18 December 2024)

New Support: Gillian Mackay\*, Bill Kidd\*

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**[S6M-15853](#) Sarah Boyack: Congratulating Edinburgh Interfaith Association on 35 Years**  
(lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-15739](#) Murdo Fraser: Protection of Park Home Residents** (lodged on 05 December 2024)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S6M-15721](#) Audrey Nicoll: Girls in Energy 2024** (lodged on 03 December 2024)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

**[S6M-15715](#) Claire Baker: Congratulating Gary Egan, Stirling District CAB, on being Named a Fuel Poverty Hero** (lodged on 19 December 2024)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Annie Wells\*, Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-15482](#) Audrey Nicoll: Welcoming First Bus Aberdeen's Investment for New Electric Buses** (lodged on 18 November 2024)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

**[S6M-15481](#) Audrey Nicoll: Congratulating Aberdeen FC Community Trust on Major Awards for Community Impact** (lodged on 18 November 2024)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

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## Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

### Written questions lodged on 20 December 2024

**[S6W-32071](#) Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6T-02170 by Fiona Hyslop on 5 November 2024, in relation to the proposed reduction in ticket office opening hours in the evenings on the ScotRail network, what further details it can provide in response to the reported concerns of passengers travelling at night, particularly women, regarding safety and antisocial behaviour. **R**

**[S6W-32074](#) Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6T-02170 by Fiona Hyslop on 5 November 2024, in relation to the proposed reduction in ticket office opening hours on the ScotRail network, what further details it can provide in response to the reported concerns of passengers and staff that the proposals will introduce uncertainty about the presence of staff who can provide support and address any antisocial behaviour at stations. **R**

**[S6W-32118](#) Mercedes Villalba:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its commitment to establish a Peace Institute in Scotland and its ongoing work funded through its international development fund, whether it (a) has supported and (b) plans to support peacebuilding initiatives in Colombia.

**[S6W-32377](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Family Fund announcing that its Your Opportunity programme is temporarily closed for new applications, what support it can offer to disabled or seriously ill young adults aged 18 to 24 who are no longer able to access funding.

**[S6W-32540](#) Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government what the most common way to consume illicit drugs, such as smoking or injection, has been in each year from 2020 to 2024.

**[S6W-32547](#) Roz McCall:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Minister for Social Care, Mental Wellbeing and Sport on 21 November 2024, how it plans to progress plans for a National Social Work Agency, and what timetable for parliamentary scrutiny it plans to propose.

**[S6W-32560](#) Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-31999 by Shona Robison on 18 December 2024, in light of its answer that it "routinely increases the Local Government budget in-year, including through transfers from other portfolios", for what reason it does not allocate these funds to local government in the initial presentation of its Budgets, instead of later transferring funds between portfolios.

**[S6W-32571](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed the cost-effectiveness of continuing subsidies for ScotRail under the current operating model.

**[S6W-32601](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to engage with any communities impacted by railway electrification projects.

**[S6W-32602](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what safety measures are in place to ensure the continued operation of older diesel trains, including High Speed Trains (HSTs).

**[S6W-32603](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to provide financial support to manufacturers to develop decarbonisation technologies for Scotland's railways.

**[S6W-32604](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of Scotland's railway rolling stock it anticipates will still rely on diesel by (a) 2035 and (b) 2040.

**[S6W-32605](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered alternative models of international representation to its international offices that could achieve similar outcomes at a lower cost.

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**S6W-32606 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the cost-effectiveness of maintaining its network of international offices.

**S6W-32607 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will measure the return on investment from its £27.5 million international and European relations budget for 2025-26.

**S6W-32608 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of the international and European relations budget for 2025-26 is allocated to each of its nine international offices.

**S6W-32609 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what criteria are used to determine the budgets for its international offices.

**S6W-32610 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on what specific benefits have been delivered by its international office in Paris in the last year.

**S6W-32611 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that spending on international offices is (a) transparent and (b) accountable to taxpayers.

**S6W-32612 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what role its international offices play in supporting Scotland's export industry, and how this is measured.

**S6W-32613 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered reducing the number of international offices to reallocate funding towards domestic services.

**S6W-32614 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures are in place to prevent duplication of efforts between its international offices and UK embassies.

**S6W-32615 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what projects were funded by the £12.8 million international development fund in the last year.

**S6W-32616 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what comparative analyses of its international office spending relative to similar devolved administrations it has carried out, and on what dates.

**S6W-32617 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to ensure that its international offices are not used to promote the case for Scottish independence.

**S6W-32618 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason there have been reported above-inflation increases in the budgets for most of its international offices at a time of reductions in the budget of some domestic services.

**S6W-32619 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how the effectiveness of the £1.73 billion in forecast export sales supported by its international offices is independently verified.

**S6W-32620 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed the impact of closing some international offices on Scotland's ability to promote exports and attract investment.

**S6W-32621 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that international development funding is targeted at what it considers are the most effective projects it is involved with in (a) Malawi, (b) Rwanda and (c) Zambia.

**S6W-32622 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how its international offices collaborate with UK embassies and High Commissions to promote Scotland's interests abroad.

**S6W-32623 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how much was spent on staff (a) salaries and (b) travel expenses at each of its international offices in the last year.

**S6W-32626 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it collaborates with academic and research institutions to advance flood resilience modeling and forecasting.

**S6W-32627 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding allocations have been made for the flood advisory service referred to in the Flood Resilience Strategy.

**S6W-32628 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how the success of the Flood Resilience Strategy will be measured over the next decade.

**S6W-32629 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will balance investment in large-scale flood protection schemes with property-level flood resilience measures.

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**S6W-32630 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to engage private sector partners in delivering flood resilience actions.

**S6W-32631 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will address the funding gaps identified in the Flood Resilience Strategy to ensure timely implementation.

**S6W-32632 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what criteria are used to select communities for inclusion in the Flood Resilience Strategy pilot programmes.

**S6W-32633 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what support will be provided under the Flood Resilience Strategy to communities most vulnerable to flooding.

**S6W-32634 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what action is being taken to ensure that community input is incorporated into flood resilience planning decisions.

**S6W-32635 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what role local authorities will play in supporting community flood groups under the Flood Resilience Strategy.

**S6W-32636 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what resources are being developed to help (a) individuals and (b) households improve their flood resilience.

**S6W-32637 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will integrate blue-green infrastructure initiatives into urban planning under the Flood Resilience Strategy.

**S6W-32638 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how agricultural policies will align with the flood mitigation goals outlined in the Flood Resilience Strategy.

**S6W-32639 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what long-term plans are in place to avoid redevelopment in areas at high flood risk.

**S6W-32640 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what role peatland restoration plays in meeting the flood mitigation objectives.

**S6W-32641 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how the so-called Place Principle is being applied to ensure that flood resilience is considered in land-use decisions.

**S6W-32642 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to improve flood risk communication and awareness through enhanced data visualisation tools.

**S6W-32643 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what datasets are being developed to improve flood resilience decision making.

**S6W-32644 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what resources are being allocated to SEPA's flood forecasting and warning services.

**S6W-32645 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how real-time data is used to support emergency response and recovery during flood events.

**S6W-32646 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what it estimates social security spending will be, as a percentage of its total revenue budget, by 2029-30.

**S6W-32647 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of its total budget will be absorbed by pay and pensions in (a) 2025-26, (b) 2026-27, (c) 2027-28, (d) 2028-29 and (e) 2029-30.

**S6W-32648 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what cumulative savings have been achieved to date through its 10-year programme of public sector reform.

**S6W-32649 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government which (a) external agencies and (b) consultancies are engaged in its 10-year programme of public sector reform.

**S6W-32650 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to publish more details regarding its 10-year programme of public sector reform.

**S6W-32651 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how many civil servants are currently working on its 10-year programme of public sector reform.

**S6W-32652 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it plans to save in (a) 2025-26, (b) 2026-27, (c) 2027-28, (d) 2028-29 and (e) 2029-30, as a result of its programme of public sector reform.

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**[S6W-32653](#) Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact that its programme of public sector reform will have on the corporate function headcount of the civil service, including within (a) it and (b) its agencies, in (i) 2025-26, (ii) 2026-27, (iii) 2027-28, (iv) 2028-29 and (v) 2029-30.

**[S6W-32654](#) Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government when it expects to complete the due diligence process in connection with the direct award of the Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Services contract before 30 September 2025; what assessment it has made of the cost to taxpayers of the UK Government's mandatory requirement to refer Scottish Government contracts to the Competition and Markets Authority, since 2022 to date, and when Transport Scotland officials last met with the chair and representatives of the Ferries Communities Board to discuss the Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Services 3 contract.

**[S6W-32655](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people were banned from keeping animals in 2023-24.

**[S6W-32656](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government how many cases of animal cruelty were reported to the police in 2023-24; of these cases, how many resulted in a (a) prosecution and (b) conviction, and, of those that resulted in a conviction, what proportion resulted in a custodial sentence.

**[S6W-32657](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider providing further support for the operation of the Adoption Contact Register.

**[S6W-32658](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what contingency plans are in place in the event that Birthlink becomes unable to continue operating the Adoption Contact Register.

**[S6W-32659](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it is undertaking to support the Office of the Public Guardian in its digital transformation project.

**[S6W-32660](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will work with the Office of the Public Guardian to introduce digital activation codes for lasting powers of attorney, which could reportedly benefit both attorneys and granters.

**[S6W-32661](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the merits of introducing digital activation codes for lasting powers of attorney, rather than requiring the use of paper documents as proof of registration.

**[S6W-32662](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-31906 by Gillian Martin on 16 December 2024, what discussions it has held over the past year with (a) academia and (b) private sector companies regarding any expansion of reuse and recycling of rare earth materials.

**[S6W-32663](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the reported call from UK campaign group, Wild Justice, to (a) return Brodifacoum to its pre-April 2016 approval status, so that it can be used in strict "internal areas" within buildings, and (b) limit its use to professional pest control companies.

**[S6W-32668](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what data it holds on the severity of injuries caused by illegal e-bike collisions compared with those involving regular bicycles.

**[S6W-32669](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to address the reported growing number of illegally modified e-bikes in city centres.

**[S6W-32670](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what enforcement measures are in place to ensure compliance with regulations on e-bikes, including (a) speed limits and (b) motor output restrictions.

**[S6W-32671](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the adequacy of current laws regulating the use of e-bikes and e-scooters on public roads and pavements.

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**[S6W-32672 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the risks posed by illegally modified e-bikes to pedestrians, including vulnerable groups such as visually impaired people.

**[S6W-32673 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what data it holds on the number of incidents involving illegal e-bikes that have resulted in injuries to pedestrians over the past three years.

**[S6W-32674 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what campaigns or public awareness initiatives are planned to educate the public about the legal requirements for e-bikes.

**[S6W-32675 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the role of retailers in ensuring that customers purchasing e-bikes are informed about legal requirements.

**[S6W-32676 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many illegally modified e-bikes have been seized in Aberdeen and the surrounding areas since January 2024.

**[S6W-32677 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what action is being taken to address the use of illegal e-bikes in Aberdeen city centre, particularly in areas with high pedestrian traffic.

**[S6W-32678 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to Aberdeen City Council to ensure the effective enforcement of laws regulating e-bikes.

**[S6W-32679 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has received any reports from Aberdeen regarding collisions or incidents involving illegal e-bikes, and, if so, what follow-up action was taken.

**[S6W-32681 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what resources are available to Police Scotland in Aberdeen for monitoring and addressing the reported issue of illegal e-bikes.

**[S6W-32682 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what protocols are in place to (a) respond to incidents involving illegal e-bikes and (b) support the victims of any such incidents.

**[S6W-32683 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what financial or legal support is available to pedestrians injured in accidents involving illegal e-bikes.

**[S6W-32684 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to introduce stricter penalties for riders of illegal e-bikes who cause harm to pedestrians.

**[S6W-32685 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve pedestrian safety in areas with high e-bike usage.

**[S6W-32686 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many illegal e-bikes have been seized in each year since 2020.

**[S6W-32687 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many accidents involving illegal e-bikes have been recorded in each of the last three years, broken down by parliamentary region.

**[S6W-32688 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on what percentage of e-bikes that have been seized in each year since 2020 were imported from abroad without safety compliance warnings.

**[S6W-32689 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what data it holds on the types of modifications commonly made to e-bikes that render them illegal, including the use of high-powered motors and throttle systems.

**[S6W-32690 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of e-bikes that have been seized in each year since 2020 were found to exceed the legal speed limit of 15.5 mph.

**[S6W-32691 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what the average estimated cost to Police Scotland is of seizing and processing an illegal e-bike.

**[S6W-32692 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what economic losses or costs to public services have been identified that are attributable to accidents involving illegal e-bikes.

**[S6W-32693 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many incidents involving illegal e-bikes have been reported in Aberdeen in each of the last three years.



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- [S6W-32694 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been charged in connection with the use of illegal e-bikes in Aberdeen in each of the last five years.
- [S6W-32695 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government which areas in Aberdeen have been identified as hotspots for the use of illegal e-bikes, and what targeted action has been taken in any such areas.
- [S6W-32696 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many complaints about illegal e-bikes Police Scotland has received from residents in Aberdeen in each of the last three years.
- [S6W-32697 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what evidence it has on the effectiveness of current e-bike regulations in reducing the prevalence of illegal modifications.
- [S6W-32698 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many prosecutions have been brought under the Road Traffic Act 1988 in relation to illegal e-bikes in each year since 2020.
- [S6W-32699 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many retailers or importers in Scotland have been found to be selling e-bikes that are not compliant with UK regulations, in each of the last five years.
- [S6W-32700 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it collects data on the number of e-bikes that are imported into Scotland that do not meet UK safety standards.
- [S6W-32701 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered the use of technology to identify and monitor illegal e-bikes, such as speed tracking or motor compliance checks.
- [S6W-32702 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many hospital admissions, as a result of injuries to pedestrians caused by illegal e-bikes, there have been in each of the last five years.
- [S6W-32703 Annie Wells:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide update on progress against the action in its Cancer Action Plan for Scotland 2023-26 to give consumers useful information on alcohol product labels by March 2026.
- [S6W-32704 Annie Wells:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reported statistics from Cancer Research UK showing that only one in two people in Scotland know that alcohol causes cancer, whether it plans to raise public awareness of the link between alcohol consumption and cancer.
- [S6W-32706 Monica Lennon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6O-04137 by Jenny Gilruth on 19 December 2024, whether it will provide an update on progress towards delivering a pilot scheme for free school meals in secondary schools.
- [S6W-32707 Foysoil Choudhury:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to formally commit to eliminating cervical cancer.
- [S6W-32708 Foysoil Choudhury:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it is working to tackle any inequalities in HPV (a) vaccination and (b) screening coverage rates.
- [S6W-32710 Murdo Fraser:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-32031 by Kate Forbes on 18 December 2024, whether any of the measures that it is taking to grow the economy in its draft Budget 2025-26 reduce any regulatory or tax burdens on business.
- [S6W-32711 Murdo Fraser:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-32031 by Kate Forbes on 18 December 2024, whether it is taking any measures in its draft Budget 2025-26 to reduce the cost of doing business in Scotland, and, if so, what those measures are.
- [S6W-32712 Foysoil Choudhury:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what progress it has made towards implementing the recommendations made by the Cross-Party Group on Tackling Islamophobia in its report, *Scotland's Islamophobia - Update 2023*.

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**[S6W-32713 Foysoil Choudhury:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made in adopting the recommendations made in the *Report of the inquiry into Islamophobia in Scotland by the Cross-Party Group on Tackling Islamophobia*.

**[S6W-32714 Craig Hoy:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-32003 by Shona Robison on 19 December 2024, whether the soonest time that it was practicable for it to communicate its final decision regarding its policy on mitigating the two-child cap to the Scottish Fiscal Commission (SFC) was later than the SFC's final policy deadline, and, if so, for what reason.

**[S6W-32765 Fulton MacGregor:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what protections it will provide to non-medical aesthetic practitioners, in light of its proposed regulations for the sector.

**[S6W-32766 Richard Leonard:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the proposals to reduce ScotRail ticket office opening hours at a number of stations, what its position is on how these proposals represent an improvement for passengers, compared with current arrangements, in relation to (a) access to rail fares and products, (b) passenger assistance, (c) provision of information, including during disruptions, (d) safety, (e) penalty fare arrangements and (f) access to station facilities. **R**

**[S6W-32767 Richard Leonard:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the proposals to reduce ScotRail ticket office opening hours at a number of stations, whether it will list the full range of fares, products and services that will no longer be available at these stations during the times that the ticket offices are proposed to be closed. **R**

**[S6W-32768 Monica Lennon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-32140 by Gillian Martin on 18 December 2024, whether it will review the regulations governing water quality in Scotland, in light of the reported concerns by Environmental Standards Scotland.

**[S6W-32769 Monica Lennon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-32137 by Ivan McKee on 19 December 2024, what its position is on whether the amendments that SEPA is considering regarding its call centre service are in line with the Scottish Government's Fair Work First policy.

**[S6W-32772 Rhoda Grant:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many staff have been employed in chronic pain services in each NHS board in each of the last five years.

**[S6W-32773 Rhoda Grant:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding has been allocated to each NHS board for chronic pain services in each of the last five years.

**[S6W-32774 Rhoda Grant:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many patients have attended chronic pain clinics in each NHS board in each of the last five years.

## New Subordinate Legislation

### Subject to negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 20 December 2024 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Bread and Flour Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/387\)](#)

Laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

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## Progress of Legislation

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the website at:

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As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

### **Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 19 November 2024

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 17 December 2024

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 18 December 2024

### **Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 18 December 2024

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 17 December 2024

### **Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 Report (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee) published, 10 December 2024

### **Education (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 completed, 18 December 2024

*Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*

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### **European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Passed, 23 March 2021

*Following a reference under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland, the Supreme Court has ruled that some provisions of the Bill are outwith the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its unamended form.*

### **Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 22 December 2022

*Following an Order under section 35 of the Scotland Act 1998 made by the Secretary of State for Scotland, this Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its current form.*

### **Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 completed, 28 November 2024

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### **Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 10 December 2024

### **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 17 December 2024  
Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 26 November 2024

### **Leases (Automatic Continuation etc.) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 11 December 2024

*Lead committee – Delegated Powers and Law Reform*

### **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Before Stage 2 (evidence (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)), 26 November 2024

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### **Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 15 January 2025

*Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (71<sup>st</sup> Report, 2024)*  
*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 8 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team* ([\*\(legislationteam@parliament.scot\)\*](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))

### **Prisoners (Early Release) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 26 November 2024

### **Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee), 21 January 2025

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 15 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team* ([\*\(legislationteam@parliament.scot\)\*](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))

### **Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 10 December 2024

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (62<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 18 December 2024

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 19 November 2024

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (63<sup>rd</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill (G)**

Passed, 17 December 2024

### **Scottish Languages Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 11 December 2024

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*

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### **Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 17 December 2024

### **Social Security (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 3 December 2024

### **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Before Stage 2 (evidence (Criminal Justice Committee)), 11 December 2024

*Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*

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### **Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 2 completed, 18 September 2024

*Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (75<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*

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## **Legislative Consent Memorandums**

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### **Data (Use and Access) Bill LCM-S6-52**

Lodged on 22 November 2024

*Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work*

### **Employment Rights Bill LCM-S6-53**

Lodged on 11 December 2024

*Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work*

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### **Great British Energy Bill LCM-S6-48**

Lodged on 8 August 2024

*Lead committee – Net Zero, Energy and Transport*

### **High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill LCM-S6-15**

Lodged on 7 February 2022

*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

### **Product Regulation and Metrology Bill LCM-S6-50**

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 11 December 2024

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (74<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49**

Lodged on 24 September 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Tobacco and Vapes Bill LCM-S6-51**

Lodged on 21 November 2024

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 17 December 2024

**Subordinate Legislation** (date of laying) (lead committee)

### **Made Affirmative instruments**

**Subject to approval by 16 January 2024**

[Land and Buildings Transaction Tax \(additional amount: transactions relating to second homes etc.\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 202 \(SSI 2024/367\) \(4 December 2024\)](#) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

### **Affirmative instruments**

**Subject to approval by 8 January 2025**

[Burial \(Management\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\) \(14 November 2024\)](#) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Burial and Cremation \(Inspection\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\) \(14 November 2024\)](#) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 12 January 2025**

[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\) \(18 November 2024\)](#) (Criminal Justice Committee)

**Subject to approval by 16 January 2025**

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[Electronic Monitoring \(Use of Devices and Information\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (22 November 2024) (Criminal Justice Committee)

**Subject to approval by 27 January 2025**

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) Order 2025 \(SI 2025/Draft\)](#) (3 December 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 9 February 2025**

[Moveable Transactions \(Scotland\) Act 2023 Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (16 December 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Registers of Scotland \(Fees and Plain Copies\) Miscellaneous Amendments Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (16 December 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Rural Support \(Improvement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (16 December 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to approval by 10 February 2025**

[International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (17 December 2024) (Criminal Justice Committee)

### Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment 8 January 2025**

**Lead committee report due by 6 January 2025**

[Burial \(Applications and Register\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/334\)](#) (14 November 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Public Procurement \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/338\)](#) (14 November 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

**Subject to annulment 15 January 2025**

**Lead committee report due by 13 January 2025**

[Sports Grounds and Sporting Events \(Designation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/352\)](#) (21 November 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 16 January 2025**

**Lead committee report due by 13 January 2025**

[Electronic Monitoring \(Approved Devices\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/354\)](#) (22 November 2024) (Criminal Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment 29 January 2025**



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## Lead committee report due by 27 January 2025

[Town and Country Planning \(Fees for Applications\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(Amendment\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/369\) \(5 December 2024\)](#) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

## Subject to annulment 30 January 2025 Lead committee report due by 27 January 2025

[Conservation of Salmon \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/368\) \(6 December 2024\)](#) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

## Subject to annulment 5 February 2025 Lead committee report due by 3 February 2025

[Financial Assistance for Environmental Purposes \(Variation\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/371\) \(12 December 2024\)](#) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Local Government Pension Scheme \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/374\) \(12 December 2024\)](#) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Building \(Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/376\) \(12 December 2024\)](#) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

## Subject to annulment 6 February 2025 Lead committee report due by 3 February 2025

[Sexual Offences Act 2003 \(Prescribed Police Stations\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/377\) \(13 December 2024\)](#) (Criminal Justice Committee)

## Subject to annulment 9 February 2025 Lead committee report due by 3 February 2025

[Moveable Transactions \(Forms\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/379\) \(16 December 2024\)](#) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Moveable Transactions \(Register of Assignations and Register of Statutory Pledges Rules\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/381\) \(16 December 2024\)](#) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

## Subject to annulment 13 February 2025 Lead committee report due by 10 February 2025

[Bread and Flour Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/387\) \(20 December 2024\)](#) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

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### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 20 December 2024 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**NHS Pension Scheme (Scotland) Annual Report and Accounts 2023/24 (SG/2024/211)** laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**Scottish Public Pensions Agency Annual Report and Accounts 2023/24 (SG/2024/210)** laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**Scottish Teachers Pension Scheme Annual Report and Accounts 2023/24 (SG/2024/212)** laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**Young Start Annual Report 2023/24 (SG/2024/316)** laid under Paragraph 9, Part 3, Schedule 3 of the Dormant Bank and Building Society Accounts Act 2008

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