

Friday 17 May 2024

# Business Bulletin

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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.

## Meeting of the Parliament

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There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 15 May 2024

### Tuesday 21 May 2024

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Esther Elliott, Church of Scotland Community Chaplain

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Post Office (Horizon System) Offences (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-13087 Marie McNair: National Epilepsy Week

### Wednesday 22 May 2024

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Energy

Finance, Deputy First Minister Responsibilities and Parliamentary Business

**followed by** Public Audit Committee Debate: Audit Scotland Report, Adult Mental Health

**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-12082 Alexander Burnett: National Lyme Disease Awareness Month

### Thursday 23 May 2024

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

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

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-12992 Alasdair Allan: Europe Day 2024

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions

Transport

**followed by** Committee of the Whole Parliament — Stage 2 Proceedings: Post Office (Horizon System) Offences (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## **Tuesday 28 May 2024**

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:30 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Wednesday 29 May 2024**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands; NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care

**followed by** Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**5:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Thursday 30 May 2024**

**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: Social Justice

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

### Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

21 May 2024

18th Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 8:30 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 3).

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath on 85232 or at [peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot](mailto:peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot)

### Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

21 May 2024

16th Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 8, 9, 10 and 11 in private.
2. **Healthcare in remote and rural areas:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care, and Stephen Lea-Ross, Deputy Director of Health Workforce Planning and Development, Scottish Government; Paula Speirs, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, NHS Scotland.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (Independent Health Care) Modification Order 2024 [draft] and the Healthcare Improvement Scotland (Inspections) Amendment Regulations 2024 [draft] from—  
Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care, Lorraine Alcock, Team Lead, Safety, Openness and Learning, Kirndeeep Kaur, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Robert Law, Senior Policy Manager, Safety, Openness and Learning, and Annalena Winslow, Unit Head, Safety, Openness and Learning, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** Neil Gray (Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care) to move—  
S6M-13020—That the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee recommends that the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (Independent Health Care) Modification Order 2024 [draft] be approved.  
S6M-13021—That the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee recommends that the Healthcare Improvement Scotland (Inspections) Amendment Regulations 2024 [draft] be approved.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
[Healthcare Improvement Scotland \(Fees\) Regulations 2024: SSI 2024/130](#)
6. **Tobacco and Vapes Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum [LCM-S6-44](#) from—

Sheila Duffy, Chief Executive, ASH Scotland;  
John Dunne, Director General, UK Vaping Industry Association;  
Dr Garth Reid, Consultant in Public Health, Public Health Scotland;  
Dr Pete Cheema OBE, Chief Executive, Scottish Grocers Federation.

7. **Healthcare in remote and rural areas (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
8. **Tobacco and Vapes Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 6.
9. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider a draft report on the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (Independent Health Care) Modification Order 2024 [draft] and the Healthcare Improvement Scotland (Inspections) Amendment Regulations 2024 [draft].
10. **Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
11. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 13 May 2023 to 12 May 2024.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Alex Bruce on 85229 or at [Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot](mailto:Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot)

## **Finance and Public Administration Committee**

**21 May 2024**

**18th Meeting, 2024**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Public administration in government:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
John-Paul Marks, Permanent Secretary, Lesley Fraser, Director General Corporate, Gregor Irwin, Director General Economy, and Jackie McAllister, Chief Financial Officer, Scottish Government.
2. **Scotland's Commissioner Landscape: A Strategic Approach:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Lynda Towers, Convener, Constitutional Law and Human Rights Committee, Law Society of Scotland;  
Dr Ian Elliott, Senior Lecturer in Public Policy, Centre for Public Policy, University of Glasgow;  
Professor Alan Page, Emeritus Professor of Public Law, University of Dundee.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Joanne McNaughton, at [FPA.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:FPA.committee@parliament.scot).

## **Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee**

**21 May 2024**

**16th Meeting, 2024**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4 and 5 in private.

2. **National Planning Framework 4 annual review:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, Fiona Simpson, Chief Planner, Director of Planning, Architecture and Regeneration, and Andy Kinnaird, Head of Transforming Planning, Planning, Architecture and Regeneration Division, Scottish Government.
3. **National Planning Framework 4 annual review:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 13 May 2023 to 12 May 2024.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Euan Donald on 85212 or at [euandonald@parliament.scot](mailto:euandonald@parliament.scot)

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

**21 May 2024**

**17th Meeting, 2024**

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Scottish Pubs Code Regulations 2024](#) (SSI 2024/Draft)  
[Tied Pubs \(Fees and Financial Penalties\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024](#) (SSI 2024/Draft)
2. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Education \(Fees and Student Support\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024](#) (SSI 2024/140)  
[Disability Assistance for Older People \(Consequential Amendment and Transitional Provision\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024](#) (SSI 2024/141)

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Greg Black at [Greg.Black@parliament.scot](mailto:Greg.Black@parliament.scot)

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

**21 May 2024**

**12th Meeting, 2024**

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on—  
The Equality Act 2010 (Specification of Public Authorities) (Scotland) Order 2024 [draft];  
and  
The Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2024 [draft]  
from—  
Siobhian Brown, Minister for Victims and Community Safety, Jenny Hunt, Senior Policy Manager, Safety Openness and Learning Legislation Team, Rachel Innes, Community Interventions Team Leader, Community Justice Division, and Jordan McGrory, Solicitor, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Siobhian Brown (Minister for Victims and Community Safety) to move—



S6M-12908—That the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee recommends that the Equality Act 2010 (Specification of Public Authorities) (Scotland) Order 2024 [draft] be approved; and

S6M-12909—That the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee recommends that the The Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2024 [draft] be approved.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Tribunals (Listed Tribunals) Regulations 2024 [draft] from—  
Siobhian Brown, Minister for Victims and Community Safety, Lisa Davidson, Tribunals Policy Team Leader, and Natalie Milligan, Solicitor, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** Siobhian Brown (Minister for Victims and Community Safety) to move—S6M-12847—That the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee recommends that the Scottish Tribunals (Listed Tribunals) Regulations 2024 [draft] be approved.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Damages (Review of Rate of Return) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 [draft] from—  
Siobhian Brown, Minister for Victims and Community Safety, Michael Papparakis, Policy and Bill Programme Manager, Private Law Unit, and Scott Matheson, Senior Principal Legal Officer, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
6. **Subordinate legislation:** Siobhian Brown (Minister for Victims and Community Safety) to move—S6M-12994—That the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee recommends that the Damages (Review of Rate of Return) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 [draft] be approved.
7. **Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katrina Venters on 86244 or at [Katrina.Venters@Parliament.scot](mailto:Katrina.Venters@Parliament.scot)

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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.

## Motions for Debate

**\*[S6M-13232](#) Shona Robison: Post Office (Horizon System) Offences (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution**—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Post Office (Horizon System) Offences (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3A of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

## Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S6M-13251](#) Annabelle Ewing: Hugos Bar and Pavilion Bank Holiday Charity Fun Day** —That the Parliament recognises the recent bank holiday charity fun day, which was held by Hugos Bar and Pavilion, Dalgety Bay, on 5 May 2024, to raise money for its charity partner, That Place In The Bay; understands that children and families were treated to an exciting afternoon filled with live music, bouncy castles, face painting, and with Jimmy D playing music in the evening; notes that the day was well attended by families both from the local area and beyond, who it believes enjoyed that there was something to do for all of the family; further notes that additional fundraising was held on the day for defibrillators for the local community; recognises that the next charity partner of Hugos is set to be another local charity, the Cookie Jar Foundation; thanks Hugos Bar and Pavilion for hosting this event, and wishes everyone involved all the very best for the future.

**\*[S6M-13250](#) Annabelle Ewing: Wallsgreen Park Mural**—That the Parliament recognises the mural, commissioned by Cardenden Community Development Forum, at Wallsgreen Park; understands that the initiative brought together a range of community groups, including Cardenden Youth Forum, to design a mural that represented Cardenden, both in the past and now; recognises that the groups were helped by local artist, Donna Forrester, who helped design, paint and complete the mural alongside the young people from the Youth Forum; notes that the mural was part of the development forum's ABCD Village Action Plan, and that it is in the process of developing a new action plan; commends the work of the community forum, youth forum, and all those involved in the mural project, and wishes them all the best for the future.

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**\*[S6M-13249](#) Pauline McNeill: World Inflammatory Bowel Disease Day on 19 May 2024**—That the Parliament recognises World Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) Day on 19 May 2024; understands that Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis are serious chronic diseases where the immune system attacks the gut, affecting over 500,000 people in the UK, including over 50,000 people living in Scotland; further understands that Scotland has the highest proportion of the population of people living with IBD in the UK; believes that, on this World IBD Day, Crohn's and Colitis UK will seek to tackle the stigma, myths, and misunderstanding around IBD, which, it understands, have meant that thousands of people with these conditions are experiencing them in silence; commends Crohn's and Colitis UK for its work in supporting people in the UK who are living with Crohn's and colitis, and thanks Crohn's and Colitis UK and all who support the organisation for their dedication to people living with IBD.

**\*[S6M-13246](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Writer Helps Develop Life-saving Course after Brother Died**—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow writer, Mark MacNicol, on developing a drama programme to help people understand and cope with trauma and addiction, after the writer's brother sadly died from a drug overdose; understands that Mark, an author and scriptwriter, got involved with Creative Change Collective and that, over the last eight years, has helped to develop and deliver the programme to more than 1,000 people; notes that, through teaching drama techniques, the course, which is run in the community and in prisons, including Barlinnie, Low Moss and Shotts, helps with issues such as alcohol addiction and offending; acknowledges that, after seeing it help hundreds of people, Mark is hoping to take the sessions Scotland-wide; understands that the programme is not a drama group, but is instead more about facilitating the learning of techniques that people can use in daily life; further understands that, as part of the programme, people explore the issues that they want to address through a character that they play in the sessions; believes that the project has grown from Glasgow to include Renfrewshire, North Ayrshire and West Dunbartonshire, and notes that the programme includes 16 weeks of creating monologues, sketches and spoken word, and culminates with the opportunity to present a performance of between 45 minutes to an hour of material to family and friends.

**\*[S6M-13245](#) Rona Mackay: Tribute to Beloved Scots Actress Gudrun Ure**—That the Parliament celebrates the life of the talented actress of stage and screen, Gudrun Ure, from Milton of Campsie, who has died aged 98; pays tribute to her outstanding contribution to the arts, most notably for her portrayal on screen, at the age of 59, of a Scottish granny who gained superpowers, which won her legions of young fans in the much loved *Super Gran* ITV series, which ran from 1985 to 1987; understands that the show, which was screened in 60 countries, received an International Emmy award in the Children and Young People category in 1985; praises the depth and breadth of Ms Ure's talents, as she appeared in numerous stage productions, radio plays and television shows during a long and successful career, including starring opposite Orson Welles in a 1951 stage version of Shakespeare's *Othello*, which was directed by the Hollywood star; understands that Ms Ure passed away at her home in London, having moved to live there early in her career; expresses its sincere condolences to her family, and sends every kind wish to all those whose lives she touched in the constituency of Strathkelvin and Bearsden and beyond.

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**\*[S6M-13244](#) Stuart McMillan: Beacon Arts Centre Pantomime Shortlisted for Prestigious National Award—**That the Parliament congratulates the Beacon Arts Centre in Greenock on being shortlisted for the prestigious UK Pantomime Association's awards; notes that actors Natalie Tedesco, Alistair Fitton-Weir, Alison Hunter and Sean Van Oostrum have been shortlisted for Best Ensemble, for their role in the show; further notes that previous winners have included Sir Ian McKellen, Su Pollard and Vernon Kay; understands that the UK Pantomime Association is a charity set up to celebrate pantomime, and that it recognises excellence across 19 categories; notes that theatre critic Liam Rudden said that the show was "the best panto in Scotland" and recognised that it had been produced in-house by the Beacon; acknowledges what it sees as the rich cultural and economic contribution that the Beacon makes in Inverclyde, and looks forward to the 2024 show, which it hopes will be a big hit and bring audiences from all over Scotland to Greenock.

**\*[S6M-13242](#) Marie McNair: Success for St Peter the Apostle High School Football Teams—**That the Parliament congratulates St Peter the Apostle High School Seniors on winning the Scottish Schools' Football Association Shield Final; understands that the team came from 2-0 down to win 4-2 against Grange Academy, at Somerset Park in Ayr; congratulates the SPTA Under-15s team for becoming Glasgow League Champions for the second year in a row, with a victory over Bearsden Academy at New Western Park in Renfrew; notes that the Under-15s came from 1-0 behind, with a strong performance, to win 5-1; congratulates both teams on their success, and recognises the hard work that the pupils undertook for these achievements.

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**\*[S6M-13241](#) Tess White: Montrose FC Women Secure Top-flight Status in the Scottish Women's Premier League for Another Year—**That the Parliament congratulates Montrose FC Women's team on securing top-flight status in the Scottish Women's Premier League, before the league season has even finished; understands that the team still has three games to play in the 12-team Scottish Women's Premier League (SWPL), which is made up of full-time and part-time teams; further understands that the aim of the Scottish Women's Premier League is to showcase the very best of women's football in Scotland, inspiring the next generation and providing more opportunities for girls and women across the game; notes that this is the team's second season in the Scottish Women's Premier League, after back-to-back promotions; recognises that Montrose FC Women's team has had mixed results so far this season, by way of six wins, six draws and 17 defeats, with the best win coming against Hamilton, and the biggest defeat being against Rangers, and wishes the women's team and everyone associated with the club all the best for season 2024-25.

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**\*[S6M-13240](#) Tess White: Forfar Farmington FC Celebrates Back-to-back Promotions—**That the Parliament congratulates Forfar Farmington FC on clinching back-to-back promotions in the Scottish Women's Football leagues; understands that Forfar Farmington FC still has a chance of winning the League One title, with two games remaining, and to gain promotion to the Scottish Women's Premier League 2; notes that the girls club was formed with a single side in 1984, by the late Colin Brown, and that the team played in friendly matches before entering the formalised league in 1990; recognises that Forfar Farmington FC offers girls a pathway to play football with

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eight girls teams, ranging in ages from under seven years of age through to the ladies first team, and wishes all involved well as they look forward to competing in the Championship next season.

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**\*S6M-13239 Marie McNair: Carleith Primary School Celebrates 50th Anniversary—**That the Parliament recognises Carleith Primary School, in Duntocher, on celebrating its 50th anniversary; notes that the school first opened in May 1974, and recognises what it sees as the significance of this achievement; understands that different activities were held at an event in Goldenhill Park, including a sponsored walk, a fun run and a picnic in the park; further understands that a school show is planned for later in 2024 when members of the local community will be invited to see old photographs of the school; congratulates the school staff, parents and pupils on organising these events, as they commemorate their school's legacy, and wishes them all the best for the future ahead.

**\*S6M-13237 Marie McNair: Bearsden and Milngavie Ladies Lunch Raises Funds for St Margaret of Scotland Hospice—**That the Parliament recognises Jacqueline Willis for organising the annual Ladies Lunch; understands that, with help from family and friends, Jacqueline has organised 16 Ladies Lunches; further understands that the event is held to commemorate the memory of their friend, Angela, who passed away from kidney cancer; celebrates 16 years of successful lunches, raising over £5,000 each year for charity, and with 2024's lunch held in Milngavie's Town Hall being particularly successful, with £7,842.09 raised; commends the local businesses that helped to support the event with catering, entertainment and raffle prizes; congratulates all involved, and wishes the event continued success in the years to come.

**\*S6M-13236 George Adam: St Mirren Football Club Qualifies for Europe—**That the Parliament congratulates St Mirren Football Club on qualifying for the 2024-25 UEFA Conference League in Europe for the first time since 1987; acknowledges what it sees as this brilliant achievement, which has been 37 years in the making, and comes after the Paisley team secured fifth place in the Scottish Premier League; commends the effort and hard work that every member of the team has put in to get the club to this point, and congratulates everyone involved in St Mirren's continued success, including Scottish footballing legend, Tony Fitzpatrick, who, it believes, never doubted his team would make it into Europe again despite reported scepticism from the media. **R**

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**\*S6M-13229 Michael Matheson: Inauguration of President-elect Lai Ching-te of the Republic of China (Taiwan)—**That the Parliament notes the inauguration of President-elect Lai Ching-te of the Republic of China (Taiwan) on 20 May 2024, and further notes what it considers to be the strong economic, social and educational ties between Scotland and Taiwan.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, David Torrance\*, Audrey Nicoll\*

**\*S6M-13193 Monica Lennon: Celebrating East Kilbride Pickleball Community —**That the Parliament celebrates the success of the East Kilbride Pickleball Community; understands that the



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group was established in 2022 and now has over 90 members; applauds the group for hosting a hybrid doubles session in February 2024 to encourage wheelchair users to take up pickleball; understands that this session was the result of collaboration between East Kilbride club coach, Mike Duncan, and the Scottish Masters champion, Terry Smith, who previously worked together to promote wheelchair pickleball by holding sessions at the spinal rehabilitation unit at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital; considers that pickleball is one of the fastest-growing sports in the world; understands that Pickleball Scotland is helping local groups, like East Kilbride Pickleball Community, to grow and thrive; hopes that East Kilbride Pickleball Community continues its efforts to promote the sport, and wishes it every success in the future.

**[S6M-13162](#) Alexander Burnett: Deep Casing Tools in Westhill Receives The King's Award for Enterprise 2024**—That the Parliament congratulates Deep Casing Tools, which is based in Westhill, for receiving The King's Award for Enterprise 2024; notes that this award is the highest official business accolade to be awarded to UK companies; recognises the work that Deep Casing Tools has undertaken to create a robust international trade growth strategy and to successfully establish an increased footprint in the Middle East, Asia Pacific and Latin America; highlights the growth of the company in response to increasing demand for its technology, and wishes all involved at Deep Casing Tools the best for the future.

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### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S6M-13235](#) Clare Adamson: Congratulating Get Walking Lanarkshire on its 10th Anniversary** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Clare Haughey\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Monica Lennon\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Alasdair Allan\*, Colin Beattie\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, David Torrance\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-13234](#) Clare Adamson: Funky Natz Foundation** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

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

**[S6M-13233](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Fascination of Plants Day** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

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

**[S6M-13228](#) Finlay Carson: The Open University Disabled Veterans' Scholarship Fund** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Greene\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tim Eagle\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Sue Webber\*

**[S6M-13227](#) Clare Adamson: Award for Hugh Black and Sons** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

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

**[S6M-13226](#) Clare Adamson: The Big Bang** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

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

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Motions   Glusadan				

**S6M-13225 Clare Adamson: Walk of Hope** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Jim Fairlie\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Sue Webber\*

**S6M-13224 Stephanie Callaghan: Rivals School of Martial Arts Completes Successful Community Asset Transfer in Uddingston** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Bill Kidd\*, Foyso Choudhury\*

**S6M-13223 Bill Kidd: International Day of Living Together in Peace** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*, Paul Sweeney\*, John Mason\*, Maggie Chapman\*, Alasdair Allan\*, Foyso Choudhury\*

**S6M-13222 Joe FitzPatrick: Leisure and Culture Dundee Sports Awards 2024** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

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

**S6M-13214 Liz Smith: Scottish Mountain Rescue in 2023** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Greene\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tim Eagle\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Michael Matheson\*, Sue Webber\*

**S6M-13212 Roz McCall: Dobbies Dunfermline Fundraising for Teenage Cancer Trust** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jamie Greene\*, Tim Eagle\*, Sue Webber\*

**S6M-13211 Rachael Hamilton: Kelso Crowned King of Borders 7s Series** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Greene\*, Tim Eagle\*, Sue Webber\*

**S6M-13210 Kevin Stewart: Tillydrone's Cruyff Court - Willie Miller** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

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

**S6M-13209 Foyso Choudhury: Welcoming Living Streets Edinburgh's Walk to School Week** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

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

**S6M-13208 Humza Yousaf: Culture and Diversity Day Glasgow: A Celebration of Culture** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Kevin Stewart\*, James Dornan\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Miles Briggs\*

**S6M-13207 Alexander Stewart: Billy Lennox and his Dog, Sunni, Complete the West Highland Way for Ochils Mountain Rescue Team** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Greene\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tim Eagle\*, Sue Webber\*

**S6M-13206 Karen Adam: Buckie Classic Car Show Commitment to Inclusion** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Bill Kidd\*, Colin Beattie\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Collette Stevenson\*, Miles Briggs\*, David Torrance\*, Foyso Choudhury\*

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Motions   Glusadan				

**[S6M-13205](#) Kevin Stewart: ClanFest** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-13204](#) Alexander Stewart: Tillicoultry Primary School Awarded Reading Schools Gold Accreditation** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Greene\*, Tim Eagle\*

**[S6M-13202](#) Alexander Stewart: Keanna MacInnes from Tillicoultry Selected for Team GB Paris Olympics Swimming Team** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13201](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank Ladies Choir Celebrates 25th Anniversary** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13200](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank Girl Guide Leader's Extraordinary Service** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13199](#) Jackie Baillie: Thanking Fiona Donald of Helensburgh** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

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

**[S6M-13198](#) Karen Adam: Fraserburgh Harbour Port of the Year** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Emma Harper\*, Bill Kidd\*, Colin Beattie\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Alasdair Allan\*, Alex Rowley\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, David Torrance\*, Audrey Nicoll\*

**[S6M-13195](#) Audrey Nicoll: The Bread Guy Bakery Wins Scottish Baker of the Year 2024-25** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

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

**[S6M-13194](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank's Champion Dance and Cheer Achieve International Success** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-13192](#) Pam Gosal: Lennox Partnership and Creative Academy: Empowering Youth in Creative Industries** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Annie Wells\*, Brian Whittle\*, Jamie Greene\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Douglas Ross\*, Craig Hoy\*, Russell Findlay\*, Sue Webber\*

**[S6M-13189](#) Bob Doris: Tackling the Misuse of Off-road Vehicles** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: John Mason\*

**[S6M-13188](#) Evelyn Tweed: Wallace High School Wins Girls Senior Shield at Hampden Park** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*



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Motions   Glusadan				

**[S6M-13185](#) Clare Adamson: Ryan Pollock and the Sean Connery Talent Lab** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll\*

**[S6M-13184](#) Clare Adamson: The Les Hoey MBE DreamMaker Foundation Trip to Blackpool** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Foysol Choudhury\*

**[S6M-13183](#) Clare Adamson: Helen Paterson of The Cherry Tree, Semi Finalist of the BII Licensee of the Year Awards** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13182](#) Clare Adamson: Kurtis Fang, North Lanarkshire's Scottish Young Musician-Solo Performer of the Year** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Audrey Nicoll\*

**[S6M-13181](#) Clare Adamson: Motherwell Athletics Club at the 2024 North Lanarkshire Inter Club Match** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13180](#) Clare Adamson: Lee Adam Publishes First Book, Beast and Burden** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13179](#) Clare Adamson: James Paterson's London Marathon Run and 12-hour Cycle for Children 1st** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13178](#) Pam Gosal: 40th Anniversary of Volunteers' Week** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jamie Greene\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tim Eagle\*, Sue Webber\*

**[S6M-13177](#) Monica Lennon: Dalserf Church Achieves Silver Award Accreditation from Eco-Congregation Scotland** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Colin Beattie\*, Miles Briggs\*, Sarah Boyack\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-13175](#) Monica Lennon: #KeepTheBeatAlive Campaign and South Lanarkshire's Third Sector** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Colin Beattie\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-13173](#) Audrey Nicoll: Fishermoss School, Portlethen, Wins Keep Scotland Beautiful Award** (lodged on 14 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13172](#) Karen Adam: Appointment of the Chair of the Scottish Commission for Human Rights** (lodged on 10 May 2024)

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Motions   Glusadan				

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13169](#) Monica Lennon: Celebrating 100 Years of the Young Women's Movement**  
(lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, John Mason\*

**[S6M-13167](#) Gordon MacDonald: Wester Hailes Youth Agency Achieves LGBT Gold Charter**  
(lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-13164](#) Liam McArthur: Young Curators at Stromness Museum** (lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13163](#) Colin Beattie: Stoane Lighting Wins The King's Award for Enterprise** (lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13161](#) Beatrice Wishart: International Day for Biological Diversity** (lodged on 13 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Maurice Golden\*, John Mason\*, Monica Lennon\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S6M-13153](#) Miles Briggs: Coeliac Awareness Month 2024** (lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13152](#) Finlay Carson: MSPs Urged to Support the Pledge to Help the Scottish Fishing Sector** (lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13151](#) Kenneth Gibson: 40th Anniversary of Dalry's MRC Fitness** (lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13148](#) Fulton MacGregor: Carla Basu Wins Royal Television Society Scotland Student Award** (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13147](#) Neil Bibby: Glenvale FC Crowned Champions, a Proud Moment for Paisley**  
(lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13146](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating Thorn Athletic FC on a Successful Season** (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13145](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating Johnstone Burgh FC on a Successful Season** (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

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Motions   Gluasadan				

**[S6M-13137](#) Annie Wells: Bench Unveiled in Glasgow Dedicated to Those Affected by Ukraine War** (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13130](#) Jeremy Balfour: Supporting Calls to Include Taiwan in the World Health Organization and World Health Assembly** (lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13121](#) Kevin Stewart: The Big Booby Bakesale** (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13120](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Showbiz Legend Dies Suddenly at 80 Years Old** (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Greene\*, Tim Eagle\*, Sue Webber\*

**[S6M-13117](#) Karen Adam: TClub Special Needs Tuesday Club** (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13116](#) Karen Adam: Moray and Banffshire Hero of Heroes Award** (lodged on 13 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13115](#) Karen Adam: Findochty Primary School Moray and Banffshire Heroes Award** (lodged on 13 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13113](#) Gillian Mackay: Falkirk Invincibles** (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Michelle Thomson\*, Alasdair Allan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Ariane Burgess\*, Maggie Chapman\*, Miles Briggs\*, Colin Beattie\*, Michael Matheson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, David Torrance\*

**[S6M-13104](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Science Centre and Vitenfabrikken Collaboration** (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13103](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen's Umbrella Project** (lodged on 08 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13095](#) Michael Marra: Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome Awareness Month** (lodged on 07 May 2024)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*

**[S6M-13087](#) Marie McNair: National Epilepsy Week** (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13031](#) Martin Whitfield: Foster Care Fortnight** (lodged on 30 April 2024)

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Motions   Glusadan				

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane\*

**[S6M-13019](#) Annie Wells: Young Footballers' Six-hour Hike to Raise Money for Epilepsy Scotland and ACCORD Hospice in Paisley** (lodged on 30 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13003](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Sharon McLauchlan on her Employee of the Year Award at the Clyde Sector Awards for NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde** (lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-13002](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Helensburgh Dorian Choir on its 75th Anniversary** (lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-12998](#) Stuart McMillan: Rhys McCole Receives Rotary Honour** (lodged on 26 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-12997](#) Stuart McMillan: £850,000 Investment at James Watt Dock Marina** (lodged on 26 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-12979](#) Edward Mountain: Bowel Cancer Awareness Month** (lodged on 25 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-12975](#) Ariane Burgess: Congratulating Speyside High School Students on their Contribution to Planet Earth III** (lodged on 24 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-12878](#) Elena Whitham: The Rowantree Court Social Club Receives £6,440** (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-12795](#) Gillian Mackay: Recognising the Rise and Recent Success of Falkirk Band, Brògeal** (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-12770](#) Tess White: Tarfside Scottish Women's Rural Institute Celebrates Centenary** (lodged on 10 April 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-12611](#) Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde Royal Hospital Workers Recognised for Completing 100 Years of Service** (lodged on 22 March 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-12607](#) Elena Whitham: Sir James MacMillan Awarded the Ivors Academy Fellowship** (lodged on 22 March 2024)

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Motions   Glusadan				

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-12519](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney RFC Wins Community Club of the Season** (lodged on 18 March 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

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Questions   Ceistean				

## Written Questions

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

Government Initiated Questions are initiated by the parliament Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

### Government initiated questions lodged on 16 May 2024

**[S6W-27672](#) Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any implications of the UK Spring Budget for the 2024-25 Scottish Budget, and what its current position is on the 2023-24 Scottish Budget.

### Written questions lodged on 16 May 2024

**[S6W-27365](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of women for whom it would be clinically helpful to access a placental growth factor (PIGF) based test can currently do so, and what targets it has set to increase this proportion, in light of reports that the equivalent figure in England is currently 90%.

**[S6W-27499](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to any potential impact on devolved benefits in Scotland, what engagement it has had with the Ministry of Defence, including Veterans UK, regarding reported delays in the award and payment of war pensions for veterans resident in Scotland.

**[S6W-27503](#) Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it anticipates that all adults who require rehabilitation will have timely access to the right information and services to support them by the end of 2025, as stated in the aims of the *Framework for Supporting People through Recovery and Rehabilitation during and after the COVID-19 Pandemic*.

**[S6W-27525](#) Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many tonnes of peat were damaged by the landslide at the Viking Wind Farm site in Shetland on 7 May 2024.

**[S6W-27586](#) Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-26769 by Jim Fairlie on 29 April 2024, whether it will reallocate the remaining £473.1 million of the £500 million originally allocated to the Bus Partnership Fund, and, if so, when.

**[S6W-27612](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has consulted local authorities on the new regulations in the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2024 and the prior approval mechanism that it sets out.

**[S6W-27613](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the prior approval mechanism in the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2024 could cause permanent damage to the nation's built heritage.

**[S6W-27614](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will urgently seek to revise the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2024, which was laid before the Parliament on 28 March 2024 and is due to come into effect on 24 May 2024, in light of reported concerns that it will lead to irreversible heritage loss in conservation areas as a result of it designating uPVC windows as a permitted development where they are defined as "substantially the same" as existing windows, and such a definition being too vague.

**[S6W-27615](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported figures from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) stating that



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companies in China receive nine times more government support, such as subsidies and tax breaks, than their counterparts in OECD countries such as the UK, and what measures it will take to improve such support for companies in Scotland.

**[S6W-27616 Alexander Burnett](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to establish the extent of the use of part-time timetables in schools.

**[S6W-27617 Alexander Burnett](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to establish the extent of the use of informal exclusions in schools.

**[S6W-27618 Alexander Burnett](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the assessment of the National Autistic Society Scotland that "while there are instances when part-time timetables could be beneficial, we know they are being used as a 'sticking plaster' for existing inadequacies in ASN provision".

**[S6W-27619 Foyso Choudhury](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government when it first became aware of any dangers of aging reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC).

**[S6W-27620 Rhoda Grant](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will expedite protection of the Gairloch Erradale area of sea, in light of reports of the local community's discovery of a herring egg-laying site.

**[S6W-27621 Fulton MacGregor](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its plans to reform legislation on adults with incapacity, as recommended by the Scottish mental health law review.

**[S6W-27622 Foyso Choudhury](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what medical advice it had received, regarding any risks of blood clots, prior to its decision to suspend the use of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine for under-30s in April 2021.

**[S6W-27623 Roz McCall](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to increasing the recommended foster care allowance in line with inflation for 2024-25.

**[S6W-27624 Roz McCall](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to including a specified foster care allowance rate for young people in continuing care.

**[S6W-27625 Alexander Burnett](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-16260 by Jenny Gilruth on 17 April 2023, whether it will provide an update on how many schools are currently mothballed, broken down by local authority area.

**[S6W-27627 Paul Sweeney](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will convene a conference, in conjunction with the Glasgow School of Art, to establish a national effort to restore the Mackintosh Building by 2030, in light of the reported delay of the project due to insurance arbitration.

**[S6W-27628 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the roll-out of the Caledonian System to all local authority areas.

**[S6W-27629 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has allocated to local authorities to administer the Caledonian System in each financial year since it was launched.

**[S6W-27630 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of how many people participating in the Caledonian System have reoffended in each financial year since it was launched.

**[S6W-27632 Jackie Dunbar](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to Poppyscotland's Credit their Service campaign.

**[S6W-27633 Jackie Dunbar](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what work it is undertaking to ensure that any armed forces compensation is not included in means testing calculations in relation to Scottish social security benefits.

**[S6W-27634 Alexander Burnett](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether there is currently a shortage of Humalog insulin medications in Scotland, and what information it holds on whether any patients who require Humalog insulin have been (a) told to reduce their dosage and (b) denied this medication.

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**[S6W-27635 Pam Duncan-Glancy](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many people have used the teaching bursary scheme to facilitate career changes into teacher training since its extension in 2023.

**[S6W-27636 Pam Duncan-Glancy](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has set a target for the number of people accessing its teaching bursary scheme.

**[S6W-27637 Pam Duncan-Glancy](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered introducing a target for the number of people accessing the teaching bursary scheme.

**[S6W-27638 Paul Sweeney](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-27130 by Maree Todd on 15 May 2024, when it expects a final decision to be taken on funding for Breathing Space in 2024-25.

**[S6W-27639 Ross Greer](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government when the next summary report on access to counsellors in secondary schools and children and young people's community mental health services will be published.

**[S6W-27640 Liam Kerr](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it discontinued the Smarter Choices, Smarter Places programme, and what its position is on what any repercussions of that decision will be.

**[S6W-27641 Liam Kerr](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it ceased the Mode Shift Revenue Support scheme.

**[S6W-27642 Liam Kerr](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what data it has on the (a) uptake and (b) outcomes of support from the Mode Shift Revenue Support scheme in each year of its operation.

**[S6W-27643 Liam Kerr](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on freight movements commencing or ending at (a) Craiginches Down and (b) Raith's Farm, and what it is doing to increase the use of these facilities.

**[S6W-27644 Liam Kerr](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on (a) what the outcomes were of the Lifting the Spirit trial at Elgin in 2013 and (b) whether it was operationally successful, and what it did to build on that trial.

**[S6W-27645 Liam Kerr](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the trial in 2020 of bringing timber out of Caithness by rail has not been meaningfully followed up, in light of it reportedly being successful.

**[S6W-27646 Liam Kerr](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it provides freight facilities grants for rail freight and coastal shipping terminals but not for wagons.

**[S6W-27647 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to create a violence against women unit.

**[S6W-27648 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to classify violence against women as a "national threat".

**[S6W-27649 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to expand the Ask for ANI scheme.

**[S6W-27650 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve access to domestic abuse services for underrepresented groups.

**[S6W-27651 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to deliver a dedicated women's officer for every local authority.

**[S6W-27652 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to roll out the ASSIST system across Scotland.

**[S6W-27653 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to introduce guidance to encourage (a) local authorities and (b) social housing providers to ensure that domestic abuse victims are prioritised for social housing.

**[S6W-27654 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to expand the Fund to Leave scheme across Scotland.



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**[S6W-27655 Pam Gosal](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to increase the maximum amount that a victim of domestic abuse can receive through the Fund to Leave scheme.

**[S6W-27658 Russell Findlay](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-27231 by Angela Constance on 13 May 2024, whether it will provide the information requested regarding whether it has sought from (a) the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service and (b) Police Scotland a full list of criminal offences that can be disposed of by way of a Recorded Police Warning, and for what reason it did not provide this information in its answer.

## Amendments

### New amendments to Bills lodged or withdrawn on 16 May 2024

#### Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

##### Section 1

**Jenni Minto**

- 6 In section 1, page 1, line 6, leave out from <that> to end of line 7 and insert <—  
<( ) that is, contains or forms part of a hospital, and  
( ) in which abortion services are provided, or>

**Jenni Minto**

- 7 In section 1, page 1, line 9, leave out <other than> and insert <but does not include>

##### Section 2

**Jenni Minto**

- 8 In section 2, page 1, line 16, leave out <of the protected premises>

**Jenni Minto**

- 9 In section 2, page 1, line 18, leave out <edge of the protected premises> and insert <boundary of the protected site>

**Jenni Minto**

- 10 In section 2, page 2, line 1, leave out <of the protected premises>

**Jenni Minto**

- 11 In section 2, page 2, line 3, leave out <edge of the protected premises> and insert <boundary of the protected site>

**Jenni Minto**

- 12 In section 2, page 2, leave out lines 20 to 28

**Jenni Minto**

- 13 In section 2, page 2, line 29, leave out <in the vicinity of> and insert <adjacent to>

**Jenni Minto**

- 14 In section 2, page 2, line 30, at end insert—

<“protected site” means the protected premises and its grounds,>

### Section 3

**Jenni Minto**

- 15 In section 3, page 2, line 37, after <is> insert <, contains>

**Jenni Minto**

- 16 In section 3, page 2, line 39, leave out <other than> and insert <but does not include>

### Section 4

**Sandesh Gulhane**

- 17 In section 4, page 3, line 22, at beginning insert <Subject to subsection (1A),>

**Sandesh Gulhane**

- 18 In section 4, page 3, line 34, at end insert—

<(1A) A person does not commit an offence under subsection (1) where it is not reasonably foreseeable that the act would have any of the effects mentioned in that subsection.>

### Section 5

**Sandesh Gulhane**

- 19 In section 5, page 4, line 3, at beginning insert <Subject to subsection (1A),>

**Sandesh Gulhane**

- 20 In section 5, page 4, line 18, at end insert—

<(1A) A person does not commit an offence under subsection (1) where it is not reasonably foreseeable that the act would have any of the effects mentioned in that subsection.>

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 21 Leave out section 5

### Section 6

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 22 In section 6, page 4, line 41, at end insert—

<( ) providing chaplaincy services at protected premises,>

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 23 In section 6, page 4, line 43, at end insert—

- <( ) A person does not commit an offence under section 4(1) or 5(1) where—
- (a) the act takes place while the protected premises is closed, and
  - (b) the act does not have a continuing effect that extends to a time when the protected premises is open.>

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 24 In section 6, page 4, line 43, at end insert—

- <( ) A person does not commit an offence under section 4(1) or 5(1) where the act is—
- (a) engaging in silent prayer, and
  - (b) not undertaken as part of a group or organised event.>

**After section 6**

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 25 After section 6, insert—

**<Defence of reasonableness**

- (1) It is a defence for a person charged with an offence under section 4(1) or 5(1) to show that the act was, in the particular circumstances, reasonable.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), in determining whether an act was reasonable, particular regard must be had to the importance of the right to freedom of expression by virtue of Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights, including the general principle that the right applies to the expression of information or ideas that offend, shock or disturb.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (1), it is shown that an act was, in the particular circumstances, reasonable if—
  - (a) evidence adduced is enough to raise an issue as to whether that is the case, and
  - (b) the prosecution does not prove beyond reasonable doubt that it is not the case.>

**Section 7**

**Jenni Minto**

- 26 In section 7, page 5, line 5, leave out <edge of the protected premises> and insert <boundary of the protected site>

**Jenni Minto**

- 27 In section 7, page 5, line 10, leave out <edge of the protected premises> and insert <boundary of the protected site>

**Jenni Minto**

- 28 In section 7, page 5, line 13, leave out <for the protected premises>

**Jenni Minto**

29 In section 7, page 5, line 15, after second <the> insert <related>

**Jenni Minto**

30 In section 7, page 5, line 19, leave out <edge of the protected premises> and insert <boundary of the protected site>

**Gillian Mackay**

31 In section 7, page 5, line 23, at end insert—

- <( ) Before extending a safe access zone under subsection (2), the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider appropriate.
- ( ) Before extending a safe access zone under subsection (3) or (5), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
  - (a) either—
    - (i) the operator of the protected premises, or
    - (ii) such persons as they consider representative of the interests of operators, and
  - (b) such other persons as they consider appropriate.>

## Section 8

**Jenni Minto**

32 In section 8, page 5, line 32, leave out <edge of the protected premises> and insert <boundary of the protected site>

**Gillian Mackay**

33 In section 8, page 5, line 34, at end insert—

- <( ) Before reducing a safe access zone under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
  - (a) either—
    - (i) the operator of the protected premises, or
    - (ii) such persons as they consider representative of the interests of operators, and
  - (b) such other persons as they consider appropriate.>

## After section 9

**Gillian Mackay**

34 After section 9, insert—

### <Report on changes to safe access zone

- (1) Subsection (2) applies where the Scottish Ministers have updated the list maintained under section 2(3)(b) in accordance with section 7(7) or 8(2).
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must, no later than 7 days after the day on which the list is updated, lay a

report before the Scottish Parliament setting out the reasons for the change to the safe access zone (or zones) concerned.>

## Section 10

### Jeremy Balfour

35 In section 10, page 6, line 12, at beginning insert <Subject to subsection (1A),>

### Jenni Minto

36 In section 10, page 6, line 14, after <place> insert <, or a place forming part of a class of place,>

### Jeremy Balfour

37 In section 10, page 6, line 17, at end insert—

<(1A) The Scottish Ministers may not exercise the power in subsection (1) to modify the definition of “protected premises” in section 1 to include—

- (a) a building or place which is a registered pharmacy within the meaning of section 74 of the Medicines Act 1968,
- (b) a building or place used to provide primary medical services in accordance with arrangements under the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978.>

### Sandesh Gulhane

38 Leave out section 10

## After section 11

### Gillian Mackay

39 After section 11, insert—

#### *<Review of Act*

#### **Review of Act**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of the review period—
  - (a) undertake a review of the operation and effectiveness of the Act, and
  - (b) prepare a report on that review.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may delegate their function under subsection (1) to such a person as they consider appropriate.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the report is prepared—
  - (a) publish the report, and
  - (b) lay it before the Scottish Parliament.
- (5) In this section, “the review period” means—
  - (a) the period of 2 years beginning on the day on which section 2 comes into force, and

- (b) each subsequent period of 5 years.>

### Section 13

**Jenni Minto**

- 40 In section 13, page 7, leave out line 32

**Jenni Minto**

- 41 In section 13, page 8, line 10, at end insert—  
<“protected site” has the meaning given in section 2(7),>

### Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill — Stage 3

#### Section 4

**Liam McArthur**

- 1 In section 4, page 2, line 32, at end insert—  
<( ) accommodation in a vehicle, or on board a vessel, that is undertaking a journey involving one or more overnight stops,>

**Liam McArthur**

- 2 In section 4, page 3, leave out lines 5 and 6

**Tom Arthur**

- 3 In section 4, page 3, line 13, leave out from <local> to <appropriate> and insert <—  
( ) local authorities,  
( ) such persons as they consider to be representative of communities, businesses engaged in tourism and tourist organisations, and  
( ) such other persons as they consider appropriate.>

### Section 10

**Tom Arthur**

- 4 In section 10, page 5, line 31, leave out subsection (1A) and insert—  
<(1A) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1), regulations may specify a maximum number of nights of overnight accommodation for the purposes of applying, where a chargeable transaction is for the right to reside in or at that accommodation for period of consecutive nights, an exemption or rebate to the part of the levy which is attributable to any nights in excess of that maximum.  
(1B) Regulations specifying a maximum number in accordance with subsection (1A) may in particular provide—

- (a) that a maximum number of nights may apply in respect of a single chargeable transaction or more than one chargeable transaction which relate to the right to reside in or at the same overnight accommodation for a number of consecutive nights,
  - (b) the method by which the maximum is to be used to calculate the accommodation portion of a transaction and the amount of the levy (for example by disregarding nights beyond the maximum or by applying an average).
- (1C) Regulations specifying a maximum number in accordance with subsection (1A)—
- (a) may specify different maximum numbers of nights for different purposes, but
  - (b) may not specify different maximum numbers of nights for different areas.
- (1D) Before making regulations under this section, the Scottish Ministers must consult—
- (a) local authorities,
  - (b) such persons as they consider to be representative of communities, businesses engaged in tourism and tourist organisations, and
  - (c) such other persons as they consider appropriate.>

## Section 12

### Tom Arthur

5 In section 12, page 6, line 27, at end insert—

<( ) a statement about the cases and circumstances under the proposal in which the levy (or a sum equivalent to the levy) is not payable or may be reimbursed,>

### Tom Arthur

6 In section 12, page 6, line 33, at end insert—

<( ) in the case of a modification of a VL scheme, the VL forum for that scheme as established by the local authority in accordance with section (*Visitor levy forum*)(1),>

## Section 13

### Tom Arthur

7 In section 13, page 7, line 25, at end insert—

<( ) the scheme's objectives,>

### Jeremy Balfour

8 In section 13, page 7, line 28, at end insert—

<(ga) that the levy (or a sum equivalent to the levy) is not payable or is to be reimbursed in a case where the visitor or any other person utilising the right to reside in the overnight accommodation is in receipt of benefits, payments or allowances for a disability—

- (i) under section 71 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (disability living allowance),



- (ii) specifically for working age people given in accordance with regulations made under section 31 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (disability assistance),
- (iii) under section 64 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 (attendance allowance),
- (iv) specifically for older people given in accordance with regulations made under section 31 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (pension age disability benefit), or
- (v) under Part 4 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (personal independence payment),
- (gb) arrangements for the administration of the exemption or reimbursement specified in accordance with paragraph (ga), including the evidence required and manner in which it may be demonstrated that a visitor or other person is in receipt of the relevant benefit, payment or allowance,>

**Tom Arthur**

- 9 In section 13, page 7, line 34, after <force> insert <, or on which a significant modification is to take effect,>

**Tom Arthur**

- 10 In section 13, page 7, line 35, leave out <of the local authority's decision to introduce the scheme> and insert <on which the local authority publishes a report under section 12(1)(c) stating that it intends to proceed with the original or modified proposal.

(2A) In subsection (2), “significant modification” means a modification of a VL scheme which—

- (a) expands the scheme area,
- (b) increases the percentage rate (or rates) of the levy, or
- (c) removes from the VL scheme any cases or circumstances in which the levy (or a sum equivalent to the levy) is not payable or reimbursed.

(2B) Any other modification of a VL scheme may come into force on a date specified after the authority publishes a report under section 12(1)(c) stating that it intends to proceed with the original or modified proposal.>

**Tom Arthur**

- 11 In section 13, page 7, after line 39 insert—

- <( ) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations amend subsection (2A) so as to add to, remove, or vary the description of the modifications listed.
- ( ) Before making regulations under this section, the Scottish Ministers must consult—
  - (a) local authorities,
  - (b) such persons as they consider to be representative of communities, businesses engaged in tourism and tourist organisations, and
  - (c) such other persons as they consider appropriate.>

**Tom Arthur**

- 12 In section 13, page 8, line 1, leave out <subsection (3)> and insert <this section>

## After section 14

**Tom Arthur**

**13** After section 14, insert—

### <Visitor levy forum

- (1) A local authority operating a VL scheme must—
  - (a) by no later than 6 months after the date of its decision to introduce a VL scheme, establish a forum for the scheme (“the VL forum”) to carry out the functions set out in subsection (2),
  - (b) maintain the VL forum for the duration of the scheme, and
  - (c) ensure that the VL forum—
    - (i) is able to carry out those functions, and
    - (ii) meets on a regular basis, being not less than 2 times in each calendar year.
- (2) The functions of the VL forum are—
  - (a) to discuss and advise the authority and any other person or body consulting the forum on matters having to do with the VL scheme,
  - (b) to discuss and respond to each—
    - (i) consultation on a modification of the VL scheme under section 12(1)(b), and
    - (ii) consultation on the use of net proceeds of the VL scheme under section 17(2), and
  - (c) to discuss and make such representations as are considered appropriate in relation to each—
    - (i) annual report on the VL scheme under section 18, and
    - (ii) report setting out the findings of a review of the VL scheme under section 19.
- (3) The VL forum is to consist of such persons as are appointed to it by the local authority operating the VL scheme.
- (4) The local authority must ensure that the membership of the VL forum—
  - (a) includes such persons as the authority considers to be representative of communities, businesses engaged in tourism and tourist organisations in its area, and
  - (b) consists of a reasonable balance of such persons.
- (5) The local authority may appoint one or more of its own members to the VL forum, provided that local authority members do not form a majority of the members of the VL forum.
- (6) If there is more than one VL scheme for different parts of a local authority area—
  - (a) more than one VL forum may be established for the area of a local authority, but
  - (b) a single VL forum may be established for the purposes of this section and the schemes in the different parts of a local authority area.>

## Section 17

**Tom Arthur**

14 In section 17, page 9, line 17, at end insert—

<( ) the VL forum for that scheme as established by the local authority in accordance with section (*Visitor levy forum*)(1),>

### Section 18

**Tom Arthur**

15 In section 18, page 10, line 3, at end insert—

<( ) The local authority must provide a copy of the published report to the VL forum for that scheme established by the local authority in accordance with section (*Visitor levy forum*)(1).>

### Section 19

**Tom Arthur**

16 In section 19, page 10, line 21, at end insert—

<( ) The local authority must provide a copy of the published report to the VL forum for that scheme established by the local authority in accordance with section (*Visitor levy forum*)(1).>

### Section 20A

**Tom Arthur**

17 In section 20A, page 10, line 34, at end insert—

<(2A) Guidance published under this section must in particular include guidance about—

- (a) other persons whom a local authority might consider to be affected or appropriate when the authority consults on a VL scheme under section 12(1)(b) or on the net proceeds of a VL scheme under section 17(2),
- (b) the process which a local authority might follow before determining any cases and circumstances in which the levy is not payable or reimbursed,
- (c) support or assistance which a local authority may provide to liable persons to operate in accordance with a VL scheme,
- (d) the matters to be considered by a local authority when deciding the objectives of a scheme, and
- (e) the matters to be considered by a local authority when deciding the use of the net proceeds of a scheme.>

**Tom Arthur**

18 In section 20A, page 11, line 9, at end insert—

( ) add to, remove, or vary the description of the matters listed in subsection (2A) which must be included in the guidance.>

### After section 41

**Tom Arthur**

19 After section 41, insert—

**<CHAPTER**

**ASSESSMENTS WHERE NO RETURN OR INCORRECT RETURN**

**Power to allow a local authority to make or substitute an assessment**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision for and in connection with a relevant local authority making an assessment of a levy payable by a person where the relevant local authority—
  - (a) has reason to believe that the person is liable to pay the levy but has not made a return to the authority in relation to that liability by the date required under section 23(2)(b), or
  - (b) is of the view honestly and reasonably that an assessment of the levy in a return made to the authority by the person in pursuance of that person's duty under section 23 is incorrect by reason of careless or deliberate miscalculation.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) may, in particular, make provision for or in connection with—
  - (a) the conditions which must be satisfied for a local authority to—
    - (i) make an assessment of a levy payable by a person where no return has been made,
    - (ii) make an assessment of a levy payable by a person where it is of the view that an assessment of the levy in a return is incorrect,
  - (b) the procedure which a local authority must follow to make an assessment of a levy payable by a person,
  - (c) notices which must be given before or after any assessment,
  - (d) the time limits within which the powers may be exercised,
  - (e) delegation of the authority's powers under the regulations,
  - (f) the effect of an authority's assessment for the purposes of the imposition of penalties under Chapter 2.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) must make provision for and connection with—
  - (a) reviews of an assessment made by a local authority and, for the avoidance of doubt, such provision may include in particular the matters mentioned in section 67(2), and
  - (b) appeals to the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland against an assessment after a review has been conducted and, for the avoidance of doubt, such provision may include in particular the matters mentioned in section 68(2).
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

**Before section 71**

**Tom Arthur**

20 Before section 71, insert—

**<Report on operation of Act**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of the reporting

period—

- (a) review the operation of this Act, and
  - (b) prepare a report on that review.
- (2) The report must, in particular, set out an assessment of—
- (a) the impact of VL schemes introduced under this Act on businesses and communities,
  - (b) the processes followed by relevant local authorities when introducing, administering, reporting on and reviewing VL schemes,
  - (c) how the net proceeds of VL schemes have been used by relevant local authorities,
  - (d) any exemptions or rebates applying to the payment of the levy under VL schemes,
  - (e) any guidance which has been issued in accordance with section 20A,
  - (f) the use of the compliance and enforcement powers under Part 5, and
  - (g) any other matters as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after preparing the report—
- (a) publish the report, and
  - (b) lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (4) In this section, “the reporting period” is the period beginning with the day of Royal Assent and ending on—
- (a) the day which is three years after the day on which the first VL scheme comes into effect, or
  - (b) such earlier day which is after the day on which the first VL scheme comes into effect as may be determined by Ministers.>

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## New Subordinate Legislation

### Subject to the affirmative procedure

The following draft instrument was laid before Parliament on 16 May 2024 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Civic Government \(Scotland\) Act 1982 \(Licensing of Short-term Lets\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#)

Laid under sections 3A(3) and 44(3) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982

### Not subject to parliamentary procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 16 May 2024 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

[Bail and Release from Custody \(Scotland\) Act 2023 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/145 \(C. 13\)\)](#)

Laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

### Instruments/Documents subject to approval

The following document was laid before Parliament on 16 May 2024—

Proposed Revised Social Security Charter (SG/2024/96)

Laid under Sections 18(4)(b)(iii) and 18(5) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

## Progress of Legislation

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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.

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

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### **Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 28 May 2024

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Monday 20 May with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

### **Aggregates Tax and Devolved Taxes Administration (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 completed, 16 May 2024

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### **Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 15 May 2024

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 21 May 2024

### **Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)**

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Stage 2 completed, 20 March 2024

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*Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (33<sup>rd</sup> Report, 2024)*

### **Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 25 April 2024

### **Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 3) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee), 21 May 2024

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 21 May 2024

### **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.*

### **Gender Representation on Public Boards (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 30 April 2024

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

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

Passed, 14 May 2024

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 16 April 2024

Stage 1 (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 18 April 2024

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 7 May 2024

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (11<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 26 March 2024

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

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 16 May 2024

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 7 May 2024

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (75<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **Post Office (Horizon System) Offences (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 21 May 2024

Stage 2 (Committee of the Whole Parliament), 23 May 2024

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

Stage 1 completed, 22 February 2024

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

Introduced, 14 May 2024

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 2 May 2024

Stage 1 (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 6 February 2024

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (20<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 15 May 2024

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 9 May 2024

*Stage 1 Report – Social Justice and Social Security Committee (5<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

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

Stage 1 completed, 23 April 2024

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

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### **Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 28 May 2024

*Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 17 May with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

*Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (29<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

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

Stage 1 completed, 9 May 2024

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## Legislative Consent Memorandums

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### Animal Welfare (Livestock Exports) Bill LCM-S6-41

Lodged on 19 December 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 22 February 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands) (2<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (8<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### Automated Vehicles Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-42a

Lodged on 29 February 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 16 April 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (19<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### Criminal Justice Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-43a

Lodged on 13 February 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (3<sup>rd</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (15<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### Data Protection and Digital Information Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-36b

Lodged on 17 April 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 9 May 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security) (4<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (30<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill LCM-S6-38

Lodged on 19 July 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 20 March 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (58<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

### 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)*

### Renters Reform Bill LCM-S6-46

Lodged on 1 May 2024

Meeting (lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 14 May 2024

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 14 May 2024

### Tobacco and Vapes Bill LCM-S6-44

Lodged on 2 April 2024

Meeting (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 21 May 2024

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 14 May 2024

### **Victims and Prisoners Bill LCM-S6-45**

Lodged on 25 April 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 30 April 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (7<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

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

### **Affirmative instruments**

#### **Subject to approval by 20 May 2024**

[Transport Partnerships \(Transfer of Functions\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (26 March 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 24 May 2024**

[International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024](#) (3 April 2024) (Criminal Justice Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 24 May 2024**

[Scottish Tribunals \(Listed Tribunals\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (15 April 2024) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 26 May 2024**

[Disability Assistance for Older People \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (17 April 2024) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 27 May 2024**

[Equality Act 2010 \(Specification of Public Authorities\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (18 April 2024) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Equality Act 2010 \(Specific Duties\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (18 April 2024) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 2 June 2024**

[Sea Fisheries \(Remote Electronic Monitoring and Regulation of Scallop Fishing\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (24 April 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 3 June 2024**

[Damages \(Review of Rate of Return\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (25 April 2024) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

### Subject to approval by 4 June 2024

[The Healthcare Improvement Scotland \(Inspections\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (26 April 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[The National Health Service \(Scotland\) Act 1978 \(Independent Health Care\) Modification Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (26 April 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

### Subject to approval by 7 June 2024

[Carer's Assistance \(Carer Support Payment\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (29 April 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

### Subject to approval by 10 June 2024

[Scottish Pubs Code Adjudicator \(Miscellaneous Listings\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (2 May 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Scottish Pubs Code Adjudicator \(Duty to Publish Certain Information\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (2 May 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Scottish Pubs Code Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (2 May 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

### Subject to approval by 11 June 2024

[Tied Pubs \(Scottish Arbitration Rules\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (3 May 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Tied Pubs \(Fees and Financial Penalties\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (3 May 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Protected Trust Deeds \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (3 May 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

### Subject to approval by 24 June 2024

[Civic Government \(Scotland\) Act 1982 \(Licensing of Short-term Lets\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (16 May 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

### Negative instruments

#### Subject to annulment 20 May 2024

#### Lead Committee report due by 13 May 2024

[Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment \(Denmark\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/101\)](#) (26 March 2024) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

#### Subject to annulment 22 May 2024

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

### Lead Committee report due by 20 May 2024

[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/102\)](#) (28 March 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

### Subject to annulment 27 May 2024 Lead Committee report due by 20 May 2024

[Charities \(References in Documents\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/111\)](#) (18 April 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

### Subject to approval by 4 June 2024 Lead Committee report due by 3 June 2024

[The Healthcare Improvement Scotland \(Fees\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/130\)](#) (26 April 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

### Subject to approval by 17 June 2024 Lead Committee report due by 10 June 2024

[Education \(Fees and Student Support\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/140\)](#) (9 May 2024) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

### Subject to approval by 21 June 2024 Lead Committee report due by 17 June 2024

[Disability Assistance for Older People \(Consequential Amendment and Transitional Provision\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/141\)](#) (13 May 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

### Document subject to parliamentary control

### Lead Committee report due by 18 June 2024

[SPSO Complaints Handling Principles \(SPSO/2024/01\)](#) (18 April 2024) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

### Lead Committee report due by 24 June 2024

Proposed Revised Social Security Charter (SG/2024/96) (16 May 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

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### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 16 May 2024 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Policy Report on the Review of the Scottish Social Security Charter - 'Our Charter' (SG/2024/94)** laid under Section 18(4)(b)(i) and (ii) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

**Scottish Government: Social Research - Reviewing Our Charter: Research Findings (SG/2024/95)** laid under Section 18(4)(b)(i) and (ii) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

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