

Monday 17 February 2025

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

### Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

## Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 5 February 2025

### Tuesday 18 February 2025

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Mr Adrian Ferguson, Perth Gospel Hall

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Community Wealth Building Progress and Future Ambition

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Employer National Insurance Contributions

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-16282 Beatrice Wishart: Opportunities and Challenges for Scotland's Fishing Sector in 2025

### Wednesday 19 February 2025

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

Health and Social Care

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Protecting the Powers of the Scottish Parliament

**followed by** Legislative Consent Motion: Renters' Rights Bill - UK Legislation

**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-16304 Rachael Hamilton: Tackling the Rise in Rural Crime and Equipment Theft in Scotland

### Thursday 20 February 2025

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

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

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-16287 Kenneth Gibson: The Ongoing Impact of PFI/PPP on Scotland's Public Finances

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions

Social Justice

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Income Tax Rate Resolution 2025-26

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Independent Review of Sentencing and Penal Policy

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## **Tuesday 25 February 2025**

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Wednesday 26 February 2025**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business; Justice and Home Affairs

**followed by** Scottish Green Party Debate

**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 27 February 2025**

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

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

**followed by** Members' Business

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

Today's Business  
*Gnothaichean an-diugh*

Future Business  
*Gnothaichean ri teachd*

Motions & Questions  
*Gluasadan agus Ceistean*

Legislation  
*Reachdas*

Other  
*Eile*

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**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

18 February 2025

6th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private and whether consideration of the Stage 1 Land Reform (Scotland) Bill report should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Mairi Gougeon, Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands, Andrew Proudfoot, Land Reform Bill Team Leader, Keith White, Lawyer, Fiona Leslie, Agricultural Holdings and Women in Agriculture Team Leader, and Andrew Crawley, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
3. **Appointment of the Chair of Environmental Standards Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Dr Richard Dixon, Chair nominee.
4. **UK subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating in a devolved area as set out in the following UK statutory instrument proposal—  
The Persistent Organic Pollutants (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2025
5. **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under agenda item 2.
6. **Appointment of the Chair of Environmental Standards Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under agenda item 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)

### Finance and Public Administration Committee

18 February 2025

6th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Budget Scrutiny 2025-26:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's response to its Budget Scrutiny 2025-26 report from—  
Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Jennie Barugh, Director of Fiscal Sustainability and Exchequer Development, Richard McCallum, Director of Public Spending, and Lucy O'Carroll, Director of Tax, Scottish Government.
2. **Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.

- Proposed Contingent Liability (in private):** The Committee will take evidence from— Richard Lochhead, Minister for Business, and Rachael McKechnie, Deputy Director, Major Events, Scottish Government.
- Proposed Contingent Liability (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### **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**

**18 February 2025**

**5th Meeting, 2025**

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

- Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
- Council Tax Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from— Sara Cowan, Director, Scottish Women's Budget Group; Professor Ken Gibb, Director, UK Collaborative Centre for Housing Evidence, and Professor David Heald, Emeritus Professor, Adam Smith Business School, University of Glasgow; Joanne Walker, Technical Officer, Chartered Institute of Taxation (Low Incomes Tax Reform Group); and then from— Emma Congreve, Deputy Director and Principal Knowledge Exchange Fellow, Fraser of Allander Institute; David Phillips, Associate Director, Institute for Fiscal Studies.
- Council Tax Inquiry:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- Scottish Public Services Ombudsman:** The Committee will consider draft correspondence to the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jenny Mouncer on 5980 or at [localgov.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:localgov.committee@parliament.scot)

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

**18 February 2025**

**6th Meeting, 2025**

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
- Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following— [Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Treatment of Qualifications Scotland as Specified Authority\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft) [Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft) [Local Government Finance \(Scotland\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft) [Tied Pubs \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)



[Social Security \(Up-rating\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)  
(SSI 2025/Draft)

3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Scottish Road Works Register \(Prescribed Fees\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/18)  
[Non-Domestic Rating \(Valuation of Utilities\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025](#)  
 (SSI 2025/19)  
[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)  
 (SSI 2025/24)  
[Fees for Scheme Membership and Disclosure Applications \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)  
 (SSI 2025/25)
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Prisoners \(Early Release\) \(Scotland\) Act 2025 \(Commencement\) Regulations 2025](#)  
 (SSI 2025/17 (C.3))  
[Disclosure \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Commencement No. 5, Saving and Transitional Provision\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/27 (C.4))
5. **Leases (Automatic Continuation etc.) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers in this Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Scottish Languages Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers in this Bill after Stage 2.

**Proposed future business**

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

**Education, Children and Young People Committee**

**19 February 2025**

**6th Meeting, 2025**

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Higher History Review 2024:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
 Shirley Rogers, Chair, John Booth, Director of Communications, and Donna Stewart, Interim Director of Qualifications Development, Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA).
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Disclosure (Scotland) Act 2020 (Incidental, Supplementary and Consequential Provision) Regulations 2025 [draft] from—  
 Natalie Don-Innes, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise, Scottish Government;  
 Laura Robertson, Deputy Chief Executive, and Gareth Wilks, Director of Policy and Engagement, Disclosure Scotland;  
 Susan Bonellie, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Natalie Don-Innes Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise to move—  
 S6M-16124—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the Disclosure (Scotland) Act 2020 (Incidental, Supplementary and Consequential Provision) Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Disclosure (Scotland) Act 2020 (List A and B Offences) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] from—

- Natalie Don-Innes, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise, Scottish Government;  
 Laura Robertson, Deputy Chief Executive, and Gareth Wilks, Director of Policy and Engagement, Disclosure Scotland;  
 Susan Bonellie, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** Natalie Don-Innes Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise to move—  
 S6M-16125—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the Disclosure (Scotland) Act 2020 (List A and B Offences) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.
  6. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Regulated Roles with Children and Adults (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] from—  
 Natalie Don-Innes, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise, Scottish Government;  
 Laura Robertson, Deputy Chief Executive, and Gareth Wilks, Director of Policy and Engagement, Disclosure Scotland;  
 Susan Bonellie, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
  7. **Subordinate legislation:** Natalie Don-Innes Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise to move—  
 S6M-16126—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the Regulated Roles with Children and Adults (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.
  8. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Order 2025 [draft] from—  
 Natalie Don-Innes, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise, Scottish Government;  
 Laura Robertson, Deputy Chief Executive, and Gareth Wilks, Director of Policy and Engagement, Disclosure Scotland;  
 Susan Bonellie, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
  9. **Subordinate legislation:** Natalie Don-Innes, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise to move—  
 S6M-16127—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.
  10. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
[Protection of Vulnerable Groups \(Prescribed Services and Activities\) \(Protected Adult\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)  
[Disclosure Information \(Accredited Bodies\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)  
[Fees for Scheme Membership and Disclosure Applications \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)
  11. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare (Specified Children) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2025 [draft] from—  
 Natalie Don-Innes, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise, Eleanor Passmore, Deputy Director for Early Learning and Childcare, Joanna Mackenzie, Team Leader, Targeted Children and Family Wellbeing, and Kirstie McKerron, Solicitor, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
  12. **Subordinate legislation:** Natalie Don-Innes (Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise) to move—

S6M-16276—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare (Specified Children) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2025 [draft] be approved.

13. **Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Pauline McIntyre on 85252 or at [Pauline.McIntyre@parliament.scot](mailto:Pauline.McIntyre@parliament.scot)

## **Rural Affairs and Islands Committee**

**19 February 2025**

**6th Meeting, 2025**

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Declaration of interests:** Evelyn Tweed will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 7 in private.
3. **Future agriculture policy:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Jim Fairlie, Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity, Andrew Crawley, Lawyer, James Muldoon, Head of Agriculture Support Policy Development Unit, and Amanda Callaghan, Deputy Director Agriculture and Land Transition, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Rural Support (Improvement) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/draft) from—  
Jim Fairlie, Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity, Andrew Crawley, Lawyer, James Muldoon, Head of Agriculture Support Policy Development Unit, and Iain Carmichael, Head of Agricultural Development, Scottish Government.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** Jim Fairlie, Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity to move—  
S6M-15912—That the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee recommends that the Rural Support (Improvement) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 be approved.
6. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
[Little Loch Broom Scallops Several Fishery \(Variation\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/7)
7. **Future agriculture policy:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier in the meeting.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Emma Johnston on 85225 or at [emma.johnston@parliament.scot](mailto:emma.johnston@parliament.scot)

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

**19 February 2025**

**3rd Meeting, 2025**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

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

2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
  - PE2006: Review and simplify the legislation in relation to dismissal of property factors. The Committee will take evidence from—
    - Siobhian Brown, Minister for Victims and Community Safety
    - Jill Clark, Team Leader, Private Law Unit
    - Sandra Jack, Policy Advisor, Private Law Unit
    - Stephen Leetion, Housing Registers Policy & Customer Focus Team Leader, Better Homes Division
    - Megan Stefaniak, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorateand then consider—
    - PE1865: Suspend all surgical mesh and fixation devices;
    - PE1926: Expand universal free school meals for all nursery, primary and secondary school pupils;
    - PE2019: Withdraw rates relief under the Small Business Bonus Scheme from Holiday Let Accommodation;
    - PE2048: Review the FAST stroke awareness campaign; and
    - PE2078: Introduce mandatory licencing and inspection of private ambulance service providers.
3. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
  - PE2125: End the pause on new NHS building projects and prioritise capital funding for primary care buildings;
  - PE2126: Ensure abortion services are available up to 24 weeks across all parts of Scotland;
  - PE2127: Develop a new Digital Connectivity Plan for the Highlands and Islands;
  - PE2128: Increase funding for post mastectomy (delayed) breast reconstructions and ensure that waiting time information is accurate;
  - PE2129: Standardise criteria and consultations for assessing demand for denominational schools; and
  - PE2132: Publish a timeline for the dualling of the A96 between Inverness and Nairn by Easter 2025.
4. **Consideration of Evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
5. **Citizen Participation:** The Committee will consider the draft participation blueprint.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jyoti Chandola on 85227 or at [jyoti.chandola@parliament.scot](mailto:jyoti.chandola@parliament.scot)

## **Economy and Fair Work Committee**

**19 February 2025**

**6th Meeting, 2025**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4, and future consideration of evidence heard in relation to its New Deal for Business inquiry, in private.
2. **New Deal for Business:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Colin Borland, Director of Devolved Nations, Federation of Small Businesses Scotland;  
Rose Marley, Chief Executive, Co-operatives UK;  
Sara Thiam, Chief Executive, Prosper;  
Duncan Thorp, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Social Enterprise Scotland.

3. **New Deal for Business:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Employment Rights Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny of the legislative consent memorandum lodged by Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government (LCM-S6-53).

### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Anne Peat on 85182 or at [anne.peat@parliament.scot](mailto:anne.peat@parliament.scot)

### **Public Audit Committee**

**19 February 2025**

**6th Meeting, 2025**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 4, 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Administration of Scottish income tax 2023/24:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Carole Grant, Audit Director, and Richard Robinson, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;  
Gareth Davies, Comptroller and Auditor General, and Darren Stewart, HMRC Financial Audit Director, National Audit Office.
3. **The 2023/24 audit of the Water Industry Commission for Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
David Satti, Interim Chief Executive, and Ronnie Hinds, Chair, Water Industry Commission for Scotland;  
Roy Brannen, Director-General Net Zero, Michelle Quinn, Director of Offshore Wind, Kersti Berge, Director of Energy & Climate Change, and Jo Blewett, Deputy Director for Water Industry, Scottish Government.
4. **The 2023/24 audit of the Water Industry Commission for Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take evidence from—  
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Carole Grant, Audit Director, Richard Smith, Senior Audit Manager, and Lauryn Graham, Senior Auditor, Audit Scotland.
5. **Administration of Scottish income tax 2023/24:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—  
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Carole Grant, Audit Director, and Richard Robinson, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.
6. **Administration of Scottish income tax 2023/24:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 5 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
7. **The 2023/24 audit of the Water Industry Commission for Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 3 and 4 and agree any further action it wishes to take.

### Proposed future business

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

**Criminal Justice Committee**  
**19 February 2025**  
**6th Meeting, 2025**

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

- 1. Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland)**  
**Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Angela Constance, Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs, Vallath Kavitha Krishnan, Bill Team Leader, Criminal Justice Reform Unit, Vicky Carmichael, Team Leader, Violence Against Women and Girls Justice Unit, and Louise Miller, Solicitor, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
- 2. Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a key issues paper.
- 3. Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

**Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie on 85931 or at [Stephen.Imrie@parliament.scot](mailto:Stephen.Imrie@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.

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

**\*[S6M-16452](#) Sharon Dowey: Improving Access to Hearing Care for Scotland's Ageing Population**—That the Parliament understands that over 900,000 adults in Scotland live with age-related hearing loss; believes that uncorrected hearing loss can have a significant impact on people, notably social isolation, mental ill health and a heightened risk of developing dementia; understands that demand for hearing care services is increasing across the country, including in Ayrshire, as a result of changing demographics; notes that the number of over 60s in Scotland is projected to increase by 50% by 2033, and that South Ayrshire is the fastest ageing local authority area; notes the view that additional capacity in NHS services is needed to ensure that people presenting with hearing loss can access quality and timely care; considers that independent providers of audiology services have the skills, IT connectivity and capacity to meet the increased demand; notes the Scottish Government's commitment to bolster community audiology provision and put community audiology services on a par with the country's free community eye care services, and further notes the view that there is an opportunity to improve dramatically access to hearing care services by replicating this model.

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S6M-16473](#) Audrey Nicoll: Welcoming Over £30 Billion Investment in Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire**—That the Parliament welcomes the reported forecast from Aberdeen and Grampian Chamber of Commerce that Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire are set to benefit from over £30 billion of investment across key sectors, reinforcing what it sees as the region's position as a hub for innovation and economic growth; considers that this substantial investment will drive the transition to new and renewable energy, alongside advancements in sectors such as technology, life sciences and tourism; believes that this investment will deliver long-term prosperity, job creation and opportunities for local businesses; acknowledges what it sees as the vital role of the region in Scotland's energy future, and urges continued support to maximise any economic and social benefits for communities across the North East Scotland region.

Supported by: Edward Mountain\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Finlay Carson\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Rona Mackay\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Karen Adam\*, Bill Kidd\*, David Torrance\*

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**\*[S6M-16472](#) Christine Grahame: 150 Years of Burgh Primary School, Galashiels**—That the Parliament recognises the 150th anniversary of Burgh Primary School, which is Galashiels' oldest primary school, having opened in 1875; notes that there are a range of activities and community events planned to mark this anniversary, including a new memory project allowing past pupils to contribute their memories of their time at Burgh, to create a comprehensive history of the school, which has seen tens of thousands of pupils pass through the door, including multiple generations of the same families; congratulates the school on reaching this milestone, cementing its place as a key part of Galashiels' history; thanks all staff, volunteers and pupils who have been a part of its story, and wishes it all the best for the next 150 years and beyond.

Supported by: Clare Haughey\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*, Finlay Carson\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Miles Briggs\*, Emma Harper\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Tess White\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, David Torrance\*

**\*[S6M-16471](#) Miles Briggs: Rugby Legend Scott Hastings and Teammates Raise Over £16,000 for Charity**—That the Parliament commends the Scottish rugby legend, Scott Hastings, and fellow members of Watsonians Football Club and Kelso Rugby Club for raising an incredible £16,500 for charity; understands that they took on a 52-mile sponsored walk from Edinburgh to Kelso in memory of their friend, Clive Millar, who played for both clubs, and another friend, Gavin Hagart; acknowledges that Clive sadly passed away from liver cancer, while Gavin lost his life to brain cancer; notes that Scott, Clive and Gavin are former alumni of George Watson's College in Edinburgh and shared a love for rugby; appreciates that the funds raised will be split between the Margaret Kerr unit at the Borders General Hospital and St Columba's Hospice Care, and wishes all involved the very best in their future endeavours.

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**\*[S6M-16470](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for Prana Fitness CIC**—That the Parliament congratulates Prana Fitness CIC on receiving a £10,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes this will be used to provide free martial arts programmes, with mental health support and psychotherapy at their heart; believes that this will have a beneficial impact on the community's mental and physical health; commends the work of Prana Fitness CIC, and thanks everyone involved with it for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16469](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for Seeds of Disruption SCIO**—That the Parliament congratulates Seeds of Disruption SCIO on receiving a £19,988 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this will be used to fund a two-year project to develop a youth-lead Scottish charitable incorporated organisation (SCIO), creating alternative learning opportunities and build youth work provision in Midlothian; commends the work of Seeds of Disruption SCIO, and thanks everyone involved with it for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16468](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for Midlothian Wildflowers**—That the Parliament congratulates Midlothian Wildflowers on receiving a £6,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this will be used to support up to 30 young people aged 13 to 18 in Lasswade to learn about conservation and outdoor skills; further notes what it sees as the beneficial impact that this project has on young people, teaching them new valuable skills that they can develop throughout their life; commends the work of Midlothian Wildflowers, and thanks everyone involved with it for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16467](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for Simba Charity**—That the Parliament congratulates Simba Charity on receiving a £19,142 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this will be used to support families who have experienced baby loss; further notes that Simba Charity trains midwives on the use of its memory boxes and bereavement care; understands that Simba Charity also works with families directly to facilitate remembrance events; commends the work of Simba Charity, and thanks everyone involved with it for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16466](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for Loanhead After School Club**—That the Parliament congratulates Loanhead After School Club Childcare Services Ltd on receiving a £10,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this will be used to provide breakfasts and an after-school service and holiday clubs to children and young disabled people; understands the positive impact that Loanhead After School Club has on the children and their parents; commends the work of Loanhead After School Club, and thanks everyone with it involved for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16465](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for Dalkeith and District Citizens Advice Bureau**—That the Parliament congratulates the Dalkeith and District Citizens Advice Bureau on receiving a £39,811 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this will be used to provide a housing support service in Dalkeith and the surrounding area; further notes that the one-to-one support will also help those in financial crisis and/or with other related problems; commends the work of Dalkeith and District Citizens Advice Bureau, and thanks everyone involved with it for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16464](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for Midlothian Young People's Advice Service**—That the Parliament congratulates Midlothian Young People's Advice Service on receiving a £198,697 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this will be used by the group to continue the delivery of its specialist support service to improve mental health and wellbeing for LGBTQIA+ young people aged 12 to 21 in Midlothian and East Lothian; understands

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that the group has reduced isolation and increased social connections for its service users; commends the work of Midlothian Young People's Advice Service, and thanks everyone involved for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16463](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for The Base**—That the Parliament congratulates The Base on receiving a £6,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this will be used to fund, over one year, the hiring of space for the youth group to serve Danderhall and surrounding villages in Midlothian; further notes that The Base provides a safe space for children to gather and socialise outwith school times; commends the work of The Base, and thanks everyone involved with it for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16462](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for Musselburgh and District Citizens Advice Bureau**—That the Parliament congratulates Musselburgh and District Citizen Advice Bureau on receiving a £39,703 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this will be used to develop a drop-in crisis service providing one-to-one support for people in a situation of emergency and through the cost of living crisis in East Lothian; further notes the project will benefit 400 people and involve a minimum of 10 volunteers; commends the work of Musselburgh and District Citizen Advice Bureau, and thanks everyone involved with it for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16461](#) Colin Beattie: National Lottery Funding for Changes East Lothian**—That the Parliament congratulates Changes East Lothian on receiving a £16,404 grant from the National Lottery Community fund; notes that this will fund the group to continue delivering its free Buddy Walk programme for the next 16 months; further notes that this programme benefits people who are isolated and/or struggling with their mental health and enables them to connect with others in Musselburgh and East Lothian; commends the work of Changes East Lothian, and thanks everyone involved with it for their continued hard work and dedication.

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**\*[S6M-16460](#) Ariane Burgess: Celebrating The Northern Scot's Achievement as Newspaper of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates *The Northern Scot* on being named Newspaper of the Year at the Highlands and Islands Press Awards 2025; acknowledges what it sees as the newspaper's role as a trusted voice for the Moray community, providing well-presented and impactful storytelling; commends the dedication and hard work of its staff, including Daniel Forsyth, who was named Photographer of the Year, and Lewis McBlane, who received the Reporter of the Year award, and recognises the commitment of *The Northern Scot* to highlighting local issues and serving its readers with excellence.

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**\*[S6M-16459](#) Maggie Chapman: Welcoming the Announcement that the European Rural Parliament will be Held in Scotland—**That the Parliament welcomes the recent news that Scotland will be hosting the sixth European Rural Parliament; celebrates the fact that delegates from 40 European nations will be gathering in Aberdeenshire in October 2025; recognises that the European Rural Parliament is a large-scale participative democratic process, which was set up to amplify the diverse voices of rural and island people from across Europe; commends the work of Aberdeenshire Council, the Scottish Government and Scottish Rural Action in their efforts putting together a successful bid for this major event; wishes everyone involved in the European Rural Parliament every success, and looks forward to engaging with the outcomes of its work.

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**\*[S6M-16458](#) Colin Beattie: Skyrora Listed in UK Top 100 Tech Companies—**That the Parliament congratulates Skyrora for continuing to be listed by the *Sunday Times* in its 100 Tech list, which is a ranking of the UK's fastest-growing private tech companies; notes that the company achieved 99.26% annual sales growth, generating £30.8 million, in 2024; further notes that, between them, the companies on the list created 11,200 new jobs in the UK; recognises Skyrora's continuous hard work and innovation in its mission to reach orbit through environmentally-conscious space technologies, and wishes everyone at Skyrora all the best going forward with their future endeavours.

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**\*[S6M-16457](#) Finlay Carson: Footballer Ryan Helps Defeat Liverpool in FA Cup Shock—**That the Parliament congratulates the footballer, Ryan Hardie, from Stranraer, who caused one of the biggest upsets in FA Cup history when his penalty kick sensationally knocked Liverpool out of the 2024-25 tournament and allowed his English Championship team, Plymouth Argyle, to progress to the next round; recognises that Ryan began his career at Rangers, before being loaned to Raith Rovers, St Mirren and Livingston, and eventually moved to Blackpool before a three-year contract with Plymouth, where he was clubs top goal scorer in League One in 2022-23, and wishes Ryan continued success in the FA Cup and with helping Argyle as the team tries to avoid relegation.

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**\*[S6M-16456](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating the Dundee Launch of *Hiya In There Wee Bairn*—**That the Parliament congratulates Dundee Contemporary Arts on the publication of *Hiya In There Wee Bairn*; notes that this book, in Dundonian Scots, encourages parents-to-be to prepare for their new arrival through illustrations, questions, stories, songs and prompts; understands that its production drew on the skills of local artists and the input of the Douglas Community Centre-based Tots Group; acknowledges that the Dundonian edition complements those already online in various languages, including Arabic, Bulgarian, Chinese, Polish, Punjabi, Romanian, Russian and Ukrainian, and wishes Dundee Contemporary Arts every success in continuing to support collaborations of this kind.

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**\*S6M-16455 Maggie Chapman: WayWORD Festival Aberdeen Funding Success**—That the Parliament congratulates the WayWORD festival on it being awarded £150,000 from Creative Scotland to allow it to continue its work at the University of Aberdeen until 2027; notes that it is a literary cross-arts festival celebrating unconventional forms of expression and is completely free for attendees; celebrates the impact it has made since 2020; notes that it supports young people in the north east in planning and hosting events, such as workshops, author talks, performances and exhibitions, and in helping them to develop skills in event management, marketing and teamwork, as well as building general confidence; further notes that, in autumn 2024, the festival reached an audience of 3,000; believes that the funding will assist in providing more support and opportunities for young people to be involved, through the development of new committees in communities across Aberdeen, and wishes the festival every success in its continuing activities.

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**\*S6M-16454 Finlay Carson: Curler Robyn Munro Carries on Family Sporting Success**—That the Parliament congratulates Robyn Munro on winning her first Scottish Women's Curling Championship as part of Team Henderson, which was skipped by Faye Henderson, alongside Haylee Duff, Katie McMillan and Lisa Davie, who all now hope to be selected for the World Championships, which are being staged in South Korea in March 2025; recognises that Robyn's latest triumph comes just weeks after winning a gold medal in the mixed doubles event at the International University Sports Federation (FISU) Winter World University Games in Turin, where she was also afforded the honour of being a flagbearer; acknowledges that Robyn comes from a strong curling dynasty from Wigtownshire, which, it believes, has dominated on both the national and international stage over the years, starting with her uncle, Hammy McMillan, who won the 1999 World Championships, followed by her cousins Hammy McMillan junior and Grant Hardie, who won the 2023 World Championships; acknowledges that her mother, Gail Munro, who was recently appointed an MBE in the New Years Honours List, triumphed at the European Championship, where she won silver, and also won a Scottish championship, and wishes Robyn and her family continued success in their quest for further curling medals.

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**\*S6M-16453 Fulton MacGregor: Brodie Young Sets New Scottish 400m Indoor Record** — That the Parliament congratulates Brodie Young, who is from Chryston, on his outstanding achievement in breaking the long-standing Scottish 400m indoor record with a time of 45.96, surpassing the previous record of 45.98 set by Brian Whittle in Hungary in 1988; notes that this remarkable performance took place while representing the University of New Mexico; acknowledges Brodie's hard work, discipline and dedication, which, it believes, serve as an inspiration to athletes across Scotland; extends special recognition to Brodie's coach at the university, Kyra Mohns, for what it sees as her pivotal role in his development and success; commends the support from Brodie's family, and praises the commitment and leadership of James McMenemy and the Airdrie Harriers club, and wishes Brodie continued success as he strives to set new standards for Scottish athletics.

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**\*[S6M-16449](#) Foysoyl Choudhury: Corra Foundation Racial Equity Grants**—That the Parliament recognises and welcomes the work of the Corra Foundation to tackle racism, including antisemitism, in Scotland through its Racial Equity Grants; understands that Racial Equity Grants will provide funding to four organisations whose work responds to issues facing children, young people and schools, and supports the mental health of those experiencing and responding to racism; notes that four grants of £10,000 have been awarded to the Coalition for Racial Equality and Rights, Edinburgh Interfaith Association, Scottish Council of Jewish Communities and Urban Community Project; acknowledges the important work of the Corra Foundation, which was founded in 1985, with a history going back to 1810 as a grant making charity supporting individuals and communities experiencing disadvantage in Scotland and across the world; hopes for a world free of racism and prejudice, and believes that third sector organisations have an important role to play in creating a safer, fairer world.

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**\*[S6M-16448](#) Foysoyl Choudhury: Pianodrome Amphitheatre Awarded Multi-year Funding from Creative Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates the Pianodrome amphitheatre in Edinburgh on being awarded multi-year funding from Creative Scotland; understands that Pianodrome creates playable community sculptures and free musical shows using disused pianos that would otherwise be destroyed or sent to landfill; notes that Pianodrome, which was founded in 2017, has completed shows in Edinburgh and beyond, with a sculpture trail and a Pianodrome amphitheatre installed in Leeds for the International Piano Competition 2024, saving over 600 pianos from landfill in the process; further notes that Pianodrome operates free weekly concerts, piano dismantling sessions and an adopt-a-piano scheme in Granton, in north Edinburgh; understands that funding from Creative Scotland will support Pianodrome to find a permanent venue for the Pianodrome amphitheatre in Edinburgh; believes that local arts and culture organisations should be supported, and wishes Pianodrome, and all those that received multi-year funding from Creative Scotland, well.

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**\*[S6M-16447](#) Willie Coffey: Two Outstanding Awards for Local NHS Worker**—That the Parliament congratulates the NHS senior advanced nurse practitioner in cardiology, Gaynor Campbell, who is from Kilmarnock, on being recognised with two national awards; understands that Gaynor has received the Roy Award from the national heart failure charity, Pumping Marvellous, for her work in supporting people living with heart failure; further understands that Gaynor also received the prestigious Sarah McCann Inspirational Individual Award for her exceptional contribution to advanced nursing practice in the work that she does in the acute cardiac care and cardiac day units at University Hospital Crosshouse, and considers that Gaynor's hard work, commitment and dedication to her specialised field make her an inspiration to all.

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**\*[S6M-16446](#) Tim Eagle: Eddie Gillanders Recognised for Decades of Agricultural Journalism**—That the Parliament congratulates agricultural journalist Eddie Gillanders MBE for receiving the National Farmers Union (NFU) Scotland and NFU Mutual's Ambassador Award at the NFU Scotland Annual Dinner in Glasgow; recognises that Eddie received the award to honour his near-60 years of reporting on Scottish agriculture, and ensuring the achievements and stories

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of the sector were seen by a wider audience; understands that Eddie began his career in journalism as an assistant agricultural editor at the *Press and Journal (P&J)* in 1964, and after returning to that newspaper, he embarked on a 20-year tenure as its agricultural editor, which included creating the *P&J's* weekly farming supplement; considers that Eddie used his media and communications experience over the years to benefit the Aberdeen-Angus Cattle Society, Aberdeen and Northern Marts, North East Farmers' Co-operative and the Royal Northern Agricultural Society, and that he has won numerous awards for his journalism, including the prestigious British Guild of Agricultural Journalists Netherthorpe Award in 1982; understands that, alongside his wife Marion, he published the independent farming magazines, *Agri-Business Scotland* and *Farm North East*; acknowledges what it sees as the high regard held for Eddie across the political spectrum as well as from all involved in Scotland's agricultural sector, and wishes Eddie well in his retirement. **R**

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**\*S6M-16445 Alexander Burnett: Ambassador Accolade Award for Eddie Gillanders—**That the Parliament congratulates Eddie Gillanders on receiving an Ambassadors Accolade award from NFU Scotland/NFU Mutual to mark six decades of reporting on Scottish food and farming; understands that this award is given to individuals who, through their own efforts, have played an influential role in communicating the work, challenges and the value of Scottish food and farming to a wider audience; commends Eddie Gillanders for his service to the farming industry, and wishes him a well-deserved retirement.

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**\*S6M-16444 Clare Haughey: 1st Class Credit Union Wins Second Award for Excellent Service—**That the Parliament congratulates 1st Class Credit Union, which is based in Rutherglen, on being awarded Prestige Awards Loan Agency of the Year 2025-26; understands that the credit union has achieved this award for the third year in a row; believes that this, in conjunction with its recent Feefo Platinum Trusted Service Award, is testament to the team's dedication to supporting their members and providing exceptional service; notes that 1st Class Credit Union is a not-for-profit financial cooperative, which aims to provide its members with an ethical and affordable service that is centred on their needs; recognises that the credit union recently collaborated with the local community development trust, Healthy N Happy, also based in Rutherglen, around breaking barriers to financial wellbeing and accessing support; commends its commitment to its members and the wider community, and wishes it continuing success.

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**\*S6M-16443 Rona Mackay: Bishopbriggs Choir and Orchestra Raises Over £500,000 for CHAS—**That the Parliament commends Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus and Orchestra (SCFC) on raising the magnificent sum of £502,012 to date for Children's Hospices Across Scotland (CHAS); understands that the amazing milestone was reached by the Bishopbriggs-based 170-strong choir and orchestra after the latest concert in December 2024 at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall collected £36,000; praises the commitment of its musical director and members; believes that the SCFC was started in 2002 as a small voluntary group of singers and musicians and now fills the Royal Concert Hall annually at Christmas, with members' ages ranging from 10 to

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92 years old; thanks the public for attending the show and the choir for spreading joy and happiness, and wishes SCFC all the very best in its ambition to pass the £1 million mark for CHAS in the not too distant future.

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**\*[S6M-16442](#) Kevin Stewart: Spectra Scotland's Festival of Light**—That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen City Council on the success of Spectra 2025; notes that Spectra, Scotland's Festival of Light, took place from 6 to 9 February, and featured 15 artworks located in various locations around Aberdeen city centre by artists from the UK and Australia, as well as an assortment of street performers, dancers and musicians; understands that over 100,000 visits were recorded across the four-day free-to-attend event, which had a theme of "Journeys" and included a 50 metre long multi-sensory walkway that featured the heartbeats of over 65 Aberdonians, a sprawling illuminated fungal network and a large-scale video installation projection comprising of four stained glass designs inspired by works in the city's collection; recognises that Spectra is now in its 11th year, and hopes that it continues to inspire and entertain residents and visitors to Aberdeen for many years to come.

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**\*[S6M-16441](#) Alexander Burnett: Funding in Aberdeenshire West from the National Lottery Community Fund** —That the Parliament congratulates Bennachie Leisure Centre Association, Outdoor and Woodland Learning North East Group, SensationALL and Deeside Wellbeing Collective CIC, which are all from the Aberdeenshire West, constituency, on being awarded grants from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that Bennachie Leisure Centre Association received a £14,000 grant to upgrade the existing facilities of the centre; notes that Outdoor and Woodland Learning North East Group received a grant of £120,000. allowing the group to continue delivering its bespoke delivery of "Branching Out", a greenspace recovery programme for people coping with problematic alcohol/drug use or severe and enduring mental health challenges; recognises that SensationALL was awarded £120,000, which will provide continued funding for specialist support for young people aged two to eight with neurodivergent and complex conditions and Deeside Wellbeing Collective CIC was given £6,750, allowing the group to secure premises and purchase equipment to run a collective wellbeing hub; congratulates all of these groups, and wishes them every success with their endeavours over the coming years.

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**\*[S6M-16440](#) Ruth Maguire: 40 Years of Service by NHS Ayrshire and Arran Staff**—That the Parliament recognises the outstanding dedication of NHS Ayrshire and Arran staff who have served for more than 40 years; acknowledges the special celebration events held at University Hospital Ayr and University Hospital Crosshouse to honour their long service; notes that 127 members of staff have devoted over four decades to delivering care and essential health services; commends their unwavering commitment to patients, families, and the wider community; appreciates the recognition given by NHS Ayrshire and Arran through commemorative awards and

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celebrations, and expresses gratitude for what it sees as the invaluable contribution of long-serving NHS staff in ensuring the continued provision of high-quality healthcare across Ayrshire and Arran.

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**\*S6M-16439 Ruth Maguire: Annick Primary School's Environmental Conservation**—That the Parliament commends the pupils of Annick Primary School for their dedication to environmental conservation during their visits to the Arran Outdoor Education Centre; notes that before Storm Éowyn, pupils participated in tree planting efforts in collaboration with Arran Outdoor Education Centre and the Arran National Trust for Scotland (NTS) Rangers, successfully planting over 250 trees in Brodick Country Park; recognises the significance of this work in helping to restore woodland lost due to storm damage; acknowledges the pupils' return to Arran for additional outdoor learning experiences, and praises Annick Primary School for creating environmental awareness and active outdoor education among its pupils.

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**\*S6M-16438 Ruth Maguire: National Lottery Funding for West Coast Furniture Bank SCIO**—That the Parliament welcomes the award of £20,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund to West Coast Furniture Bank SCIO to support its essential work in providing household items to individuals and families in need across Ayrshire; understands that the charity, established 18 years ago by George and Fiona McMahon, has supported over 4,000 people in 2024 alone; acknowledges the organisation's role in assisting vulnerable groups, including referrals from Women's Aid and asylum seekers, helping to ensure that those facing extreme poverty are provided with essential furniture and household goods; believes that the charity's work helps to reduce waiting times for support, which would otherwise require grant applications through local authorities; commends the dedication of its volunteers, who have received national recognition for their efforts, and highlights the significant impact that it understands this funding will have in continuing to support individuals and families in urgent need across Ayrshire.

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**\*S6M-16437 Ruth Maguire: National Lottery Funding for Friends of Redburn Community Group**—That the Parliament recognises the award of £20,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund to Friends of Redburn Community Group in Irvine; understands that this funding will enable the group to expand its community activities, including breakfast clubs, social evening events, and summer programmes for young people; acknowledges what it sees as the group's vital role in the area, providing meals, organising events, and supporting local fundraising efforts; highlights the reported positive impact that these services have in reducing social isolation and creating opportunities for residents of all ages, and commends Friends of Redburn Community Group for its ongoing dedication to supporting the local community.



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**\*S6M-16436 Ruth Maguire: National Lottery Funding for Irvine Cricket Club**—That the Parliament acknowledges the award of £12,500 from the National Lottery Community Fund to Irvine Cricket Club; recognises that the funding will support the installation of energy-efficient upgrades, enhancing the club's facilities for members and visitors; notes what it sees as the club's important role in promoting sport within the community, offering a junior section for young members and hosting community events; further notes that Irvine Cricket Club competes in the Western District Cricket Union (WDCU) Premiership Two, providing opportunities for players of all ages to competitively participate in the sport; welcomes the improvements that this funding will bring to the club's sustainability and infrastructure, and commends the club's ongoing efforts to encourage active participation in cricket across North Ayrshire.

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**\*S6M-16435 Ruth Maguire: National Lottery Funding for Corsehill Community Centre Association**—That the Parliament welcomes the award of £20,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund to Corsehill Community Centre Association in Kilwinning; recognises that the funding will be used to refurbish the community kitchen, making it more accessible and improving facilities for local groups and residents; acknowledges what it sees as the centre's valuable role in providing space for community events, fundraising activities, breakfast mornings, and supporting local businesses; notes the positive impact that this refurbishment is expected to have in creating a more inclusive and functional space for the community, and commends the ongoing work of Corsehill Community Centre Association in fostering community engagement and support in Kilwinning.

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**\*S6M-16433 James Dornan: Congratulations to Queen's Park FC**—That the Parliament congratulates Scotland's oldest football club, Queen's Park, which is based in the Cathcart constituency, on its Fifth Round Scottish Cup tie victory over Rangers, at Ibrox Park, to progress to the next round of the cup; considers that it is a seismic victory in the history of the Scottish Cup and Queen's Park; congratulates the manager, Callum Davidson and all his players, notably Calum Ferrie on a career defining last minute penalty save and Seb Drozd on his match-winning goal; notes that this is the first time ever that Rangers FC has lost at Ibrox in the Scottish Cup to a team from a lower division, and wishes Queen's Park FC well as the team takes further steps towards a potential cup victory for the first time in 132 years and for an 11th occasion overall, cementing the club's position as the club with the third most Scottish Cup titles.

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**\*S6M-16431 Brian Whittle: National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society Receives National Lottery Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society on its award of £12,436 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the funding will be

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used to provide advice, support and information to people newly diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis or juvenile idiopathic arthritis; commends the National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society on its efforts to improve the support offered to people with these conditions, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**[\\*S6M-16430](#) Brian Whittle: Welcoming Support for Take a Bow Development Trust**—That the Parliament congratulates Take a Bow Development Trust on its award of £11,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this one-month grant will fund a range of furniture and digital screens for the group's newly-refurbished community centre in the New Farm Loch area of Kilmarnock; commends Take a Bow Development Trust on its efforts to provide opportunities for local youth to engage with the arts, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**[\\*S6M-16429](#) Brian Whittle: National Lottery Supports the Stroke Association**—That the Parliament congratulates the Stroke Association on its award of £149,875 from the Improving Lives programme of the National Lottery Awards; understands that this group will use funding to improve its network of hospital information hubs across Scotland, which raise awareness of stroke and create connections between the service and survivors and their families; notes that the aim of this project is to reduce isolation and loneliness associated with surviving a stroke and the often-lifelong health, care and social challenges that stroke survivor's experience; commends the Stroke Association on its efforts to improve patient outcomes for people who have survived stroke, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**[\\*S6M-16428](#) Brian Whittle: Strathaven Memory Club Receives National Lottery Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Strathaven Memory Club on its award of £17,468 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this group meets fortnightly to provide opportunities for people affected by memory issues to meet others who have also been affected by the condition; notes that the club holds two exhibitions locally each year to raise awareness of the project and the help which is available to those affected by memory issues; commends Strathaven Memory Club on its approach to care and education for people who require memory care and the wider community, respectively, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**[\\*S6M-16427](#) Brian Whittle: National Lottery Funds Stewarton Annick Youth and Community Association**—That the Parliament congratulates Stewarton Annick Youth and Community Association on its award of £116,927 from the Community Led programme of the National Lottery Awards; understands that this group will use the funding to revitalise its community centre, in which a range of activities will be delivered; notes that the grant will also support staff costs for a centre manager and activity coordinator, enabling the group to progress improvements to the

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facility and develop its programme of activities; commends Stewarton Annick Youth and Community Association on its commitment to provide the community with opportunities for activity and inclusion, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*S6M-16426 Brian Whittle: National Lottery Supports Recovery Enterprises Scotland CIC—**That the Parliament congratulates Recovery Enterprises Scotland CIC on its award of £100,000 from the Improving Lives programme of the National Lottery Awards; understands that the group will use the funding to provide throughcare support for prisoners released in East Ayrshire and their loved ones; notes that the group has a base at HMP Kilmarnock, where it coordinates holistic support for prisoners to prepare them for release and this support continues from the group's community base and through outreach; commends Recovery Enterprises Scotland CIC on its commitment to reducing recidivism, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*S6M-16425 Brian Whittle: Welcoming Funding for Partners for Inclusion Limited—**That the Parliament congratulates Partners for Inclusion Limited on its award of £45,797 from the Improving Lives programme of the National Lottery Awards; understands that this group will use the funding to support disabled people to build social connections and meaningful relationships by facilitating events, trips and other member-determined activities; notes that the project is open to any adult in Ayrshire with a physical or learning disability and provides an inclusive space where people can work together to find solutions to social challenges; commends Partners for Inclusion Limited on its work to promote inclusion, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*S6M-16424 Brian Whittle: Welcoming National Lottery Support for Newmilns Regeneration Association—**That the Parliament congratulates Newmilns Regeneration Association on its award of £18,108 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the two-year grant will fund running costs for the Community Hub as well as three months' salary for its community development officer; commends Newmilns Regeneration Association on its commitment to community development, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*S6M-16423 Brian Whittle: Life Well Lived, Biggar Receives National Lottery Funding —**That the Parliament congratulates Life Well Lived, Biggar on its award of £19,430 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the one-year grant will fund a weekly Friendship and Fun group that will provide health and wellbeing activities for those experiencing isolation and/or physical and mental health issues in Biggar; commends Life Well Lived, Biggar on its efforts to provide opportunities to the community to improve their wellbeing and improve community cohesion, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*[S6M-16422](#) Brian Whittle: Welcoming National Lottery Support for the Lesmahagow Development Trust**—That the Parliament congratulates Lesmahagow Development Trust on its award of £125,693 from the community-led programme of the National Lottery Awards; understands that the group will use the funding to continue and expand delivery of community wellbeing activities for the local community in Lesmahagow, which includes a wide variety of social, recreational and educational opportunities; commends Lesmahagow Development Trust on its efforts to increase community cohesion in Lesmahagow, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*[S6M-16421](#) Brian Whittle: Grant Success for Healthy Valleys**—That the Parliament congratulates Healthy Valleys on its award of £19,642 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the two-year grant will support the development and delivery of bespoke community activity programmes across the communities of Clydesdale and South Lanarkshire; commends Healthy Valleys on its commitment to improving health and wellbeing within Clydesdale, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*[S6M-16420](#) Brian Whittle: Grant Funding for Galston Community Development Trust**—That the Parliament congratulates Galston Community Development Trust on its award of £103,500 from the community-led programme of the National Lottery Awards; understands that this group will use the funding to provide a range of recreational and social opportunities, such as its annual Gala Day, to the community in Galston; commends Galston Community Development Trust on its efforts to bring the community together, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*[S6M-16419](#) Brian Whittle: Enable Kilmarnock Receives National Lottery Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Enable Kilmarnock and District Branch on its award of £14,400 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the two-year grant will fund a weekly social club and programme of activities for adults with learning disabilities; commends Enable Kilmarnock and District Branch on its efforts to reduce social isolation among people with learning disabilities, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*[S6M-16418](#) Brian Whittle: National Lottery Award for East Ayrshire Churches Homeless Action**—That the Parliament congratulates East Ayrshire Churches Homeless Action on its award of £9,886 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this one-year grant will fund the New Heights programme in Kilmarnock, which uses outdoor activities to develop life skills, and aid the recovery journey; commends East Ayrshire Churches Homeless Action on its efforts to promote recovery through inclusion, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*S6M-16417 Brian Whittle: National Lottery Funding for Darvel Area Regeneration Team (DART)**—That the Parliament congratulates Darvel Area Regeneration Team (DART) on its award of £5,350 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the group will use funding to deliver a free, community focused cycling festival in Darvel, called Darvelo; commends DART on its efforts to promote community inclusion and active travel within the local area, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*S6M-16416 Brian Whittle: Crossroads Community Hub Ltd Receives Two National Lottery Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Crossroads Community Hub Ltd on its award of £34,582 from the Improving Lives Fund of the National Lottery Awards and its award of £19,988 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the funding will be used to support people in the Crossroads locality in overcoming the challenges associated with the cost of living crisis, and to resume its homecooked meal provision to benefit people who are struggling with food costs, alongside providing a supply of 350 frozen meals per week for community distribution; commends Crossroads Community Hub Ltd on its efforts to reduce hunger in the community, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*S6M-16415 Brian Whittle: National Lottery Grant for Clydesdale Housing Association**—That the Parliament congratulates Clydesdale Housing Association on its award of £12,600 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the two-year grant will fund delivery costs for a local crochet and craft group, which provides social and recreational opportunities for local people in Lanark and the surrounding Clydesdale area; commends Clydesdale Housing Association on its endeavours to reduce social isolation through shared activity, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*S6M-16414 Brian Whittle: National Lottery Funding for Biggar Parish Church of Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates Biggar Parish Church of Scotland on its award of £19,999 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this grant will fund the installation of a lift within the Gillespie Centre community hub to improve access and the overall facilities for the local community in Biggar; commends Biggar Parish Church of Scotland on its endeavours to improve inclusion of those with accessibility challenges among its parish, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*[S6M-16413](#) Brian Whittle: National Lottery Funding for Biggar Area Climate Care**—That the Parliament congratulates Biggar Area Climate Care on its award of £17,400 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the two-year grant will fund a series of repair and re-use cafes every six weeks across Biggar and surrounding communities; commends Biggar Area Climate Care on its commitment to the circular economy, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*[S6M-16412](#) Brian Whittle: Avondale Radio SCIO National Lottery Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Avondale Radio SCIO on its award of £15,282 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this project will enable the Strathaven-based community radio station to buy equipment, which will help presenters produce higher quality output across all platforms, but will be especially important when the station starts broadcasting on DAB; commends Avondale Radio SCIO on its commitment to giving a voice to the local community through the range of programming by local presenters, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*[S6M-16411](#) Brian Whittle: Abington Community Development Group Receives National Lottery Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates Abington Community Development Group on its award of £20,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that the two-year grant will be used for outdoor improvements to the Old Schoolhouse community hub and for the delivery of community activities, including a new community gardening project; commends Abington Community Development Group on its efforts to bring the community together, and wishes it all the best in the future.

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**\*[S6M-16410](#) Rona Mackay: Lottery Funding Success for Community Groups in Strathkelvin and Bearsden**—That Parliament congratulates four organisations based in the Strathkelvin and Bearsden constituency on securing support through the National Lottery Community Fund in the most recent round of awards; understands that a total of £227,069 was received following successful application from the local groups; commends Group Recovery Aftercare Community Enterprise (GRACE), which was set up to support people through life trauma, for securing a £165,055 grant to run weekday and weekend sessions covering a range of activities; understands that the classes aim to build friendships and community support networks helping individuals to feel valued; further understands that this grant is for three years and will run in both Hillhead at Kirkintilloch and Auchinairn; notes that Twechar Community Action has received a £20,000 grant to cover running costs for their community hub; congratulates Deafblind Scotland, HQ is in Kirkintilloch, which has received a £27,714 grant to continue to provide information and advice to people with newly-diagnosed dual sensory loss, including their financial rights and entitlement to welfare benefits; applauds Acorn Shed Music for securing £14,300 for a two-year project delivering beginner singer/songwriter/musical tuition to aid people with mental health issues, loneliness or low confidence, and gives thanks to all who give their time, energy and experience in supporting these groups to have impact in Strathkelvin and Bearsden.

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**\*S6M-16408 Bill Kidd: Weekday Wow Factor Celebrates 8th Anniversary—**That Parliament congratulates the Weekday Wow Factor, which was founded in February 2017 by a fully-qualified occupational therapist with over 18 years service within the NHS; recognises that Weekday Wow Factor believes that everyone over the age of 50 should have access to fun, healthy, exciting, and good quality leisure activities to stay active and connected; notes that Weekday Wow Factor hold a Disco with lunch from 11.30 pm to 13.30 pm at Victoria Park Bowling Club every Wednesday; further notes that every Thursday, it organises a Mini Bus Adventure, which leaves at around 10 am, returning at 4.00 pm; understands that the services offered by Weekday Wow Factor, seek to enhance physical and mental wellbeing; further understands that Weekday Wow Factor currently offer its services at centres in Clydebank, Whiteinch and the Gorbals with more locations coming soon to new areas around Scotland; notes that its online events are Tia Chi, daytime disco and a monthly session with a magician; further notes that the WOWERS also provide a monthly drop-in service at the University of Glasgow, advising people of their services within the local areas; notes that donations and volunteers are always welcome, and warmly congratulates all the volunteers at Weekday Wow Factor for all their hard work and determination to have reached its eighth anniversary, and here's to many more.

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**\*S6M-16407 Liam McArthur: Celebrating Commonwealth Day 2025—**That the Parliament celebrates Commonwealth Day 2025, taking place on 10 March, and recognises what it sees as the important role that the Commonwealth continues to play in building and maintaining relationships across the world; understands that the theme of 2025 is "Together We Thrive", celebrating the enduring spirit of the Commonwealth family; recognises the work of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) in discussing a range of issues, including equality, climate change, benchmarking and artificial intelligence; notes the work of the CPA Scotland Branch over the last year, which has included hosting a CPA Advanced Parliamentary Development Residency Course and a summit to celebrate International Day of Persons with Disabilities, as well as Members' work, including being panellists on sessions on green energy solutions, social housing, challenges of an ageing population, creating inclusive elections for persons with disabilities and the challenges of being a woman member of parliament; further notes the role of the CPA Scotland Branch and Members in representing the region at the CPA International Executive Committee, Commonwealth Parliamentarians with Disabilities network and Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians network, as well as the newly-established regional LGBT+ network; acknowledges the work of the networks in contributing to amplify the perspectives and the rights of women, LGBT+ community and people with disabilities, and commits to continuing, both domestically and internationally, to share ideas and experience on good governance, parliamentary process, and on holding governments to account on behalf of the people that they serve.

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**\*[S6M-16405](#) Clare Adamson: Cathedral Primary School and Parish Celebrates 150th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Cathedral Primary School on celebrating the 150th anniversary of the parish and school; recognises what it sees as the importance of this milestone in highlighting the longstanding role that the school and parish have played in the education and spiritual life of the community; commends the dedication of teachers, staff, parents, and parishioners who have contributed to the school's rich history and continued success, and wishes Cathedral Primary School and the parish every success in the years to come as they continue to inspire and support future generations.

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**\*[S6M-16404](#) Monica Lennon: Commending NHS Lanarkshire on Achievements Highlighted in Climate Emergency and Sustainability Annual Report 2023-24** —That the Parliament notes the findings of NHS Lanarkshire's Climate Emergency and Sustainability Annual Report for 2023-24; understands that the NHS board has increased the number of data sources and improved its knowledge of carbon emissions; welcomes the reported decrease in energy consumption by 2.5% across the NHS board; congratulates NHS Lanarkshire in securing grant funding for the installation of solar panels at the NHS board's headquarters in Bothwell and the NHS West of Scotland laundry in Wishaw; notes that NHS Lanarkshire continues to progress the transition of its small vehicle fleet from diesel to electric, and commends NHS Lanarkshire staff for playing an active role in tackling the climate and nature crises, which it believes will help to protect and improve the health of people in Lanarkshire while taking care of the planet.

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**\*[S6M-16403](#) Clare Adamson: North Fest Family Receives £7,000 National Lottery Community Fund Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates North Fest Family on receiving a £7,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this funding will support a six-month project to deliver a range of seasonal community events, including a summer family fun day in North Motherwell; recognises what it sees as the importance of such events in bringing the community together, fostering social connections, and providing opportunities for families to engage in positive, inclusive activities; commends North Fest Family for its dedication to enhancing community spirit and wellbeing; thanks the National Lottery Community Fund for its continued support of local initiatives across Scotland, and wishes North Fest Family every success in delivering this vibrant programme of events.

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**\*[S6M-16402](#) Clare Adamson: The Miracle Foundation SCIO Receives £20,000 National Lottery Community Fund Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates The Miracle Foundation SCIO on receiving a £20,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this funding will support a two-year project to create peer support groups for parents and carers who have experienced trauma, both personally and through their children; recognises that, alongside peer discussions focused on holistic approaches to healing, the groups will offer opportunities to participate in therapeutic activities, including yoga sessions, nutrition guidance, and sleep workshops; commends The Miracle Foundation SCIO for its commitment to supporting families



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through recovery and wellbeing initiatives; thanks the National Lottery Community Fund for its continued investment in community-driven projects across Scotland, and wishes The Miracle Foundation SCIO every success with this important work.

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**[\\*S6M-16401](#) Clare Adamson: Support for Ordinary Living Receives £165,727 National Lottery Community Fund Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Support for Ordinary Living on receiving a £165,727 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; acknowledges that the funding will be used to deliver a programme of social support for adults with disabilities and additional support needs, aiming to enhance wellbeing, build confidence, improve digital skills, and reduce loneliness; commends the group's dedication to fostering inclusion and empowerment within the community; thanks the National Lottery Community Fund for its continued support of initiatives that make a meaningful difference in people's lives across Scotland, and wishes Support for Ordinary Living every success in delivering this vital programme.

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**[\\*S6M-16400](#) Clare Adamson: Made4U in ML2 Receives £43,396 National Lottery Community Fund Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Made4U in ML2 on receiving a £43,396 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; recognises that the funding will be used to deliver signposting and advice support, cooking classes, and to develop a pantry pilot, all aimed at addressing challenges posed by the rising cost of living; commends the organisation for its proactive approach in supporting the wellbeing and resilience of the local community; thanks the National Lottery Community Fund for its continued investment in community-led initiatives across Scotland, and wishes Made4U in ML2 every success as it implements this important project.

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**[\\*S6M-16399](#) Clare Adamson: Craigneuk Lifelong Learning Association Receives £20,000 National Lottery Community Fund Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Craigneuk Lifelong Learning Association on receiving a £20,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund to support its ongoing work in the Craigneuk community; recognises that the funding will enable the group to continue delivering its community food cooperative, providing vital access to low-cost food for local residents; notes that, in addition to affordable food, the association offers advice and support services to assist individuals and families facing challenging circumstances; commends the group's commitment to addressing food insecurity and supporting the wellbeing of the community; thanks the National Lottery Community Fund for its continued support of grassroots initiatives across Scotland, and wishes Craigneuk Lifelong Learning Association continued success in its important work.

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**\*[S6M-16398](#) Claire Baker: Congratulating Treetop Family Nurture Centre in Rosyth, Fife, on its Commendation from Keep Scotland Beautiful—**That the Parliament congratulates Treetop Family Nurture Centre in Rosyth, Fife, on receiving a commendation from environmental charity, Keep Scotland Beautiful, in recognition of the centre's achievements in the Eco-Schools programme; celebrates that the certificate praises Treetop's community work, which is one of the main outcomes of the Climate Action Schools programme; believes that Eco-Schools is the largest sustainable schools programme in the world and is operated internationally by the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) and delivered by Keep Scotland Beautiful; notes that the programme was launched in the UK's four nations, Denmark and Germany in 1994; understands that Keep Scotland Beautiful visited the school to present the certificate as part of the 30th anniversary celebrations of the international Eco-Schools and Young Reporters for the Environment programmes; acknowledges that Keep Scotland Beautiful has hosted an online assembly, organised live lessons, and set celebration challenges, and extends its very best wishes for continued success to everyone at Treetop Family Nurture Centre.

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**\*[S6M-16397](#) Carol Mochan: Congratulating the Scottish Thistles Netball Team—**That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Thistles, Scotland's national netball team, on their invitation to compete in the fifth edition of the PacificAus Sports Netball Series in Brisbane in February 2025; recognises that the Scottish Thistles team was the only European team invited to the PacificAus Sports Netball Series; acknowledges that the team is currently ranked 10th in the World Netball Rankings; recognises what it considers to be the value of netball in supporting women and girls in local communities and with their physical and mental wellbeing, and notes that Netball Scotland's membership has grown to over 10,000 in the past year, an increase from 8,000 prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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**\*[S6M-16396](#) Tess White: Burnside Brewery Secures New Premises—**That the Parliament congratulates Burnside Brewery, which is based in Laurencekirk, as it outgrows its current premises and looks to move to a bigger purpose-built brewery in the Mearns; understands that before taking over Burnside Brewery in 2018, Margo Macnab was a clinical scientist, while her husband, Steve Lewis, a keen home brewer, worked as a Project Manager; recognises that Burnside Brewery is an independent, award-winning craft brewery and was voted by the Campaign for Real Ale as Brewery of the Year for Grampian and Northern Isles two years running in 2022 and 2023; notes that its range of full strength and alcohol-free beers includes pale ales, blondes, IPAs, red ales and dark beers, and that these are stocked by independent restaurants, pubs and farm shops across the north east; welcomes the news that the brewery has just won a deal with the supermarket Scotmid to stock its alcohol-free beers in stores across Scotland, and wishes Burnside Brewery every success as it moves to its new premises and continues its growth.

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**\*[S6M-16395](#) Foysoyl Choudhury: Progress Made on a Railway Station for Winchburgh, West Lothian—**That the Parliament welcomes recent progress towards delivering a railway station at Winchburgh, West Lothian; understands that West Lothian Council and Winchburgh Developments Ltd will act as co-promoters for the project, and are now working with Network Rail

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on the design work required for a business case for the station; acknowledges the reformation of the Winchburgh Steering Group with Transport Scotland, West Lothian Council, Network Rail, Winchburgh Developments Ltd and Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal; recognises what it sees as the importance of a railway station for the fast-growing town, which it understands would remove 420,000 car journeys a year; hopes for continued progress on the delivery of a station, and believes that public transport is key to meeting Scotland's climate goals.

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**\*S6M-16394 Jackie Dunbar: Net Zero Challenge Vehicle**—That the Parliament welcomes Scotland's first dedicated outreach vehicle, which aims to educate children across the north east about all things relating to net zero; notes that the Net Zero Challenge vehicle is a hydrogen dual-fuel lorry, which will begin its road trip this spring to visit schools and community and industry events, to deliver resources and educate the public about the challenges and opportunities of the shift to net zero; understands that the collaborative project was designed in partnership with Glasgow Science Centre, and is funded by ETZ Ltd, Shell UK, North East Scotland College (NESCol) and the Scottish Government's Just Transition Fund; recognises that the project forms part of the first dedicated energy transition skills hub, which will be located next to NESCol's Altens campus, to provide cutting-edge equipment and expert-led learning; understands that its focus will be on equipping the future workforce with the skills needed for the low-carbon energy sector; commends all those involved for making the project a reality, and wishes the teachers and pupils all the best going forward.

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**\*S6M-16393 Claire Baker: Levenmouth Cluster Schools are First in Fife and Second in Scotland to Achieve SportScotland School Sport Gold Award.**—That the Parliament celebrates the schools in the Levenmouth cluster that have achieved SportScotland's School Sport Gold Award, which recognises the commitment to promoting sport and physical activity among young people; understands that the Levenmouth cluster includes Levenmouth Academy and its associated primary schools, Aberhill, Balcurvie, Buckhaven, Coaltown of Wemyss, Denbeath, East Wemyss, Kennoway, Methilhill, Mountfleurie and Parkhill; further understands that this is only the second such award in Scotland and that each school had to individually meet the Gold award standard, demonstrating dedication to high-quality sport, physical activity and leadership opportunities, and submitting supporting evidence and an action plan; believes that, while some schools achieved Gold status immediately, others worked their way through Bronze and Silver levels before reaching the top level; considers that this achievement is down to the hard work of both staff and pupils, with each school having a dedicated staff member leading the way and young people playing a key role in gathering evidence; is grateful to the active schools team, which, it believes, played a crucial role in supporting schools throughout the process, along with its young ambassadors, who also had a significant impact by promoting participation and encouraging young people to get involved in a range of sporting activities; commends the hard work of the staff, pupils, and the wider community who believe in the value of sport in young people's lives, and extends its very best wishes for continued success in the future

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**\*[S6M-16392](#) Tess White: Mearns and Coastal Health Living Network's Future Secured with Three-year Funding Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Mearns and Coastal Health Living Network (MCHLN) on securing three years of funding, totalling £90,000, from the Bank of Scotland Foundation's funding programme, Enable; recognises that Mearns and Coastal Healthy Living Network was formed as a charity in 2002 to support older people living across Kincardine and the Mearns; understands that the grant will be used to support the day-to-day running of MCHLN, as well as the delivery of groups and activities that address loneliness and isolation, while promoting health and wellbeing; notes that the charity also offers vital volunteering opportunities by providing volunteer-led transport services for older people in isolated rural areas to access healthcare appointments, undertake shopping trips or to visit spouses in care homes, and applauds the funding success, which, it believes, will allow it to continue delivering vital services to vulnerable older people across Kincardine and the Mearns.

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**\*[S6M-16391](#) Ariane Burgess: Congratulating Eden Court on Increased Creative Scotland Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates Eden Court on being awarded £760,000 in 2025-26, rising to £893,000 for 2026-27 and 2027-28, through Creative Scotland's multi-year funding programme; recognises what it sees as the vital role that Eden Court plays in expanding access to the arts, supporting artists and delivering world-class cultural experiences across the Highlands; understands that this increased funding will enable Eden Court to nurture creative talent, champion inclusivity and provide a rich programme of live performances, film screenings and cultural activities, which reflect the diversity and spirit of the region; recognises the organisation's commitment to supporting artists at all stages of their careers, including by commissioning new work that highlights Highland stories; commends Creative Scotland and the Scottish Government for what it sees as their continued investment in the cultural sector, and believes that this ensures that creativity and culture continue to thrive in Inverness and other communities across the Highlands.

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**\*[S6M-16390](#) Marie McNair: Nicky Little Becomes Clydebank Football Club's All-time Record Goalscorer**—That the Parliament recognises Clydebank striker Nicky Little for becoming the club's all-time record goalscorer, with 176 goals; understands that Nicky reached the milestone during a 3-0 win over Beith, after equalling Ken Eadie's record of 175 goals in the previous game against Arthurlie; further understands that Nicky has made 283 appearances in two spells at the Bankies, and that he also captains the club; congratulates Nicky on what it sees to be a monumental achievement; believes that the record is unlikely to be broken for some time, and wishes Nicky all the best as he continues to make the club and town proud.

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**\*[S6M-16388](#) Audrey Nicoll: Welcoming the New Bon Accord Whisky Distillery in Aberdeen**—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement of the new Bon Accord distillery in Aberdeen; believes that this is a significant addition to the city's food and drinks industry; notes that the distillery is being developed on the historic site of the former Bon Accord soft drinks factory in Torry; considers that this will bring new life to the location; recognises what it sees as the economic and cultural benefits of this investment, including job creation, tourism opportunities and the promotion of Scotland's whisky heritage, and believes that the distillery will play a role in strengthening Aberdeen's reputation as a destination for high-quality food and drink experiences.

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**\*[S6M-16387](#) Christine Grahame: Farewell to Scottish SPCA CEO Kirsteen Campbell**—That the Parliament notes the upcoming departure of Kirsteen Campbell as CEO of the Scottish SPCA, after eight years at the helm; believes that, throughout her eight years, Kirsteen, alongside her dedicated colleagues at the Scottish SPCA, has made a substantial contribution to improving the lives of animals in Scotland and has guided the charity's participation in discussions around public policy in the best interests of animals; thanks Kirsteen for her contribution, and wishes her well in her next endeavours.

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**\*[S6M-16386](#) Michelle Thomson: Braes High School Receives Commendation in Eco-Schools Programme** —That the Parliament congratulates Braes High School on receiving a commendation for Climate Action within the international environmental Eco-Schools programme; understands that the Eco-Schools programme is celebrating its 30th anniversary in 2025 and is the largest sustainable schools programme in the world, with 19.5 million children, young people and educators engaged, covering over 74 different countries; notes that the Eco-Schools programme is delivered in Scotland by Keep Scotland Beautiful; understands that Braes High School has gone above and beyond in its Eco-Schools activities across all required categories; celebrates Braes High School's commendation for Climate Action, and thanks all pupils and staff for their continued hard work.

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**\*[S6M-16385](#) Edward Mountain: Recognising Helen Leigh's Achievements in North Cross Country League and National Masters Cross Country Championship** —That the Parliament recognises and congratulates Helen Leigh, an athlete with Inverness Harriers, for her outstanding achievement in becoming the North Cross Country League Women's Champion, and for her winning debut at the National Masters Cross Country Championships in Dundee; notes that Helen Leigh clinched the North Cross Country League title with a dominant performance, securing victories in all four races that she participated in at Evanton, Peterhead, Nairn and Forres; believes that this remarkable achievement is a testament to her dedication and the strategic advantage afforded by her background in hill running; acknowledges the significant milestone of Helen gaining first place during her participation in the Scottish Masters Cross Country Championships, competing against some of the country's top runners in the 40 and over age group, and commends the role of the Inverness Harriers Athletics Club in fostering Helen's growth as an

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athlete, which, it believes, has enabled her to achieve new levels of success and set ambitious goals for future athletic pursuits, including improving her 10k time.

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**\*[S6M-16384](#) Sandesh Gulhane: First Surgery in UK and Ireland Conducted at Glasgow Royal Infirmary**—That the Parliament recognises that Glasgow Royal Infirmary consultant orthopaedic surgeon, Mark Blyth, has made history by becoming the first surgeon in the UK and Ireland to use the persona revision knee system; understands that the new instrumentation and implant can more accurately reproduce the anatomy of a patient's knee from before surgery, leading to improved outcomes for the patient; further understands that the new system has been used in Europe only a handful of times, and that the team at Glasgow Royal Infirmary became the first in the UK and Ireland to use it after several months of training and familiarisation with the instrumentation and implants; congratulates Mark Blyth and all the orthopaedic team at Glasgow Royal Infirmary, including the nursing and theatre staff, for their skill and dedication and for leading the way with the use of new innovation, and understands that the system will soon be rolled-out to more hospitals across the United Kingdom. **R**

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**\*[S6M-16383](#) Edward Mountain: Congratulations to Luke Stoltman on Being Crowned Britain's Strongest Man**—That the Parliament congratulates Luke Stoltman, from Invergordon, on being crowned Britain's Strongest Man, having secured his first ever title in Sheffield on 3 February 2025; recognises the outstanding achievement of the 40-year-old strongman, who finished 5.5 points ahead of the runner-up, Weymouth's Shane Flowers; considers that the significance of this victory is a testament to Stoltman's strength, determination and resilience, particularly in light of the immense competition at the event; acknowledges what it sees as the broader impact of the Stoltman brothers on Scotland's sporting legacy, as they inspire future generations of athletes; highlights Stoltman's reported continued rigorous mental and physical preparation, including efforts to maintain his mental health through cold-water swimming and therapy; commends Stoltman's contribution to promoting positive mental health in men's sport, and wishes him continued success as he prepares to compete for the World's Strongest Man title in May 2025.

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**\*[S6M-16382](#) Edward Mountain: Celebrating the Reopening of Strathconon Primary School and its Role in the Community**—That the Parliament congratulates the community of Strathconon on the successful reopening of Strathconon Primary School, following a state-of-the-art refurbishment, and commends the dedication of the staff, pupils, and local residents, who made the related event a resounding success; recognises the significant role that the school plays

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in the heart of the rural Ross-shire community, serving not only as an educational facility but also as a vital community hub that brings people together; praises the impressive turnout at the reopening, with over 80 attendees; acknowledges the symbolic ribbon-cutting ceremony by James MacKay and Margeret Kirkman, the oldest residents of the glen who attended the school, alongside the youngest resident, Lily Sutherland; notes the efforts of the school in preserving and sharing its history, as demonstrated by the display of photographs and archive materials, and its ongoing commitment to providing a high-quality learning environment for its pupils; highlights what it sees as the importance of maintaining and supporting rural schools, like Strathconon Primary, which are essential in connecting communities and fostering local relationships with other schools across the Highlands, and considers that engagement between the Highland Council and the local community is important in order to ensure the future of Strathconon Primary School, in recognition of its valuable contribution to both education and community life.

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**\*S6M-16381 Edward Mountain: Recognition of James Dunbar as a Big Issue Changemaker for Housing and Homelessness—**That the Parliament congratulates James Dunbar, chief executive of New Start Highland, on being named a *Big Issue* Changemaker for Housing and Homelessness 2025; understands that this comes in recognition of his transformative work in combatting homelessness and poverty across the Highlands; acknowledges the dedication and leadership that James has shown over the past 25 years, guiding New Start Highland in its mission to provide not just shelter, but also comprehensive support services aimed at improving physical, emotional and economic stability for vulnerable individuals and families; commends New Start Highland for its work in supporting over 1,500 people annually, offering services such as employability training, housing support, and essential household goods, including diverting 10,000 tons of furniture from landfill and distributing over 30,000 furniture and starter packs to those in need; praises what it sees as James Dunbar's unwavering belief in human potential, which has helped countless individuals break the cycle of poverty and homelessness, transforming lives and strengthening communities across the Highlands; urges continued support for organisations like New Start Highland, and believes that they play a vital role in tackling homelessness and creating lasting positive change within local communities.

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**\*S6M-16380 Alexander Burnett: i-Protech Celebrates ISO 9001 Accreditation—**That the Parliament congratulates i-Protech, of Kintore, Aberdeenshire, on being awarded ISO 9001 certification, which is the globally recognised standard for management systems; notes that i-Protech is a specialist designer and installer of green energy solutions and electrical systems; understands that this certification shows that it has rigorous quality control measures as well as streamlined internal processes, aimed at achieving quality, efficiency and performance, while remaining focused on customer satisfaction, and wishes the team every success in its 10th year in business, and for the future.

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**\*[S6M-16379](#) Foyso! Choudhury: Edinburgh Chinese New Year Concert and 10th Anniversary Celebration**—That the Parliament recognises the 2025 Edinburgh Chinese New Year Concert and 10th Anniversary Celebration, which took place at the Usher Hall on 1 February 2025; understands that the event was organised by the Asian Association of Culture Commerce and Education in Europe (AACCEE) to mark the Chinese Lunar New Year and celebrate 10 years of AACCEE; notes that AACCEE was founded by education consultant, Jessica Guo, in 2014, and focuses on introducing Chinese language and traditional culture in Scotland; acknowledges that the event featured performances from Chinese and Scottish artists, facilitating cultural exchange; congratulates the organisers on delivering a successful event, showcasing the rich artistic heritage of China and Scotland; thanks all those who performed at the event; understands that the Chinese Lunar New Year 2025 is celebrated between 29 January and 12 February and marks the change from Year of the Dragon to Year of the Snake; notes celebrations across Scotland and worldwide, and wishes all those who celebrate the Chinese Lunar New Year well.

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**\*[S6M-16378](#) Tim Eagle: Euan Warnock Receives National Farmers Union Scotland Argyll and Islands Stalwart Award**—That the Parliament congratulates National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) member and farmer, Euan Warnock, on being presented with the coveted Argyll and the Islands Stalwart Award for 2025; understands that the Stalwart Award was established in 2016 in recognition and memory of the late Bert Leitch and Lachlan MacLean, for their work in representing farmers and crofters regionally and nationally for many years before passing away in 2015; notes that Euan was also recognised for his 30 years of service working for both NFUS and NFU Mutual; believes that Euan was pivotal in the establishment of the Argyll Agricultural Forum and the Royal Highland Educational Trust in Argyll, and that he has been a strong champion for local farmers by bringing various important issues to the attention of MSPs, Scottish Government ministers, CalMac Ferries and others over the years, and wishes Euan well for the future. **R**

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**\*[S6M-16377](#) Liam McArthur: Kirkwall Resident Stuart Linklater Celebrated as Longest-serving Loganair Employee**—That the Parliament congratulates Stuart Linklater on the news that he has become the longest-serving Loganair employee, having marked his 35-year anniversary of working with the airline in 2025; understands that Stuart now works as the training captain based in Kirkwall, but originally began working for the company as a first officer; acknowledges that Stuart dedicated more than 25 years of his life to flying islanders and visitors alike to and from the Orkney Islands as a Loganair pilot; considers this to be a truly remarkable achievement in providing a lifeline service to members of the community, providing access to vital services, including healthcare, by facilitating inter island travel as well as journeys to and from mainland Scotland, in addition to allowing visitors an opportunity to enjoy all that Orkney has to offer; commends Stuart for the work that he now does to train and equip those at the beginning of their piloting careers with the skills and knowledge that they need, and pays tribute to his tireless and continued service in keeping the Orkney community safe in the skies over the years.

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**\*[S6M-16376](#) Clare Haughey: Celebrating Chloe Fullerton's Historic Scouting**

**Achievements**—That the Parliament congratulates Chloe Fullerton from 3rd Blantyre Scouts on recently achieving a Kings Scout Award and a Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award; understands that Chloe is the first ever member of 3rd Blantyre Scouts to complete a Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award, and is the first female Scout in the Blantyre group's long history to achieve the highest Scouting award, the Kings Scout Award; believes that Chloe has shown determination, resilience and commitment through the process of gaining these awards for which she has had to complete expeditions, develop her leadership skills, and challenge herself physically and mentally, and wishes her all the best for her future endeavours.

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**\*[S6M-16375](#) Evelyn Tweed: Recognising the Achievement of Bannockburn's Sabrina**

**Simpson in the World's Toughest Row**—That the Parliament congratulates Bannockburn pilates instructor, Sabrina Simpson, on her extraordinary achievement in successfully completing the World's Toughest Row, a gruelling 49-day journey across the Atlantic Ocean; notes that the 45-year-old undertook this immense challenge alongside her rowing partner, Gregor Wacker of Germany, setting off from La Gomera in the Canary Islands on 11 December 2024 and arriving in Antigua on 29 January 2025; recognises what it sees as the incredible physical and mental resilience required to row in shifts of one hour on, one hour off, for nearly 50 days in challenging weather conditions; commends her determination and perseverance in training for three years to achieve this goal; understands that Sabrina and Gregor used their journey to raise funds for charitable causes in Canada, Germany and the UK, including The Polar Academy, a Forth Valley-based charity supporting 13- to 18-year-olds facing mental health challenges or struggling with self-esteem and confidence; further understands that The Polar Academy provides an intensive one-year physical and mental training programme, culminating in a winter sledge-hauling expedition in East Greenland, which transforms the mindset of the young participants while also contributing positively to the local economy; acknowledges the support and encouragement from Sabrina's local community in Stirling and beyond, and wishes her every success in her future endeavours and adventures.

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**\*[S6M-16374](#) Paul O'Kane: Barrie McCutcheon and Daughter, Isla, to Take Part in 700-mile Cycle for Doddie Aid Challenge**

—That the Parliament commends Barrie McCutcheon and his daughter, Isla, from Johnstone, on their planned 700-mile four-day cycle for the Doddie Aid Challenge; understands that the Scottish Fire and Rescue service group commander, based in East and West Dunbartonshire, Argyll and Bute area, and his 18-year-old daughter, will take part in the challenge in February 2025; further understands that they are members of an eight-person cycle team, which will aim to raise money for motor neuron disease (MND); notes that the challenge will take place all over Scotland, starting in Stranraer, and culminating in Edinburgh on 8 February 2025 for the Scotland v Ireland six nations match; congratulates the team for previously participating and having raised over £33,000 for the My Name's Doddie Foundation, and celebrates their continued efforts and inspiration to others in their charitable work for MND.

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**\*[S6M-16372](#) Evelyn Tweed: Safer Internet Day 2025**—That the Parliament notes that Safer Internet Day 2025 will take place on 11 February 2025, with a focus on the theme, "Too Good to Be True? Protecting Yourself and Others from Scams Online"; recognises that Safer Internet Day is the UK's largest celebration of online safety, engaging schools, businesses and communities to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people; acknowledges what it sees as the growing risks of online scams, including financial fraud, phishing schemes, identity theft and online financial sextortion, and the disproportionate impact it believes that these have on young people; considers that advances in generative AI and deepfake technology are making scams more sophisticated and harder to detect, increasing the urgency for greater protection and education in digital resilience; commends the Scottish Government's commitment to improving online safety, including its Digital Strategy, which promotes digital literacy as a core skill in education; recognises what it sees as the ongoing work of Scottish schools in promoting digital wellbeing and online safety, particularly through participation in the Digital Schools Award Programme; commends the achievements of Doune and Deanston Primary Schools, which have become the first schools in the Stirling Council area to receive an award that recognises efforts to promote internet safety, in addition to revalidating their Digital Schools Awards originally earned in 2017 and 2018; welcomes the ongoing intergovernmental collaboration on online safety, including discussions between the Scottish Government and Ofcom on the implementation of the Online Safety Act; believes that further action is needed to ensure that all young people in Scotland can navigate the online world safely and with confidence, and calls on the Scottish Government to continue its work in strengthening digital literacy education in schools while also encouraging greater accountability from technology companies, ensuring a safer digital future for Scotland's children and young people.

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**\*[S6M-16371](#) Gillian Mackay: World Cancer Day 2025** —That the Parliament recognises 4 February as World Cancer Day 2025; acknowledges that the theme for 2025 is #UnitedbyUnique, placing people at the centre of cancer care, as behind every cancer diagnosis is a unique human story of resilience, grief, hope and healing, and celebrates and commends Scotland's medical professionals, nursing staff and healthcare workers, as well as those developing treatments, who, it believes, work tirelessly to provide person-centred care, treating patients with compassion and empathy and who ensure that people with cancer never feel like they are just another statistic.

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**\*[S6M-16370](#) Gillian Mackay: International Day of Women and Girls in Science**—That the Parliament recognises 11 February 2025 as the International Day of Women and Girls in Science; believes that a significant gender gap has persisted in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) subjects at all levels and that it affects girls and women all over the world; celebrates what it sees as the amazing accomplishments achieved by Scottish women in scientific fields, and commends all projects that support, fund and inspire women and girls to engage in science.

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**\*[S6M-16369](#) Sharon Dowey: Prestwick Ice Skater Wins Bronze Medal at European Figure Skating Championships**—That the Parliament congratulates Lewis Gibson of Prestwick, who, along with partner, Lilah Fear, claimed a Bronze medal at the European Figure Skating Championships in Estonia; understands that the pair have become six-time Grand Prix medallists, five-time Challenger Series Gold medallists, 2018 Bavarian Open champions, seven-time British national champions and two-time European Silver medallists; commends Lewis and Lilah on all of their hard work, and wishes them all the best as they head to the World Championships in Boston, Massachusetts, later in 2025.

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**\*[S6M-16368](#) Sharon Dowey: Ayr United Football Academy Launches Dementia-friendly Walking Football Sessions**—That the Parliament notes the launch of Dementia-friendly walking football sessions by Ayr United's Football Academy; understands that the project is aimed at those with dementia and their carers, and is being offered at Shoot Soccer, which has provided its facilities to Ayr United Football Academy free of charge; further understands that Stagecoach has also offered funding and support to the initiative, and commends the work of all those involved in facilitating what it see as a fantastic local project.

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**\*[S6M-16366](#) Alexander Stewart: Forth Valley College's Medical Skills Simulation Suite**—That the Parliament welcomes the opening of a new skills simulation suite at Forth Valley College's Alloa campus; understands that the facility, which has been described as "state-of-the-art", is designed to give future care providers hands-on experience in a realistic, simulated environment; notes that the suite was developed in collaboration with NHS Forth Valley and boasts resources and equipment to enhance the training of students in the health and social care sectors; understands that, in recent weeks, staff have introduced the facility to students, allowing them to explore its features and to gain practical insight into the diverse settings that they are expected to encounter in their future careers; believes that hands-on learning, via accurate simulations of real work situations and environments enabled by the latest technology, could help develop skills that a future medical workforce needs; notes that the training suite includes a hospital ward set-up, a simulated clinical support and social care bedroom environment, as well as a reablement suite with mobility aids and equipment to enhance independence within homecare settings; understands that, by providing students with simulated environments that mirror real-life clinical, social care, and reablement settings, it is intended that the suite will help bridge the gap between theory and practice; acknowledges that Forth Valley College is already considered to be a major centre for the use of simulation learning in health and care, and congratulates everyone involved on their collective and tireless work on this excellent and innovative facility.

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**\*[S6M-16365](#) Alexander Stewart: Coalsnaughton Early Learning Centre**—That the Parliament is delighted at the news of an outdoor play area at a Clackmannanshire nursery, which has received a gift of two tonnes of sand; understands that Coalsnaughton Early Learning Centre is in the process of having its grass area renovated, and that staff and parents have been working hard to fundraise for this and for new equipment; notes that plans to invigorate the sandpit were assisted by Tillicoultry Quarries; understands that the company dropped off two tonnes of sand to replace the empty pit, which had deteriorated through use and impact from the weather; further understands that the nursery is also looking at expanding its back garden to provide a fully utilised play area for the children to use; commends the Tillicoultry Quarries for its highly magnanimous donation, and congratulates everyone at the nursery on their extremely proactive work for the benefit of the children who attend.

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**\*[S6M-16362](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Lloyds Banking Group Closing 14 Local Bank of Scotland Branches**—That the Parliament notes with concern the decision of the Lloyds Banking Group to close 14 Bank of Scotland branches across Scotland between May 2025 and March 2026, including the Uddingston Branch; further notes that this is the latest in a series of bank closures across the Uddingston and Bellshill constituency; understands that many people have had to rely on public transport to access vital financial services; considers that these closures will have a significant impact on local residents and businesses that depend on high street banks for cash access and essential banking services, particularly affecting older people, disabled people and small businesses; believes that, in the context of rising living costs and increasingly intelligent banking scams, communities rely on accessible financial support and secure in-person banking services; further believes that there is a risk for high streets to become banking "ghost towns" and that banks have a duty to support, rather than abandon, the communities they serve; considers that, while banking increasingly moves online, financial institutions must ensure that vulnerable customers and those unable to bank digitally have access to safe, secure services, as well as to financial advice and support; expresses further concern over the reported growing reliance on post offices as an alternative to banks; understands that local post offices are already under significant pressure and that they are themselves closing at an increasing rate; expresses disappointment with what it sees as the lack of clarity on how the banking needs will be met for people living in poverty, disabled people, older people, and those with limited access to public transport, and urges the Lloyds Banking Group to reconsider its decision.

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**\*[S6M-16360](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Drumpellier Cricket Club on Celebrating 175 Years**—That the Parliament congratulates Drumpellier Cricket Club on celebrating its 175th anniversary, having been founded in 1850; recognises its status as one of the oldest sporting clubs in the world and the significant role it has played in promoting the sport of cricket in Scotland; acknowledges the club's long-standing contribution to the local community by providing opportunities for people of all ages to participate in the sport and to enjoy the benefits of mutual friendship and competition; commends the dedication of its past and present members, who have helped sustain its success over nearly two centuries, and wishes the Drumpellier Cricket Club continued success for many years to come.

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**\*S6M-16359 Liam McArthur: Orkney Sports Awards 2024**—That the Parliament celebrates the success of the 2024 Orkney Sports Awards, held at the Orkney Theatre on 31 January 2025; understands that these awards provide an opportunity to recognise and celebrate sporting achievements and those who help provide a platform for local athletes to compete; notes, in particular, that the Orkney Junior Inter-County swimming team won Performance of the Year for its historic display in beating Shetland in June 2024, for the first time since 1997; congratulates Gemma Reid and Deborah Pepper for their joint success as School Sports Volunteer of the Year, as well as Jessica Bruce and Pete Bentley, who won the Young Volunteer and Volunteer of the Year awards for their work with the kayak club and cyclo-cross, respectively; welcomes the continued success of Orkney's female rugby community, with Tiphaine Cazenave and Jo Inkster being awarded Coach and Official of the Year, respectively; congratulates the Kirkwall Grammar School netballers and the Orkney Squash Club on triumphing in the Young Team and Team of the Year categories; believes that the induction of Nigel Thomson into the Orkney Sporting Hall of Fame was a popular and well-deserved acknowledgment of Nigel's remarkable achievements in athletics, in which he remains the Orkney record holder at 200m, as well as his phenomenal track record coaching new generations of Orkney athletes; welcomes Ken Amer's Service to Sport Award for his 40-year career capturing and immortalising Orkney sport on camera, as well as his one cap for Orkney RFC 1st XV; commends Emily McArthur on winning Young Sports Person of the Year, after an outstanding run of achievements, including representing Scotland in the 800m at the U17 International Summer Schools Meet and securing silver at the Scottish Schools Championships; further commends this year's Sports Person of the Year, Claire Rendall, who had a remarkable year competing at the World Ironman Championships in Nice, where she finished as the runner-up in her age group; pays tribute to all the athletes, coaches, volunteers and officials who were nominated and shortlisted and who reflect what it sees as the incredible scale of Orkney sporting talent, and wishes them all continued success, especially looking ahead to the 2025 International Island Games, which will be held in Orkney in July.

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**\*S6M-16355 James Dornan: 10 Years of Soup's On and the Cake Lady** —That the Parliament congratulates Anne and Pete Connell on the 10th anniversary of their business, Soups On and the Cake Lady, located on Clarkston Road in the Glasgow Cathcart constituency; understands that for a decade they have provided a welcoming environment and unique menu options, which are loved by the local community and visitors from further afield, becoming a successful fixture in the growing south-side food scene; believes that through hard work and word of mouth, Soups On and the Cake Lady has built a reputation for excellence, consistently ranking in the top 15 places to eat in Glasgow, and wishes Anne, Pete, and their daughter, Penny, who was welcomed in April 2022, all the best for the future, hoping for many more years of delicious food and continued success.

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**\*[S6M-16343](#) Douglas Ross: Audrey Pirie Named JudoScotland Referee/Official of the Year—**

That the Parliament congratulates Elgin Judo Club coach, Audrey Pirie, on being named JudoScotland's Referee/Official of the year for 2024; notes that the award honours an individual who has made an outstanding contribution and impact in their role, significantly enhancing the competition structure and creating exceptional opportunities for those within Judo; understands that Audrey has been involved in Judo for over 32 years and has been described as a "true inspiration" for many within the sport by dedicating much of her spare time to refereeing and coaching across the UK, whilst encouraging others to continue their journey within the sport, and wishes Audrey and Elgin Judo Club continued success for the future.

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**\*[S6M-16303](#) Mark Ruskell: Consent for Rosebank Oil Field Ruled Unlawful—**That the Parliament welcomes the decision by the Court of Session that has deemed that consent for the Rosebank oil field, and the smaller Jackdaw gas field, was granted unlawfully; understands that this ruling was based on a failure to consider the carbon emissions that would be created by burning any oil and gas produced; further understands that Rosebank would have reportedly caused emissions equal to the 28 lowest income countries combined; congratulates the campaigners who, it believes, have worked tirelessly to oppose the approval of these new fossil fuel licences; considers that this ruling is an important step towards achieving net zero commitments and addressing what it sees as climate chaos, and calls on the Scottish Government to invest in Scotland's renewable energy potential, and maintain its reported position of a presumption against new oil and gas developments.

**Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support**

**[S6M-16389](#) Fulton MacGregor: Northern Corridor Community Forum's Evidence-based Report** (lodged on 07 February 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan\*, David Torrance\*

**[S6M-16367](#) Alexander Stewart: Stirling School of English Awarded The King's Award for Voluntary Service** (lodged on 07 February 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Tess White\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Miles Briggs\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, David Torrance\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Edward Mountain\*, Craig Hoy\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Russell Findlay\*, Annie Wells\*, Bill Kidd\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Tim Eagle\*, Karen Adam\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Brian Whittle\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16363](#) Alexander Stewart: MacRobert Arts Centre Funding Award from Creative Scotland** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16361](#) Ben Macpherson: Leith Theatre's Future Secured, Beginning an Exciting New Chapter** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Annie Wells\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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**[S6M-16358](#) Collette Stevenson: Celebrating the Success of Caledonia Gladiators Women's Team** (lodged on 07 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16357](#) James Dornan: Farewell to Fresh 'N' Fruity Mount Florida** (lodged on 07 February 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Finlay Carson\*, Miles Briggs\*, David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Bill Kidd\*, Marie McNair\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16356](#) Sarah Boyack: Scottish Youth Parliament's Work on Transport** (lodged on 07 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Foyso Choudhury\*

**[S6M-16354](#) Stephen Kerr: Blackness Primary School Faces Closure** (lodged on 07 February 2025)

New Support: Craig Hoy\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Annie Wells\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Miles Briggs\*, Douglas Ross\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Edward Mountain\*, Jamie Greene\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Pam Gosal\*, Richard Leonard\*, Russell Findlay\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

**[S6M-16352](#) Clare Adamson: New College Lanarkshire Scottish Regional Heat of the Association of Hairdressing and Therapists** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Finlay Carson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Miles Briggs\*, Emma Harper\*, David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16351](#) Clare Adamson: Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF) 60th Anniversary** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Liam McArthur\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tim Eagle\*, Bob Doris\*, Alex Rowley\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16350](#) Tim Eagle: Atlantic Islands Centre Celebrates 10-year Anniversary** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Jamie Greene\*, Edward Mountain\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Miles Briggs\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Liam Kerr\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Douglas Ross\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Liam McArthur\*, Pam Gosal\*, Craig Hoy\*, Russell Findlay\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Karen Adam\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Tess White\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16349](#) Evelyn Tweed: Commends Resilience of Stirling Communities Following Storm Eowyn** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Miles Briggs\*, David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Annie Wells\*, Karen Adam\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16348](#) Christine Grahame: Ross McGinn Named Tweeddale Citizen of the Year 2024** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

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New Support: Tess White\*, David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*

**[S6M-16347](#) Rona Mackay: Lenzie Academy Pupils Triumph in Top Climate Change Challenge** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16345](#) Alex Rowley: British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Paul O'Kane\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16344](#) Ash Regan: Congratulating MILAN Senior Welfare Organisation** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Annie Wells\*, Fulton MacGregor\* R

**[S6M-16339](#) Annie Wells: Friends of Linn Park, Glasgow, Receives Funding to Plant More Trees** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16338](#) Emma Roddick: Congratulating James Dunbar, Big Issue Changemaker for Housing and Homelessness 2025** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16337](#) Bob Doris: Cadder Primary School's Spanish Week and Fun Fiesta** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16336](#) Ariane Burgess: Congratulations to The Shetland Amenity Trust on Becoming a Living Wage Employer** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Colin Beattie\*, Emma Harper\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Emma Roddick\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16335](#) Humza Yousaf: Recognising Local Heroes Crookston Community Group** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Carol Mochan\*, David Torrance\*, Emma Harper\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Bob Doris\*, Bill Kidd\*, Karen Adam\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16334](#) Rona Mackay: 11,180 Meals Served Through Asda Community Initiative** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Bob Doris\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16333](#) Annie Wells: Scottish Opera Primary Schools Tour Coming to Glasgow** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*

**[S6M-16332](#) Annie Wells: Congratulates Hillwood Community Sports Hub on its Collaboration with Horticulture and Floristry Students** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*



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**[S6M-16331](#) Emma Roddick: World Wetlands Day 2025** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16329](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Applauding Asda's Support for Local Communities** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16328](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Applauding Renaissance Care's Get Fit and Have Fun Campaign 2025** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16326](#) Martin Whitfield: Children's Mental Health Week 2025** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane\* R

**[S6M-16325](#) Ruth Maguire: Tesco Irvine's Toy Appeal** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Bob Doris\*

**[S6M-16322](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Mascots for Scotland's Six Nations Match** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-16321](#) Ruth Maguire: Ayrshire Lok Oi Association's Lunar New Year Celebrations** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*, Bob Doris\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16307](#) Kevin Stewart: Norwegian Sovereign Wealth Fund Records Highest Ever Profits** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-16302](#) Paul O'Kane: Young Carers Action Day 2025** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane\*, David Torrance\*

**[S6M-16298.1](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulating Kelvinside Academy Pupil on Being Awarded MacRobert Commendation Medal** (lodged on 06 February 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*, David Torrance\*, Annie Wells\*, Karen Adam\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

**[S6M-16298](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Congratulating Kelvinside Academy Pupil on Being Awarded MacRobert Commendation Medal** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Tim Eagle\*

**[S6M-16292](#) Meghan Gallacher: Girls into Construction** (lodged on 31 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16289](#) Bill Kidd: The Doomsday Clock Reaches 89 Seconds to Midnight** (lodged on 04 February 2025)

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New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

**[S6M-16287](#) Kenneth Gibson: The Ongoing Impact of PFI/PPP on Scotland's Public Finances** (lodged on 29 January 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16285](#) Pam Gosal: Supporting Clydebank Woman's Charity Fundraiser** (lodged on 06 February 2025)

New Support: Craig Hoy\*, Douglas Ross\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Edward Mountain\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Annie Wells\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Brian Whittle\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Jamie Greene\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tim Eagle\*, Colin Beattie\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Tess White\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16283](#) Pam Gosal: Congratulating Clydebank's Mark Steven on Being Elected President of ACTACC** (lodged on 06 February 2025)

New Support: Craig Hoy\*, Douglas Ross\*, Sandesh Gulhane\* R, Jeremy Balfour\*, Edward Mountain\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Russell Findlay\*, Annie Wells\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Brian Whittle\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Jamie Greene\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tim Eagle\*, Colin Beattie\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Tess White\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16282](#) Beatrice Wishart: Opportunities and Challenges for Scotland's Fishing Sector in 2025** (lodged on 29 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16281](#) Clare Adamson: Ashley McCaig's Annual Fundraiser for St Andrew's Hospice** (lodged on 31 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16279](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulating Chloe McMillan Beecher** (lodged on 31 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16274](#) Edward Mountain: Recognition of Dell McClurg's Contribution to the Merkinch Community** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16273](#) Mark Ruskell: Supporting Scottish Raptor Study Group Volunteers** (lodged on 29 January 2025)

New Support: Emma Roddick\*, Ross Greer\*, Sarah Boyack\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, Michael Matheson\*

**[S6M-16270](#) Edward Mountain: Caithness Krakens Win the Caledonia North Region League 2 Title** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16269](#) Edward Mountain: Highland Success at the National Autistic Society Branch Awards** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

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Motions   Glusadan				

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16255](#) Paul O'Kane: Bishopton Primary School Recognised for Achievements in International Eco-Schools Programme** (lodged on 29 January 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Miles Briggs\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Annie Wells\*, Bill Kidd\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-16254](#) Paul O'Kane: Johnstone Dance School Pupil Ava Morrison Achieves Starring Role in The Nutcracker** (lodged on 03 February 2025)

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

**[S6M-16247](#) Kevin Stewart: Mile End Primary and the Net Zero Technology Centre** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16246](#) Kevin Stewart: Apache Fundraising for the Archie Foundation** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16245](#) Craig Hoy: Recognising a Report on the Significant Economic Impact of Torness** (lodged on 29 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16243](#) James Dornan: Recognising the Work of Realgrassroots** (lodged on 31 January 2025)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Karen Adam\*, Richard Leonard\* R

**[S6M-16240](#) Murdo Fraser: Call for Pilot Project Providing Venison on School Menus to be Rolled Out Nationally** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16238](#) Douglas Lumsden: Recognising Sir Ian Wood's Contribution as Chairman of The Wood Foundation** (lodged on 29 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16236](#) Jackie Baillie: Raising Awareness of How Vital Kidneys Are and the Need for Early Identification of Chronic Kidney Disease** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Foyso Choudhury\*, Annie Wells\*, Miles Briggs\*, Monica Lennon\*, Colin Beattie\*, Christine Grahame\*, Carol Mochan\*, Emma Roddick\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, David Torrance\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Brian Whittle\*, John Mason\*, Edward Mountain\*, Sandesh Gulhane\* R, Ruth Maguire\*, Paul O'Kane\*

**[S6M-16231](#) Michael Marra: Dundee's Unicorn Preservation Society Secures National Lottery Heritage Funding** (lodged on 27 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

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**[S6M-16228](#) Douglas Ross: Jean Pryde Named as One of the UK's Most Inspiring Female Entrepreneurs** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane\*, Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16227](#) Douglas Lumsden: Commemorating the Legacy of Stewart Spence MBE** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16226](#) Stuart McMillan: Braille 200** (lodged on 29 January 2025)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane\*, Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16224](#) Tim Eagle: Loch Fyne Candles Opens First Shop in Tarbert, Argyll** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16218](#) Douglas Lumsden: Support in Scotland for Domestic Oil and Gas Production** (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Tim Eagle\*

**[S6M-16217](#) Douglas Lumsden: Welcoming the Restoration of the Bruce Miller's Union Street Clock** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16216](#) Claire Baker: Nurina Sharmin, Engineering Graduate, Receives UHI Perth 2024 Alumni of the Year Award** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16215](#) David Torrance: 50 Years of Radio Forth** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16212](#) Paul Sweeney: International Year of Co-operatives** (lodged on 24 January 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby\* R, Alex Rowley\*

**[S6M-16211](#) Annabelle Ewing: Benarty Bitez** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16210](#) Tim Eagle: Oban Mountain Rescue Team Members Complete Britain's Most Brutal Race** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16209](#) Tim Eagle: The Leanne Fund Celebrates its 15-year Anniversary** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16208](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Student First Scottish Voice on Ring Doorbells** (lodged on 27 January 2025)

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Motions   Glusadan				

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16202](#) Douglas Lumsden: Aberdeen Trinity Centre Comes Second in Loo of the Year Awards** (lodged on 30 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16198](#) Ruth Maguire: Specsavers Investment at Irvine Branch** (lodged on 23 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16197](#) Ruth Maguire: Bourtreehill Supermarket's Big Breakfast Event** (lodged on 23 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16193](#) Tess White: Grampian Hospital Radio Shortlisted for Five Awards** (lodged on 27 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16192](#) Tess White: Wendy Milne Trains Her 100th Guide Dog Pup** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16188](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Company Retains Award for Helping its Young People Get on in the Workplace** (lodged on 23 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-16163](#) Monica Lennon: Welcoming the Nick Sheridan Memorial Bursary Scheme** (lodged on 21 January 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-16153](#) Brian Whittle: Clydesdale Community Initiatives Works Towards Net Zero** (lodged on 20 January 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-16149](#) Clare Haughey: Welcoming Soup and Soul Warm Welcome Sessions in Blantyre** (lodged on 20 January 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-16144](#) Gillian Mackay: Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 2025** (lodged on 20 January 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-16131](#) Douglas Lumsden: Congratulating Aaron Cardno's Victory at the PolarNorth Half Marathon** (lodged on 28 January 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

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Motions   Gluasadan				

**[S6M-16107](#) Gordon MacDonald: Heriot-Watt University Develops a New Technology for Detecting Prostate Cancer** (lodged on 15 January 2025)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane\* R

**[S6M-16059](#) Emma Harper: Stranraer's Gail Munro Appointed an MBE** (lodged on 10 January 2025)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*

**[S6M-16055](#) Michelle Thomson: Larbert High School Achieves Apple Distinguished School Status** (lodged on 10 January 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-16043](#) Kevin Stewart: NHS Grampian Home Haemodialysis** (lodged on 08 January 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-16032](#) Emma Harper: Mrs Mavis Paterson Receives BEM** (lodged on 08 January 2025)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*

**[S6M-16004](#) Emma Harper: Stranraer's Romano Petrucci Appointed MBE** (lodged on 07 January 2025)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*

**[S6M-16000](#) David Torrance: Change Mental Health** (lodged on 07 January 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-15985](#) Ross Greer: Violence Against Demonstrators in Pakistan** (lodged on 03 February 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark\*, Bob Doris\*

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Questions   Ceistean				

## Oral Questions

### Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 19 February 2025

#### Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

- 1. Emma Roddick:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to its policies on land reform and land use, what discussions the rural affairs secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding any action that can be taken to tackle land banking investment scams in the Highlands and Islands, in light of the reported impact that such scams can have on the right of a community to have more of a say in how the land that they live on is used. ([S6O-04314](#))
- 2. Monica Lennon:** [Not Lodged]
- 3. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made on annual reporting of its incentivisation of selective fishing gear and low-impact techniques that the rural affairs secretary committed to commissioning in January 2023. ([S6O-04316](#))
- 4. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government what the survival rate of farmed salmon across all marine farms was in 2024. ([S6O-04317](#))
- 5. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government, as part of the cross-government co-ordination on islands, including connectivity, what discussions the rural affairs secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding support in the draft Budget 2025-26 to improve ferry services to Arran. ([S6O-04318](#))
- 6. Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to support the Scottish dairy sector. ([S6O-04319](#))
- 7. Roz McCall:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what action it can take to challenge the UK Government's inheritance tax changes for farmers. ([S6O-04320](#))
- 8. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is working to support Scotland's food and drink sector, both domestically and internationally. ([S6O-04321](#))

#### Health and Social Care

- 1. Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent programme, *Disclosure: Kids on the Psychiatric Ward*, which features Skye House in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde. ([S6O-04322](#))
- 2. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to encourage the prescription of medicinal cannabis on the NHS for the relief of chronic pain. ([S6O-04323](#))
- 3. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on using the blood spot test given to newborn babies to screen for spinal muscular atrophy to support early diagnosis and effective treatment of babies born with the condition. ([S6O-04324](#))
- 4. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what the current average waiting times are for a neurodevelopmental assessment and a speech and language therapy assessment for children and young people in NHS Lanarkshire and in Scotland as a whole. ([S6O-04325](#))
- 5. Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with the director of the Fife Health and Social Care Partnership, and what was discussed. ([S6O-04326](#))
- 6. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting frontline staff at University Hospital Wishaw. ([S6O-04327](#))

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7. **Sarah Boyack:** [Not Lodged]

8. **Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the action that it is taking to support people with long COVID. ([S6O-04329](#))

## Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 20 February 2025

### Social Justice

1. **Sue Webber:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the housing minister has had with ministerial colleagues regarding what action is being taken to tackle homelessness in relation to care experienced individuals. ([S6O-04338](#))

2. **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what action it is taking to help local authorities move families with children out of temporary accommodation into suitable permanent homes. ([S6O-04339](#))

3. **Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the social justice secretary has had with the UK Government regarding the Women Against State Pension Inequality campaign and potential compensation for women in Scotland. ([S6O-04340](#))

4. **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the social justice secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding how it can improve financial literacy levels among children, in light of reports that it is a key driver of inequality, which affects attainment and perpetuates the cycle of generational poverty. ([S6O-04341](#))

5. **Bill Kidd:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that current and future legislative processes further embed the principles and aims of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Act 2024. ([S6O-04342](#))

6. **John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its negotiations with the Department for Work and Pensions regarding the release of relevant data pertaining to the two-child benefit cap. ([S6O-04343](#))

7. **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the application of equalities legislation, what its position is on the provision of single-sex spaces in public sector buildings, including hospitals. ([S6O-04344](#))

8. **Elena Whitham:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its national mission for tackling child poverty. ([S6O-04345](#))

## General Questions selected for answer on 20 February 2025

1. **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with SEPA regarding how it will address any environmental concerns that arise from new waste incineration sites that have already received approval. ([S6O-04330](#))

2. **Evelyn Tweed:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration is being given to increasing community resilience and supporting their ability to respond to storm-related disruption such as power outages. ([S6O-04331](#))

3. **Michael Marra:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it can provide to Dundee Heritage Trust to ensure the long-term future of the organisation. ([S6O-04332](#))

4. **Michelle Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to local authorities to sustain and expand Gaelic-medium education. ([S6O-04333](#))



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**5. Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact trade barriers have on the Scottish economy. ([S6O-04334](#))

**6. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the representations that it has made to the UK Government regarding reimbursements to the public sector in Scotland due to the increase in employer national insurance contributions. ([S6O-04335](#))

**7. Kevin Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the impact that the UK Government's decision to raise employer national insurance contributions will have on Scottish public services and the economy of Scotland. ([S6O-04336](#))

**8. Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government what research it has recently completed into the efficacy and standardisation of the presumption of inclusion in mainstream education. ([S6O-04337](#))

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## 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 from 10 February 2025 to 14 February 2025

**[S6W-34934](#) Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government when the report of the Nursing and Midwifery Taskforce will be published. **R**

**[S6W-35012](#) Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government how support for the social work profession will progress, following the decision not to proceed with part 1 of the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill. **R**

### Written questions lodged from 10 February 2025 to 14 February 2025

**[S6W-33244](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-32625 by Maree Todd on 8 January 2025, whether it will provide the information that was requested and confirm which NHS boards have restricted access to mental health services to tier (a) 3 and (b) 4 patients.

**[S6W-33245](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-32625 by Maree Todd on 8 January 2025, which NHS boards are meeting their targets for early intervention with regard to mental health.

**[S6W-33570](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to the National Centre for Remote and Rural Health and Care, how it is supporting the expansion of community-based healthcare hubs in rural areas.

**[S6W-34463](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the announcement of interim placement care home beds in January 2023, how many placement care home beds were purchased, and what the cost was per bed.

**[S6W-34467](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy:** To ask the Scottish Government what quality standards are required to be met by any providers used by Social Security Scotland to supply letters in an accessible format.

**[S6W-34507](#) Fergus Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on the reasons for the Lord Advocate and Solicitor General having recused themselves from any role in relation to consideration of possible proceedings resulting from Operation Branchform.

**[S6W-34508](#) Fergus Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on whether the Lord Advocate plans to name the Advocate Depute who has lead responsibility in relation to consideration of possible proceedings resulting from Operation Branchform; if it has this information, whether it will provide the name of the Advocate Depute, and, if not, for what reason it is not able to provide this information.

**[S6W-34590](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-32776 by Jenny Gilruth on 14 January 2025, whether it will publish its analysis of the relocation options for the accreditation function of the SQA, and, if so, by what date.

**[S6W-34653](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support is available to the video game development sector, broken down by (a) grants, (b) tax relief, (c) loans and (d) other funding mechanisms.

**[S6W-34654](#) Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has provided to video game development companies in each of the last five years, broken down by (a) funding stream and (b) local authority area.

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**[S6W-34655 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with video game industry representatives in the last 12 months regarding future funding and support.

**[S6W-34656 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what specific support it provides to independent video game developers.

**[S6W-34657 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to expand support and funding for video game development.

**[S6W-34658 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what skills and training programmes it supports for the video game development industry, and how much funding has been allocated to these in each of the last five years.

**[S6W-34659 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what funding is available to support access to training pathways for careers in video game development, including apprenticeships and further education courses.

**[S6W-34660 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) colleges and (b) universities in Scotland offer courses related to video game development, and what financial support it provides to these institutions.

**[S6W-34661 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what partnerships it has established between the video game industry and education providers to support training and upskilling.

**[S6W-34662 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to address any skills shortages in the video game development sector.

**[S6W-34791 Finlay Carson:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many land managers (a) have completed and (b) are yet to complete the approved training course for muirburn.

**[S6W-34792 Finlay Carson:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the development of the new muirburn code, and what the timescale is for its completion.

**[S6W-34793 Finlay Carson:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the development of the new methodology for determining peat depth to inform maps submitted as part of an application to make muirburn under licence, and what the timescale is for its completion.

**[S6W-34794 Finlay Carson:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the reported concerns expressed by members of the muirburn code working group regarding the feasibility of introducing muirburn licensing provisions ahead of the 2025 muirburn season.

**[S6W-34795 Finlay Carson:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has sought advice from NatureScot regarding commencing the muirburn licensing provisions ahead of the 2025 muirburn season and, if so, whether it will publish this.

**[S6W-34800 Monica Lennon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason its paper, *Scotland's Circular Economy and Waste Route Map to 2030*, does not appear to address artificial turf and crumb rubber.

**[S6W-34801 Monica Lennon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its discussions with sports bodies regarding their use of artificial turf and crumb rubber on playing fields.

**[S6W-34802 Monica Lennon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its discussions with educational bodies regarding their use of artificial turf and crumb rubber on (a) playgrounds and (b) playing fields.

**[S6W-34804 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding the proposed investment zone for the North East Scotland region.

**[S6W-34805 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support it has given to the Aberdeen Energy Transition Zone in each of the last three financial years.

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**[S6W-34806 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government when it expects the investment zone for the North East Scotland region to be in place.

**[S6W-34807 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what financial modelling has been done to evaluate any economic benefits of the proposed investment zone for the North East Scotland region.

**[S6W-34809 Paul Sweeney:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Peel Ports regarding the potential development of a cruise ship berth on the upper Clyde.

**[S6W-34810 Kenneth Gibson:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason there has reportedly been limited progress in taking forward the Ayrshire Growth Deal.

**[S6W-34812 Beatrice Wishart:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will extend the deadline for claims to be lodged with the Scottish Government under the Community Led Local Development Programme (CLLD).

**[S6W-34856 Colin Smyth:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of plans in England and Wales to implement a phased removal of wet-shave razors from adult male prisons, what plans it has to replicate such a proposal in Scotland.

**[S6W-34857 Colin Smyth:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to introduce respiratory protective equipment (RPE) to prisons to protect staff from being exposed to toxic fumes when any incidents involving the illicit use of drugs occur.

**[S6W-34859 Richard Leonard:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will work with Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) and Edinburgh Trams Ltd to extend the discount available to those aged under 22 from Glasgow and Edinburgh to other young people in Scotland who hold a Scottish National Entitlement Card or Young Scot National Entitlement Card.

**[S6W-34860 Liam Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on replacing single-year funding settlements for Police Scotland with multi-year settlements.

**[S6W-34861 Liam Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what the average net pay was, after deductions for tax, national insurance and pension, for each grade of frontline officer in Police Scotland for the financial year 2023-24, and what information it has on how this compared with the equivalent grades in forces in England.

**[S6W-34862 Liam Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many Police Scotland officers or staff were unavailable for deployment in each month of (a) 2023 and (b) 2024 due to sickness or other physical or mental ill health.

**[S6W-34863 Liam Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has plans to trial the "Right Care, Right Person" scheme that has reportedly seen officer capacity increase in Merseyside police, and, if it will not trial this scheme, for what reason.

**[S6W-34864 Liam Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many operational frontline officers there were in each division of Police Scotland in each year from 2014 to date.

**[S6W-34865 Liam Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what the operational base level is for each division of Police Scotland, and how often Police Scotland has been unable to meet that level in each division in the last five years.

**[S6W-34866 Liam Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many operational police stations there were in each division of Police Scotland in each year from 2014 to date.

**[S6W-34867 Liam Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many police stations are currently the subject of review for potential closure in Police Scotland's Estate Strategy, and whether it will specify each potential location.

**[S6W-34869 Stephen Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has provided to Scottish Trans in each year since 2021, and what the objectives of that funding were.

**[S6W-34870 Stephen Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has provided to Intercultural Youth Scotland in each year since 2021, and what the objectives of that funding were.

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**[S6W-34872](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many cybersecurity breaches it has experienced in each year since 2021.

**[S6W-34876](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the effect of free tuition fees on the financial situation of universities in Scotland.

**[S6W-34877](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider establishing a new executive agency responsible for cutting wasteful spending, similar to the Department of Government Efficiency in the United States of America, and, if not, how it plans to reduce any wasteful spending in the public sector.

**[S6W-34878](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government when it first became aware of the reported allegations of mistreatment at Skye House, and what action it has taken since.

**[S6W-34879](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether any concerns about Skye House have ever been raised with (a) the current Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care and (b) any previous health secretaries.

**[S6W-34880](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether an official ministerial visit to Skye House has ever taken place, and, if so, when the last one took place.

**[S6W-34881](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what role the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland plays in monitoring psychiatric inpatient facilities for children, and whether it will review the effectiveness of any such oversight.

**[S6W-34882](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the issues highlighted in the recent BBC programme, *Disclosure: Kids on the Psychiatric Ward*, were reportedly not identified in any of the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland's published reports on Skye House.

**[S6W-34883](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how many complaints of mistreatment at Skye House have been made in each of the last five years.

**[S6W-34884](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has had any discussions with NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde following the recent BBC programme, *Disclosure: Kids on the Psychiatric Ward*, and, if so, what outcomes have resulted from any such discussions.

**[S6W-34885](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how children in psychiatric inpatient care can safely raise concerns about their treatment.

**[S6W-34886](#) Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government what projects in South Lanarkshire were awarded funding in year (a) 3 and (b) 4 of the Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund for Adults.

**[S6W-34887](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many student applications to college have been rejected due to limited places in each year since 1999, broken down by college.

**[S6W-34888](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many afterschool clubs have been funded in each local authority area since 1999.

**[S6W-34890](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many individual STEM subject teachers have been employed in each year in each local authority area since 1999.

**[S6W-34891](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on the number of incidents in schools that Police Scotland have attended in each year since 1999.

**[S6W-34892](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many college course places have been funded in each year since 1999.

**[S6W-34893](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what progress it is making in taking forward its work to update the School Premises (General Requirements and Standards) (Scotland) Regulations Act 1967 to improve standards for toilets in schools so that children with chronic conditions such as inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) have better access to clean, private and accessible facilities.

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**[S6W-34894 Miles Briggs:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) on education; what targeted measures are in place to provide flexibility to children with Crohn's disease and colitis who may need extended time off, and how such students are supported to complete their education.

**[S6W-34895 Tim Eagle:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its news release of 1 December 2017, *800 more GPs for Scotland*, and the commitment set out in it that it would "aim to increase the number of GPs in Scotland by at least 800 over the next decade", how many GPs each NHS board will receive as a result of this.

**[S6W-34896 Tim Eagle:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its news release of 1 December 2017, *800 more GPs for Scotland*, and the commitment set out in it that it would "aim to increase the number of GPs in Scotland by at least 800 over the next decade", how many GPs have been permanently recruited to date, broken down by NHS board.

**[S6W-34897 Colin Smyth:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how many people who are resident in (a) Scotland are registered with a GP in England and (b) England are registered with a GP in Scotland.

**[S6W-34898 Kenneth Gibson:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how much the annual cost would be to provide free ferry tickets for island-based residents of (a) Argyll and Bute, (b) North Ayrshire and (c) the Highlands and Islands who are aged under 22.

**[S6W-34900 Jamie Greene:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried of the reasons for the reported increase in the percentage of people diagnosed with HIV who no longer engaged with HIV clinical services.

**[S6W-34901 Jamie Greene:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what plans there are to extend the emergency department opt-out blood borne virus testing pilot to areas of higher prevalence.

**[S6W-34902 Jamie Greene:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it carried out to determine which NHS boards would take part in the emergency department opt-out blood borne virus testing pilot.

**[S6W-34907 Alex Cole-Hamilton:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will update its national strategy for public CCTV, in light of the research paper, *Public Space CCTV in Scotland*, which was published in November 2023.

**[S6W-34908 Jackie Baillie:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what action has been taken to implement the Respiratory Care Action Plan.

**[S6W-34909 Jackie Baillie:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it measures success of the implementation of the Respiratory Care Action Plan, and what impact has been achieved by the plan.

**[S6W-34910 Jackie Baillie:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it will report on the impact of the Respiratory Care Action Plan at the end of the strategy's life span.

**[S6W-34911 Jackie Baillie:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what plans are in place for a new Respiratory Care Action Plan when the current plan comes to an end in 2026.

**[S6W-34912 Jackie Baillie:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards its commitment in the Respiratory Care Action Plan to improve and simplify access to appropriate diagnostic tests for respiratory conditions and explore the use of high quality, consistent spirometry testing and chest and lung CT scans.

**[S6W-34913 Jackie Baillie:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards its commitment in the Respiratory Care Action Plan to support the ongoing work in the Scottish Access Collaborative' disease-specific pathway projects and ensure developments are embedded in wider respiratory policy.

**[S6W-34914 Jackie Baillie:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards its commitment in the Respiratory Care Action Plan to ensure everyone with respiratory conditions who would benefit from specialist, general and community rehabilitation is able to access

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appropriate services and support, as part of the rehabilitation framework implementation programme.

**[S6W-34915 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards its commitment in the Respiratory Care Action Plan to work with people living with respiratory conditions to better understand the barriers to accessing appropriate mental health support.

**[S6W-34916 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards its commitment in the Respiratory Care Action Plan to work in partnership with key stakeholders including the third sector and the Digital Health and Care Institute (DHI) to ensure that people with respiratory conditions have access to tools, resources and information that support them to manage their own condition.

**[S6W-34917 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards its commitment in the Respiratory Care Action Plan to ensure that people with respiratory conditions have access to tools, resources and information that support them to manage their own condition.

**[S6W-34918 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards its commitment in the Respiratory Care Action Plan to work towards a core respiratory data set.

**[S6W-34919 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards its commitment in the Respiratory Care Action Plan to support wider workforce planning activity to develop innovative, sustainable workforce models in respiratory services.

**[S6W-34920 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards its commitment in the Respiratory Care Action Plan to work with all relevant policy areas to ensure preventative measures are embedded in all aspects of respiratory care.

**[S6W-34921 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how much it estimates NHS Scotland has spent each year on respiratory medicine, including diagnosis, treatment and care, since the publication of the Respiratory Care Action Plan.

**[S6W-34922 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been diagnosed with a lung condition since the publication of the Respiratory Care Action Plan.

**[S6W-34923 Rhoda Grant](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many procedures the National Specialist Services Committee has signed off (a) in each of the last 10 years and (b) since April 2024.

**[S6W-34924 Rhoda Grant](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how often it meets the National Specialist Services Committee; when it last met the committee, and what was discussed.

**[S6W-34925 Colin Smyth](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what action it has taken to reduce waiting times for people with (a) idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and (b) interstitial lung disease since the publication of its Respiratory Care Action Plan.

**[S6W-34926 Colin Smyth](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve diagnosis for (a) idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and (b) interstitial lung disease.

**[S6W-34927 Colin Smyth](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve care for people with (a) idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and (b) interstitial lung disease.

**[S6W-34928 Finlay Carson](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the assessment process for the Borderlands Solway Coast and Marine Project bid has been delayed, and by what date a decision will be made on the funding application.

**[S6W-34929 Mark Griffin](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many properties have had a rural housing burden applied to their title deeds in each year since 2003, broken down by (a) council tax band and (b) local authority area.

**[S6W-34930 Mark Griffin](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government which organisations have become rural housing bodies each year under section 43(6) of the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003.

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**[S6W-34931](#) Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government how many bodies designated as a rural housing body under section 43 (6) of the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 have issued rural housing burdens, broken down by year.

**[S6W-34932](#) Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government how many rural housing burdens have been issued each year since 2003.

**[S6W-34933](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government how the proposals in the Land Reform (Scotland) Bill will impact on people and communities in the Central Scotland region.

**[S6W-34935](#) Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding the percentage of staff in (a) the NHS, (b) care homes and (c) childcare settings who have received the winter 2024-25 influenza vaccine.

**[S6W-34936](#) Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will expand the influenza vaccine eligibility to help reduce the winter pressures on the NHS in winter 2025-26.

**[S6W-34937](#) Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been given the 2024-25 influenza vaccine, broken down by eligibility criteria.

**[S6W-34938](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government how many train (a) arrivals and (b) departures there have been at (i) Cameron Bridge and (ii) Leven rail station each month since June 2024.

**[S6W-34939](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government (a) what its position is on and (b) whether it plans to prepare a legislative consent memorandum for the UK Government's Animal Welfare (Import of Dogs, Cats and Ferrets) Bill.

**[S6W-34940](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will meet its peatland restoration target by 2030.

**[S6W-34941](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will bring forward amendments at stage 2 of the Land Reform (Scotland) Bill to include urban areas.

**[S6W-34942](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports community ownership of land in urban areas.

**[S6W-34943](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to protect the health of farmed fish.

**[S6W-34944](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government how much peatland has been restored since 2021, broken down by local authority area.

**[S6W-34945](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recommendations of the STUC report, *Employment and Corporate Practice in Scotland's wind sector*, including those regarding trade union membership of the Scottish Offshore Wind Energy Council. R

**[S6W-34946](#) Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of its Budget commitment to invest £5.11 million to restore rainforest.

**[S6W-34947](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with Equinor since December 2023.

**[S6W-34948](#) Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will complete the (a) development of the second Strategic Transport Projects Review (STPR2) delivery plan, (b) consultation with the freight industry on lorry parks and (c) national audit and review of support for lorry parks.

**[S6W-34949](#) Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to support single young people experiencing financial difficulties in (a) general and (b) rural areas.

**[S6W-34950](#) Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is offering to young people in rural areas experiencing difficulties due to the cost of living crisis and any high levels of taxation.



**[S6W-34951](#) Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to address any housing affordability issues, and what plans it has to support young people with buying their first home.

**[S6W-34952](#) Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to increase job opportunities for young people in rural communities.

**[S6W-34953](#) Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to develop financial incentives to encourage young people to stay in rural communities, in light of the reported issues with rural depopulation.

**[S6W-34954](#) Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking with NHS Grampian to support the improved delivery of dermatology services, in light of reports that waiting times for urgent referrals for suspected cancer are more than five months, and waiting times for routine referrals are more than two years.

**[S6W-34955](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-34287 by Neil Gray on 27 January 2025, whether the commitments on increasing capacity for appointments relate to, or replace, the targets in the *NHS Recovery Plan 2021-2026* for additional inpatient and day case activity, and outpatient activity.

**[S6W-34956](#) Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made towards achieving the aims of the Personality Disorder Improvement Programme.

**[S6W-34957](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-34287 by Neil Gray on 27 January 2025, regarding its commitment to increase access to GPs, whether this includes the commitment in the *NHS Recovery Plan 2021-2026* to recruit 1,000 additional staff in primary care mental health, and whether that recruitment process has already begun.

**[S6W-34958](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-34287 by Neil Gray on 27 January 2025, what specific action it is taking to reduce delayed discharge.

**[S6W-34959](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on introducing compulsory pay caps for locum doctors in the NHS.

**[S6W-34960](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on introducing a policy of cancelling the student loans of newly qualified doctors if they commit to working in the NHS for a period of five years.

**[S6W-34961](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how much (a) Scottish Forestry, (b) Forestry and Land Scotland and (c) NatureScot has spent on diversity, equality and inclusion (i) officers and (ii) training in each year since 2021. **R**

**[S6W-34962](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what the (a) statutory and (b) non-statutory functions are of (i) Forestry and Land Scotland, (ii) Scottish Forestry and (iii) NatureScot. **R**

**[S6W-34963](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many staff (a) Forestry and Land Scotland, (b) Scottish Forestry and (c) NatureScot have employed on a (i) full-time permanent, (ii) full-time temporary, (iii) part-time permanent and (iv) part-time temporary employment basis in each year since 2021-22. **R**

**[S6W-34964](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how much (a) Forestry and Land Scotland, (b) Scottish Forestry and (c) NatureScot has paid in staff salaries in each year since 2021-22. **R**

**[S6W-34965](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people employed by (a) Forestry and Land Scotland, (b) Scottish Forestry and (c) NatureScot in each year since 2021-22 earned more than the gross national median weekly earnings for 2024-25, broken down by (i) full-time and (ii) part-time staff. **R**

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**[S6W-34966](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how much in total was paid in (a) salaries and (b) expenses to members of the executive board of (i) Forestry and Land Scotland, (ii) Scottish Forestry and (iii) NatureScot in each year since 2021-22. **R**

**[S6W-34967](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what the total desk space capacity is for staff in the headquarters of (a) Scottish Forestry, (b) Forestry and Land Scotland and (c) NatureScot, and how much of that has been used on a weekly basis since January 2024. **R**

**[S6W-34968](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it cost to operate the headquarters of (a) Scottish Forestry, (b) Forestry and Land Scotland and (c) NatureScot in 2023-24, and how much has been budgeted for this in 2024-25. **R**

**[S6W-34969](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what sub-regional offices were operated by (a) Scottish Forestry, (b) Forestry and Land Scotland and (c) NatureScot as of 31 December 2024, and how much has been budgeted to run each office in 2024-25. **R**

**[S6W-34970](#) Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on merging Forestry and Land Scotland and Scottish Forestry (a) into a single organisation or (b) with NatureScot. **R**

**[S6W-34971](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-33259 by Gillian Martin on 11 February 2025, in light of the question focussing on the Scottish Government's policies and strategy, whether it will provide the information requested regarding what assessment it has made of investment and activity levels in the North Sea resulting from a "presumption against new exploration for oil and gas", as set out in its *Draft Energy Strategy and Just Transition Plan*, and whether it plans to remove language around a "presumption against" to encourage investment in the North Sea; if no such assessment has been made, either before or since publishing the draft strategy, whether it will confirm this, and whether it has taken a decision to only develop strategy by reference to "recent developments in the UK Government's energy policy and court decisions".

**[S6W-34972](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-33261 by Gillian Martin on 12 February 2025, whether it will provide the information requested regarding what (a) discussions and (b) meetings it has had with (i) expert organisations and (ii) the UK Government regarding the potential consequences for the UK's future gas supply if the Jackdaw gas field was not to be developed for any reason, and whether it will publish the minutes of any such meetings, and, if no such discussions or meetings have taken place, whether it will confirm this.

**[S6W-34973](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle marine litter in (a) Scotland and (b) Loch Long, Arrochar.

**[S6W-34974](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding it has provided to tackle marine litter in each of the last five years, and what funding is planned in the draft Budget 2025-26.

**[S6W-34975](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will make marine litter that is collected by communities cleaning up shorelines exempt from Scottish Landfill Tax.

**[S6W-34976](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what consultation it plans to undertake with the licensed hospitality sector ahead of planned non-domestic rates revaluations in 2026.

**[S6W-34977](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what formal representations it has made to the UK Government regarding which sectors in Scotland could be exempted from the planned increase in the rate of employer national insurance contributions, and, if it has made any such representations, which sectors it has specifically raised with the UK Government, and whether this included licensed hospitality.

**[S6W-34978](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what economic impact analysis it has undertaken regarding the licensed hospitality sector in relation to the limited non-domestic rates relief provided for in the draft Budget 2025-26, and when any such analysis will be published.

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**[S6W-34979](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to deliver a fairer, long-term replacement for non-domestic rates that will more equitably support the licensed hospitality sector, and whether it plans to consult on the implementation of any such replacement ahead of planned revaluations in 2026.

**[S6W-34980](#) Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-20893 by Jenny Gilruth on 26 September 2023, on what date it will publish the equivalent data for 2024-25.

## Amendments

### Amendments to Bills lodged on 12 February 2025

#### Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

##### After section 29

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**85** After section 29, insert—

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##### NON-HARASSMENT ORDERS

##### **Non-harassment orders: sexual offence cases**

- (1) The 1995 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 234AZA (non-harassment orders: domestic abuse cases), insert—

##### **“234AZB Non-harassment orders: sexual offence cases**

- (1) Section 234A applies subject to this section if an offence referred to in subsection (1) of that section is one listed in subsection (2)(b).
- (2) For the purposes of this section—
  - (a) “victim” has the same meaning as it has in section 234A,
  - (b) the list is—
    - (i) an offence under section 52 or 52A of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (offences involving indecent photographs of children),
    - (ii) an offence to which section 288C of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 applies (certain sexual offences),
    - (iii) an offence under section 1 of the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Act 2005 (offence of female genital mutilation),
    - (iv) an offence under section 1, 9, 10, 11 or 12 of the Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Act 2005 (certain sexual offences against or in respect of children),
    - (v) an offence under section 1 (human trafficking) or section 4 (slavery, servitude and forced or compulsory labour) of the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015,
    - (vi) an offence under section 2 of the Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Act 2016 (disclosing, or threatening to disclose, an intimate photograph or film),
    - (vii) an offence under section 140, 141, 142, 152, 153 or 154 of the Health and Care Act 2022 (offences relating to virginity testing and hymenoplasty).
- (3) The court must make a non-harassment order in the person’s case where—
  - (a) the person is known to the victim, and

- (b) the victim agrees to the order being made.
- (4) In the operation of section 234A along with subsection (3)—
  - (a) subsections (1A), (2), (2A), (2BA) and (2C) of that section are of no effect,
  - (b) the reference in subsection (6) of that section to the prosecutor at whose instance the order is made is to be read as being to the prosecutor in the case in which the non-harassment order is made.
- (5) For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this section affects the ability to make a non-harassment order in addition to dealing with the person in any other way.”.>

## New Subordinate Legislation

### Subject to affirmative procedure

The following draft instruments were re-laid before Parliament on 10 February 2025 and are subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Tied Pubs \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 24(2) of the Tied Pubs (Scotland) Act 2021

[Social Security \(Up-rating\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 96(2) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

### Subject to negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 12 February 2025 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Order 2025 \(SI 2025/124\)](#)

Laid under schedule 3 of the Climate Change Act 2008

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## Members' Bills Proposals

### Proposals for Member's Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no statement is made that the Scottish Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at [Proposals for Members' Bills/Session 6 Proposals](#):

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### Final Proposal for a Member's Bill

**Ash Regan: Proposed Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill**—A proposal for a Bill to create an offence of paying for sexual acts, to repeal the offence of soliciting or importuning by prostitutes, to repeal previous convictions for soliciting or importuning by prostitutes and to support those in or exiting prostitution. (lodged 21 January 2025)

Accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

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## Progress of Legislation

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

<https://www.parliament.scot/bills-and-laws/bills>

For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 4 February 2025

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

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

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

Stage 2 (Finance and Public Administration Committee), 18 February 2025

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 25 February 2025

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 19 February 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (3<sup>rd</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

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

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

Stage 1 completed, 18 December 2024



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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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

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

Passed, 22 December 2022

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

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

Before Stage 2 (evidence (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)), 28 January 2025

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 18 February 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (5<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 18 February 2025

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 25 February 2025

*Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 19 February with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

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

Passed, 15 January 2025

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

Stage 2 completed, 28 January 2025

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 4 February 2025

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

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

Stage 1 Report (Education, Children and Young People Committee) published, 4 February 2025

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

Stage 2 completed, 11 December 2024

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After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 18 February 2025

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

Introduced, 17 December 2024

*Lead committee – Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments*

### **Tertiary Education and Training (Funding and Governance) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 5 February 2025

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Criminal Justice Committee), 12 March 2025

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 6 March with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

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

Passed, 23 January 2025

## **Legislative Consent Memorandums**

**A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:**

<https://www.parliament.scot/bills-and-laws/legislative-consent-memorandums>

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

Lodged on 22 November 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (2<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2025)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

Lodged on 11 December 2024

Meeting (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 19 February 2025

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

Lodged on 28 January 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 6 February 2025

*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (2<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022

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

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

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

Lodged on 24 September 2024

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*Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (1<sup>st</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

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

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025

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

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

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

Lodged on 21 November 2024

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

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 28 January 2025

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

#### **Affirmative instruments**

#### **Subject to approval by 9 February 2025**

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

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

#### **Subject to approval by 26 February 2025**

[Rural Support \(Improvement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (9 January 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 3 March 2025**

[Disclosure \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(List A and B Offences\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (14 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Regulated Roles with Children and Adults \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (14 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (14 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

#### **Subject to approval by 10 March 2025**

[Disclosure \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Incidental, Supplementary and Consequential Provision\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (21 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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### Subject to approval by 13 March 2025

[Social Security Up-rating \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (24 January 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

### Subject to approval by 16 March 2025

[Community Care \(Personal Care and Nursing Care\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (27 January 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[National Bus Travel Concession Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (27 January 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

### Subject to approval by 17 March 2025

[Provision of Early Learning and Childcare \(Specified Children\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (28 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

### Subject to approval by 18 March 2025

[Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Treatment of Qualifications Scotland as Specified Authority\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (29 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

### Subject to approval by 19 March 2025

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (30 January 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

### Subject to approval by 24 March 2025

[Local Government Finance \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (4 February 2025) (The Parliament)

### Subject to approval by 27 March 2025

[Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (7 February 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

### Subject to approval by 28 March 2025

[Tied Pubs \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (10 February 2025) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Social Security \(Up-rating\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (10 February 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

### Negative instruments

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**Subject to annulment 18 February 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 17 February 2025**

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

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

**Subject to annulment 22 February 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 17 February 2025**

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

**Subject to annulment 2 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 24 February 2025**

[Protection of Vulnerable Groups \(Prescribed Services and Activities\) \(Protected Adult\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/4\)](#) (13 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Disclosure Information \(Accredited Bodies\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/5\)](#) (13 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to annulment 5 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 3 March 2025**

[Building \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/6\)](#) (16 January 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

**Subject to annulment 6 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 3 March 2025**

[Little Loch Broom Scallops Several Fishery \(Variation\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/7\)](#) (17 January 2025)  
(Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to annulment 12 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 10 March 2025**

[Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/8\)](#) (23 January 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Sheriff Appeal Court Fees Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/9\)](#) (23 January 2025) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment 19 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 17 March 2025**

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[Scottish Road Works Register \(Prescribed Fees\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/18\)](#) (30 January 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Non-Domestic Rating \(Valuation of Utilities\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/19\)](#) (30 January 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

**Subject to annulment 23 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 17 March 2025**

[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/24\)](#) (3 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Fees for Scheme Membership and Disclosure Applications \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/25\)](#) (3 February 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Level 1 and Level 2 Disclosure Review Application \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/26\)](#) (3 February 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to annulment 27 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 24 March 2025**

[Environmental Protection \(Injurious Articles\) \(Fixed Penalty Notices and Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/28\)](#) (7 February 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Cost of Living \(Tenant Protection\) \(Saving Provision\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/29\)](#) (7 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[National Assistance \(Sums for Personal Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/30\)](#) (7 February 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[National Assistance \(Assessment of Resources\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/31\)](#) (7 February 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 28 March 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 24 March 2025**

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Order 2025 \(SI 2025/124\)](#) (12 February 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

## Petitions

The following petitions were lodged by the Parliament on 10 February 2025:

PE2141: Support the neurodiverse community by providing funding for psychoeducation

PE2142: Review the policy on school commencement and deferred school entry in Scotland

PE2143: Introduce legislation to require all landlords to tackle damp and mould to specified standards

PE2144: Ban the sale and use of artificial sweeteners in food and drinks

PE2145: Bring in compulsory microchipping for cats in Scotland

<https://petitions.parliament.scot/petitions>

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

The following report was published on 10 February 2025—

Economy and Fair Work Committee, 3rd Report, 2025 (Session 6): Report on subordinate legislation considered by the Economy and Fair Work Committee on 29 January and 5 February 2025 (SP Paper 737)

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

### Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 10 February 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**The Scottish Ministers response to the Scottish Commission on Social Security Recommendations on the Up-rating Regulations 2025 (SG/2025/30)** laid under section 97(9)(a) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

The Scottish Ministers response to the Scottish Commission on Social Security Recommendations on the Up-rating Regulations 2025 (SG/2025/16) which was laid on 24 January was **withdrawn** on 10 February 2025



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