

Monday 24 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 19 February 2025

Tuesday 25 February 2025

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Wayne Sutton, Senior Pastor, Carrubbers Christian Centre

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 — S6M-15868 Emma Harper: Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2025

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: Economy

followed by Scottish Green Party Debate: Transport

followed by Appointment of Member of the Standards Commission for Scotland

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 — S6M-16389 Fulton MacGregor: Northern Corridor Community Forum's Evidence-based Report

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 — S6M-15739 Murdo Fraser: Protection of Park Home Residents

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2025

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Increasing Investment in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 4 March 2025

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 5 March 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Government Business

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

Thursday 6 March 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Committee Debate: Tackling Drug Deaths and Drug Harm

Today's Business
Gnothaichean an-diugh

Future Business
Gnothaichean ri teachd

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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>

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

25 February 2025

6th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Alex Bruce on 85229 or at

Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

25 February 2025

8th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15 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.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the National Bus Travel Concession Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2025 from—
Jim Fairlie, Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity, Scottish Government;
Carole Stewart, Head of Bus Strategy and Funding Policy, Gary McIntyre, Economist - Bus, Active Travel & Low Carbon Economics, and Bettina Sizeland, Director of Bus, Accessibility and Active Travel, Transport Scotland.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Jim Fairlie (Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity) to move—
S6M-16241—That the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee recommends that the National Bus Travel Concession Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2025 be approved.
4. **Environmental regulation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Environment Protection Agency's annual report and accounts and current priorities from—
Lisa Tennant, Chair, Nicole Paterson, Chief Executive Officer, Kirsty-Louise Campbell, Chief Officer, Governance, Performance, and Engagement, Alex Flucker, Chief Operating Officer, Data, Evidence, and Innovation, and David Harley, Head of Regulation, Business, and Environment, Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA).
5. **Environmental regulation:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under agenda item 4.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath on 85232 or at peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot

Finance and Public Administration Committee

25 February 2025

7th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Joanne McNaughton, at FPA.committee@parliament.scot.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

25 February 2025

7th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to made affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Scottish Landfill Tax \(Standard Rate and Lower Rate\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/41)
3. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Public Services Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Part 2 Further Extension\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)
4. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Level 1 and Level 2 Disclosure Review Application \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/26)
[Environmental Protection \(Injurious Articles\) \(Fixed Penalty Notices and Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/28)
[Cost of Living \(Tenant Protection\) \(Saving Provision\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/29)
[National Assistance \(Sums for Personal Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/30)
[National Assistance \(Assessment of Resources\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/31)
[Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment \(Amendment\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/36)
[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Order 2025](#) (SI 2025/124)
5. **Employment Rights Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the powers to make subordinate legislation within devolved competence conferred on Scottish Ministers in the Bill.
6. **Tobacco and Vapes Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the Scottish Government's response to points raised by the Committee.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Greg Black at Greg.Black@parliament.scot

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

25 February 2025

5th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—[Sheriff Appeal Court Fees Amendment Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/9).
2. **Budget Scrutiny 2025-26:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2025-26 from—
Kaukab Stewart, Minister for Equalities, Nick Bland, Deputy Director, Mainstreaming and Inclusion, and Matthew Elsby, Deputy Director, Fiscal Policy and Constitution, Scottish Government.
3. **Budget Scrutiny 2025-26 (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 2.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Euan Donald on 85204 or at euandonald@parliament.scot

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

25 February 2025

6th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Council Tax Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Paul Ferguson, Senior Service Manager for Housing, Falkirk Council and Member, Scottish Executive of Institute for Revenues Institute of Revenues Rating and Valuation (IRRV);
Matthew Evans, Head of Service, Revenues & Benefits, Wrexham Council and President, Institute of Revenues Rating and Valuation (IRRV) Wales Association;
Lisa Hayward, Finance Policy Officer (Revenues and Benefits), Welsh Local Government Association;
Heather Honeyman, President, Scottish Assessors' Association and Assessor, Fife Council;
Brian Rout, Assessor for Scottish Borders Council and Secretary, Scottish Assessors' Association.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
[Non-Domestic Rating \(Valuation of Utilities\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025](#)
[Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#)
4. **Council Tax Inquiry:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Building Safety:** The Committee will consider written evidence.
6. **Ethical Standards Commissioner:** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Ethical Standards Commissioner.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jenny Mouncer on 5980 or at localgov.committee@parliament.scot

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee 26 February 2025 7th 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 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Scottish Human Rights Commission's report:** The Committee will take evidence from— Professor Angela O'Hagan, Chair, and Dr Luis Felipe Yanes, Legal Policy Development Officer, Scottish Human Rights Commission.
3. **Scottish Human Rights Commission's report:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Emma Johnston on 85225 or at emma.johnston@parliament.scot

Education, Children and Young People Committee 26 February 2025 7th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument— [Level 1 and Level 2 Disclosure Review Application \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)
2. **Widening Access Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from— Professor John McKendrick, Commissioner for Fair Access; and then from— James Dunphy, Director of Educational Excellence, Advanced HE; Lydia Rohmer, Principal and Chief Executive, UHI North, West and Hebrides, representing Colleges Scotland; Rebecca Scarlett, Senior Policy and Information Officer, Lead Scotland; Claire McPherson, Director, Universities Scotland.
3. **Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Pauline McIntyre on 85252 or at Pauline.McIntyre@parliament.scot

Economy and Fair Work Committee 26 February 2025

7th 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 item 4 in private.
2. **New Deal for Business:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Nathalie Agnew, Managing Director, Muckle Media Ltd;
Claire Mack, Chief Executive, Scottish Renewables;
Tony Rodgers, Chief Executive, Emtelle UK Limited;
Jane Wood, Chief Executive, Homes for Scotland;
and then from—
Luke McGarty, Head of Policy and Public Affairs, Scottish Grocers' Federation;
Karen Meechan, Chief Executive Officer, ScotlandIS;
Paul Mitchell, Operations Director, Scottish Building Federation;
Leon Thompson, Executive Director, UKHospitality Scotland.
3. **New Deal for Business (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider correspondence from Consumer Scotland on its draft Work Programme 2025-2026.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Anne Peat on 85182 or at anne.peat@parliament.scot

Public Audit Committee

26 February 2025

7th 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 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Sustainable transport: Reducing car use:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Cornilius Chikwama, Audit Director, and Ashleigh Madjitey, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland;
Malcolm Bell, Member, Accounts Commission.
3. **Sustainable transport: Reducing car use:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Cornilius Chikwama, Audit Director, and Ashleigh Madjitey, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland;
Malcolm Bell, Member, Accounts Commission.
4. **Sustainable transport: Reducing car use:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3 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

Criminal Justice Committee
26 February 2025
7th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's intentions in relation to Stage 2 of the Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill from—
Angela Constance, Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs, Heather Reece-Wells, Criminal Justice Reform Unit, Lisa McCloy, Criminal Justice Reform Unit, Andrew Baird, Criminal Justice Reform Unit, Carole Robinson, Violence Against Women and Girls Unit, Simon Stockwell, Family Law Unit, Nicola Guild, Legal Directorate, and Sarah Crawford, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
2. **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.
3. **Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie on 85931 or at Stephen.Imrie@parliament.scot

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Motions Glusadan				

Motions

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

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-16552](#) Pam Gosal: Raja Rani Restaurant of Bearsden Wins Curry Restaurant of the Year – Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates Raja Rani restaurant, of Bearsden, on winning the prestigious title of Curry Restaurant of the Year – Scotland at a glittering ceremony held at a venue in the Ribble Valley, Lancashire; understands that customers and members of the community voted for the business in an online poll; appreciates the dedication of the management and staff towards putting the restaurant and Bearsden on the culinary map, and wishes the business every success for the future.

***[S6M-16551](#) David Torrance: Young Footballers Litter-pick Success in Kirkcaldy**—That the Parliament commends the efforts of Kirkcaldy Football Club's 2015s, who were responsible for collecting 32 bags-worth of litter, and other debris, from Randolph playing fields and surrounding woodlands in Kirkcaldy; understands that Fife Council assisted with the provision of bags, litter-pickers and collections; notes that the young footballers will continue to litter pick on a regular basis, with their next litter pick scheduled for March 2025, and congratulates them for the positive impact they have made on their community.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Kevin Stewart*

***[S6M-16550](#) Douglas Lumsden: Welcoming BP's Success and Continued Investment in the UK**—That the Parliament welcomes BP's reported announcement that its B22 well on the Clair Ridge platform is "exceeding expectations"; notes that the platform currently produces 12,500 barrels of oil per day; welcomes heartily the investment that BP continues to make in Scotland and the UK continental shelf, and encourages BP to continue what it sees as its common-sense approach to drilling and explorations operations, which, it believes, contribute greatly to the UK's energy security.

***[S6M-16549](#) Sharon Dowey: Congratulating Beat the Street Carrick on a Successful First Week**—That the Parliament congratulates Beat the Street Carrick on a successful first week, following its launch; understands that Beat the Street, which is delivered by Intelligent Health, on behalf of South Ayrshire Council, is an interactive travel game that encourages walking, cycling and wheeling, to get people moving; further understands that the game, which will run for four weeks, has already seen more than 2,000 participants, with many more expected to come, and

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commends the work of all those involved in Beat the Street across Carrick, South Ayrshire and Scotland.

Supported by: Brian Whittle*, Douglas Ross*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Meghan Gallacher*, Annie Wells*, Miles Briggs*

***[S6M-16548](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Congratulating Pupils and Staff at Hyndland Secondary School on Decade-breaking Success**—That the Parliament understands that Education Scotland inspectors have awarded Glasgow-based Hyndland Secondary School the first "excellent" ratings in Scotland in almost a decade; recognises that the ratings for both the "learning, teaching and assessment" and "raising attainment and achievement" categories were awarded the top-grade following the inspection in November 2024; congratulates the school's pupils and staff for their personal efforts in demonstrating what it sees as state education at its very best, and serving as an example of what can be achieved; understands that one-fifth of the school's intake is in receipt of free school meals and that a quarter of pupils come from the most deprived data zones, which are traditional measures of ensuring equality of school outcomes and attainment across society; notes the wide range of over 50 extra-curricular activities on offer; understands that almost every pupil is involved in such activities, and commends the school for providing what it considers is a blueprint to improve outcomes for all pupils across the country.

***[S6M-16547](#) Ivan McKee: Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Part 2 Further Extension) Order 2025 [draft]**—That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Part 2 Further Extension) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Shona Robison

***[S6M-16546](#) Ivan McKee: Scottish Landfill Tax (Standard Rate and Lower Rate) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/41)** —That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Scottish Landfill Tax (Standard Rate and Lower Rate) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/41) be approved.

Supported by: Shona Robison

***[S6M-16545](#) Claire Baker: Five Charities Take Part in the Walk on Fire for Fife**—That the Parliament extends its gratitude to the five Fife-based charities that participated in the Walk On Fire for Fife, to raise funds; understands that staff, young people, supporters and volunteers from Fife Young Carers, Fife Women's Aid - FWA, Greener Kirkcaldy and Clued Up Bunker all took part in the fire walk at Balbirnie House Hotel, in Markinch in Fife; recognises the hard work, dedication and commitment of everyone involved in the work of these charities who, it believes, make an incredible impact, difference and valuable contribution to the everyday lives supporting people in communities across Fife; expresses its thanks to everyone who took part, supported and donated, and extends its very best wishes for the future.

***[S6M-16541](#) Colin Beattie: Rosslyn Chapel Restoration Works Completed** —That the Parliament congratulates Rosslyn Chapel Trust on completing major restoration and repair works at Rosslyn Chapel; notes that the £4 million project re-roofed the great hall and tower, to conserve and consolidate the castle's stonework, in addition to developing a sustainable heating strategy; understands that Rosslyn Castle's East Range now has a permanent roof over the great hall and tower for the first time since 1650, when the Castle was partially destroyed by Cromwell's troops; further understands that the entire building is now net zero-ready, after six air-source heat pumps were installed, and commends the work of the Rosslyn Chapel Trust and everyone involved.

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***[S6M-16540](#) Clare Adamson: Congratulating Isa Cox on her 100th Birthday**—That the Parliament congratulates Mrs Isa Cox, of Gowkthrapple, Wishaw, on the occasion of her 100th birthday on 20 March 2025; acknowledges her dedicated service in the Land Army during the war years, where she played a vital role in supporting the nation's agricultural efforts by taking on essential farm work to ensure food production remained steady, despite the challenges of wartime; notes her contribution working in an accounts firm in Glasgow during the remainder of the war, and later in the Lanarkshire Steelworks accounts department until her retirement, and wishes Mrs Cox continued health, happiness, and joy as she celebrates this remarkable milestone.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*, Clare Haughey*, Kevin Stewart*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*, Bob Doris*

***[S6M-16538](#) Sharon Dowey: We Hae Meat Wins at The VIBES Scottish Environment Business Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates South Ayrshire's We Hae Meat, which has won the Energy Transition Scotland Award at the 2024 VIBES Scottish Environment Business Awards; understands that the winners "highlighted leading work in nature-based solutions, energy transitions, circular economy models, and sustainable transport initiatives proving that what's good for the environment is also good for business"; recognises that We Hae Meat operates from its purpose-built site located on the family farm, Cairnhill, in the beautiful Girvan Valley, Carrick; further recognises that the site incorporates its own spacious, climate-controlled hanging chills, which allow it to expertly manage the maturing process of the meat, and specially designed product development, butchery and recipe preparation areas; commends the work of We Hae Meat, and wishes it every success for the future.

Supported by: Murdo Fraser*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Douglas Ross*, Brian Whittle*, Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Pam Gosal*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*, Annie Wells*

***[S6M-16535](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Pollok Man Launches Football Team for Older Men**—That the Parliament congratulates Christopher Moore on launching a brand new football team, after staying active helped him, following his wife's death in 2024; notes that the Old Boys Football Night aims to offer people, who may be facing challenges such as in relation to bereavement or mental health, a place to receive support as well as an opportunity to stay active and meet new people; understands that the group is for men specifically over the age of 40, who feel like they have drifted away from the game, or no longer have the same social circles; acknowledges that the opening night on 7 February 2025 saw 16 men turn up and that the team now has close to 30 members, and understands that the Old Boys Football Nights take place every Friday at 7pm at Hillwood Community Sports Hub, based in the south side of Glasgow.

***[S6M-16534](#) Annie Wells: Darts Star Visits Men's Shed Govan to Promote Men's Health**—That the Parliament congratulates the Men's Shed in Govan on receiving a visit from the darts player, Stephen Bunting; understands that he urged men to be more open about their health during the visit, which took place ahead of the Premier League's visit to the city on 13 February 2025; further understands that tens of thousands of men in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde (NHSGGC) delay seeking medical care until it becomes urgent and that this is often due to not knowing where to go, or feeling embarrassed to reach out; notes reports that NHSGGC figures also reveal that men are nearly 15% more likely than women to attend A&E as their first port of call, rather than accessing the right care in the right place; understands that Stephen Bunting found his visit to the Men's Shed very interesting and that he praised its concept and how it promotes the importance of health and wellbeing in men, and believes that the Men's Shed in

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Govan is a really important resource for men to receive support and encouragement with issues affecting their health and wellbeing.

***[S6M-16533](#) Michelle Thomson: Victims' Awareness Week 2025**—That the Parliament congratulates Victim Support Scotland on 40 years of supporting victims and witnesses of any type of crime, through their service, which is powered by volunteers in communities all across Scotland; recognises the practical and emotional support that, it understands, has been offered to over 18,000 people in 2024 alone, helping them to know that there can be a way forward; notes that Victims' Awareness Week 2025 runs from 21 to 28 February, with the theme "Listen. Act. Hope."; highlights what it sees as the value of listening to victims' voices in a complex system, and encourages anyone affected by crime to seek guidance and support from Victim Support Scotland.

***[S6M-16530](#) Monica Lennon: World Hearing Day**—That the Parliament marks the World Health Organization's World Hearing Day on 3 March 2025; understands that this day raises awareness on how to prevent deafness and hearing loss and promote ear and hearing care across the world; believes that deaf people in Scotland face many barriers to healthcare, including deaf children and young people, who, it understands, are between 30% and 50% more likely to experience mental health issues; understands that National Deaf Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services operates in England, and works with children and young people aged 0-18 who have severe to profound hearing loss, have deaf parents or have British Sign Language as a first language and who also experience emotional and/or behavioural issues, and believes that the Scottish Government should review best practice in England and elsewhere, in order to reduce any barriers to children and young people accessing mental health support.

***[S6M-16529](#) Ruth Maguire: Kilwinning Family Wins Stewart Travel Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates Katriona Lynch and her daughters, Aiva-Rose and Ellie-Mai, from Kilwinning, on winning a £5,000 holiday prize through a Stewart Travel competition; understands that the competition was nationwide; further understands that, with the experienced planning of Irvine branch manager Diane McKee, this incredible opportunity will allow the family to enjoy a much-deserved break together; acknowledges the excitement and joy that this prize has reportedly brought to the family following the passing of Aiva-Rose and Ellie-Mai's father, and commends Stewart Travel's Irvine branch for making this special moment possible for a local family.

***[S6M-16528](#) Ruth Maguire: Stevenston Florist to Retire**—That the Parliament acknowledges the retirement of Christine Frew, owner of Roadside Flower Shop in Stevenston, after 24 years of dedicated service to the community; notes the shop's popularity and the warm wishes that Christine has received from customers following her announcement; understands that her intention is to rent out the premises to a budding young florist, ensuring that the business can continue to serve the local area, and thanks Christine for her years of dedication, providing high-quality floristry and personal service to the people of Stevenston and beyond.

***[S6M-16527](#) Ruth Maguire: Funding Boost for North Ayrshire Athletics Club**—That the Parliament welcomes the award of £27,000 from North Ayrshire Ventures Trust to North Ayrshire Athletics Club to support the recruitment of an additional staff member; notes that this role will focus on expanding opportunities for young people across the region to participate in athletics; recognises the club's success in engaging over 1,000 young athletes, with 250 taking part regularly, and commends the club's efforts to create inclusive sporting opportunities, particularly in deprived areas, while also providing training, volunteering, and employment pathways for young people.

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***[S6M-16525](#) Claire Baker: Recognising the £10,000 from the National Lottery's Community Fund to That Place in the Bay, Dalgety Bay, Fife**—That the Parliament recognises the award of £10,000 from the National Lottery's Community Fund to That Place in the Bay, which is a charity based in Dalgety Bay; understands that the community hub offers arts and crafts provision, a café and space for community groups and learning, with the aim of eliminating social isolation and promoting mental wellbeing; notes that the charity also partners with Cafe Inc. to provide free meals during school holidays and facilitate group meetings, including Andy's Man Club; believes that this funding award is recognition of That Place in the Bay's commitment to inclusion; is grateful for all the staff and volunteers who make a difference to people living in the local area, and extends its very best wishes for continued success in the future.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*

***[S6M-16510](#) James Dornan: Calling for a Boycott on Israel's Sporting Participation**—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the important work that campaigners in Scotland have done in the last year to highlight the campaign, Show Israel the Red Card, which aims to highlight what it considers to be the injustices of Israel's ongoing participation in sporting events while, it believes, breaching sporting statutes and international law, as well as reportedly killing athletes and destroying their sports infrastructure due to what it sees as the ongoing occupation and genocide in Palestine; welcomes the recent call of the Celtic FC supporters group, the Green Brigade, to extend this campaign to football fans from around the world; believes that, now that members of the International Court of Justice have reportedly considered Israel to be an apartheid state, and that governments must take steps to end it, the Gleneagles Agreement now applies; highlights what it sees as the powerful role that sport has in promoting freedom of movement and expression of culture, which it believes is currently denied to Palestinian people; acknowledges what it regards as Scotland's role, as part of the UK, in the creation of the Israeli state through the Balfour Declaration, and believes, therefore, that Scotland has a duty of redress to the Palestinian people, and considers that the Scottish Government must lead the way in calling for sporting boycotts, as an effective way to isolate Israel internationally, in order to help end what it sees as the apartheid regime in Palestine, pursuant to the freedom of Palestinian people. **R**

Supported by: Mercedes Villalba*, Maggie Chapman*, Gillian Mackay*, Ross Greer*

***[S6M-16305](#) David Torrance: Stellar Quines' Successful Funding Bid Brings Intersectional Feminist Theatre to Kirkcaldy**—That the Parliament congratulates Kirkcaldy-based theatre company, Stellar Quines, on its successful funding bid to Creative Scotland; notes that Stellar Quines has been awarded £728,677, over a three-year period, to support programming aligned with its vision of being an intersectional feminist theatre company; recognises Stellar Quines 30-year history and its stated focus on programming aimed to enrich the conversation about gender equity in Scotland by creating platforms for women, non-binary people and people from other marginalised genders to be creative, to think critically and to come together; commends its recent move to Kirkcaldy which, it understands, aims to commit to a place-based approach in its work, and wishes everyone involved all the best over the next three years.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*, Rona Mackay*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Kevin Stewart*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-16543](#) Kevin Stewart: Supporting Ukraine (lodged on 20 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Karen Adam*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16524](#) Colin Beattie: Three Years of Solidarity with Ukraine (lodged on 20 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Karen Adam*, Fulton MacGregor*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16517](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating Queer Memories of Aberdeen (lodged on 20 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16515](#) Maggie Chapman: World Social Justice Day (lodged on 20 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16514](#) Maggie Chapman: Standing Up for People Who Have Made Irregular Crossings to the UK as Refugees (lodged on 20 February 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*, Humza Yousaf*, Karen Adam*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16508](#) Clare Adamson: Commending New College Lanarkshire Level 6 Pastry Chefs on their Bake Sale (lodged on 19 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16507](#) Clare Adamson: Miracle Foundation SCIO Charity Receives Funding Donations (lodged on 19 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16506](#) Edward Mountain: Ross-shire Roadies' Fundraising Efforts in Support of Motor Neurone Disease Research (lodged on 19 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Craig Hoy*, Jamie Greene*, Karen Adam*, Annie Wells*, Stuart McMillan*, Brian Whittle*, Tess White*, Pam Gosal*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16502](#) Clare Haughey: Beyond Brotherhood Group Launches in Rutherglen (lodged on 20 February 2025)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*, Kenneth Gibson*, Emma Harper*, Karen Adam*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16501](#) Edward Mountain: Great Wilderness Challenge and its Donation of Vital Kit to Dundonnell Mountain Rescue Team (lodged on 19 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Craig Hoy*, Brian Whittle*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16500](#) Annabelle Ewing: Lottery Funding for That Place in the Bay (lodged on 19 February 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Clare Haughey*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16498](#) Emma Roddick: Shetland Youth Music Festival Secures Important Funding (lodged on 19 February 2025)

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Motions Glusadan				

New Support: Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16497](#) John Mason: World Day of Social Justice 2025 (lodged on 19 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16495](#) Emma Roddick: SSEN Transmission's Regional Community Benefit Fund (lodged on 19 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16494](#) David Torrance: Autism Rocks Purchases Parish Church, Secures Future (lodged on 19 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16493](#) Stuart McMillan: Congratulations to McArthur Scott Estate Agency on Multiple Award Wins (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16492](#) Stuart McMillan: Congratulations to Inverclyde Band, Slix, on Winning Best Live Act (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Tess White*

[S6M-16491](#) Stuart McMillan: Ardgowan Distillery's Success at the World Whisky Awards (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16487](#) Liz Smith: Flight Lieutenant Graham Wilf Taylor (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16485](#) Liz Smith: Hamish MacInnes Donation (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16484](#) Claire Baker: Welcoming the New Bike Pump Track and Jump Loop in King George V Park in Clackmannan (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16483](#) Bob Doris: Summerston Netball Club Wins Glasgow Lord Provost Award 2024 (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Brian Whittle*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16482](#) Bill Kidd: Kingsway Community Connections Receives £142,593 from National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16481](#) Bill Kidd: Bloody Amazing CIC Receives £15,210 from National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-16480](#) Claire Baker: Congratulating Finalists Announced in Fife Chamber of Commerce Business Awards 2025 (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16477](#) Alexander Stewart: New SPFL Trust Community Hub to Open at The Hive in Alloa (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16476](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa-based Structural Engineering Consultancy Provides Local Apprenticeships (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16475](#) Gillian Mackay: Falkirk's Scott Arfield's Emotional Return (lodged on 20 February 2025)

New Support: Richard Leonard* R, Karen Adam*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16474](#) Alexander Burnett: Fish Shop Receives Two Honours in the Michelin Guide Great Britain & Ireland. (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16452](#) Sharon Dowey: Improving Access to Hearing Care for Scotland's Ageing Population (lodged on 13 February 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Monica Lennon*

[S6M-16451](#) Lorna Slater: Porty Community Energy and the "Travel Agents of Change" Exhibition (lodged on 17 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16434](#) Michael Matheson: Awareness of Criminal Exploitation of Children (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Fulton MacGregor*, Liam McArthur*, Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-16432](#) Ben Macpherson: Scotland's Seabirds (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16409](#) Paul O'Kane: St Thomas' Primary School Receives High Praise from School Inspectors (lodged on 17 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16397](#) Carol Mochan: Congratulating the Scottish Thistles Netball Team (lodged on 12 February 2025)

New Support: Rona Mackay*, Clare Haughey*, Gillian Mackay*, Audrey Nicoll*, Rhoda Grant*

[S6M-16371](#) Gillian Mackay: World Cancer Day 2025 (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

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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 on 21 February 2025

[S6W-35189](#) Kevin Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making with setting out a just transition for the transport sector.

Written questions lodged on 21 February 2025

[S6W-35091](#) Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-27451 by Fiona Hyslop on 23 May 2024, what repair works have been completed, broken down by date, and what works (a) are still to be completed and (b) have since been identified, also broken down by the (i) the cost and (ii) date of completion of these works.

[S6W-35112](#) Gillian Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken in response to the Young Carers Covenant, which was launched by the Carers Trust in 2024, and made a commitment to improve the lives of young carers, including supporting the covenant in achieving its 10 desired outcomes.

[S6W-35113](#) Gillian Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to assist young carers, including supporting them in being able to access (a) short breaks and respite, (b) education and (c) employment.

[S6W-35116](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the outcomes of the £10 million that it designated in 2023-24 to support people with long COVID, including how this was spent.

[S6W-35117](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government what support is currently in place for people with long COVID.

[S6W-35118](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the outcomes of the long COVID support service pilot that took place across Edinburgh in 2022-23, including whether it considers it to have been successful.

[S6W-35120](#) Marie McNair: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to co-ordinate a joint approach with the UK Government and COSLA to deal with asbestos in school buildings.

[S6W-35121](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government whether it sought or received any expert advice on construction cost controls for the replacement of HMP Barlinnie and, if so, whether it will publish this.

[S6W-35122](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government which contractors bid to build HMP Glasgow.

[S6W-35123](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government on what dates since 2014 it has received an updated timescale for the completion of HMP Glasgow, and what the revised date given was at each update.

[S6W-35124](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish a full breakdown of the costs associated with the replacement for HMP Barlinnie, including any penalties for delays.

[S6W-35125](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of the delay to the replacement of HMP Barlinnie on (a) prison overcrowding and (b) early release policies.

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[S6W-35126](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what alternative measures it is considering implementing to address prison overcrowding while the replacement for HMP Barlinnie is delayed.

[S6W-35127](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Scottish Prison Service regarding contingency plans for managing HMP Barlinnie while its replacement is delayed.

[S6W-35128](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many assaults on (a) staff and (b) prisoners have been recorded at HMP Barlinnie in each of the last five years.

[S6W-35129](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what additional support resources it will provide to prison officers working in overcrowded conditions at HMP Barlinnie until the replacement prison is completed.

[S6W-35130](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners have been given early release from HMP Barlinnie in each of the last five years.

[S6W-35131](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners will be released early from HMP Barlinnie due to overcrowding while the replacement prison for it remains incomplete.

[S6W-35133](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what response (a) it, (b) SEPA and (c) Scottish Water has made to the Environmental Standards Scotland report, *Storm overflows - An assessment of spills, their impact on the water environment and the effectiveness of legislation and policy*, which was published in September 2024.

[S6W-35134](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Forestry and Land Scotland regarding its biodiversity strategy.

[S6W-35135](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28796 by Mairi Gougeon on 19 August 2024, whether it can provide an update on what discussions it has had with the forestry sector regarding the spread of outbreaks of the larger eight-toothed European spruce bark beetle (*Ips typographus*) in Scotland, and what preventative actions it has taken to limit the spread of these beetles.

[S6W-35148](#) Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to reduce the usage of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and similar thermoplastics in the food and beverage industry.

[S6W-35149](#) Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what (a) plans it has and (b) funding is available to support (i) academic and (ii) industry research into the effects of using polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and similar thermoplastics.

[S6W-35150](#) Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered the impact of the usage of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and similar thermoplastics in the food and beverage industry on (a) public and (b) children's health.

[S6W-35151](#) Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered the impact of the usage of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and similar thermoplastics in the food and beverage industry on (a) malignant, (b) respiratory and (c) cardiovascular health.

[S6W-35152](#) Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered the impact of the usage of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and similar thermoplastics in the food and beverage industry on (a) the natural environment, (b) biodiversity and (c) agriculture.

[S6W-35153](#) Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered the impact of the usage of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and similar thermoplastics in the food and beverage industry on the (a) inshore, (b) coastal and (c) offshore deepwater marine environment.

[S6W-35154](#) Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government, specifically in relation to its net zero obligations, whether it has considered the impact of the usage of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and similar thermoplastics in the food and beverage industry.

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[S6W-35155 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered the potential impact of the use of alternative, sustainable materials, instead of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and similar thermoplastics, in the food and beverage industry.

[S6W-35157 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to taxi licensing, testing and retesting, which local authorities currently use delegated powers for licensing committees.

[S6W-35158 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered any impact of local authorities continuing to use delegated powers on licensing committees, and what action it has taken in this regard.

[S6W-35159 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to nationally standardise licensed taxi (a) licensing, (b) testing and (c) retesting rules across all local authorities.

[S6W-35160 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to taxi licensing, testing and retesting, which local authorities currently require licensed taxis to be retested every year.

[S6W-35161 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to taxi licensing, testing and retesting, which local authorities currently require licensed taxis to be retested more than once every year.

[S6W-35163 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government which local authorities currently have a requirement for specific MOT testing for licensed taxi (a) licensing, (b) testing and (c) retesting.

[S6W-35165 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered any impact of requiring specific MOT testing for licensed taxi (a) licensing, (b) testing and (c) retesting.

[S6W-35166 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to taxi licensing, which local authorities currently have a requirement for taxis with tinted windows to have CCTV installed.

[S6W-35168 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government what the most recent information it has is, regarding the number of workers directly employed in the (a) offshore decommissioning sector and (b) carbon capture, utilisation and storage sectors.

[S6W-35170 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to support an increase in (a) training and (b) employment in the offshore wind supply chain for seafarers in north east Scotland.

[S6W-35171 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when it expects to publish its Energy Strategy and Just Transition Plan.

[S6W-35172 Mercedes Villalba](#): To ask the Scottish Government how much it has provided to the Just Transition Commission to date.

[S6W-35173 Finlay Carson](#): To ask the Scottish Government what the largest number of section 16AA licences is that has been granted to a single landholding in recognition of the assignation of sporting rights to different persons.

[S6W-35174 Stephen Kerr](#): To ask the Scottish Government what evidence it used to make the assertion that "Migration is good for the economy, good for public services and good for Scotland", in the @scotgov X account on 14 February 2025.

[S6W-35176 Liam McArthur](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many cases have been time-barred from proceeding to court in each of the last five years, broken down by type of case.

Amendments

Amendments to Bills lodged on 21 February 2025

Housing (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee Daily List

Section 19

Ben Macpherson

47 In section 19, page 14, line 37, at end insert—

<“broad rental market area” has the same meaning as in the Rent Officers (Housing Benefit Functions) (Scotland) Order 1997,>

Ben Macpherson

48 In section 19, page 15, line 10, at end insert—

<(1A) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations define “open market rent” for the purposes of this Part.>

Ben Macpherson

49 In section 19, page 15, line 25, at end insert—

<(4) If there was not a relevant rent increase during the period of 24 months before the start of the current tenancy, the initial rent under the current tenancy may be increased but to a figure no more than the open market rent for the relevant category of dwelling in a broad rental market area.>

Schedule

Ben Macpherson

50 In the schedule, page 65, line 10, after <insert “,> insert <43D(1A),>

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New Subordinate Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 21 February 2025 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Local Government Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/48\)](#)

Laid under section 24 of the Public Service Pensions Act 2013

Not subject to parliamentary procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 21 February 2025 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

[Act of Adjournal \(Criminal Procedure Rules 1996 Amendment\) \(Miscellaneous\) 2025 \(SSI 2025/47\)](#)

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

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 (55th Report, 2024)

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

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 26 February 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (3rd Report, 2025)

Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee), 26 February 2025

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Education (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 18 December 2024

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 December 2022

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

Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 20 March 2025

Any amendments specifically on matters relating to the part 5 homelessness prevention provisions or the part 6 fuel poverty provisions, except any such amendments to the schedule or the long title, should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 14 March with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 29 April 2025

All amendments other than those that are to be considered by the Social Justice and Social Security Committee should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 23 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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 (5th 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

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 19 February 2025

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)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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 (62nd 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

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

(legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 20 February 2025

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

Introduced, 5 February 2025

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

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

Before Stage 2 (evidence (Criminal Justice Committee)), 26 February 2025

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)

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Passed, 23 January 2025

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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Lodged on 22 November 2024

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (2nd Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (6th Report, 2025)

Employment Rights Bill LCM-S6-53

Lodged on 11 December 2024

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

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 25 February 2025

Great British Energy Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-48b

Lodged on 17 February 2025

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Meeting of the Parliament, 20 February 2025

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (3rd Report, 2025)

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9th Report, 2022)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27th Report, 2022)

Product Regulation and Metrology Bill LCM-S6-50

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (1st Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (74th 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) (9th Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69th 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), 25 February 2025

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Made affirmative instrument

Subject to approval by 18 March 2025

[Scottish Landfill Tax \(Standard Rate and Lower Rate\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/41\)](#) (19 February 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Affirmative instruments

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)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[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)

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)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Subject to approval by 28 March 2025

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

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

Subject to approval by 29 March 2025

[Public Services Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Part 2 Further Extension\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\) \(18 February 2025\)](#) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Negative instruments

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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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[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)

Subject to annulment 30 March 2025
Lead committee report due by 24 March 2025

[Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment \(Amendment\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/36\)](#) (19 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment 31 March 2025
Lead committee report due by 24 March 2025

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[Non-Domestic Rate \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/37\)](#) (20 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Levying and Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/38\)](#) (20 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Transitional Relief\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/39\)](#) (20 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Hospitality Relief\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/40\)](#) (20 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Environmental Protection \(Disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyls and other Dangerous Substances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/42\)](#) (20 February 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[National Health Service \(Common Staffing Method\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/43\)](#) (20 February 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Education \(Scotland\) Act 1980 \(Modification\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/44\)](#) (20 February 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to annulment 1 April 2025
Lead committee report due by 31 March 2025

[Local Government Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/48\)](#) (21 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

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