

Tuesday 25 February 2025

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean

Revised at 12:50pm



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S6M-16586, today's business will be as follows:

Meeting of the Parliament

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

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Ministerial Statement: Response to Concerns Raised Regarding Care of Children at Skye House

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

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Great British Energy Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-15868 Emma Harper: Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2025

Committee Meetings

9:00am Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

9:15am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

9:30am Finance and Public Administration Committee

10:00am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

10:00am Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

10:00am Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S6M-16586, today's business will be as follows:

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

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S6M-16585](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Suspension of Standing Orders—That the Parliament agrees that, for the purposes of consideration of the third supplementary legislative consent memorandum on the Great British Energy Bill, Rule 9B.3.5 of Standing Orders is suspended.

[S6M-16586](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for Tuesday 25 February 2025—

after

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Response to Concerns Raised Regarding Care of Children at Skye House

after

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

insert

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Great British Energy Bill - UK Legislation

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.30 pm Decision Time

followed by Topical Questions

1. Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government how it will work with the UK Government on the recently announced £200 million investment in Grangemouth, as part of the National Wealth Fund. ([S6T-02380](#))

2. Tess White: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its role in ensuring that public bodies are meeting their legal obligations under the Equality Act 2010, following recent correspondence from the Equality and Human Rights Commission. ([S6T-02370](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: Response to Concerns Raised Regarding Care of Children at Skye House

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

[S6M-16562](#) Shona Robison: Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill be passed.

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Great British Energy Bill - UK Legislation

[S6M-16578](#) Alasdair Allan: Great British Energy Bill - UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that all relevant provisions of the Great British Energy Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 25 July 2024 and subsequently amended in relation to an independent review of GB Energy (clause 6A) on 20 February 2025, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

[S6M-15868](#) Emma Harper: Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2025—That the Parliament recognises that the week of 24 February to 2 March is Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2025, and that the theme is that anyone can be affected by an eating disorder; understands that eating disorders affect at least one in 50 people across Scotland, including people of all ages, genders and backgrounds, with anorexia nervosa having a higher mortality rate than any other mental health condition, and that there is a range of recognised eating disorders; further understands that the sooner someone is treated for an eating disorder, the better their chance of making a full recovery, but that people too often delay seeking help due to perceived stigma and misconceptions about who can develop an eating disorder; welcomes the work of Beat, a UK-wide charity supporting people living with eating disorders and their families; understands that Beat continues to provide help across Scotland through funding from the Scottish Government; notes what it sees as the importance of protecting vital eating disorder services during the current fiscal challenges, and further notes the calls encouraging anyone in Scotland concerned about an eating disorder to contact their GP surgery and reach out to Beat on 0808 801 0432 or at beateatingdisorders.org.uk.

Committee Meetings

All meetings take place in the Scottish Parliament, unless otherwise specified.

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 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.

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 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.

Finance and Public Administration Committee 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.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 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.

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 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.

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 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.

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