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Business Bulletin

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Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Martha Inés Romero, Secretary General of Pax Christi International

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Renewable Future

followed by Committee Announcements

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5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-16291 Carol Mochan: Holistic Approach to Alcohol-related Brain Damage

Committee Meetings

9:00am Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

9:15am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

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followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Renewable Future

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The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

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**followed by Members' Business
Debate on the subject of—**

[S6M-16291 Carol Mochan: Holistic Approach to Alcohol-related Brain Damage](#)—That the Parliament notes what it sees as the concerning and under-recognised issue of alcohol-related brain damage (ARBD) in the South Scotland region and across the country; believes that there are significant permanent physical, psychological and social consequences of the condition, including decreased cognitive functioning, mental health problems and harm to quality of life; notes the view that there is a need to adopt a more holistic multidisciplinary approach, integrating healthcare,

social services, public health and addiction teams for people with alcohol dependence; further notes the belief in working collaboratively to prioritise the recognition, prevention and treatment of ARBD, ensuring healthcare professionals are adequately trained to identify and manage the condition, with adequate resources provided to ensure early diagnosis and treatment, and recognises the calls for public health campaigns to raise awareness and remove stigma.

Committee Meetings

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

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 7th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 2).
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] from—
Maree Todd, Minister for Social Care, Mental Wellbeing and Sport, Geraldine Campbell, Unit Head for Adult Social Care Charging, Care at Home and Dementia, and Alice Hall, Deputy Director for Adult Social Care Local Improvement and Transformation, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** Maree Todd (Minister for Social Care, Mental Wellbeing and Sport) to move—
S6M-16242—That the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee recommends that the Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider a draft report on the Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft].

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 9th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
[Scottish Road Works Register \(Prescribed Fees\) Regulations 2025](#)
[Environmental Protection \(Injurious Articles\) \(Fixed Penalty Notices and Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)
[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Order 2025](#)
2. **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 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 item 4 in private.
2. **Operation of the Public Sector Equality Duty in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Andrew Groundwater, Head of Human Resources and Organisational Development, Orkney Islands Council;
Martin Ingram, Principal Solicitor, Aberdeenshire Council;
Nareen Turnbull, Service Director, Human Resources, City of Edinburgh Council;

Alyia Zaheed, Corporate Officer - Equality and Diversity, East Ayrshire Council;
and then from—

John Dawson, Head of Strategy and Transformation, Public Health Scotland;

Jillian Matthew, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;

Nicky Page, Head of Human Resources, Police Scotland.

3. **Operation of the Public Sector Equality Duty in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 2.
4. **Scottish Human Rights Commission:** The Committee will consider the Commission's report on progress in moving people from institutions to independent living.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 8th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2025](#)
(SSI 2025/Draft)
2. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Non-Domestic Rate \(Scotland\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/37)
[Non-Domestic Rates \(Levying and Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/38)
[Non-Domestic Rates \(Transitional Relief\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/39)
[Non-Domestic Rates \(Hospitality Relief\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/40)
[Environmental Protection \(Disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyls and other Dangerous Substances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/42)
[National Health Service \(Common Staffing Method\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/43)
[Local Government Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2025](#)
(SSI 2025/48)
3. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Act of Adjournal \(Criminal Procedure Rules 1996 Amendment\) \(Miscellaneous\) 2025](#)
(SSI 2025/47)
[Good Food Nation \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Commencement No. 2 \(Amendment\) and Commencement No. 3\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/49 (C.5))

Finance and Public Administration Committee 8th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] from—
Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, Scott Mackay, Head of Finance Co-ordination, and Claire Hughes, Head of Corporate Reporting, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Ivan McKee (Minister for Public Finance) to move—
S6M-16306—That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 7th 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 and 5 in private.
2. **Council Tax Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Ellen Leaver, Acting Director for Local Government, and David Storrie, Head of Local Taxation Policy, Scottish Government;
Cllr Katie Hagmann, Resources Spokesperson, and Mirren Kelly, Chief Officer, Local Government Finance, COSLA.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
[Cost of Living \(Tenant Protection\) \(Saving Provision\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)
[Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment \(Amendment\) Regulations 2025](#)
4. **Council Tax Inquiry:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Scrutiny of the Scottish Housing Regulator:** The Committee will consider draft correspondence to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 26 February 2025

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 Debate: Achieving a Fair Balance in the UK's Economy

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-16524 Colin Beattie: Three Years of Solidarity with Ukraine

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 — S6M-16536 Marie McNair: Impact of UK Welfare Reforms in Scotland

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Covid-19 Day of Reflection

followed by Portfolio Questions

Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

followed by Criminal Justice Committee, Health, Social Care and Sport Committee and Social Justice and Social Security Committee Debate: The People's Panel Report on Reducing Drug Harm and Deaths in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:15 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 11 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 12 March 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 Conservative and Unionist 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 13 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: Social Justice

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

Economy and Fair Work Committee

5 March 2025

8th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Tied Pubs (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 [draft] from—
Tom Arthur, Minister for Employment and Investment, Mairead McCrossan, Lawyer, and Aileen Bearhop, Head of Industry Development, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Tom Arthur Minister for Employment and Investment to move—
S6M-16234— That the Economy and Fair Work Committee recommends that the Tied Pubs (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.
3. **Correspondence (in private):** 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

Education, Children and Young People Committee

5 March 2025

8th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Widening Access Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Jacqui Brasted, Interim Director of Access, Learning and Outcomes, Fiona Burns, Assistant Director, Student Interests and Access, Daniel Proudfoot, Senior Data Analyst, and Erica Russell-Hensens, Deputy-Director, Student Interests, Access and Quality, Scottish Funding Council;
and then from—
Graeme Dey, Minister for Higher and Further Education; and Minister for Veterans, Shirley Laing, Director for Lifelong Learning and Skills, and Clara Pirie, Senior Policy Manager, Student Equalities and Fair Access, Scottish Government.
2. **Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.
3. **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

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

5 March 2025

8th 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. **Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Dr Jack Bloodworth, Principal Science Adviser, Rural and Environmental Science and Analytical Services Division, Leia Fitzgerald, Head of Nature Division Bill Unit, Lisa McCann, Head of Biodiversity Unit, Norman Munro, Solicitor, Marine, Planning and Natural Resources Division, and Joanne Napier, Senior Policy Officer, Offshore Energy Environmental Legislative Reform Unit, Scottish Government;
and then from—
Hugh Dignon, Head of Wildlife Management Unit, Leia Fitzgerald, Head of Nature Division Bill Unit, Norman Munro, Solicitor, Marine, Planning and Natural Resources Division, and Brodie Wilson, Policy Manager, Wildlife Management Unit, Scottish Government.
3. **Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Natural Environment (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

Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee

5 March 2025

4th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
PE1964: Create an independent review of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman;
PE2006: Review and simplify the legislation in relation to dismissal of property factors;
PE2033: Introduce a full ban on disposable vapes;
PE2067: Improve data on young people affected by conditions causing Sudden Cardiac Death;
PE2071: Take action to protect people from airborne infections in health and social care settings;
PE2073: Ensure accurate information is used when issuing court summons;
PE2084: Allow alkaline hydrolysis; and
PE2086: Recognise the vaccine injured and offer appropriate treatment.
2. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
PE2130: Make it illegal to remove all the hair from a horse's tail;
PE2131: Grant Scottish rivers, including the River Clyde, the legal right to personhood; and
PE2137: Fair regulation for non-medical aesthetic injectors.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jyoti Chandola on 85227 or at jyoti.chandola@parliament.scot

Criminal Justice Committee

5 March 2025

8th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will continue its consideration of 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

Public Audit Committee

5 March 2025

8th 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 and 6 in private.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take its meeting on Wednesday 12 March 2025 in private .
3. **Fiscal sustainability and public reform in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
John-Paul Marks, Permanent Secretary, Lesley Fraser, Director-General Corporate, Joe Griffin, Director-General Strategy and External Affairs, and Alyson Stafford, Director-General Scottish Exchequer, Scottish Government.
4. **Fiscal sustainability and public reform in Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Carole Grant, Audit Director, Richard Robinson, Senior Manager, and Fiona Diggle, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
5. **Fiscal sustainability and public reform in Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard at agenda items 3 and 4 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katrina Venters at Katrina.Venters@Parliament.scot

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

6 March 2025

8th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **UK Internal Market Act 2020 - Consultation and Review:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor Thomas Horsley, Professor of Law, University of Liverpool;
Professor Aileen McHarg, Professor of Public Law and Human Rights, Durham University;
Professor Jo Hunt, Professor in Law, Cardiff University;
Dr Coree Brown Swan, Lecturer, British Politics, University of Stirling;
and then from—
Jonnie Hall, Director of Policy, National Farmers Union Scotland;
Lloyd Austin, Convener of the LINK Governance Group, Scottish Environment LINK.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, James Johnston on 85215 or at james.johnston@parliament.scot

Social Justice and Social Security Committee

6 March 2025

7th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the [Social Security \(Up-rating\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \[draft\]](#) and the [Social Security Up-rating \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \[draft\]](#) from—
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Kyle Murray, Procedural and International Policy Team Leader, and Gemma MacAllister, Lawyer, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Shirley-Anne Somerville (Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice) to move—
S6M-16232—That the Social Justice and Social Security Committee recommends that the Social Security (Up-rating) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** Shirley-Anne Somerville (Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice) to move—
S6M-16233—That the Social Justice and Social Security Committee recommends that the Social Security Up-rating (Scotland) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/24\)](#)
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Diane Barr on 85220 or at diane.barr@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:

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- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

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

Motions for Debate

***[S6M-16667](#) Kate Forbes: Achieving a Fair Balance in the UK's Economy**—That the Parliament recognises that Scotland's many high-growth sectors, which are driven by world class innovation, deserve greater recognition from, and promotion by, the UK Government, which must not unfairly focus investment in the south-east of England, or the so-called golden triangle of Oxford, Cambridge and London, or treat Scotland as an afterthought, especially when announcing or developing policy.

Supported by: Richard Lochhead*, Tom Arthur*

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Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***[S6M-16633 George Adam: Celebrating the University of the West of Scotland's Groundbreaking Foundation Academy](#)**—That the Parliament applauds the work of the University of the West of Scotland (UWS) and what it sees as the groundbreaking work that it is doing with the Foundation Academy, which is a 12-month programme helping pupils across S5 and S6 to develop academic skills, experience university-level study, and visit a university campus in order to boost their confidence in pursuing higher education and strengthen university applications; understands that the programme is the first of its kind in Scotland and has been recognised by various institutions as an alternative pathway to meeting the required qualifications

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to enter university; acknowledges how successful the academy has reportedly been for the thousands of pupils who have benefited from the additional support offered since the launch of the programme in 2022, and praises the time and effort of all those involved in the creation and running of the programme for the impact that this is having on pupils, including those in the Paisley constituency, who otherwise may not have been able to attend university.

Supported by: Clare Haughey*, Kenneth Gibson*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kevin Stewart*, Stuart McMillan*, Rona Mackay*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, David Torrance*, Neil Bibby*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-16658](#) Jackie Baillie: Moral Distress Experienced by Healthcare Professionals**—That the Parliament notes its concern at the extent of moral distress being experienced by healthcare professionals in Scotland; welcomes the upcoming reception hosted by MDDUS on 5 March 2025 in the Fleming Room at the Scottish Parliament to raise awareness of this issue; considers that moral distress is worsened by the impact of the cost of living crisis and the challenges facing the NHS; understands that MDDUS is a mutual defence specialist headquartered in Glasgow that represents the professional and legal interests of more than 65,000 healthcare professionals; believes that supporting the mental health of the workforce is crucial for ensuring safe patient care, and understands that this reception will be an opportunity for members to hear from healthcare professionals about what it sees as the vital importance of protecting practitioners' wellbeing and mental health.

***[S6M-16654](#) Paul Sweeney: Findings of See Me's "If it's Okay" Campaign**—That the Parliament notes with concern the reported findings of See Me's "If it's Okay" campaign, which states that 60% of people surveyed in Scotland believe that there is still a shame associated with mental illness, 28% would not want someone with experience of a mental illness to look after their child, and 15% of people surveyed said that they would not want to be in a relationship with someone with experience of a mental illness; considers that mental health stigma and discrimination does not happen by accident; believes that these negative attitudes and behaviours can cause the shame experienced by many people living with a mental health problem, and encourages everyone in Scotland to support See Me's campaign and help make it really okay to not be okay.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S6M-16655](#) Elena Whitham: Shelter Scotland-commissioned Research Regarding Children's Experiences in Temporary Accommodation (lodged on 03 March 2025)

New Support: John Mason*, Emma Harper*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Emma Roddick*, Stuart McMillan*, Rona Mackay*, Kevin Stewart*, Audrey Nicoll*, Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Bob Doris*, Foysol Choudhury*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*

[S6M-16653](#) Jackie Dunbar: NHS Grampian Catering Team Wins Green Star Award (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jeremy Balfour*, Emma Harper*, Fulton MacGregor*, Colin Beattie*, Kenneth Gibson*, Kevin Stewart*, Karen Adam*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-16652](#) Jackson Carlaw: Maidenhill Site Manager, David McClure, Wins Prestigious National Award (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Meghan Gallacher*, Brian Whittle*, Annie Wells*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, David Torrance*, Craig Hoy*, Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-16651](#) Tess White: Strathmore Primary School Receives Scotland's First ADHD Friendly School Award (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16650](#) Tess White: Sam Grove-White Makes Six Nations Debut as an Assistant Rugby Referee (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16649](#) Tess White: Brechin High School Pupils Compete in the First Scottish Esports Tournament (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16648](#) Tess White: Dr Gerald Lip, Consultant at NHS Grampian, Appointed President of the British Society of Breast Radiology (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16647](#) Jackie Dunbar: Woodside Network Hosts Women's Day Event (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Stephanie Callaghan*, David Torrance*, Kenneth Gibson*, Emma Harper*, Kevin Stewart*, Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-16646](#) Liam Kerr: Celebrating the Success of the Taste of Buchan Festival 2025 (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Meghan Gallacher*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Craig Hoy*, Fulton MacGregor*, Pam Gosal*, Stuart McMillan*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-16645](#) Jackie Dunbar: Work Set to Begin on New Denis Law Legacy Trail (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Clare Haughey*, Audrey Nicoll*, Rona Mackay*, Emma Harper*, Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Kevin Stewart*, David Torrance*, Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16644](#) Daniel Johnson: Learning Disability, Autism and Neurodivergence Bill (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-16641](#) Foysoil Choudhury: 75th Anniversary of the British Holiday and Home Parks Association (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Sarah Boyack*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stuart McMillan*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-16640](#) Jackie Dunbar: Cummings Park Community Flat Marks Over 10 Years of Intergenerational Working (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Annabelle Ewing*, Rona Mackay*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Kevin Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-16639](#) Jackie Dunbar: Fersands and Fountain Community Project Awarded £98,166 from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16638](#) Jackie Dunbar: Middlefield Community Project Awarded £18,840 from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16637](#) Jackie Dunbar: Mamacita Foundation Awarded £10,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*

[S6M-16636](#) Jackie Dunbar: Mastrick, Sheddocksley and Summerhill Community Council Awarded £18,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16635](#) Audrey Nicoll: The Port of Aberdeen Launches its 2025 SupPORT-all Charity Programme (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16634](#) Foyso Choudhury: Brain Tumour Awareness Month 2025 (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, John Mason*, Tim Eagle*, Kevin Stewart*, Beatrice Wishart*, Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Neil Bibby*, David Torrance*, Annie Wells*

[S6M-16632](#) Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen Youth Movement Awarded the 2025 Anne Frank Award (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16631](#) Emma Harper: Brain Tumour Awareness Month 2025 (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Stewart* R

[S6M-16630](#) Kevin Stewart: George Boyne (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*, Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16629](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Jordan Reid on His Recent EDGE Award (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Mark Griffin*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S6M-16628](#) Michael Matheson: Alzheimer Scotland's Shooting Stars Event at The Falkirk Stadium (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Brian Whittle*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16627](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Glasgow Association for Mental Health Receives National Lottery Community Funding (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Kenneth Gibson*, Russell Findlay*

[S6M-16626](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy North Primary School Recognised as Language Friendly (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16625](#) Nicola Sturgeon: Congratulating Community Renewal Rom Romeha on its Social Enterprise Scotland Award (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16624](#) Sandesh Gulhane: National Lottery Community Funding for Headway Glasgow (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-16623](#) Bill Kidd: International Day for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Awareness Day (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-16622](#) Bob Doris: YoMo's Food Pantry at The Base, Gilshochill (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Fulton MacGregor*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*, Stephanie Callaghan*, David Torrance*, Clare Haughey*, Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Annabelle Ewing*

[S6M-16621](#) Christine Grahame: Stow Station House Celebrates (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*, Fulton MacGregor*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-16620](#) Alexander Stewart: 24/7 Thrombectomy Services in Scotland (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Mark Ruskell*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-16619](#) Alexander Stewart: No Smoking Day 2025 (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Kenneth Gibson*, Foyso Choudhury*

[S6M-16618](#) Douglas Lumsden: Recognising the Contributions of Professor George Boyne as Principal of the University of Aberdeen (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16617](#) Craig Hoy: Praising Airhouses (lodged on 27 February 2025)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16616](#) Craig Hoy: Recognising Farmstrong (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-16614](#) Ruth Maguire: ASN Support - Ayrshire Donates to Crosshouse Children's Fund (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Brian Whittle*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Annabelle Ewing*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16613](#) Ruth Maguire: 1st & 6th Ayrshire (Irvine) Scout Group (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Annabelle Ewing*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16612](#) Ruth Maguire: David Mann, Director of Scottish Maritime Museum, Irvine, Set to Retire (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16611](#) Ruth Maguire: Kelvin TOP-SET Community Support (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Annabelle Ewing*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16609](#) Gillian Mackay: National HIV Testing Week (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-16608](#) Sue Webber: Currie Community High School Debaters Win the Novice Final of the Schools' Mace Debate Competition 2025 (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16607](#) Sue Webber: Broxburn Academy Debaters Win the Schools' Mace Debate Competition 2025 (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16605](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Commending Versus Arthritis on the Publication of its Workplace Adjustment Plan Tool (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16604](#) Kevin Stewart: Field Cycling Imager (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-16603](#) Alexander Burnett: Amazing Fundraising Efforts by the Parent Teacher Association of Gordon Primary School, Huntly (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-16602](#) Sharon Dowey: Ayr Salon Triumphs at Company Awards (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-16601](#) Sharon Dowey: Troon Man Triumphs in National Songwriting Contest (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16599](#) Emma Roddick: 2025 SP Energy Networks Warriors School Championship (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16598](#) Emma Roddick: Merkinch Community Shop Receives £9,600 from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16596](#) Emma Roddick: Seachdain na Gàidhlig 2025 (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16594](#) Alexander Stewart: Forth Valley College Open Evening and Careers Fair Coincide with Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2025 (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16593](#) Alexander Stewart: Alva Academy Competes for the First Time in the 2025 SP Energy Networks Glasgow Warriors Rugby Championship (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16591](#) Douglas Lumsden: Scottish Parliament's Rugby Team Wins Coldstream Cup (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-16590](#) Clare Adamson: Ruairidh and Hayley Harper's Automated External Defibrillator Fundraiser (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16584](#) Ben Macpherson: Celebrating the Opening of Spartans Community Foundation's Education and Youth Work Space (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16583](#) Emma Roddick: Commending the Efforts of the OPEN Project (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16582](#) Annie Wells: University of Glasgow Unveils New Magnetism Lab (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-16581](#) Annie Wells: The Merchants House of Glasgow Makes Positive Impact with £130,000 Grant Funding for Local Charities (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16580](#) Annie Wells: Barmulloch Community Development Company Receives £3,250 Grant (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16579](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Group of the Riding Disabled Association (RDA) Receives £3,000 Grant (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16577](#) Foysol Choudhury: Milan Senior Welfare Organisation (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16570](#) John Mason: Celebrating World Wildlife Day 2025 (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper*

[S6M-16566](#) Liam Kerr: Findlay's Fish Bar and Diner in Fraserburgh Wins Good Food Award and Celebrates 100-year Anniversary (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper*

[S6M-16563](#) Liz Smith: Scotland Men's Hockey Team Champions (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Neil Bibby*

[S6M-16554](#) Emma Roddick: Concerns over Refusing Citizenship to Refugees (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-16553](#) Pam Gosal: Anti-drugs Campaigner and Founder of Maxie Richards Foundation Passes Away (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Tess White*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-16552](#) Pam Gosal: Raja Rani Restaurant of Bearsden Wins Curry Restaurant of the Year – Scotland (lodged on 21 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Meghan Gallacher*, Annabelle Ewing*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-16550](#) Douglas Lumsden: Welcoming BP's Success and Continued Investment in the UK (lodged on 21 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-16545](#) Claire Baker: Five Charities Take Part in the Walk on Fire for Fife (lodged on 21 February 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-16544](#) Meghan Gallacher: Blantyre Stonemason Earns Prestigious Trade Award
(lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-16539](#) Maggie Chapman: Ending Destitution in Scotland – a Road Map for Policymakers (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-16530](#) Monica Lennon: World Hearing Day (lodged on 21 February 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

[S6M-16510.1](#) Jamie Greene: Calling for a Boycott on Israel's Sporting Participation (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane* R, Finlay Carson*, Stephen Kerr*, Edward Mountain*, Liam Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-16510](#) James Dornan: Calling for a Boycott on Israel's Sporting Participation (lodged on 21 February 2025)

New Support: Lorna Slater*

[S6M-16504](#) Michael Marra: UK Government Delivering for Dundee with £2.6 million for V&A Dundee and £20 million for City Regeneration Projects (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

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

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

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

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

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

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

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

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

[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: Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-16479](#) Beatrice Wishart: Celebrating the Success of Scottish Salmon Exports (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

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Motions Glusadan				

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

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

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

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Annie Wells*, Craig Hoy*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liam McArthur*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Alexander Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Meghan Gallacher*, Stuart McMillan*, Alexander Burnett*

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

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-16420](#) Brian Whittle: Grant Funding for Galston Community Development Trust (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16416](#) Brian Whittle: Crossroads Community Hub Ltd Receives Two National Lottery Awards (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16410](#) Rona Mackay: Lottery Funding Success for Community Groups in Strathkelvin and Bearsden (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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

New Support: Neil Bibby*

[S6M-16407](#) Liam McArthur: Celebrating Commonwealth Day 2025 (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16406](#) Ash Regan: Speak with One Voice to Protect Scotland's National Refinery Capacity at Grangemouth (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: John Mason*, Kenneth Gibson*, David Torrance*

[S6M-16392](#) Tess White: Mearns and Coastal Health Living Network's Future Secured with Three-year Funding Grant (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16385](#) Edward Mountain: Recognising Helen Leigh's Achievements in North Cross Country League and National Masters Cross Country Championship (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-16384](#) Sandesh Gulhane: First Surgery in UK and Ireland Conducted at Glasgow Royal Infirmary (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16383](#) Edward Mountain: Congratulations to Luke Stoltman on Being Crowned Britain's Strongest Man (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16382](#) Edward Mountain: Celebrating the Reopening of Strathconon Primary School and its Role in the Community (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16378](#) Tim Eagle: Euan Warnock Receives National Farmers Union Scotland Argyll and Islands Stalwart Award (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16376](#) Clare Haughey: Celebrating Chloe Fullerton's Historic Scouting Achievements (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16374](#) Paul O'Kane: Barrie McCutcheon and Daughter, Isla, to Take Part in 700-mile Cycle for Doddie Aid Challenge (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16369](#) Sharon Dowey: Prestwick Ice Skater Wins Bronze Medal at European Figure Skating Championships (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16368](#) Sharon Dowey: Ayr United Football Academy Launches Dementia-friendly Walking Football Sessions (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16366](#) Alexander Stewart: Forth Valley College's Medical Skills Simulation Suite (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16365](#) Alexander Stewart: Coalsnaughton Early Learning Centre (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16362](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Lloyds Banking Group Closing 14 Local Bank of Scotland Branches (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-16360](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Drumpellier Cricket Club on Celebrating 175 Years (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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Motions Glusadan				

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

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Alexander Burnett*

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

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-16305](#) David Torrance: Stellar Quines' Successful Funding Bid Brings Intersectional Feminist Theatre to Kirkcaldy (lodged on 21 February 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-16286](#) Pam Gosal: Recognising Rhu Man's Volunteer Work at Glenarn Garden (lodged on 19 February 2025)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*

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

[S6M-16166](#) Kevin Stewart: Scotland Legend Denis Law Passes Away at 84 (lodged on 21 January 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

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Questions Ceistean				

Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 04 March 2025

1. Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the report, *In Their Own Words: Children's Experiences in Temporary Accommodation*, which was commissioned by Shelter Scotland and shows the impact that a stay in temporary accommodation can have on children's safety, health and education. ([S6T-02391](#))

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 06 March 2025

1. Russell Findlay: Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-03858](#))

2. Anas Sarwar: Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-03859](#))

3. Patrick Harvie: Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-03860](#))

4. Marie McNair: To ask the First Minister how the Scottish Government will mark International Women's Day, and its theme of "Accelerating Action" to reach gender equality. ([S6F-03867](#))

5. Annie Wells: To ask the First Minister what plans the Scottish Government has to tackle the reported rising number of cases of drug-driving. ([S6F-03870](#))

6. Foysoil Choudhury: To ask the First Minister whether he will provide an update on how the Scottish Government is working to tackle Islamophobia in Scotland, in light of reports that anti-Muslim hate incidents across the UK reached record levels in 2024. ([S6F-03871](#))

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 12 March 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 05 March 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 06 March 2025.

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

1. Jeremy Balfour
2. Emma Harper
3. Douglas Ross
4. Pam Gosal
5. Clare Haughey
6. Maggie Chapman
7. Liz Smith
8. Ben Macpherson

Health and Social Care

1. Douglas Lumsden
2. Alexander Burnett
3. Stuart McMillan
4. Claire Baker
5. Jackie Baillie

Today's Business <i>Gnothaichean an-diugh</i>	Future Business <i>Gnothaichean ri teachd</i>	Motions & Questions <i>Glusadan agus Ceistean</i>	Legislation <i>Reachdas</i>	Other <i>Eile</i>
Questions Ceistean				

6. Christine Grahame
7. Clare Adamson
8. Karen Adam

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 13 March 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 05 March 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 06 March 2025.

Social Justice

1. Willie Rennie
2. Mark Ruskell
3. Graham Simpson
4. Foysof Choudhury
5. Colin Smyth
6. Willie Coffey
7. Paul Sweeney
8. Sandesh Gulhane

Members selected for General Questions on 13 March 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 05 March 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 06 March 2025.

1. Maurice Golden
2. Evelyn Tweed
3. John Mason
4. Pam Duncan-Glancy
5. Bob Doris
6. Brian Whittle
7. Michelle Thomson
8. Collette Stevenson

Today's Business <i>Gnothaichean an-diugh</i>	Future Business <i>Gnothaichean ri teachd</i>	Motions & Questions <i>Glusadan agus Ceistean</i>	Legislation <i>Reachdas</i>	Other <i>Eile</i>
Questions Ceistean				

Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 03 March 2025

[S6W-35351](#) Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether Historic Environment Scotland will appoint an accredited pipe organ adviser to ensure that the heritage of the country's pipe organs is properly managed, given the reported growing number that are at risk of being damaged or lost.

[S6W-35352](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of unaddressed adult hearing loss on (a) keeping people in work, (b) health and social care services and (c) the economy.

[S6W-35353](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of what the potential impact on hospital audiology and ear, nose and throat (ENT) services waiting lists would be, if all eligible adults with age-related hearing loss were treated in primary care audiology instead

[S6W-35355](#) Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to introduce a unified statutory framework regulating the use of restraint and seclusion on children across all state care and education settings, as set out in the letter from the Children and Young People's Commissioner on 14 February 2025.

[S6W-35356](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-26881 by Jim Fairlie on 5 June 2024, in relation to financing natural capital, how much private finance was (a) arranged under the support of the Natural Investment Partnership and (b) spent on (i) tree planting and (ii) peatland restoration between 1 March 2024 and the last day of February 2025; who the private finance providers involved were; how much was invested, and on which projects.

[S6W-35358](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the publication of the Natural Capital Market Framework and further to the answer to question S6W-30678 by Mairi Gougeon on 29 October 2024, whether it considers offshore private finance investments as ethical investments under the terms of the Framework.

Amendments

Amendments to Bills lodged on 3 March 2025

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

After section 14

Angela Constance

135 After section 14, insert—

<Failure to supply required information

- (1) The Commissioner may take the action mentioned in subsection (3) or (4) (or both actions) where—
 - (a) a requirement to supply information has been imposed on a criminal justice agency under section 14(1), and
 - (b) the criminal justice agency refuses, or fails without reasonable excuse, to supply the information in accordance with the terms of the notice issued under section 14(2).
- (2) The Commissioner may take the action mentioned in subsection (4) where—
 - (a) a requirement to supply information has been imposed on a criminal justice agency under section 14(1), and
 - (b) the Commissioner suspects the person has deliberately altered the information.
- (3) The Commissioner may publicise the criminal justice agency's refusal, or failure, to supply the information.
- (4) The Commissioner may report the matter to the Court of Session.
- (5) After receiving a report under subsection (4), and hearing any evidence or representations on the matter, the Court may (either or both)—
 - (a) make any order for enforcement that it considers appropriate,
 - (b) deal with the matter as if it were a contempt of court.>

Section 16

Angela Constance

136 In section 16, page 9, line 2, at end insert—

- <() The Commissioner must give a copy of the draft report to—
- (a) each criminal justice agency, and
 - (b) any person providing victim support services who is named in the report, not less than 5 days before publishing the report under subsection (1)(a).>

Section 17

Angela Constance

137 In section 17, page 10, leave out lines 2 and 3

Section 19

Angela Constance

138 In section 19, page 10, line 22, leave out <lay before the Parliament> and insert <publish>

Angela Constance

139 In section 19, page 10, line 24, at end insert—

<() The Commissioner—

- (a) must give a copy of a draft report to each criminal justice agency not less than 5 days before publishing the report under subsection (1),
- (b) may lay any report published under subsection (1) before the Scottish Parliament, if the Commissioner considers it appropriate to do so.>

Section 23

Angela Constance

140 In section 23, page 11, line 34, leave out <under 12 years of age> and insert <aged under 12>

Section 30

Angela Constance

141 In section 30, page 15, line 18, at end insert—

<() for subsection 3, substitute—

“(3) This subsection applies to a person if (either or both)—

- (a) a non-harassment order, order for lawburrows, interdict or any similar order or remedy (including any interim order or remedy) granted by a court prohibiting certain conduct towards the person by a party to the proceedings—
 - (i) is in force, or
 - (ii) has been applied for,
- (b) the person has brought an action for damages in respect of personal injuries sustained by the person and attributable to relevant behaviour by a party to the proceedings and that action has not been finally disposed of.

(3A) For the purposes of subsection (3), “relevant behaviour” means—

- (a) sexual abuse,
- (b) sexual harassment,
- (c) behaviour that would constitute an offence as described in—
 - (i) section 288C(2) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995, or
 - (ii) section 288DC(1) of that Act.”,>

Section 33

Angela Constance

- 142 In section 33, page 17, line 8, after <Act> insert <—
()>

Angela Constance

- 143 In section 33, page 17, line 8, at end insert—
<() in section 15(3)(a) (vulnerable witnesses: supplementary provision), for the words “if aged 12 or older” substitute “unless the contrary is shown”>

Angela Constance

- 144 In section 33, page 18, line 3, at end insert—
<(5A) In making an order under subsection (1)(b), the court must—
(a) have regard to the best interests of the party, and
(b) take account of any views expressed by—
(i) the party (having regard, where the party is a child, to the child’s age and maturity), and
(ii) where the party is a child, the child’s parent.
(5B) For the purposes of subsection (5A)(b), where the party is a child—
(a) the child is to be presumed to be of sufficient age and maturity to form a view unless the contrary is shown, and
(b) in the event that any views expressed by the child are inconsistent with any views expressed by the child’s parent, the views of the child are to be given greater weight.
(5C) In subsection (5B), “parent”, in relation to a child, means any person having parental responsibilities within the meaning of section 1(3) of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995 in relation to the child.>

After section 33

Pauline McNeill

- 145 After section 33, insert—

<PART

ACCESS TO COURT TRANSCRIPTS

Access to court transcripts: victims in sexual offence cases

- (1) The 1995 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 94 (transcripts of record and documentary productions)—
 - (a) in subsection (2), in the opening words, after “subsection” insert “(2ZA) and”,

(b) after subsection (2) insert—

“(2ZA) Where—

- (a) the person who requests a transcript is a victim of an offence listed in subsection (2ZB), and
- (b) proceedings took place in the High Court of the Justiciary,

the Clerk of Justiciary must direct that the transcript be made and sent to the person who requested it without payment of any charge.

(2ZB) The offences referred to in subsection (2ZA) are—

- (a) an offence under section 52 or 52A of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (offences involving indecent photographs of children),
- (b) an offence to which section 288C of this Act applies (certain sexual offences),
- (c) an offence under section 1 of the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Act 2005 (offence of female genital mutilation),
- (d) 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),
- (e) 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,
- (f) 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),
- (g) 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),
- (h) attempting to commit any offence mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (g) (but not paragraph (b)).”>

Section 34

Angela Constance

146 In section 34, page 20, line 6, leave out subsection (2)

Angela Constance

147 In section 34, page 20, line 21, leave out <9> and insert <12>

Section 35

Angela Constance

148 In section 35, page 21, line 4, leave out <11 or 12 jurors, at least 8> and insert <14 or 15 jurors, at least 10>

Angela Constance

149 In section 35, page 21, line 5, at end insert—

<(aa) in the case of a jury consisting of 13 jurors, at least 9 jurors are so in favour,>

Angela Constance

150 In section 35, page 21, line 6, leave out <9 or 10 jurors, at least 7> and insert <12 jurors, at least 8>

After section 36

Pauline McNeill

151 After section 36, insert—

<*Jury research*

Jury research

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, immediately following Royal Assent, conduct research on juries for criminal proceedings.
- (2) Research under subsection (1) must—
 - (a) include research on—
 - (i) different jury sizes,
 - (ii) different requirements for majority decisions,
 - (iii) the impact of abolishing the not proven verdict, and
 - (b) be conducted over a period of 3 years.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after the conclusion of the research, the Scottish Ministers must prepare a report on the findings of the research.
- (4) A report under subsection (3) must include recommendations on whether there should be changes to—
 - (a) the size of juries for criminal proceedings,
 - (b) the requirements for majority decisions in juries for criminal proceedings.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers may carry out research under subsection (1) and prepare the report under subsection (2) themselves or appoint a person to do so.
- (6) The Scottish Ministers must arrange for a report under subsection (3) to be—
 - (a) published, and
 - (b) laid before the Scottish Parliament.
- (7) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations extend the period specified in subsection (2)(b) up to a maximum of 5 years.>

Angela Constance

152 After section 36, insert—

<*Research into juries*

Research into juries

- (1) The Contempt of Court Act 1981 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 8 (confidentiality of jury's deliberations: Scotland and Northern Ireland)—

(a) in subsection (1), for “subsection (2)” substitute “subsections (1A) and (2)”,

(b) after subsection (1) insert—

“(1A) This section does not apply to the disclosure of any particulars made in accordance with leave granted under section 8A(1) or to the publication of any particulars so disclosed.”.

(3) After section 8 insert—

“8A Research into juries

(1) The Lord Justice General may, for the purposes of research into juries in solemn proceedings, grant leave to a person to obtain, disclose, solicit or publish particulars of—

- (a) statements made,
- (b) opinions expressed,
- (c) arguments advanced, or
- (d) votes cast,

by members of a jury in the course of their deliberations in such proceedings.

(2) Leave under subsection (1) may be—

- (a) granted subject to conditions,
- (b) withdrawn or amended either generally or in relation to any particular matter.”.>

Angela Constance

153 After section 36, insert—

<Research into juries by or on behalf of the Scottish Ministers: duty to report

(1) This section applies where the Scottish Ministers—

(a) carry out or commission the carrying out of research in accordance with leave granted under section 8A(1) of the Contempt of Court Act 1981, and

(b) for the purposes of that research, particulars of—

- (i) statements made,
- (ii) opinions expressed,
- (iii) arguments advanced, or
- (iv) votes cast,

by members of a jury in the course of their deliberations in solemn proceedings are solicited, obtained, disclosed or published.

(2) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the research is carried out—

- (a) publish a report on the research,
- (b) lay a copy of the report before the Parliament,
- (c) publish their response to the report (including their recommendations, if any), and
- (d) lay a copy of the response before the Parliament.

- (3) In this section, references to the Scottish Ministers carrying out or commissioning the carrying out of research include research carried out by them jointly or on their behalf.>

Angela Constance

154 After section 36 insert—

<Jury affirmation

Form of jury affirmation

- (1) The Oaths Act 1978 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 6 (form of affirmation)—
- (a) in subsection (1), for “subsection (2)” substitute “subsections (2) and (3)”,
- (b) after subsection (2) insert—
- “(3) In the case of a jury in solemn proceedings, the affirmation is to be in the following form:

On being asked by the clerk of court: “Do you solemnly, sincerely and truly declare and affirm that you will well and truly try the accused and give a true verdict according to the evidence?”

The jurors who are affirming to reply: “I do”.”>

Pauline McNeill

155 After section 36, insert—

<PART

SEXUAL OFFENCES DIVISION

Sexual offences division: Sheriff Court

- (1) The 1995 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 305 (Acts of Adjournal), after subsection (2), insert—
- “(2A) The High Court may by Act of Adjournal—
- (a) establish a specialist division of the Sheriff Court to hear sexual offences cases,
- (b) regulate the practice and procedure of a division established under paragraph (a).”>

Pauline McNeill

156 After section 36, insert—

<PART

SEXUAL OFFENCES DIVISION

Sexual offences division: High Court

- (1) The 1995 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 305 (Acts of Adjournal), after subsection (2), insert—
- “(2A) The High Court may by Act of Adjournal—

- (a) establish a specialist division of the High Court to hear sexual offences cases,
- (b) regulate the practice and procedure of a division established under paragraph (a).”>

Section 39

Pauline McNeill

- 157 In section 39, page 22, line 13, after <indictment> insert <in a sheriff court>

Section 63

Angela Constance

- 158 In section 63, page 40, line 18, at end insert—

<(da) an offence under section 122 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 (offence of forced marriage or forced civil partnership),>

Angela Constance

- 159 In section 63, page 40, line 29, at end insert—

- <(i) conspiracy or incitement to commit any offence mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (g),
- (j) aiding, abetting, counselling or procuring the commission of any offence mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (g).>

Angela Constance

- 160 In section 63, page 41, line 2, after <is> insert <or has been>

Angela Constance

- 161 In section 63, page 41, line 32, leave out <under 18 years of age> and insert <aged under 18>

Angela Constance

- 162 In section 63, page 42, line 26, at end insert—

<(1A) A person who—

- (a) attempts or conspires to commit an offence under subsection (1), or
- (b) aids, abets, counsels, procures or incites the commission of such an offence,

commits an offence and is liable on conviction to the same punishment as if the person had committed the offence under subsection (1).>

Angela Constance

- 163 In section 63, page 42, line 33, leave out <at least 18 years of age> and insert <aged 18 or over>

Angela Constance

- 164 In section 63, page 43, line 4, after <person> insert <, being a person aged 18 or over,>

Angela Constance

165 In section 63, page 43, line 19, leave out <and (3)(a)(ii),> and insert <, (3)(a)(ii) and (4)(a),>

Angela Constance

166 In section 63, page 43, line 19, leave out <at least 18 years of age> and insert <aged 18 or over>

Angela Constance

167 In section 63, page 43, line 23, at end insert—

<(8A) For the purposes of subsections (2) to (5), where a person is charged with an offence by virtue of subsection (1A), references to the publication of relevant information include references to the attempted publication of that information. >

Angela Constance

168 In section 63, page 44, line 27, at end insert—

<() The 1995 Act is amended as follows.

() In section 47 (restriction on report of proceedings involving children)—

(a) in subsection (1), after “below” insert “and to section 47A”,

(b) in subsection (2), after “below” insert “and to section 47A”.

() After that section insert—

“47A Disapplication of section 47 in certain cases

(1) This section applies where—

(a) proceedings are taken against any person in respect of an offence listed in section 106C(5) of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (a “listed offence”), and

(b) the person who is the victim of the offence is aged under 18.

(2) Section 47—

(a) does not apply in relation to the person who is the victim of the listed offence in respect of that offence,

(b) otherwise continues to apply in respect of the proceedings.

(3) In this section, “offence” and “victim of the offence” are to be construed in accordance with section 106C(8) of the 2016 Act.”>

Before section 67

Angela Constance

169 Before section 67, insert—

<Review of operation of Act

(1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of each review period—

- (a) undertake a review of the operation of this Act, and
- (b) prepare a report on that review.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after preparing the report—
 - (a) publish the report, and
 - (b) lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (3) In undertaking a review under subsection (1)(a), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) the Lord President,
 - (b) the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service,
 - (c) the chief constable of the Police Service of Scotland,
 - (d) the Scottish Legal Aid Board,
 - (e) the Law Society of Scotland,
 - (f) the Faculty of Advocates,
 - (g) persons representing the views of victims and witnesses in criminal proceedings (or victims and witnesses themselves),
 - (h) persons providing victim support services, within the meaning of section 3D(5) of the 2014 Act,
 - (i) persons representing the views of witnesses and parties in civil proceedings (or witnesses and parties themselves),
 - (j) such other persons as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, “review period” means—
 - (a) the period of 5 years beginning with the day of Royal Assent,
 - (b) one subsequent period of 5 years.>

Section 69

Angela Constance

- 170** In section 69, page 49, line 8, after <person,> insert <including how trauma may affect any evidence given by the person,>

Angela Constance

- 171** In section 69, page 49, leave out lines 9 to 13 and insert—

- <() based on that understanding, involves adapting and implementing processes and practices to—
- (i) seek to avoid, or minimise the risk of, exposing the person to any recurrence of past trauma or to further trauma,
 - (ii) seek to avoid, or minimise the risk of, negatively impacting the person’s recovery from trauma,
 - (iii) enable the person to participate effectively in court proceedings.>

Housing (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Social Justice and Social Security Committee Daily List

After section 45

Meghan Gallacher

1006 After section 45, insert—

<Scottish Social Housing Charter: supporting tenants affected by domestic abuse

- (1) The Housing (Scotland) Act 2010 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 32 (standards and outcomes) after subsection (2) insert—
 - “(3) Standards and outcomes set out in the Scottish Social Housing Charter must include provisions relating to the needs of tenants who the social landlord has reason to believe have experienced, are experiencing or are at risk of domestic abuse.
 - (4) The Scottish Housing Regulator must monitor landlord performance against the standards and outcomes under subsection (3) at least once in every 1 year period.
 - (5) In this section “domestic abuse” means abusive behaviour within the meaning of section 2 of the Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Act 2021 (as read with sections 1 and 3 of that Act).”.>

Meghan Gallacher

1007 After section 45, insert—

<Scottish Social Housing Charter: supporting tenants affected by domestic abuse

- (1) The Housing (Scotland) Act 2010 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 32 (standards and outcomes)—
 - (a) after subsection (1)(b) insert—

“(ba) the needs of tenants who the social landlord has reason to believe have experienced, are experiencing or are at risk of domestic abuse,”
 - (b) after subsection (2) insert—
 - “(3) In this section “domestic abuse” means abusive behaviour within the meaning of section 2 of the Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Act 2021 (as read with sections 1 and 3 of that Act).”.>

Housing (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee Daily List

Section 1

Meghan Gallacher

81 In section 1, page 1, line 24, leave out <5> and insert <4>

Meghan Gallacher

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82 In section 1, page 1, line 24, leave out <5> and insert <3>

Meghan Gallacher

83 In section 1, page 1, line 24, leave out <5> and insert <2>

Meghan Gallacher

84 In section 1, page 1, line 24, leave out <5 years> and insert <1 year>

Meghan Gallacher

85 Leave out section 1

Section 2

Meghan Gallacher

86 Leave out section 2

Section 3

Meghan Gallacher

87 Leave out section 3

Section 4

Meghan Gallacher

88 Leave out section 4

Section 5

Meghan Gallacher

89 Leave out section 5

Section 6

Meghan Gallacher

90 In section 6, page 5, line 13, at end insert—

<() persons who appear to them to understand the impact of rent increase on rural areas.>

Meghan Gallacher

91 Leave out section 6

Section 7

Meghan Gallacher

92 Leave out section 7

Section 8

Meghan Gallacher

93 Leave out section 8

Section 9

Meghan Gallacher

94 In section 9, page 6, line 38, leave out <5> and insert <4>

Meghan Gallacher

95 In section 9, page 6, line 38, leave out <5> and insert <3>

Meghan Gallacher

96 In section 9, page 6, line 38, leave out <5> and insert <2>

Meghan Gallacher

97 In section 9, page 6, line 38, leave out <5 years> and insert <1 year>

Meghan Gallacher

98 Leave out section 9

Section 10

Meghan Gallacher

99 Leave out section 10

Section 11

Meghan Gallacher

100 Leave out section 11

Section 12

Meghan Gallacher

101 Leave out section 12

Section 13

Meghan Gallacher

- 102** In section 13, page 9, line 3, leave out <may> and insert <must>

Meghan Gallacher

- 103** In section 13, page 9, line 10, at end insert—

<() Regulations under subsection (1) must include in the definition of an exempt property any property under a relevant tenancy for which the landlord is a registered social landlord or a subsidiary of a registered social landlord.>

Meghan Gallacher

- 104** In section 13, page 9, line 10, at end insert—

<() Regulations under subsection (1) must include in the definition of an exempt property any property under a relevant tenancy for the duration of any works being undertaken by the landlord to eliminate or mitigate risks to human life that are (directly or indirectly) created or exacerbated by—

- (a) the external wall cladding system,
- (b) reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete, or
- (c) any other building material.>

Meghan Gallacher

- 105** In section 13, page 9, line 10, at end insert—

<() Regulations under subsection (1) must include in the definition of an exempt property any property subject to the Energy Performance of Buildings (Scotland) Regulations 2008 under a relevant tenancy for which the landlord is, for the time being, taking action to improve the energy performance indicator for the property from less than C to C or above.>

Meghan Gallacher

- 106** In section 13, page 9, line 15, at end insert—

<() In this section—

“registered social landlord” means a body registered in the register maintained under section 20(1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2010,

“subsidiary” has the same meaning as in the Companies Act 2006 (c.46) or, as the case may be, the Cooperative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.>

Meghan Gallacher

- 107** Leave out section 13

Section 14

Meghan Gallacher

108 Leave out section 14

Section 15

Meghan Gallacher

109 In section 15, page 11, line 6, at end insert—

<() The Scottish Ministers must provide for the information gathered by local authorities under subsection (1) to be published in a single data system.>

Meghan Gallacher

110 Leave out section 15

Section 16

Meghan Gallacher

111 Leave out section 16

Section 17

Meghan Gallacher

112 Leave out section 17

Section 18

Meghan Gallacher

113 Leave out section 18

Section 19

Meghan Gallacher

114 Leave out section 19

Section 20

Meghan Gallacher

115 Leave out section 20

Section 21

Meghan Gallacher

116 Leave out section 21

Section 22

Meghan Gallacher

- 117 Leave out section 22

Section 23

Meghan Gallacher

- 118 Leave out section 23

Before section 24

Meghan Gallacher

- 119 Before section 24, insert—

<Restriction on applying for an eviction order

Restriction on applying for an eviction order: terminal illness

- (1) The 2016 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) Before section 54 insert—

“53A Restriction on applying for an eviction order: terminal illness

- (1) A landlord may not make an application to the First-tier Tribunal for an eviction order against a tenant if—
 - (a) the tenant, or
 - (b) a member of the tenant’s household,has a terminal illness.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), an individual has a terminal illness if the Scottish Ministers have determined under section 37 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 that the individual is entitled to be given disability assistance on the basis of the individual having a terminal illness.”>

Meghan Gallacher

- 120 Before section 24, insert—

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- (1) The 2016 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) Before section 54 insert—

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 - (a) the tenant, or

- (b) a member of the tenant's household,
has a terminal illness.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), an individual is to be regarded as having a terminal illness if, having had regard to the guidance mentioned in subsection (3), it is the clinical judgement of an appropriate healthcare professional that the individual has a progressive disease that can reasonably be expected to cause the individual's death.
- (3) The guidance referred to in subsection (2) is guidance prepared under paragraph 1(3) of schedule 5 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.
- (4) For the purposes of subsection (2), "appropriate health professional" has the meaning specified in regulations made under paragraph 1(2D) of schedule 5 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.">

Meghan Gallacher

121 Before section 24, insert—

<Entitlement to inherit

Entitlement to inherit

- (1) The 2016 Act is modified as follows.
- (5) After section 69 insert—

“69A Entitlement to inherit: duty to tenant

- (1) This section applies where—
 - (a) a person becomes a tenant under a tenancy by virtue of section 67, 68 or 69,
and
 - (b) the person indicates to the landlord in writing that the person does not wish to be the tenant under the tenancy.
- (2) The landlord—
 - (a) need not apply to the First-tier tribunal for an eviction order,
 - (b) may give the tenant notice to leave the tenancy at the end of a period of no less than six months beginning with the day on which the tenant receives the notice,
 - (c) must provide reasonable assistance to the tenant to find suitable alternative accommodation.”>

Section 24

Meghan Gallacher

122 In section 24, page 28, line 14, after <having> insert <—

(A)>

Meghan Gallacher

123 In section 24, page 28, line 14, after <disability,> insert <or,

(B) a terminal illness,>

Meghan Gallacher

124 In section 24, page 28, line 23, at end insert—

<(3A) For the purposes of subsection (2)(a)(iii)(B), an individual is to be regarded as having a terminal illness if, having had regard to the guidance mentioned in subsection (3B), it is the clinical judgement of an appropriate healthcare professional that the individual has a progressive disease that can reasonably be expected to cause the individual's death.

(3B) The guidance referred to in subsection (3A) is guidance prepared under paragraph 1(3) of schedule 5 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.

(3C) For the purposes of subsection (3A), “appropriate health professional” has the meaning specified in regulations made under paragraph 1(2D) of schedule 5 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.>

Meghan Gallacher

125 In section 24, page 28, line 23, at end insert—

<(3A) For the purposes of subsection (2)(a)(iii)(B), an individual has a terminal illness if the Scottish Ministers have determined under section 37 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 that the individual is entitled to be given disability assistance on the basis of the individual having a terminal illness.>

Section 25

Meghan Gallacher

126 In section 25, page 29, line 15, after <having> insert <—

()>

Meghan Gallacher

127 In section 25, page 29, line 15, after <disability,> insert <or,

() a terminal illness,>

Meghan Gallacher

128 In section 25, page 29, line 19, at end insert—

<(3A) For the purposes of subsection (2), an individual is to be regarded as having a terminal illness if, having had regard to the guidance mentioned in subsection (3B), it is the clinical judgement of an appropriate healthcare professional that the individual has a progressive disease that can reasonably be expected to cause the individual's death.

(3B) The guidance referred to in subsection (3A) is guidance prepared under paragraph 1(3) of schedule 5 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.

(3C) For the purposes of subsection (3A), “appropriate health professional” has the meaning specified in regulations made under paragraph 1(2D) of schedule 5 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018.>

Meghan Gallacher

129 In section 25, page 29, line 19, at end insert—

- <() For the purposes of subsection (2), an individual has a terminal illness if the Scottish Ministers have determined under section 37 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 that the individual is entitled to be given disability assistance on the basis of the individual having a terminal illness.>

After section 31

Meghan Gallacher

130 After section 31 insert—

<Payment of tenancy deposits>

Payment of tenancy deposits: regulatory framework

- (1) The Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 121 (tenancy deposit schemes: regulatory framework), after subsection (3) insert—
 - “(4) Tenancy deposit regulations must include provision to ensure that a tenancy deposit is to be paid by the tenant directly to the scheme administrator.”>

After section 51

Meghan Gallacher

131 After section 51, insert—

<Land and buildings transaction tax>

Additional amount: minimum value of dwelling

- (1) The Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Scotland) Act 2013 is modified as follows.
- (2) In schedule 2A—
 - (a) in paragraph 2, sub-paragraph (1)(b), for <£40,000> substitute <£200,000>,
 - (b) in paragraph 3, sub-paragraph (1)(b), for <£40,000> substitute <£200,000>,
 - (c) in paragraph 11, sub-paragraph (4), for <£40,000> substitute <£200,000>,
 - (d) in paragraph 17, sub-paragraph (2), <£40,000> substitute <£200,000>.>

Meghan Gallacher

132 After section 51, insert—

<Land and buildings transaction tax>

Additional amount: transactions relating to third homes etc.

- (1) The Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Scotland) Act 2013 is modified as follows.
- (2) In schedule 2A (additional amount: transactions relating to second homes etc.)—

- (a) in paragraph 2, sub-paragraph (1)(c), for “one dwelling” substitute “two dwellings”,
- (b) the italic heading immediately preceding paragraph 2 becomes “transactions relating to third homes etc.”,
- (c) the title becomes “Additional Amount: Transactions relating to third homes etc.”.>

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New Subordinate Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to negative procedure

The following instruments were laid before Parliament on 3 March 2025 and are subject to the negative procedure—

[Council Tax Reduction and Council Tax \(Discounts\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/55\)](#)

Laid under Local Government Finance Act 1992, section 113(3)

[Council Tax \(Exempt Dwellings\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/56\)](#)

Laid under Local Government Finance Act 1992, section 113(3)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Rules Order of Council 2025 \(SI 2025/240\)](#)

Laid under article 42 of the Health Professions Order 2001

Progress of Legislation

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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)

Passed, 25 February 2025

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 5 March 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 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 26 February 2025

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Education (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 2 April 2025

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 27 March 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 (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 4 March 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

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (12th Report, 2025)

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 2) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 4 March 2025

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)), 5 March 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

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

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Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (14th Report, 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)

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

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) (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-S6-48c

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Lodged on 24 February 2025
Meeting of the Parliament, 25 February 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-S6-50a

Lodged on 3 March 2025

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
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (15th Report, 2025)

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Made affirmative instrument

Subject to approval by 17 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)

[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)

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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)

Subject to approval by 28 March 2025

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[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)

Subject to approval by 23 April 2025

[Environmental Authorisations \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (*27 February 2025*) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Negative instruments

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

[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

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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

[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)

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[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)

Subject to annulment 27 April 2025
Lead committee report due by 21 April 2025

[Council Tax Reduction and Council Tax \(Discounts\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/55\)](#) (3 March 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Council Tax \(Exempt Dwellings\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/56\)](#) (3 March 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Rules Order of Council 2025 \(SI 2025/240\)](#) (3 March 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

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Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 3 March 2025—

Kate Forbes, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Gaelic:
Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Product Regulation and Metrology Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-50a)

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 3 March 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Hospitals Inquiry Interim Report: The Royal Hospital for Children and Young People and Department of Clinical Neuroscience, Edinburgh 2025 (SG/2025/18) laid under section 26 of the Inquiries Act 2005

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