## Thursday 6 March 2025

# **Business Bulletin**

## Iris Ghnothaichean



## Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions - 20 March 2025

Following the Parliament's agreement to Business Motion S6M-16686, SPCB Questions will take place on Thursday 20 March.

The deadline for lodging oral questions to the SPCB is 4.30 pm on Wednesday 12 March. Up to 12 questions will be randomly selected and published in the Business Bulletin on Friday 14 March. Members are reminded that questions to the SPCB can be only on matters concerning the SPCB or the staff of the Parliament.

SPCB oral questions can now be submitted via the portal: <a href="https://qm.parliament.scot/">https://qm.parliament.scot/</a> Alternatively, questions can be emailed to: chamberdesk@parliament.scot.

## **Today's Business**

## Meeting of the Parliament

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

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## **Committee Meetings**

**8:45am** Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

**9:30am** Social Justice and Social Security Committee

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## 11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

#### 11:40 am General Questions

- **1. Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government how Scotland's recorded crime rate compares with other areas of the UK. (S6O-04394)
- **2. Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the potential impact on state schools of the UK Government's decision to make independent schools liable for VAT, how it plans to use any Barnett consequential funding resulting from this decision to support state schools. (S6O-04395)
- **3. Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the reported view of the Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland that proposed changes to legislation on religious observance diverge from the recommendation by the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child to allow young people to independently opt out of religious observance at school. (S6O-04396)
- **4. Clare Adamson:** [Not Lodged] (<u>S60-04397</u>)
- **5. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to support increased levels of sport and physical activity in Dumfries and Galloway. (S6O-04398)
- **6. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last discussed the future of Greenock police station with Police Scotland. (<u>S6O-04399</u>)
- **7. Evelyn Tweed:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will work with the NHS to ensure that infrastructure is in place to meet demand for adult ADHD and autism assessments, in light of reports that NHS Forth Valley has closed its service. (\$\frac{560-04400}{}\$)
- **8. Colin Beattie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on Action 20 of the Housing to 2040 strategy to "streamline and accelerate the adaptations system". (S60-04401)

## 12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 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. (<u>S6F-03870</u>)
- **6. Foysol 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)

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## Debate on the subject of-

<u>S6M-16536</u> Marie McNair: Impact of UK Welfare Reforms in Scotland—That the Parliament condemns the Labour UK administration for its reported intention to proceed with what it sees as punitive welfare reforms proposed under the previous Conservative administration; notes the calls on the UK Government to immediately reverse its plans, which, it considers, could seriously impact disabled people and increase financial insecurity in vulnerable households; further notes with alarm reports that, by 2029, over 450,000 disabled people and people with long-term conditions across the UK could be impacted as a result of the proposed reforms to Work Capability Assessment, with, it understands, many losing payments currently worth over £400 per month; is deeply concerned by what it sees as the callous language of UK Government ministers when discussing welfare reform, including the reported comment by the UK work and pensions secretary that some benefit claimants are "taking the mickey"; notes what it sees as the contrast between what it considers the demonisation of welfare recipients, under the UK Government, and the Scottish Government's continued commitment to a devolved social security system based on dignity, fairness and respect; welcomes the reported investment of £1.3 billion above the UK block grant adjustment for social security expenditure in the draft Budget 2025-26, which reflects what it considers to be the social contract between the Scottish Government and the people of Scotland; understands that the Scottish Government is set to invest up to £210 million in measures to mitigate what it sees as UK Government austerity policies such as the so-called bedroom tax, benefit cap and cut to the Winter Fuel Payment in 2025-26, and notes the calls encouraging disadvantaged or low-income households across Scotland, including disabled and long-term ill people in the Clydebank and Milngavie constituency, to check their eligibility for social security payments and to claim the support to which they are entitled.

#### 2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

#### 2:30 pm Covid-19 Day of Reflection

#### followed by Portfolio Questions

#### Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

- **1. Karen Adam:** [Withdrawn] (<u>S60-04402</u>)
- **2. Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent assessment it has made of the feasibility of its target to achieve net-zero emissions by 2045. (S6O-04403)
- **3. Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when it plans to introduce its proposed Heat in Buildings Bill. (\$60-04404)
- **4. Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that the process for approving renewable energy developments above 50MW encourages developers to carry out high-quality consultations and gives communities sufficient information and opportunity to engage meaningfully. (S6O-04405)
- **5. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is taking to improve road safety. (S6O-04406)
- **6. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government how the proportion of ScotRail trains that were cancelled in 2023-24 compares with other rail operators across the UK. (S6O-04407)

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- - **7. Kevin Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to promote hydrogen production and usage in Scotland. (S6O-04408)
  - **8. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what steps it is taking to reduce car use by 20% by 2030. (S6O-04409) **R**

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## **Committee Meetings**

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

# Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 8th Meeting, 2025

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

 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.

# Social Justice and Social Security Committee 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 <u>Social Security (Uprating)</u> (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 [draft] and the <u>Social Security Uprating (Scotland) Order 2025 [draft]</u> 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—

  <u>Council Tax Reduction (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025</u>

  (SSI 2025/24)
- 6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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## **Future Meetings of the Parliament**

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 5 March 2025

#### 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 Debate: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills

followed by Appointment of Chair to Environmental Standards Scotland

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-15955 Alexander Stewart: Additional Support Needs in Scotland

## 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 — S6M-16573 Audrey Nicoll: International Women's Day 2025

#### 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 — S6M-16302 Paul O'Kane: Young Carers Action Day 2025

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

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**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Scottish Hospitals Inquiry Interim Report on the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People and Department of Clinical Neuroscience Edinburgh

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Adoption of Innovation in Health and Social Care

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

## Tuesday 18 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 19 March 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Labour Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

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followed by Members' Business

#### Thursday 20 March 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

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2:15 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

followed by Rural Affairs and Islands Committee Debate: Salmon Farming in Scotland

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# Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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#### **Motions**

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

#### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

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

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

\*S6M-16655 Elena Whitham: Shelter Scotland-commissioned Research Regarding Children's Experiences in Temporary Accommodation—That the Parliament notes the publication of new research, In Their Own Words: Children's Experiences in Temporary Accommodation, which was commissioned by Shelter Scotland and carried out by research coleads Professor Nadzeya Svirydzenka, of De Montfort University, and Professor Monica Lakhanpaul, of University College London, with research fellow, Dr Joseph Williams; understands that the findings bring to light the serious harm being done to children, including in the Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley constituency, due to current constraints in the housing system; notes that the research suggested that children were being harmed across the three key areas of safety, health and education; further notes the calls for it to act on the stories bravely shared by children in the research, which highlighted that some children were moved miles away from friends and family, or forced to sleep in beds covered in black mould, or placed in accommodation with urinesoaked carpets, dead rats and broken windows and having no access to decent cooking or washing facilities; understands that this is the first research of its kind to be published in Scotland; notes the view that the experiences detailed by the children involved highlight the need for change: further notes demands for urgent action to be taken to end the harm being caused by the housing emergency; thanks the children and families for their bravery in sharing their stories; understands that the Scottish Government recognises the housing emergency; commends the work that it believes the Scottish Government is doing with its partners in addressing this urgent situation; notes the call for action to be taken alongside COSLA to review and consider the recommendations of the report, and further notes that these include increasing investment in the supply of family-sized social homes, providing greater support to prevent homelessness from happening in the first place, having an improved supply of good quality temporary accommodation, having a greater emphasis on children's rights, upholding the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child and having greater wrap-around support for children and their families.

Supported by: 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, Lorna Slater, Mark Ruskell

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\*S6M-16557 Stuart McMillan: Bladder Cancer in Scotland—That the Parliament acknowledges the importance of improving bladder cancer diagnosis, care and treatment in Scotland, where it is reported that outcomes for patients lag behind outcomes for bladder cancer patients elsewhere in the UK and in Europe; notes the view that there is a need to improve the availability of staff and resources to improve standard of care, and to support all those involved in diagnosing and treating bladder cancer in Scotland, including in the Greenock and Inverclyde constituency, such as nurses, GPs, urological surgeons, oncologists, and other specialised health care professionals; further notes the current dedication, tirelessness and passion shown by those individuals and organisations, such as Fight Bladder Cancer, who work to ensure that the best care is provided for what is considered a life-changing disease, and notes the calls for all organisations to play their part in ensuring that the general public has awareness of this cancer and its symptoms so that bladder cancer can be caught and treated as early as possible.

#### Other new and altered motions and amendments

\*S6M-16717 Fulton MacGregor: Baby Loss Retreat Recognised at the People's Choice Awards 2025. —That the Parliament congratulates the charity, Baby Loss Retreat, after it was highly recommended in the Best Health and Wellbeing Business category at the Scottish People's Choice Awards 2025; acknowledges the vital work of the charity in providing counselling, trauma therapy and listening music therapy to parents who have experienced baby loss at any stage; commends the charity's founders, Julie and Bryan Morrison, for their dedication in supporting grieving parents and families, drawing on their own personal experience of loss; welcomes the development of Erin's Retreat, which was announced in September 2024, and will provide bereaved parents with a dedicated space for reflection and counselling; recognises the importance of Baby Loss Retreat's training on baby loss in the workplace, and wishes the charity continued success in its mission to provide crucial aftercare support for those affected by baby loss across Scotland.

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\*S6M-16715 Monica Lennon: Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month—That the Parliament recognises that March 2025 is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month; understands that around 600 women are diagnosed with ovarian cancer each year in Scotland; believes with regret that survival rates in Scotland are among the worst in Europe; calls on the Scottish Government to support an ovarian cancer symptoms awareness campaign, alongside providing updated information at cervical screening appointments to make clear that these do not test or screen for ovarian cancer or other gynaecological cancers; understands that surgery is the treatment that offers the best long-term prognosis; acknowledges that a survey carried out by Target Ovarian Cancer found that 44% of women surveyed said that they experienced a delay with accessing surgery and 18% said that they paid privately for some part of their diagnosis or treatment; encourages MSPs to attend a Target Ovarian Cancer parliamentary reception on 13 March 2025 in committee room 1, and looks forward to an update from the Scottish Government in response to requests for an urgent review of surgery provision nationally.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney\*

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\*S6M-16714 Marie McNair: Golden Jubilee Conference Hotel Wins Two Categories at the National Hotel of the Year Awards—That the Parliament congratulates the Golden Jubilee Conference Hotel on being crowned the winner of both the Best Premium Causal Dining and Best Corporate Events Hotel categories at the National Hotel of the Year Awards; understands the awards ceremony was held at the Crowne Plaza Glasgow SEC and celebrated the best in hospitality and tourism across Scotland; believes that the awards won by the hotel are a reflection of the dedication, passion and commitment that its team brings to its jobs every day, and commends everyone at the Golden Jubilee Conference Hotel on what it sees as their hard work as they continue to provide quality care and attention to detail to the people of Scotland and beyond.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney\*

\*S6M-16713 Miles Briggs: Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2025—That the Parliament celebrates Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2025, which runs from 4 to 7 March; believes that the theme, Made for Business, emphasises the crucial role that apprenticeships, including those categorised as modern, foundation and graduate, play in growing the economy, including through the provision of critical skills to businesses across Scotland, extends its best wishes to all apprentices who are working to attain their qualifications and skills through practical experience, and acknowledges what it sees as the value of work-based learning in helping them to achieve this.

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\*S6M-16712 Sandesh Gulhane: Battlefield Primary School Family Fundraising Group—That the Parliament commends what it sees as the valuable work of Battlefield Primary School's Family Fundraising Group; recognises that pupils and their families are seeking to raise £30,000 to make much-needed improvements to the playground at the school using the only Glasgow City Council-approved supplier that has tendered for the project; understands that there is currently no outdoor play equipment at the school and that a wall in the playground is in urgent need of repair; believes that outdoor play has a positive impact on attendance, behaviour and learning; congratulates all involved in the fundraising effort, including two parents who raised £4,300 by running 500km; notes that a family bake sale has raised nearly £400 and a number of pupils have set themselves fundraising challenges, and wishes all involved in this fundraising effort, including members of the Battlefield community, well in raising the funds necessary to improve outdoor play facilities at Battlefield Primary School.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney\*

\*S6M-16710 Foysol Choudhury: Ramadan 2025—That the Parliament notes the beginning of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, which began on the evening of 28 February and will last until around 30 March 2025, depending on the sighting of the moon; understands that Ramadan is observed as a month of prayer and reflection where Muslims worldwide engage in fasting during the hours of daylight; recognises the heightened focus on charity, giving and generosity throughout Ramadan; acknowledges what it sees as the enormous contribution that Muslim communities make to Scottish society; calls for tolerance and the free practice of peaceful religious observance around the world, and wishes the Muslim community across Scotland, and around the world a peaceful and blessed month of Ramadan.

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\*S6M-16709 Maggie Chapman: Young Traditional Musician of the Year—That the Parliament celebrates the success of singer, Ellie Beaton, of Rothienorman, Aberdeenshire, who has won the title of BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician of 2025; understands the importance that Ellie places on the musical traditions of the north east of Scotland and the rich and vibrant Aberdeenshire styles of singing; notes that she is a recent graduate of the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland and plans to release her debut album in 2025, whilst working towards a master's degree; congratulates everyone involved in what was a competitive final with a very high standard set by all involved; celebrates the 25th anniversary of the BBC Radio Scotland award as one of the most sought-after platforms for up-and-coming talent in traditional music; congratulates Ellie on her achievement, and wishes her well in her studies and career.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney\*

\*S6M-16707 Colin Smyth: Implementing the National Primary Care Diagnostic Pathway for Lower Gastrointestinal Symptoms—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the importance of implementing the national primary care diagnostic pathway for lower gastrointestinal symptoms, to improve early diagnosis and timely access to treatment for people with gastrointestinal conditions, such as Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis; understands that the pathway provides a practical framework for primary care professionals to assess people's history and symptoms and streamline referrals to hospitals; believes that this improves the accuracy for further investigation and performance against local delivery plan standards; considers that this is a critical time to implement the pathway, as the national statistics suggest that there is now the highest proportion of people waiting over a year for a colonoscopy since January 2023; understands that delays to diagnosis narrow treatment options and can lead to disease progression; further understands that people who experience the longest delays in diagnosis are more likely to have serious bowel complications, which can be life threatening and result in emergency surgery, placing more strain on what it sees as an overstretched health system, and supports the implementation of the pathway across Scotland.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney\*

\*S6M-16706 David Torrance: Jack Vettriano Remembered Fondly for his Art and Connection with Kirkcaldy—That the Parliament commemorates the life of the distinguished artist Jack Vettriano, who passed away on 1 March 2025 at the age of 73; highlights Jack's close connection with Kirkcaldy and notes that, during his time as an apprentice mining engineer aspiring to be an artist, he often visited Kirkcaldy Galleries as part of his efforts as a self-taught artist; further notes that, alongside international and commercial success, Jack returned to the Lang Toun in 2022 for a show in Kirkcaldy Galleries of his early works, which were painted under the name, Jack Hoggan; notes that he funded the Jack Vettriano Scholarship at Fife College for 18 years, which assisted 70 art and design students with their studies, and understands that a book of condolences will be in situ at Kirkcaldy Galleries for those who wish to express their condolences at his passing.

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\*S6M-16704 Clare Haughey: Codfather Named Best Fish and Chip Shop in the Glasgow Region—That the Parliament congratulates Codfather fish and chip shop, in Halfway, on its recent success in the Glasgow round of Scotland's Business Awards, at which it won the Best Fish and Chip Shop category; understands that the business is much appreciated locally for its cooked-to-order fresh fish, friendly service and innovation, with customers known to travel to the shop from far and wide to sample treats, such as battered pickled onions; notes that Codfather will now compete in the national Scotland's Business Awards finals, which will be held in Glasgow in November 2025, and wishes the whole team all the best at the finals and for the future.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney\*

\*S6M-16703 Jackson Carlaw: Busby Bowling Club Celebrates 150-year Anniversary in 2025—That the Parliament acknowledges that Busby Bowling Club is celebrating its 150-year anniversary in 2025; notes that the bowling club officially opened on 1 July 1875 and that it has served as a sporting and social hub for generations of local people in Busby; understands that Busby Bowling Club is deeply embedded within the local community and provides a welcoming space for both members and non-members, and that it hosts a range of activities such as competitions and social events; recognises that a programme of events is planned to mark the bowling club's milestone in 2025, including a Family and Friends Day where anyone is able to try their hand at bowls in a relaxed setting; understands the significance of Busby Bowling Club in reaching its 150-year anniversary to the local community, and wishes the club every success with its planned activities to celebrate the milestone occasion.

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\*S6M-16702 Jackson Carlaw: Williamwood High Wins National Badminton Tournament for Two Years in a Row—That the Parliament commends the Senior Badminton Team at Williamwood High School on winning Badminton Scotland's Gibb Memorial Quaich tournament in 2025; understands that the recent competition victory for Williamwood marks the second year in a row that the school's Senior Badminton Team has won the Gibb Memorial Quaich tournament; agrees that the 2024 and 2025 tournament wins for Williamwood High demonstrate the commitment and talent of pupils in the sport of badminton; congratulates the Senior Badminton Team at Williamwood on its successive victories in the Gibb Memorial Quaich competition, and wishes the school the very best of luck for a third consecutive tournament win next year.

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\*S6M-16701 Jackson Carlaw: Giffnock's Glasgow Hutcheson's Aloysians Rugby Team Wins League Title Undefeated—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow Hutchesons' Aloysians (GHA) Rugby Football Club on winning the 2024-25 Men's Arnold Clark National League Division 1 competition; notes that the rugby club, whose ground is based at Braidholm Road in Giffnock, won the championship and secured promotion to the Arnold Clark Premiership after going the entire league season undefeated, with 17 victories and 1 draw; understands that the final fixture of the season on 1 March, and when GHA celebrated the championship win by lifting the League Division 1 trophy, was also the 500th match in the rugby club's history; considers that GHA winning the League Division 1 title undefeated is a very special achievement, and wishes the rugby club every success as it competes in the Premiership next season.

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\*S6M-16700 Jackson Carlaw: Cathcart Castle Golf Club Raises £14,600 for Charity—That the Parliament congratulates Cathcart Castle Golf Club in Clarkston for raising nearly £15,000 to support a charity that provides hot meals for disadvantaged children; understands that over the course of 2024, the Eastwood-based sports club organised a range of fundraising activities, including a 100-holes-in-a-day golf marathon, a gala day, fashion shows and Christmas hamper appeals; acknowledges that Cathcart Castle Golf Club selected Launch Foods as its chosen charity early in 2025 to donate the £14,600 generated through the fundraising activities; recognises that the total sum is over £3,000 more than the golf club has ever been able to raise previously for charity; notes that the golf club was established in 1895, and commends everyone at Cathcart Castle on their outstanding fundraising efforts.

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\*S6M-16699 Jackson Carlaw: Eastwood High Achieves SCQF School Ambassador Gold Award—That the Parliament congratulates Eastwood High School on receiving the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF) School Ambassador Award at the highest level of gold; recognises that the achievement of Eastwood in receiving the gold award highlights the work of the entire school community to promote and champion the importance of lifelong learning for pupils; acknowledges that a secondary school can be awarded the SCQF Ambassador status at either gold, silver or bronze level and that almost 100 schools in Scotland have received the commendation; understands that, if a school achieves the Ambassador status, it is a reward for demonstrating a strong focus on the recognition of wider achievements, improving senior phase pathways and attaching equal value to both academic and vocational qualifications, and commends Eastwood High on receiving the gold award.

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\*S6M-16698 Jackson Carlaw: Newton Mearns Care Home Launches Warm Cafe Initiative— That the Parliament congratulates Newton House Care Home in Newton Mearns on its work on providing a warm space where older people in the local community can meet up during periods of cold weather; understands that, in January 2025, the care home launched a Winter Warmer Cafe and that it has since been open each Wednesday afternoon; recognises that a key aim of the initiative is to tackle isolation of people who belong to an older age group and allow residents to stay connected within their local community, and congratulates Newton House Care Home again on establishing the initiative and on taking pro-active steps to support older people in Newton Mearns.

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\*S6M-16697 Jackson Carlaw: Busby Lawn Tennis Club Raises Money to Support Cancer Charity—That the Parliament congratulates Busby Lawn Tennis Club in Eastwood on raising almost £8,500 of funding to support a children's cancer charity and considerably exceeding the

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initial aim of generating a total of £1,000; understands that the tennis club raised the funds as part of the Young Lives v Cancer charity's tennis-a-thon initiative, and that Busby members participated in a 12-hour tennis marathon to generate the financial support; further understands that the club also organised a bake sale and that this raised funding of £1,500 to contribute towards the total amount; acknowledges that, through the tennis-a-thon event initiative, a key aim of Young Lives v Cancer was to ensure that every action on the tennis court, from serve and volley to rally, would contribute towards helping children and young people who have received a cancer diagnosis; recognises that the exact amount raised by Busby Lawn Tennis Club now stands at £8,468, and congratulates everyone involved with the Eastwood sports club on such an impressive and inspiring effort.

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\*S6M-16696 Jackson Carlaw: Education Scotland Delivers Excellent Inspection Report for St Joseph's Primary School in Eastwood—That the Parliament congratulates St Joseph's Primary School in the Busby area of Eastwood on receiving what it believes is a hugely impressive Education Scotland report; understands that a group of assessors from the executive agency attended St Joseph's during January 2025 to speak with parents, carers and pupils and engage closely with staff, including the headteacher; recognises that the Education Scotland inspectors identified a range of strengths at St Joseph's, including very strong leadership from the headteacher, supported by the depute headteacher, staff who work extremely well together as a team, pupils who are independent and successful learners with a sense of pride in their school, and the establishment of an educational environment where children are confident, secure and able to develop key skills; acknowledges that, on each of the four quality indicators of leadership of change, learning, teaching and assessment, ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion, and raising attainment and achievement, St Jospeh's Primary was rated as very good; notes that St Joseph's joins St Cadoc's Primary and Nursery, Kirkhill Primary, Braidbar Primary and Nursery Class and the Hazeldene Family Learning Centre in the list of Eastwood primary schools and nurseries to be awarded what it considers to be a very strong set of results from an Education Scotland inspection over the previous two years, and commends pupils, staff and everyone associated with St Joseph's Primary School for such a positive Education Scotland report and achieving the grade of very good in the four quality indicators.

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\*S6M-16695 Gordon MacDonald: Edinburgh Pentlands Primary Schools Top Sunday Times Primary School League Table—That the Parliament congratulates Pentland Primary School, Juniper Green Primary School, Dean Park Primary School and Buckstone Primary School in the Edinburgh Pentlands constituency on receiving perfect scores of 400/400, being placed 19th, 40th, 73rd and 74th respectively out of nearly 1,200 schools, after other criteria were applied, in the recent *The Sunday Times* Primary School League Table; notes that Pentland Primary School was the highest placed school in the Edinburgh city area; recognises the dedication and hard work of the schools' pupils, teachers, staff and parents in achieving this outstanding accomplishment; commends the schools for their commitment to providing high-quality education and fostering a positive learning environment; applauds a record 89 schools scoring top marks this year; acknowledges the importance of such achievements in highlighting what it sees as the strength of

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Scotland's education system, and wishes Pentland, Juniper Green, Dean Park and Buckstone primary schools continued success.

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\*S6M-16694 John Mason: Education in Pakistan—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Government's educational links with Pakistan and believes that both countries can learn from each other; understands that children and families from the poorest communities in Pakistan, including from religious minorities, can find it difficult to access quality education; congratulates Starfish Asia on its 25 years of support for primary school children in the poor, slum communities of Pakistan; understands that Starfish Asia has grown out of a small network of local change makers; recognises that it now supports 48 schools and four provisions for disabled and vulnerable young people, providing daily education for around 10,000 children in predominantly poorer, Christian communities, and understands that it is holding a number of events, including in the Scottish Parliament, to raise awareness of its work amid a challenging economic climate for all charities.

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\*S6M-16693 Kevin Stewart: University of Aberdeen, Greener Clinical Trials—That the Parliament welcomes the news that the University of Aberdeen will co-lead a project designed to cut the carbon footprint of clinical trials; notes that the project, titled "Greener Trials", will digitise guidance for assessing the carbon footprint of publicly funded trials, enabling scientists to gather data more rapidly to identify areas of concern, research gaps and issues with current decarbonising systems, as well as shared mitigation strategies, and promote behavioural change; understands that the project will result in a website hosting an open access, free, online carbon calculator, which will work alongside calculators in development in the pharmaceutical sector, as well as active communities of practice, evidence-based mitigation strategies and priorities for research; believes that this research will be vital in helping to reduce the carbon footprint of clinical trials, estimated to be at 37 million tonnes of CO2e overall per year in previous research, and wishes the University of Aberdeen team, led by Professor Katie Gillies and Dr Beatriz Goulao, all the very best in its endeavours.

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\*S6M-16682 Kevin Stewart: University of Aberdeen, Cutting the NHS Carbon Footprint—
That the Parliament welcomes the news that the University of Aberdeen has been named as a core organisation in a new hub tasked with developing new ways to help the NHS dramatically cut its carbon footprint; notes that the hub, which is officially titled "UK Hub for One Health Systems: Creating Sustainable Health and Social Care Pathways" is being led by the University of Exeter, and is one of seven receiving a total of £42 million in funding from UK Research and Innovation and the National Institute for Health and Care Research, with each hub facing a different net zero challenge; understands that the hub will look at a patient's journey through the NHS and social care to identify opportunities to reduce carbon emissions, including reductions in travel, eliminating unnecessary waste and helping suppliers redesign processes to be more carbon neutral; believes that this work will be vital in helping the NHS meet its legal obligations to become net zero by 2045, and wishes the University of Aberdeen team, led by Dr Luis Loria-Rebolledo, all the very best in its endeavours.

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\*S6M-16681 Kevin Stewart: Tall Ships Quayside Concerts—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement of the Tall Ships Quayside Concerts, due to take place in Aberdeen from 18 to 21 July 2025; notes that the concerts, which are being organised to coincide with the return of the Tall Ships to Aberdeen for the first time in 28 years, will be headlined by Deacon Blue, Ministry of Sound Classical, Tide Lines and Kaiser Chiefs, and take place on a purpose-built, 7,000-capacity venue created at Peterson Seabase on Regent Quay; understands that the Sunday night concert headlined by Tide Lines will be free to attend, as a thank you to the people of Aberdeen for their support of the Tall Ships; believes that these concerts will help to add to the overall spectacle of the Tall Ships event; congratulates Aberdeen City Council, Aberdeen Inspired and Port of Aberdeen for their efforts in bringing this event to the Granite City, and hopes that the concerts are a great success.

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\*S6M-16679 Alexander Burnett: Generous Farming Brothers Legacy to The Archie Foundation —That the Parliament acknowledges the generous legacy gift to the north east of Scotland charity, The Archie Foundation, from brothers, Dan and William Davidson; understands that they worked their whole lives for The MacRobert Trust at Tarland, generously bequeathing a substantial figure in their wills to the charity, and considers this to be a hugely kind and thoughtful gift, which it understands will go towards enhancing the work undertaken by the children's charity. Supported by: Douglas Ross\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Edward Mountain\*, Annie Wells\*, Jamie Greene\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Bill Kidd\*, Russell Findlay\*, Pam Gosal\*, Paul Sweeney\*

\*S6M-16677 Ruth Maguire: Irvine Running Club Centenary Book—That the Parliament congratulates Irvine Running Club on reaching its centenary year; acknowledges the release of a new book by Andy Rennie, with contributions from long-standing club member Brian Craig, which charts the club's remarkable history from its founding as Irvine YMCA Harriers in 1924 through its evolution to Irvine Athletic Club in 1972 and then to Irvine Running Club in 2013; recognises the club's achievements in adapting to social change and fostering a thriving running community over the decades; commends the inclusion of over 250 photos and personal testimonials in the book, capturing the club's legacy and spirit, and wishes Irvine Running Club continued success in the years ahead.

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\*S6M-16676 Ruth Maguire: Caledonian Paper Mill Employees Charity Fund—That the Parliament warmly welcomes the £1,000 donation from the Caledonian Paper Mill Employees Charity Fund to support Greenwood Academy pupils on their upcoming trip to Blackpool; recognises what it sees as the positive impact of such contributions in ensuring that all students have the opportunity to participate in educational and social experiences outside the classroom; commends the generosity of the staff at the Caledonian Paper Mill in supporting young people in the local community, and wishes the pupils an enjoyable and enriching trip in June 2025.

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\*S6M-16675 Ruth Maguire: Irvine Royal Academy Participation in the 2025 SP Energy Networks Warriors School Championship—That the Parliament congratulates the pupils of Irvine Royal Academy on their participation in the 2025 SP Energy Networks Warriors School Championship; recognises the tournament's role in promoting grassroots rugby and providing

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opportunities for young athletes to develop their skills; applauds the competition's emphasis on inclusivity and breaking down barriers to participation in sport; commends SP Energy Networks for its continued investment in the Championship and its efforts to integrate science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) learning with rugby, particularly in promoting opportunities for women and girls in STEM-related careers; acknowledges what it sees as the importance of role models from Glasgow Warriors in inspiring the next generation, and wishes the Irvine Royal Academy team members every success in their matches, starting on 25 March, as they strive to reach the final on 6 May.

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\*S6M-16674 Mark Ruskell: Annual BeeWalk Report—That the Parliament welcomes the BeeWalk Annual Report 2025 from the Bumblebee Conservation Trust; recognises the Bumblebee Conservation Trust is the only UK charity dedicated to conserving bumblebees; shares the concern with the Trust that bumblebee numbers declined by 22.5% in 2024, meaning that last year was the worst year for bumblebee conservation since records began; considers the vital role that bumblebees have in pollinating crops and wildflowers, which it believes makes their decline a significant ecological concern, and recognises the calls from the Bumblebee Conservation Trust to expand conservation efforts, including placing a greater emphasis on habitat restoration and continued monitoring of bumblebees to help safeguard their future.

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\*S6M-16673 Miles Briggs: World Kidney Day 2025 on 13 March—That the Parliament recognises that 13 March 2025 is World Kidney Day; acknowledges that the day highlights the importance of kidney health and the need to reduce the frequency and impact of kidney disease and its associated health problems; understands that chronic kidney disease (CKD) is a condition for which there is no cure and that it can, if left undiagnosed and untreated, progress to advanced illness, requiring kidney replacement therapy, including dialysis or transplantation; acknowledges reports that over 600,000 people in Scotland have CKD, with around a third of those thought to be living with the condition undiagnosed; understands that CKD is often preventable and that by taking steps to detect CKD early, it is possible to slow or stop the progression of the disease, and prevent it from reaching the stages at which it is most severe; recognises the impact that living with CKD can have upon an individual's mental health and wellbeing, evidenced through reports that two thirds of patients living with CKD experience symptoms of depression; believes that many living with CKD face financial pressures associated with being a kidney patient, through multiple trips to hospital per week, the inability to work regular hours, special diets and increased utility bills; commends what it considers to be the important work of charities such as Kidney Care UK that provide social, emotional and financial support to patients in need and advocate and campaign for greater support for kidney patients from government and healthcare providers; further commends Kidney Care UK's work at raising awareness of the signs and risks of CKD, including its Bloody Amazing Kidneys campaign, which raises awareness of the disease and encourages people most at risk of CKD to get tested; acknowledges the recommendations for action that Kidney Care UK make in its Let's Talk Kidneys report to prioritise the prevention, early detection and management of kidney disease, and further acknowledges what it sees as the need to prioritise the prevention and early detection of kidney disease and the need for national guidelines to ensure that other services and support that are vital for kidney patients, including

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transport, social and mental care health support, are uniformly available, with no postcode lotteries.

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\*S6M-16672 Daniel Johnson: Greenbank Pre School Wins 7th Eco-School Green Flag—That the Parliament congratulates Greenbank Pre School, in the Edinburgh Southern constituency, for receiving its 7th Green Flag for continued work as part of the Eco-Schools initiative; understands that Eco-Schools is a network of schools seeking to make a positive difference to the environment and in their communities, and is the largest sustainable schools programme in the world with 19.5 million children, young people and educators engaged worldwide in 74 different countries; recognises that the Green Flag is awarded to schools that demonstrate a particular commitment to learning for sustainability and is an internationally recognised accreditation for excellence in sustainable education, and wishes the pupils and staff at Greenbank Pre School the very best going forward.

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\*S6M-16569 Emma Harper: New Community Service Partnership, ELVES CIC in Dumfries—
That the Parliament congratulates Jakob Kaye and Ben Hobman on their newly established community service partnership, ELVES CIC in Dumfries; notes that they aim to teach gardening skills and mentor people towards paid employment opportunities and also to address social isolation; understands that the service will offer free home garden maintenance to people that live alone with disabilities but also educate young people on the skills and knowledge to become a competent gardener; further understands that ELVES CIC was set up from investment funding and has pulled together a consortium of services to tackle social care issues for vulnerable adults living at home, and that these services include "Sunshine Service" established by Alexandra Drysdale, who will offer befriending phone calls and "MiHomeGuard", established by Jamie Grant, which offers a highly affordable monitoring system in people's homes to provide security and reassurance; believes that in partnership with Dumfries and Galloway Mental Health Association, this community service will address isolation, health and wellbeing benefits, and wishes Jakob and Ben all the best in their new venture.

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

<u>S6M-16683</u> Stuart McMillan: Cholangiocarcinoma Awareness Month (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Clare Haughey\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Martin Whitfield\*, Bob Doris\*, Colin Beattie\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Emma Harper\*, Bill Kidd\*

<u>S6M-16671</u> Annie Wells: Girlguiding Scotland Celebrates Own Your Path Pilot (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Russell Findlay\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Douglas Lumsden\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Roz McCall\*, Pam Gosal\*, Craig Hoy\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16670</u> Sharon Dowey: South Ayrshire "Build Your Future" Event Success (lodged on 04 March 2025)

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<u>S6M-16669</u> Sue Webber: Men and Women Rugby Teams from Broughton Rugby Club Win League Titles in Year of Club's Centenary (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Russell Findlay\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Roz McCall\*, Pam Gosal\*, Craig Hoy\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16668</u> Neil Bibby: Congratulating Gleniffer High School's Cameron Keay on Scoring Four Goals Against England (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Roz McCall\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

S6M-16666 Alexander Stewart: Jack Vettriano OBE (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Roz McCall\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16664</u> Annabelle Ewing: Cardenden Community Development Forum Lottery Success (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Roz McCall\*, Miles Briggs\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Colin Beattie\*, Martin Whitfield\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16663</u> Annabelle Ewing: Cardenden Scouts Lottery Success (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Miles Briggs\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Colin Beattie\*, Emma Harper\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16662</u> Annabelle Ewing: Inverkeithing Community Garden Lottery Success (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Roz McCall\*, Miles Briggs\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Rona Mackay\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Martin Whitfield\*, Colin Beattie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16661</u> Liam Kerr: New RNLI Coxswain for Aberdeen (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Roz McCall\*, Edward Mountain\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16660</u> Clare Adamson: Borrow Cup, an Initiative by Reposit and Hubbub (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Miles Briggs\*, Monica Lennon\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Emma Harper\*, Sharon Dowey\*

S6M-16659 Miles Briggs: Young Carers Action Day 2025 (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Edward Mountain\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Annie Wells\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Liam McArthur\*, Douglas Lumsden\*, Craig Hoy\*, Douglas

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<u>S6M-16658</u> Jackie Baillie: Moral Distress Experienced by Healthcare Professionals (lodged on 03 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Sandesh Gulhane\* R, Carol Mochan\*, Colin Smyth\*

<u>S6M-16652</u> Jackson Carlaw: Maidenhill Site Manager, David McClure, Wins Prestigious National Award (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Roz McCall\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-16651</u> Tess White: Strathmore Primary School Receives Scotland's First ADHD Friendly School Award (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Roz McCall\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Douglas Ross\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Martin Whitfield\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Edward Mountain\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Colin Beattie\*, Annie Wells\*, Karen Adam\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Jamie Greene\*, Bill Kidd\*, Russell Findlay\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Tim Eagle\*

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

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Emma Harper\*, Bill Kidd\*, Roz McCall\*, Edward Mountain\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-16649</u> Tess White: Brechin High School Pupils Compete in the First Scottish Esports Tournament (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Roz McCall\*, Edward Mountain\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-16648</u> 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: Emma Harper\*, Bill Kidd\*, Roz McCall\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-16646</u> Liam Kerr: Celebrating the Success of the Taste of Buchan Festival 2025 (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Roz McCall\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-16644</u> Daniel Johnson: Learning Disability, Autism and Neurodivergence Bill (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan\*

<u>S6M-16643</u> Foysol Choudhury: Recognising Broxburn Academy Students for Winning Schools' Mace Debating Competition (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Sarah Boyack\*, Miles Briggs\*, Colin Beattie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Annie Wells\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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<u>S6M-16642</u> Foysol Choudhury: Inspirational Primary School Pupils Raise Money for Charity by Selling Handmade Soap (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Colin Beattie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Sarah Boyack\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Annie Wells\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16634</u> Foysol Choudhury: Brain Tumour Awareness Month 2025 (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16633</u> George Adam: Celebrating the University of the West of Scotland's Groundbreaking Foundation Academy (lodged on 03 March 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper\*

<u>S6M-16631</u> Emma Harper: Brain Tumour Awareness Month 2025 (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*, Brian Whittle\*, Bill Kidd\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Carol Mochan\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Paul Sweeney\*

<u>S6M-16620</u> Alexander Stewart: **24/7** Thrombectomy Services in Scotland (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*

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

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-16617</u> Craig Hoy: Praising Airhouses (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-16616</u> Craig Hoy: Recognising Farmstrong (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-16615</u> Collette Stevenson: Concerns Over UK Government Foreign Aid Reductions (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

<u>S6M-16614</u> Ruth Maguire: ASN Support - Ayrshire Donates to Crosshouse Children's Fund (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-16613</u> Ruth Maguire: 1st & 6th Ayrshire (Irvine) Scout Group (lodged on 27 February 2025)

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

<u>S6M-16612</u> Ruth Maguire: David Mann, Director of Scottish Maritime Museum, Irvine, Set to Retire (lodged on 27 February 2025)

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<u>S6M-16611</u> Ruth Maguire: Kelvin TOP-SET Community Support (lodged on 27 February 2025)

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

S6M-16610 John Mason: UK's Foreign Aid Budget (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, David Torrance\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kevin Stewart\*

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

New Support: Rhoda Grant\*

<u>S6M-16582</u> Annie Wells: University of Glasgow Unveils New Magnetism Lab (lodged on 26 February 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

<u>S6M-16581</u> 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: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

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

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

<u>S6M-16574</u> Paul Sweeney: Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Blue Triangle (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

S6M-16568 John Mason: Building Bridges through Sport (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*

<u>S6M-16560</u> Claire Baker: Celebrating Employee of the Year Award for Scott Hall, at Stagecoach East Scotland's 2025 Excellence Awards (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

<u>S6M-16559</u> Annie Wells: Glasgow Nursery Publishes Second Book. (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

<u>S6M-16556</u> Claire Baker: Emily Reddington, from Ballingry, Fife, to Dance in New York Tartan Week (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

<u>S6M-16542</u> Annie Wells: Ashfield Football Academy Festival Empowers Young People Through Sport (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

<u>S6M-16534</u> Annie Wells: Darts Star Visits Men's Shed Govan to Promote Men's Health (lodged on 21 February 2025)

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New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

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

New Support: Carol Mochan\*

<u>S6M-16236</u> 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: Colin Smyth\*

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

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

<u>S6M-16200</u> Martin Whitfield: VoiceBox 2025 Joke-telling Competition Launched (lodged on 23 January 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

<u>S6M-16189</u> Neil Bibby: Abbeycare Scotland Becomes First Rehab Centre in UK to Earn BSI Accreditation (lodged on 23 January 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

S6M-16128 Liz Smith: 300 Years of the Black Watch (lodged on 16 January 2025)

New Support: Edward Mountain\* R

S6M-16020 Jackie Baillie: Less Survivable Cancers Awareness Week (lodged on 07 January

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New Support: Colin Smyth\*

S6M-15955 Alexander Stewart: Additional Support Needs in Scotland (lodged on 20

December 2024)

New Support: Liz Smith\*

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#### **Oral Questions**

#### Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 12 March 2025

#### Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

- **1. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to propose scheduling time for a parliamentary debate on the fishing industry. **(S60-04410)**
- **2. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government how the new deal for agriculture and its agricultural support schemes will aim to support the dairy sector. (S60-04411)
- **3. Douglas Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether seagulls should continue to be protected in law. (S60-04412)
- **4. Pam Gosal:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what assessment it has made of the potential impact on agriculture in Scotland, including in the West of Scotland region, of the UK Government decision to change the inheritance tax system for family farms. **(S60-04413)**
- **5. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to protect the value of provenance in the Scottish food and drinks industry. (S60-04414)
- **6. Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the rural affairs secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding what support can be provided to migrant workers in the agricultural sector in Scotland. (S60-04415)
- **7. Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what action it is taking to reduce the level of wildlife crime. (S6O-04416)
- 8. Ben Macpherson: [Not Lodged]

#### **Health and Social Care**

- **1. Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of referrals to audiology services at NHS Grampian are seen within the 18-week target. (S60-04418)
- **2. Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will outline its funding strategy for health and social care partnerships in the North East Scotland region. (S6O-04419)
- **3. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government what dialogue it has had with NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde regarding a replacement for Port Glasgow Health Centre. (\$60-04420)
- **4. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government what additional focus areas it has identified, following the publication of the *Women's Health Plan 2021 to 2024: Final Report.* (\$60-04421)
- **5. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on NHS pay negotiations for 2025-26. **(S60-04422)**
- **6. Christine Grahame:** [Not Lodged]
- **7. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting people to access gynaecological health services. (S60-04424)
- **8. Karen Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government what immediate steps it can take to ensure that vulnerable individuals are not harmed as a result of the reported planned withdrawal of some health and social care services in Aberdeenshire. (S6O-04425)

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#### **Social Justice**

- **1. Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the implementation of its temporary accommodation standards framework, in light of reports that children are living in properties affected by mould, vermin and overcrowding. (S6O-04434)
- **2. Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide an update on its work to end conversion practices, including whether it anticipates any delay to its joint work with the UK Government on this as a result of recent ministerial changes. (S60-04435)
- **3. Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to data from the most recent Scottish Landlord Register, which shows that the number of landlords has decreased by 2,650 in three years. (S60-04436)
- **4. Foysol Choudhury:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made in tackling the housing emergency. (\$60-04437)
- **5. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to calls from Independent Age for a pensioner poverty strategy for Scotland. (\$60-04438)
- **6. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government how the Housing to 2040 strategy will aim to benefit Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley. (S60-04439)
- **7. Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the housing secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding what work can be done to repurpose empty commercial and other proprieties for affordable housing in Glasgow. (\$60-04440)
- **8. Sandesh Gulhane:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress with the cladding remediation programme. (S6O-04441)

#### **General Questions selected for answer on 13 March 2025**

- **1. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it will reportedly not meet the target to reduce Scotland's food waste by 33% by 2025. (\$60-04426)
- **2. Evelyn Tweed:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to increase democratic engagement, in line with the powers outlined in the Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Act 2025. (\$60-04427)
- **3. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government how it controls budgets relating to public inquiries. (S60-04428)
- **4. Pam Duncan-Glancy:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to review the experience of support staff in schools. **(S6O-04429)**
- **5. Bob Doris:** [Not Lodged]
- **6. Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its reported positive impact on educational attainment, how it ensures that the education system provides pupils with a wide range of opportunities to participate in sport. (S60-04431)
- **7. Michelle Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government what further engagement it has had with Ineos, in light of recent reports of additional redundancies related to the closure of the Grangemouth refinery. (S6O-04432)
- **8. Collette Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it works in partnership with countries in the global south through its international development fund to tackle communicable disease and climate change. (S60-04433)

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## **Written Questions**

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

## Written questions lodged on 05 March 2025

<u>S6W-34986</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what each NHS boards' policy is regarding compliance with the Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992, which mandate that employers provide adequate and appropriate welfare facilities for staff, including suitable changing rooms where employees are required to change into special work clothing, and whether each board ensures that separate facilities are provided for men and women, or that shared facilities are used by only one sex at a time.

<u>S6W-34991</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether it is responsible for ensuring that clear, legally robust definitions are consistently applied across all public bodies and publicly funded organisations, particularly in relation to the fundamental definitions of "woman" and "child", and whether it will make adherence to such definitions a condition of public funding to prevent any unnecessary costs to the public purse and any erosion of public trust as a result of potential safeguarding failures being exposed through whistleblower-led legal challenges.

<u>S6W-34992</u> Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its policy on gender self-identification not being law in Scotland, what measures it has taken to ensure that all policies implemented by public bodies and third-party organisations receiving public funds are legally sound and compliant with existing legislation such as the Equality Act 2010 and the Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992, as a condition of public funding.

<u>S6W-35348</u> **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it will engage with Reposit to implement its Borrow Cup scheme on the parliamentary estate.

<u>S6W-35364</u> Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the debate on motion S6M-15875 (Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill) on 17 December 2024, what progress it has made with carrying out a pilot exercise in using the democratic engagement grant for the purpose of automatic registration at education institutions.

S6W-35365 Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Educational Institute of Scotland's MSP Briefing on Instrumental Music Provision, which was published in February 2025.

<u>S6W-35378</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government what the practical differences are between "the setting of fire to" heath or muir, and "the burning of" heath or muir, as set out in section 22 of the Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Act 2024. **R** 

S6W-35382 Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the view of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, in its written submission to the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee as part of its stage 1 consideration of the Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill, that every person intending to undertake muirburn should have had some form of learning on the muirburn code and training on the use of fire. R

<u>S6W-35383</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government who is required to undertake muirburn training in relation to the (a) setting of fire to heath or muir, (b) burning of heath or muir and (c) extinguishing of fire on heath or muir. **R** 

<u>S6W-35420</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to address reports of burnout and low morale among police officers in Scotland.

<u>S6W-35422</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that local authorities have experienced a cumulative £7.8 billion reduction in core funding since 2013-14.

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<u>S6W-35423</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish a breakdown of all local government funding allocations since 2013-14, including real-terms reductions.

<u>S6W-35424</u> Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government how many individuals have accessed addiction recovery services through The Thistle drug consumption facility.

<u>S6W-35425</u> **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it is giving to the reported community concerns regarding the culling of feral goats in the Scottish Borders, and whether a form of protected status is a potential option to preserve their existence.

<u>S6W-35426</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding it has made available to the British Council Pakistan over the past five years and what this funding was for.

<u>S6W-35427</u> **Beatrice Wishart:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-35262 by Mairi Gougeon on 3 March 2025, how it will monitor and enforce the use of remote electronic monitoring for (a) Scottish vessels and (b) non-Scottish vessels, after these requirements come into force on 7 March 2026.

<u>S6W-35429</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what the payments made to the Australian Council for Educational Research in financial year 2023-24 were for.

<u>S6W-35430</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding has been made available to the Association of Chief Officers of Scottish Voluntary Organisations, and what the objectives associated with that funding were, for each of the last five financial years.

<u>S6W-35432</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding has been provided to the Scottish Refugee Council over the past five years; for what purpose, and what assessment has been made of the effectiveness of this funding.

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## Amendments | Atharrachaidhean

#### **Amendments**

## Amendments to Bills lodged or withdrawn on 5 March 2025

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

#### After section 34

#### Karen Adam

233 After section 34, insert—

#### <Jury service: assistance for jurors with communication</p>

- (1) The 1995 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 88 (plea of not guilty, balloting and swearing of jury, etc.) insert—

#### **"88A** Communication supporters for jurors

- (1) This section applies where it appears to the court that a juror balloted in accordance with section 88(2) requires assistance with communication as a result of physical disability in order to participate effectively in the trial as a juror.
- (2) The court may, before the charge is read to the jury in accordance with section 88(5), appoint a person (a "juror's communication supporter") to provide that assistance to the juror.
- (3) More than one person may be appointed as a juror's communication supporter in relation to a juror, and a juror's communication supporter may be appointed in relation to more than one juror.
- (4) Where a juror's communication supporter is appointed, the court must, before reading the charge to the jury, administer the oath to the supporter.
- (5) Where in the course of proceedings a juror's communication supporter ceases, for whatever reason, to act as such, the court may appoint a person as a juror's communication supporter in their place and subsection (3) applies in relation to such an appointment as it applies to an appointment under subsection (2).
- (6) The court must, as soon as reasonably practicable after a juror's communication supporter is appointed under subsection (5), administer the oath to the supporter.
- (7) Before appointing a person as a juror's communication supporter under this section, the court must give the prosecutor and the accused the opportunity to make representations.".
- (3) In section 99 (seclusion of jury to consider verdict)—
  - (a) after subsection (2) insert—
  - "(2A) Subsections (1) and (2) are subject to subsection (2B).
  - (2B) A juror's communication supporter may—
    - (a) be present with the jury while they are enclosed,
    - (b) visit or communicate with a juror, and
    - (c) accompany a juror who comes out of the jury room to receive or seek a direction, or to make a request for instruction or regarding any matter, as mentioned in subsection (2)(b).",

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- (b) after subsection (7) insert—
  - "(8) In subsection (2B), a "juror's communication supporter" has the meaning given by section 88A(2).".>

#### Housing (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

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#### **Section 17**

#### **Emma Roddick**

137 In section 17, page 12, line 27, leave out  $\leq £1,000 >$  and insert  $\leq £10,000 >$ 

#### Section 19

#### Emma Roddick

138 In section 19, page 18, line 7, leave out <21> and insert <42>

#### Emma Roddick

- 139 In section 19, page 19, line 9, at end insert—
  - <(4A) If the rent officer decides under subsection (1) that the rent specified in the rent-increase notice would be an increase in the rent payable under the current tenancy of more than the permitted amount for the area in which the let property is situated, the rent officer must make an order requiring the landlord to pay the tenant the amount specified in subsection (4B).</p>
    - (4B) The amount is the difference between—
      - (a) the rent specified in the rent-increase notice, and
      - (b) the permitted amount for the area in which the let property is situated, multiplied by three.>

#### **Emma Roddick**

- 140 In section 19, page 20, line 33, at end insert—
  - <(4A) If the rent officer decides under subsection (1) that the rent specified in the rent-increase notice would be an increase in the rent payable under the current tenancy of more than the permitted amount for the area in which the let property is situated, the rent officer must make an order requiring the landlord to pay the tenant the amount specified in subsection (4B).</p>
    - (4B) The amount is the difference between—
      - (a) the rent specified in the rent-increase notice, and
      - (b) the permitted amount for the area in which the let property is situated, multiplied by three.>

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#### After section 27

#### **Emma Roddick**

141 After section 27, insert—

<Wrongful termination by eviction order: Landlord to sell property</p>

#### Wrongful termination by eviction order

- (1) The Private Housing (Tenancies) (Scotland) Act 2016 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 57 (wrongful termination by eviction order), in subsection (3)—
  - (a) the words from "if" to the end of the subsection become paragraph (a),
  - (b) after second "tenancy", insert ", or
    - (b) where—
      - (i) the only ground established for the eviction order was the eviction ground that the landlord intended to sell the let property,
      - (ii) the landlord has not sold the property within one year of the tenant ceasing to occupy it, and
      - (iii) there is evidence tending to show that the landlord received a offer to sell the property at market value which was not accepted.".>

#### After section 51

#### Meghan Gallacher

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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 III Adults (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 4 February 2025 Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 17 December 2024 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)

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

Passed, 25 February 2025

Care Reform (Scotland) Bill (G) (introduced as the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill) Stage 2 completed, 4 March 2025

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (<u>legislationteam@parliament.scot</u>)

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 (3<sup>rd</sup> Report, 2025)

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

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

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## Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 23 April 2025

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 2 April 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 (5<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)

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

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

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (12<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)

#### Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 5 March 2025

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

Stage 2 completed, 28 January 2025

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (<u>legislationteam@parliament.scot</u>)

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#### 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 (<a href="legislationteam@parliament.scot">legislationteam@parliament.scot</a>)

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**

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

Lodged on 22 November 2024

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

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

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

Lodged on 11 December 2024

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

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (16th Report, 2025)

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

Lodged on 24 February 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 February 2025

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#### 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 Supplementary 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

<u>Disclosure (Scotland) Act 2020 (List A and B Offences) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (14 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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

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

#### Subject to approval by 10 March 2025

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<u>Disclosure (Scotland) Act 2020 (Incidental, Supplementary and Consequential Provision)</u>

<u>Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (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

<u>Provision of Early Learning and Childcare (Specified Children) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (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

<u>Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (30 January 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

#### Subject to approval by 24 March 2025

<u>Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (4 February 2025) (The Parliament)

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

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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)

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<u>Environmental Authorisations (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (27 February 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

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

<u>Little Loch Broom Scallops Several Fishery (Variation) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/7)</u> (17 January 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

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

<u>Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004 (Remuneration) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/8)</u> (23 January 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

<u>Sheriff Appeal Court Fees Amendment Order 2025 (SSI 2025/9)</u> (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 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)

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<u>Level 1 and Level 2 Disclosure Review Application (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/26)</u> (3 February 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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

<u>Environmental Protection (Injurious Articles) (Fixed Penalty Notices and Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/28)</u> (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

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<u>Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004 (Remuneration) Amendment (Amendment) Regulations</u> 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)

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)

<u>Environmental Protection (Disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyls and other Dangerous Substances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/42)</u> (20 February 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

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

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<u>Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/48)</u> (21 February 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

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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)https://www.legislation.gov.uk/sdsi/2025/9780111062319/contents (3 March 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

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## **Corrections**

#### **Member's Correction**

## Official Report, Meeting of the Parliament, 25 February 2025

Daniel Johnson has identified an error in his contribution and provided the following correction to the Official Report of 25 February 2025.

#### **Daniel Johnson**

At col 82, para 1, line 1—

#### Original text—

Those are the figures that are laid out very clearly by the Scottish Fiscal Commission: there is a 6 per cent real-terms increase.

#### Corrected text—

Those are the figures that are laid out very clearly by the Scottish Fiscal Commission: there is a 0.8 per cent real-terms increase.

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