

Tuesday 18 March 2025

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



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Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Carol Telfer, Chaplain of Glasgow Hospice, Marie Curie

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-16290 Clare Adamson: MacDiarmid's Brownsbank Cottage, a Scottish Cultural Treasure

Committee Meetings

9:00am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

9:30am Finance and Public Administration Committee

9:30am Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

9:35am Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

10:00am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

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

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- 1. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the reported decision to award phase 1 of the Small Vessel Replacement Programme to a Polish shipyard. ([S6T-02425](#))
- 2. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason hospitals are reportedly still using MRI scanners, CT scanners and X-ray machines that are decades old, in light of reported warnings by experts that equipment over 10 years old should be replaced. ([S6T-02426](#))
- 3. Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will review public sector guidance on single-sex spaces, in light of reported concerns about the Care Inspectorate and the Scottish Prison Service. ([S6T-02422](#))

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector

[S6M-16839](#) Mairi Gougeon: Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector—That the Parliament recognises the value and importance of Scotland's food and drink sector in terms of economic benefits, its particular importance to Scotland's rural and island communities and, importantly, its role in enhancing Scotland's reputation on a global scale; further recognises the risks of the proposal for an English whisky geographical indication that could undermine Scotch whisky and single malt, which is central to the economy; acknowledges the challenges and opportunities faced by the sector in an ever-changing world; calls for cross-party support to ensure that the sector continues to receive backing and support in order to grow sustainably and contribute to a prosperous and thriving economy; notes the new risk from tariffs, and calls on the UK Government to do all that it can to protect Scotland's businesses and consumers from their impact.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

[S6M-16839.2](#) Tim Eagle: Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector—As an amendment to motion S6M-16839 in the name of Mairi Gougeon (Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector), leave out from "notes the new" to end and insert "recognises the need to rapidly deliver key infrastructure projects to aid the movement of goods and services, particularly in remote and rural communities; notes that further exploration of gene-editing technology should be undertaken in order to improve plant resilience and domestic food security; believes that the failed implementation of the Deposit Return Scheme, the further review of restrictions on marketing and sponsorship of alcoholic products, and the failure to fully pass on rates relief to all of Scotland's hospitality operators has driven up costs and created uncertainty for food and drink businesses; welcomes the commitment by food and drink businesses to enhance self-regulation; notes the risk from tariffs, and calls on both of Scotland's governments to do all that they can to protect businesses and consumers from their impact."

S6M-16839.1 Rhoda Grant: Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink

Sector—As an amendment to motion S6M-16839 in the name of Mairi Gougeon (Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector), insert at end "; notes the further risk to Scotland's food and drink industry posed by rural depopulation, caused by a lack of housing supply and weakened transport links; acknowledges that the Food and Drink Federation estimates that the sector needs nearly 35,000 new recruits by 2031 to fill skills gaps; welcomes the commitment by the UK Labour administration to not water down the legal definition of single malt whisky; believes that the Scottish Government can do more to promote the unique nature of Scotch whisky and other Scottish food and drink exports to maximise the reach of Brand Scotland; calls on the Scottish Government to work across every department to drive a coherent strategy on food and drink as part of a wider industrial strategy, and further calls for clear career pathways in these industries to address skills gaps and drive excellence in the world-famous sector."

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5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

S6M-16290 Clare Adamson: MacDiarmid's Brownsbank Cottage, a Scottish Cultural

Treasure—That the Parliament commends the work of MacDiarmid's Brownsbank; notes that it is a charitable organisation, which was founded in 2015 to preserve and promote the legacy of Brownsbank Cottage in the Peebleshire Hills near Biggar, South Lanarkshire; understands that Brownsbank Cottage is an A-listed building, most notably remembered as the former home of the renowned poet, Christopher Murray Grieve, who was better known by his pen-name, Hugh MacDiarmid; further understands that the charity works to restore and upgrade the cottage, to conserve its contents, to promote the works of Hugh MacDiarmid nationally and internationally, to re-establish the Brownsbank Writing Fellowship for writers in residence to work from the cottage and to generate educational and community creative involvement, as well as promote literary tourism; recognises that Hugh MacDiarmid stood as a significant Scottish poet, journalist, essayist and political figure, and believes that he is widely regarded as one of the most influential Scottish writers of the 20th century, making a profound and lasting impact on Scottish culture and politics; acknowledges that MacDiarmid's Brownsbank has, to date, been supported by the Clyde Wind Farm Community and Development Fund, Architectural Heritage Fund, SSE Renewables Community Investment Programme, the William Grant Foundation and generous donations from the public, but that further support is urgently required; notes that distinguished past occupants of Brownsbank include the award-winning author and publisher, Matthew Fitt, and James Robertson, the inaugural Scottish Parliament Writer in Residence and author of the Booker Prize-nominated, *The Testament of Gideon Mack*; believes that Brownsbank Cottage has made an indelible imprint on Scottish cultural heritage and that its preservation, with immediate works required, is a cultural priority; commends the board of trustees and volunteers of MacDiarmid's Brownsbank on what it

sees as their tireless efforts to protect and promote this historical Scottish landmark; notes the view that the protection and development of Scotland's literary heritage is vital to the nation's cultural health, identity and confidence, and further notes the calls for the Scottish and UK governments to assist with the restoration of Brownsbank Cottage, to preserve this historic and national treasure.

Committee Meetings

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

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 11th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will continue its consideration of a draft Stage 1 report.

Finance and Public Administration Committee 10th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Public administration in government:** The Committee will take evidence from—
John-Paul Marks, Permanent Secretary, Lesley Fraser, Director-General Corporate, Gregor Irwin, Director-General Economy, and Jackie McAllister, Chief Financial Officer, Scottish Government.
2. **Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) report on review of the Scottish Fiscal Commission:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Scherie Nicol, Lead – Parliaments and Independent Fiscal Institutions, Public Management and Budgeting Division, Directorate for Public Governance, OECD.

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 9th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Graham Simpson MSP will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
3. **Building Safety and Maintenance:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Sean Clerkin, Campaign Coordinator, Scottish Tenants Organisation;
Aoife Deery, Senior Social Justice Policy Officer, Citizens Advice Scotland;
Shona Gorman, Vice-Chair, Tenants Together Scotland;
Yvette Hoskins, Vice Chair, Dundee RAAC Campaign Group;
Emma Saunders, National Organiser, Living Rent;
and then from—
Peter Drummond, Chair of Practice Committee, Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland;
Gloria Lo, OiSA Designs Chartered Architect, OiSA Designs.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
[Council Tax \(Exempt Dwellings\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/56)
5. **Building Safety and Maintenance:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
6. **Scrutiny of the Scottish Housing Regulator:** The Committee will consider correspondence to the Scottish Housing Regulator.

7. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider correspondence to the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee and the Finance and Public Administration Committee.

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 9th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:35 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5, and equivalent items relating to evidence on the Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill on future agendas, in private.
2. **Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Eleanor Deeming, Legal Officer, Scottish Human Rights Commission;
Dr Tara Shivaji, Consultant in Public Health Medicine, Public Health Scotland;
Hilary Steele, Solicitor, Law Society of Scotland;
and then from—
Dr Peter Rice, Former Chair, Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland;
Lyndsey Turfus, Chair of Substance Use Subgroup, Social Work Scotland;
Dr Chris William, Vice Chair, Royal College of General Practitioners Scotland.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the National Health Service (Common Staffing Method) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 from—
Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care, Erin Murphy, Policy Manager, Nursing and Midwifery Policy Team, and Christopher Thompson, Team Leader - National Workforce Planning, Guidance and Strategy, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
[National Health Service \(Common Staffing Method\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#)
5. **Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 10th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Social Security Information-sharing \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#)
(SSI 2025/Draft)
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Police Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/58)
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session 1994 Amendment\) \(Nautical Assessors\) 2025](#) (SSI 2025/61)
5. **Tertiary Education and Training (Funding and Governance) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers in this Bill at Stage 1.

6. **Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill** : The Committee will consider the delegated powers in this Bill after Stage 2.
7. **Product Regulation and Metrology Bill (UK Parliament legislation)**: The Committee will consider the supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Bill.
8. **Quarterly report**: The Committee will consider a draft report for the parliamentary quarter from 2 December 2024 to 23 February 2025.
9. **Framework legislation and Henry VIII powers**: The Committee will consider a revised draft report.

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 8th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Operation of the Public Sector Equality Duty in Scotland**: The Committee will take evidence from—
John Wilkes, Head of Scotland, Jennifer Laughland, Head of Scotland Legal, and Bill Stephenson, Scotland Compliance Manager, Equality and Human Rights Commission Scotland;
and then from—
Kaukab Stewart, Minister for Equalities, Nick Bland, Deputy Director, Mainstreaming and Inclusion, Catherine McMeeken, Deputy Director, Equality, and Jennifer Singerman, Solicitor, Equalities and Criminal Justice Division, Scottish Government.
2. **Operation of the Public Sector Equality Duty in Scotland (in private)**: The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 1.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 12 March 2025

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 Debate: Reforming Scotland's West Coast Ferries

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Children's Rights and Temporary Accommodation

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-16705 Tess White: Addressing Sexual Violence in Scotland's Hospitals

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 — S6M-16434 Michael Matheson: Awareness of Criminal Exploitation of Children

2:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 25 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 26 March 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Land Reform (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Land Reform (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 27 March 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

Education, Children and Young People Committee

19 March 2025

10th Meeting, 2025

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

- University of Dundee:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor Shane O'Neill, Interim Principal and Vice Chancellor, Tricia Bey, Acting Chair of Court, Professor Blair Grubb, Vice Principal (Education), and Helen Simpson, Interim Director of Finance, University of Dundee;
and then from—
Francesca Osowska, Chief Executive Officer, Richard Maconachie, Director of Finance, and Jacqui Brasted, Interim Director of Access, Learning and Outcomes, Scottish Funding Council.
- Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1

Proposed future business

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

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

19 March 2025

10th Meeting, 2025

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6 and 7 in private.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2025 (SSI 2025/draft) from—
Jim Fairlie, Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity, George Burgess, Director of Agriculture and Rural Economy, Aileen Bearhop, Food and Drink Division, and Mairead McCrossan, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
- Subordinate legislation:** Jim Fairlie, Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity to move—
S6M-16490—That the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee recommends that the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2025 be approved.
- Future agriculture policy:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Jim Fairlie, Minister for Agriculture and Connectivity, George Burgess, Director of Agriculture and Rural Economy, Mandy Callaghan, Deputy Director, Agriculture and Land Transition, and Nick Downes, Deputy Director, Chief Digital and Data Office for Agriculture and the Rural Economy, Scottish Government.
- A climate transition for Scottish agriculture:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Dr Vera Eory, Reader, Scotland's Rural College;
David McKay, Co-Director, Soil Association Scotland;
Professor Dave Reay, Executive Director, Edinburgh Climate Change Institute,
University of Edinburgh;
Dr Mike Robinson, Chief Executive, Royal Scottish Geographical Society.

6. **Future agriculture policy:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
7. **Climate transition for Scottish agriculture:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

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

Economy and Fair Work Committee

19 March 2025

9th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Employment Rights Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM(S6-53) from—
Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, Stephen Garland, Unit Head, Fair Work Division, Jo Mitchell, Procurement Policy Manager, and Megan Lawson, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
3. **New Deal for Business:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Kate Forbes, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Gaelic, Scottish Government;
Dr Poonam Malik, MBA, PhD, FRSE, FRSB, Co-chair, New Deal for Business Group (NDBG).
4. **Employment Rights Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier under agenda item 2.
5. **New Deal for Business (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 3.
6. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider correspondence.
7. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

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

Criminal Justice Committee

19 March 2025

10th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 2).

Proposed future business

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

Public Audit Committee

19 March 2025

10th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Additional support for learning:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Alison Cumming, Executive Director, Performance Audit and Best Value, and Yoshiko Gibo, Senior Auditor, Audit Scotland;
Ruth MacLeod, Member, Accounts Commission.
3. **Additional support for learning:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Alison Cumming, Executive Director, Performance Audit and Best Value, and Yoshiko Gibo, Senior Auditor, Audit Scotland;
Ruth MacLeod, Member, Accounts Commission.
4. **Additional support for learning:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3 and agree any further action it wishes to take.

Proposed future business

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

Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee

19 March 2025

5th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
PE1859: Retain falconers' rights to practise upland falconry in Scotland;
PE1953: Review Education Support staff roles;
PE1976: Backdate council tax discounts for dementia to the date of GP certification;
PE2021: Ensure the definition of protected animals in the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006 applies to the sheep on St Kilda;
PE2028: Extend the concessionary bus travel scheme to include people seeking asylum in Scotland;
PE2074: Increase local government funding to help protect the vulnerable elderly population and prevent the closure of care homes;
PE2075: Prioritise local participation in planning decisions; and

- PE2087: Pass a law making exercising a dog in a cemetery an offence.
- Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
PE2133: Expand ScotRail's Inter7City routes to include Dunfermline;
PE2134: Introduce legislation to make it a requirement for swift bricks to be installed in all new developments in Scotland, and include swifts in building surveys; and
PE2136: Make non-fatal strangulation a standalone criminal offence in Scotland.
 - Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

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

Social Justice and Social Security Committee

20 March 2025

9th Meeting, 2025

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
[Council Tax Reduction and Council Tax \(Discounts\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/55\)](#)
- Housing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.
- Work programme:** The Committee will consider its approach to developing its work programme.

Proposed future business

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

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

20 March 2025

4th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4 and 5 in private.
- Committee effectiveness:** The Committee will take evidence, in a roundtable discussion, from—
Gemma Diamond, Director of Innovation and Transformation, Audit Scotland;
Dr Marc Geddes, Senior Lecturer in Politics, University of Edinburgh;
Sir David Natzler KCB, Clerk of the House of Commons 2015-2019, Clerk of Committees 2008-09 and Clerk to the House of Commons Reform Committee (the Wright Committee) 2009-10;
Professor Meg Russell, Director, Constitution Unit, University College London;
Brian Taylor, Former Political Editor BBC Scotland, Columnist The Herald.
- Evidence Session:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

4. **Code of Conduct Rule Changes:** The Committee will consider draft Code of Conduct Rule changes.
5. **Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016:** The Committee will consider a note from the Clerk.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Catherine Fergusson on 85186 or at catherine.fergusson@parliament.scot

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

20 March 2025

10th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Review of the UK EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement Inquiry: Part 2:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Angus Robertson, Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, Elliot Robertson, Head of EU Secretariat, External Affairs, and Dr Frank Möscher, Head of Research, EU Office, Scottish Government.
3. **Evidence Session:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2

Proposed future business

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

SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review Committee

20 March 2025

7th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **SPCB supported bodies landscape review:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Dr Ian Elliott, Senior Lecturer in Public Administration, University of Glasgow;
Dr Matthew Gill, Programme Director, Institute for Government;
Dr Ruth Lamont, Reader in Child and Family Law, University of Manchester; UKRI Thematic Research Lead, UK Parliament;
Alison Payne, Research Director, Reform Scotland.
3. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee.
4. **SPCB supported bodies landscape review (in private):** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, David Millett on 85244 or at David.Millett@parliament.scot

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

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.

Motions for Debate

***[S6M-16845](#) Claire Baker: Reforming Scotland's West Coast Ferries**—That the Parliament deplores the continuing economic and social damage inflicted on Clyde and Hebrides communities through the Scottish Government's failure to provide adequate ferry services; calls on the Scottish Government to reconsider its decision to impose a 10 % increase in fares on Scottish Government funded ferry services, contrary to the recommendations of the delivery companies; is concerned that no Scottish yard has been selected to deliver any of the ferries in the Small Vessel Replacement Programme; believes that the governance structure for west coast ferry services has failed, and calls for the award of a new Clyde and Hebrides ferry contract to be accompanied by a fundamental reform of governance, which puts island communities and workers at the heart of decision making and accountability.

***[S6M-16844](#) Mark Griffin: Children's Rights and Temporary Accommodation**—That the Parliament notes the publication of *In Their Own Words: Children's Experiences in Temporary Accommodation*, a research publication commissioned by Shelter Scotland from De Montfort University and University College London; accepts the findings of the publication, which concludes that children in Scotland are adversely affected by the shocking conditions found in some forms of temporary accommodation; recognises that the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) provides children with rights to have their best interests considered when decisions about them are being taken, including the right to life and the ability to develop, the right to school, the right to protection from violence in all forms, and the right to play and rest; notes with concern that the report highlights a number of examples of these rights being breached; accepts that the use of hotel-like accommodation for children in temporary accommodation carries a high risk of breaching children's rights under the UNCRC; notes that amendments to the Housing (Scotland) Bill have been laid that would require relevant bodies to have regard to the rights of the child in dealing with cases of homelessness, and calls on the Scottish Government to ensure that children in Scotland are placed in safe and secure homes which take account of their rights under the UNCRC.

***[S6M-16839](#) Mairi Gougeon: Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector**—That the Parliament recognises the value and importance of Scotland's food and drink sector in terms of economic benefits, its particular importance to Scotland's rural and island

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communities and, importantly, its role in enhancing Scotland's reputation on a global scale; further recognises the risks of the proposal for an English whisky geographical indication that could undermine Scotch whisky and single malt, which is central to the economy; acknowledges the challenges and opportunities faced by the sector in an ever-changing world; calls for cross-party support to ensure that the sector continues to receive backing and support in order to grow sustainably and contribute to a prosperous and thriving economy; notes the new risk from tariffs, and calls on the UK Government to do all that it can to protect Scotland's businesses and consumers from their impact.

Supported by: Jim Fairlie*

***[S6M-16839.3](#) Ariane Burgess: Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector**—As an amendment to motion S6M-16839 in the name of Mairi Gougeon (Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector), insert at end ", and acknowledges the need for the UK Government to provide Scotland with multi-year funding, and for the Scottish Government to use a proportion of that funding to set out a multi-annual budget for the food and drink sector, including support for the implementation of the Good Food Nation Plan, skills for sustainable and regenerative farming and food production, and new entrants, enabling Scotland to tackle the nature and climate emergencies while producing food."

***[S6M-16839.2](#) Tim Eagle: Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector**—As an amendment to motion S6M-16839 in the name of Mairi Gougeon (Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector), leave out from "notes the new" to end and insert "recognises the need to rapidly deliver key infrastructure projects to aid the movement of goods and services, particularly in remote and rural communities; notes that further exploration of gene-editing technology should be undertaken in order to improve plant resilience and domestic food security; believes that the failed implementation of the Deposit Return Scheme, the further review of restrictions on marketing and sponsorship of alcoholic products, and the failure to fully pass on rates relief to all of Scotland's hospitality operators has driven up costs and created uncertainty for food and drink businesses; welcomes the commitment by food and drink businesses to enhance self-regulation; notes the risk from tariffs, and calls on both of Scotland's governments to do all that they can to protect businesses and consumers from their impact."

***[S6M-16839.1](#) Rhoda Grant: Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector**—As an amendment to motion S6M-16839 in the name of Mairi Gougeon (Protecting and Growing Scotland's Iconic Food and Drink Sector), insert at end "; notes the further risk to Scotland's food and drink industry posed by rural depopulation, caused by a lack of housing supply and weakened transport links; acknowledges that the Food and Drink Federation estimates that the sector needs nearly 35,000 new recruits by 2031 to fill skills gaps; welcomes the commitment by the UK Labour administration to not water down the legal definition of single malt whisky; believes that the Scottish Government can do more to promote the unique nature of Scotch whisky and other Scottish food and drink exports to maximise the reach of Brand Scotland; calls on the Scottish Government to work across every department to drive a coherent strategy on food and drink as part of a wider industrial strategy, and further calls for clear career pathways in these industries to address skills gaps and drive excellence in the world-famous sector."

***[S6M-16806](#) Shona Robison: Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution** —That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3A of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-16823](#) Beatrice Wishart: UHI Shetland Learners Recognised at the Awards for Land-based and Aquaculture Skills (ALBAS)**—That the Parliament congratulates four aquaculture learners from UHI Shetland who were recognised at the annual Awards for Land-based and Aquaculture Skills (ALBAS) ceremony hosted by Lantra Scotland in Crieff Hydro on 6 March 2025; understands that apprentice, Derek Dunning, won Aquaculture Learner of the Year, Lewis Henderson and Mary Collins were joint-runners up in the same category and that Robaidh Halliday was runner-up in the Higher Education Award BSc category; further understands that the ALBAS are organised by Lantra Scotland, the sector skills council for the land-based, aquaculture and environmental conservation industries, and that the winners and runners-up were chosen by an independent judging panel made up of influential figures from across the land-based and aquaculture sectors; considers that these awards reflect the commitment of the four Shetland learners to their courses; commends the learners on their achievements, and wishes them all the best for their future.

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***[S6M-16822](#) Clare Adamson: Congratulations to Hugh Black & Sons on Winning Smithfield Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Hugh Black & Sons on its success at the Smithfield Awards; understands that Hugh Black & Sons won the coveted Gold Smithfield Award for its outstanding black pudding, two additional Gold awards for its pork link sausages and ribeye fillet steak, and a silver status for its Scotch pie; acknowledges its prestigious Diamond Award, presented by Professor John Gilliland OBE DSc; understands that the Smithfield Awards are the most respected and rigorous product evaluation event in the meat trade, with over 200 products submitted by Q Guild butchers across the UK; commends Hugh Black & Sons for its craftsmanship, and wishes it continued success in the butchery trade.

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***[S6M-16821](#) Carol Mochan: New Cumnock Development Trust Celebrates International Women's Day**—That the Parliament celebrates the successful International Women's Day clubbercise and brunch event held by the New Cumnock Development Trust on 8 March 2025; commends them for holding welcoming inclusive exercise events that promote healthy lifestyle choices; believes that classes held in a darker room can remove some anxiety or stigma for those who do not regularly exercise; welcomes the focus and determination and what it sees as their efforts to give fun and free opportunities to people within rural and under-resourced communities; recognises what it sees as the vital benefits of providing physical movement and social interaction that is accessible to everyone, and finally, wishes the trust success in any future events.

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***[S6M-16820](#) Clare Adamson: Erin O'Reilly Pursues Her Dreams**—That the Parliament congratulates Erin O'Reilly, a pupil at Coltness High Wishaw, on being selected for the lead role in a recent Social Security Scotland campaign, which will feature online and on billboards; commends Erin for her talent and dedication, and acknowledges her success as a member of the Clyde Valley Beavers Swim Club, where she has won several medals representing her club; recognises Erin's resilience in overcoming the challenges of living with chronic fatigue syndrome and Nystagmus, a condition that causes visual impairment; wishes Erin continued success in both

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her swimming and acting pursuits, and applauds her inspiring achievements, which will hopefully encourage others to pursue their dreams despite challenges.

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***[S6M-16819](#) Sharon Dowey: The Coo Shed Wins at the Countryside Alliance Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates the Coo Shed in South Ayrshire, following its win as Scotland Champion at the Countryside Alliance awards in the Local Food/Drink category; understands that The Coo Shed, based outside Ayr, is a unique family-run coffee shop with all food prepared and baked in-house, as well as vending machines selling milk, milkshakes, cakes, ready meals, soup and ice cream; notes that the Coo Shed will now compete against other regional winners from England, Wales and Northern Ireland at the national finals later in 2025; commends the whole team at the Coo Shed, and wishes them the best of luck in the final.

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***[S6M-16817](#) Clare Adamson: Gillian and Stevie O'Rourke Retire from The Horse and Anchor**—That the Parliament recognises the retirement of Gillian and Stevie O'Rourke, owners of The Horse and Anchor in Cambusnethan; acknowledges that The Horse and Anchor has been a well-known establishment in the area, remaining within the same family for over 35 years; understands that Stevie took over the pub from his father, John, continuing the family legacy; commends them both for their dedication and service to the local community over the years, providing a welcoming space for locals and visitors alike; extends its best wishes to both Stevie and Gillian as they retire from the trade, and offers a heartfelt gratitude for their contributions to the local area and the hospitality industry. **R R**

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***[S6M-16816](#) Edward Mountain: Mikeysline Recognised at Mental Health and Wellbeing Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Mikeysline, an Inverness-based mental health charity, on receiving the silver accolade in the Impact in the Community category at the Mental Health and Wellbeing Awards in Edinburgh; recognises what it sees as the invaluable work of Mikeysline in supporting the mental health and wellbeing of individuals throughout the Highlands, Islands, and Moray; acknowledges the success of the charity's Bee the Change campaign, which, it understands, challenges and changes the stigma surrounding mental health through community engagement and creative initiatives, including cooking with kindness classes in local schools, inter-generational art lessons, and the Bee the Change choir, which performed at the charity's annual Burns Supper, and applauds the dedication of the staff, volunteers, and supporters of Mikeysline, whose efforts contribute to making a difference in the lives of those affected by mental health challenges.

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***[S6M-16815](#) Kevin Stewart: African Women's Group Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates African Women's Group Scotland (AWGS), based in Aberdeen, on receiving an unrestricted grant of £40,000 from the Corra Foundation to deliver work supporting women and girls; notes that AWGS, which was founded in 1994, is dedicated to reducing isolation and

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empowering African women living in Scotland and the diaspora; understands that AWGS deliver cultural events and monthly meetings, which support women from the African Caribbean community with issues that are impacting their lives, including health, wellbeing, employment and work; believes that this grant will go towards improving the everyday lives of African women in Scotland and beyond, helping to build a community where every woman can thrive and achieve her full potential, and thanks all those at AWGS for their hard work and commitment in supporting the women who use its services, as well as the Corra Foundation for making this grant possible.

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***S6M-16814 Clare Adamson: Olivia Bowden and Marco Festorazzi Fundraising Alzheimer Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates Olivia Bowden and Marco Festorazzi for raising over £1,500 for Alzheimer Scotland by hosting a successful fundraising event at the United Services Club; commends their dedication and effort in supporting such an important cause; recognises the inspiring contribution of Olivia's mother, Linzi Bowden, a school teacher at Orchard Primary in Wishaw, who recently had a children's book published titled *Grampa's Memory*, which addresses the subject of living with Alzheimer's; acknowledges what it sees as the significant impact that both the fundraising effort and the book will have in raising awareness about Alzheimer's, and wishes everyone all the best for the future.

***S6M-16810 Alexander Burnett: Ballater Branch of the Royal British Legion Scotland Wins Best Kept War Memorial Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates the Ballater branch of the Royal British Legion Scotland, on winning the Legion's competition, Scotland's Best Kept War Memorial competition in the Small Community with Gardens category; believes that John Forsyth and Robin Phillips work tirelessly to maintain the memorial; notes that the Legion ran a fundraising event and the community raised £980; further notes that, in addition, £250 was received from the Ballater Victoria Week Duck Fund, and John Burrows donated £479.88 from the sale of his book, *The Ballater Memorial*; understands that, with this money, the Ballater branch was able to purchase bedding plants, oak barrel planter tubs and a bird scarer and, additionally, it installed spotlights to enable it to take part in the Poppyscotland campaign, Light Up Red, and wishes the Legion, and its Ballater branch, every success in the future.

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***S6M-16782 Foysol Choudhury: Fletcher of Saltoun Awards 2025** —That the Parliament acknowledges the Saltire Society presenting its annual Fletcher of Saltoun Awards on 6 March 2025; understands that the awards, which were presented at a ceremony in Edinburgh's New Town, recognise innovators and entrepreneurs in Scottish culture; congratulates the winners, including the award-winning film and television composer, Patrick Doyle, who won the Award for Arts and Humanities, Professor Lorna Dawson CBE, FRSE who won the Award for Science, scientist and human rights activist, Sir Geoff Palmer, and the broadcaster, filmmaker and writer, Paul Murton, who won an Award for Public Life; understands that the Saltire Society was founded in 1936 and aims to promote the understanding of culture and heritage in Scotland; welcomes recognition of those who make great contributions to culture and public life, and wishes the award winners and the Saltire Society well.

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***[S6M-16733](#) Marie McNair: 1st Clydebank Guides and Rangers Receive Prestigious Awards**—That the Parliament recognises the achievements of the 1st Clydebank Guides and Rangers who were recently awarded numerous awards; understands that one Ranger Gold award went to Lacey Buchanan, three Guide Bronze awards went to Olivia Louw, Margarida De Amelda and Jessica Barrie, two Guide Silver awards to Amy McKenzie and Orla O'Neill, two Guide Gold awards to Piper Wilson and Courtney Devenney, and four Commonwealth awards went to Stephanie Stewart, Lacey Buchanan, Kathleen Speakman and Kirsten MacPherson; notes that in addition to this, Greta McKinlay also received a five-year volunteer service award for her dedication to Girlguiding; believes that these prestigious awards recognise the hard work and exceptional commitment to guiding, with the Commonwealth Award being one of the highest accolades in Girl guiding; recognises what it sees as exceptional commitment to personal development, community service, and international awareness; congratulates these talented individuals once again, and wishes them all the best for the future.

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S6M-16813](#) Karen Adam: Dr Lynda McGuigan's 10 Years of Service to the Museum of Scottish Lighthouses (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Bill Kidd*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-16812](#) Karen Adam: Banff to Bethlehem Project (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Humza Yousaf*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Pauline McNeill*, Bill Kidd*

[S6M-16811](#) Paul O'Kane: Renfrewshire Schools Houston Primary and Moorpark Primary Triumph in National Garden Competition (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16809](#) Kevin Stewart: Financial Fairness Trust Report (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Jackie Dunbar*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16808](#) Michelle Thomson: Sacred Heart Early Learning Centre Wins Top Prize in Keep Scotland Beautiful Pocket Garden Design Competition 2025 (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Emma Harper*, Annabelle Ewing*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Karen Adam*, Jeremy Balfour*, Audrey Nicoll*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16805](#) Michelle Thomson: Salman Javed Recognised at the Scottish Local Retailer Above and Beyond Awards 2025 (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Karen Adam*, Jeremy Balfour*, Audrey Nicoll*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16803](#) Marie McNair: Testicular Cancer Awareness Month (lodged on 14 March 2025)

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New Support: Graham Simpson*, Karen Adam*, John Mason*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Liam McArthur*, Clare Haughey*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Tim Eagle*, Stuart McMillan*, Beatrice Wishart*

[S6M-16802](#) Emma Roddick: 2025 Scottish Countryside Alliance Awards (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Audrey Nicoll*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Tim Eagle* **R**, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16801](#) Sue Webber: 18-year-old James Wilson Named in Scotland's Football Squad for Nations League Play-off Matches with Greece (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Karen Adam*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*, Liam Kerr*, Stuart McMillan*, Jackson Carlaw*, Tim Eagle*, Foyso Choudhury*

[S6M-16800](#) David Torrance: Kinghorn RNLI Celebrates 60 Years of Saving Lives at Sea (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16798](#) Jackie Dunbar: Purple Day 2025 (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Emma Roddick*, Liam McArthur*, Miles Briggs*, Annabelle Ewing*, Marie McNair*, Colin Beattie*, John Mason*, Bill Kidd*, Foyso Choudhury*, Stuart McMillan*, Jeremy Balfour*

[S6M-16797](#) Jackie Dunbar: £1.3 Million Self-screening Trial to Close the Inequality Gap in Scotland's Cervical Cancer Deaths (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Brian Whittle*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16796](#) Bob Doris: Celebrating the Life and Legacy of Jessie Stephen (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Karen Adam*, Brian Whittle*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16795](#) Fulton MacGregor: Shining Stars ASN Theatre School Wins Specialist Theatre School of the Year Award (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16794](#) Jeremy Balfour: Welcoming the Creation of a Construction Pathway for Young People (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*, Liam Kerr*, Stuart McMillan*, Jackson Carlaw*, Tim Eagle*, Foyso Choudhury*

[S6M-16793](#) Elena Whitham: Recognising the Retirement of Open University in Scotland Director, Susan Stewart (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Brian Whittle*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Stuart McMillan*

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[S6M-16791](#) Sharon Dowey: Triple Award Success for Ayr's Abbotsford Hotel (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Craig Hoy*, Edward Mountain*, Russell Findlay*, Liam Kerr*, Stuart McMillan*, Jackson Carlaw*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-16788](#) Maggie Chapman: International Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16786](#) Tim Eagle: Double Island School Success at the Scottish Schools Pipe Band Championships (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annie Wells*, Brian Whittle*, Alexander Stewart*, Emma Roddick*, Bill Kidd*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jamie Greene*, Colin Beattie*, Douglas Ross*, Russell Findlay*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Gosal*, Liam Kerr*, Murdo Fraser*

[S6M-16785](#) Tim Eagle: Circulation Rises for Three Top West Coast Newspapers (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Brian Whittle*, Annie Wells*, Alexander Stewart*, Emma Roddick*, Bill Kidd*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Greene*, Colin Beattie*, Douglas Ross*, Russell Findlay*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Gosal*, Liam Kerr*, Murdo Fraser*

[S6M-16784](#) Tim Eagle: Trio of Mid Argyll Businesses Secure Wins at 21st Hotels of the Year Awards (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annie Wells*, Alexander Stewart*, Emma Roddick*, Bill Kidd*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Brian Whittle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jamie Greene*, Colin Beattie*, Douglas Ross*, Russell Findlay*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Gosal*, Liam Kerr*, Murdo Fraser*

[S6M-16783](#) Tim Eagle: Campbeltown and District Juvenile Football Association Raises Nearly £2,500 (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16781](#) Tim Eagle: Congratulating Duncan Smith Following his Retirement from Stornoway Airport (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16780](#) Tim Eagle: Welcoming Argyll and Bute's Rural Growth Deal (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Alexander Stewart*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Brian Whittle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Greene*, Colin Beattie*, Douglas Ross*, Russell Findlay*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Gosal*, Liam Kerr*, Murdo Fraser*

[S6M-16779](#) Rona Mackay: Woodilee Hospital Memorial Cairn (lodged on 13 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Karen Adam*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Gosal*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*, Clare Haughey*, R, Kevin Stewart*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*, Carol Mochan*, Bill Kidd*, Bob Doris*, Stuart McMillan*

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[S6M-16778](#) Meghan Gallacher: Dalziel High School Participates in SP Energy Networks Warrior Championship (lodged on 13 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Russell Findlay*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Stuart McMillan*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16776](#) Colin Beattie: Sisaltech Wins a VIBES Scottish Environment Business Award (lodged on 13 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16775](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa Community Enterprise 40th Birthday (lodged on 13 March 2025)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Russell Findlay*, Stuart McMillan*, Liam Kerr*, Jackson Carlaw*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-16774](#) Michael Matheson: Celebrating a Century of St Joseph's RC Primary School in Bonnybridge (lodged on 13 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16773](#) Michelle Thomson: Polmont's Anne McDonald Named Recipient of the Pavers Community Champion Award (lodged on 13 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16772](#) Craig Hoy: Congratulating the East Lothian Courier (lodged on 13 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16771](#) Douglas Ross: Who Cares? Scotland Action on Advocacy Campaign (lodged on 13 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16767](#) Ruth Maguire: Successful Fundraiser for the Kanyanda Project, Irvine (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-16766](#) Ruth Maguire: Minds of Recovery Funding Boost (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-16765](#) Finlay Carson: Garlieston Primary School Gains Gold Award Over Children's Rights (lodged on 12 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16763](#) Michael Marra: Dundee Boxing Great, Dick McTaggart, Scotland's Only Boxing Olympic Gold Medallist (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-16762](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Couple Celebrates Diamond Wedding Anniversary (lodged on 12 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Jackie Dunbar*

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[S6M-16761](#) Ruth Maguire: Recognition for Volunteers of Woodland View Hospital, Irvine, at Compassion to Action Volunteer Awards (lodged on 12 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-16760](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Elite Boxing Club, Scottish Golden Gloves Championships (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-16758](#) Brian Whittle: Biggar High School Participates in the 2025 SP Energy Networks Warriors School Championship (lodged on 12 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16757](#) Kevin Stewart: Geothermal Heating Study (lodged on 12 March 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-16756](#) Kevin Stewart: Backing Acorn CCS (lodged on 13 March 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-16747](#) Alexander Burnett: Aswanley, Huntly, Wins Exclusive Use Wedding Venue (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16745](#) Gillian Mackay: Chatelherault Primary School's 10th Green Flag (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-16743](#) Alexander Stewart: Tullibody Community Garden Tea and Seeds Springtime Event (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16741](#) Gillian Mackay: Welcome to Your Vote Week 2025 (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: John Mason*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-16740](#) Alexander Stewart: Brain Awareness Week 2025 (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16739](#) Humza Yousaf: Marking 10 Years of Marion's House (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16738](#) Audrey Nicoll: CEO Sleepout at Balmoral Stadium (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-16737](#) Audrey Nicoll: Celebrating Progress and Excellence at Portlethen Academy (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*

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[S6M-16736](#) Humza Yousaf: Congratulating Govan's Gilded Lily on International Women's Day (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-16735](#) Pam Gosal: Okome Japanese Sushi Restaurant Opens in Bearsden (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16732](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Citizens Theatre Reopening in Summer 2025 After Extensive Refurbishment (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16731](#) Liam Kerr: Volunteer Group NERVS Takes Delivery of New Vehicle (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16728](#) Mercedes Villalba: Fire Brigades Union "Fight for 52" Campaign and International Women's Day 2025 (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Lorna Slater*

[S6M-16727](#) Sandesh Gulhane: World Kidney Day 2025 (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-16726](#) Douglas Ross: Scottish Wildlife Trust Acquires the Inverbroom Estate (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16725](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Amore Ristorante e Pizzeria Wins Let Glasgow Flourish Robertson Silver Spade Award (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16724](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Glasgow Knitters to Provide 850 Blankets for Homeless People (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16721](#) Paul Sweeney: Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2025 (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: John Mason*, Karen Adam*, Rhoda Grant*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-16719](#) Alexander Burnett: Hollie Davidson Receives Referee Cap (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16715](#) Monica Lennon: Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Lorna Slater*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-16712](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Battlefield Primary School Family Fundraising Group (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16710](#) Foysol Choudhury: Ramadan 2025 (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Neil Bibby*

[S6M-16705](#) Tess White: Addressing Sexual Violence in Scotland's Hospitals (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16704](#) Clare Haughey: Codfather Named Best Fish and Chip Shop in the Glasgow Region (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-16683](#) Stuart McMillan: Cholangiocarcinoma Awareness Month (lodged on 10 March 2025)

New Support: Lorna Slater*

[S6M-16673](#) Miles Briggs: World Kidney Day 2025 on 13 March (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-16665](#) Paul Sweeney: Celebrating the Glasgow Fort (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-16656](#) Paul O'Kane: 80th Anniversary of Operation Open Door (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

[S6M-16654](#) Paul Sweeney: Findings of See Me's "If it's Okay" Campaign (lodged on 03 March 2025)

New Support: John Mason*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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

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Motions Glusadan				

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-16592](#) Christine Grahame: Energy Price Cap and Energy Debt (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*, Gordon MacDonald*

[S6M-16574](#) Paul Sweeney: Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Blue Triangle (lodged on 25 February 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

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Questions Ceistean				

Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 18 March 2025

- Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the reported decision to award phase 1 of the Small Vessel Replacement Programme to a Polish shipyard. ([S6T-02425](#))
- Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason hospitals are reportedly still using MRI scanners, CT scanners and X-ray machines that are decades old, in light of reported warnings by experts that equipment over 10 years old should be replaced. ([S6T-02426](#))
- Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will review public sector guidance on single-sex spaces, in light of reported concerns about the Care Inspectorate and the Scottish Prison Service. ([S6T-02422](#))

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 20 March 2025

- Russell Findlay:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-03914](#))
- Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-03915](#))
- Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the First Minister when the Cabinet will next meet. ([S6F-03919](#))
- Michelle Thomson:** To ask the First Minister what assessment the Scottish Government has made of the recent *UK Living Standards Review 2025*, from the National Institute of Economic and Social Research, and any implications for its work to grow Scotland's economy. ([S6F-03926](#))
- Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the First Minister how the Scottish Government is marking Endometriosis Awareness Month. ([S6F-03924](#))
- Kevin Stewart:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to tackle Islamophobia in Scotland, in light of reports of an attack on a mosque in Aberdeen at the weekend. ([S6F-03920](#))

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 26 March 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 19 March 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 20 March 2025.

Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic

- Pam Duncan-Glancy
- David Torrance
- Karen Adam
- John Mason
- Roz McCall
- Patrick Harvie
- Evelyn Tweed
- Sharon Dowey

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Questions Ceistean				

Finance and Local Government

1. Clare Adamson
2. Kenneth Gibson
3. Oliver Mundell
4. Miles Briggs
5. Christine Grahame
6. Neil Bibby
7. Jeremy Balfour
8. Jamie Halcro Johnston

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 27 March 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 19 March 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 20 March 2025.

Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

1. Rhoda Grant
2. Audrey Nicoll
3. Daniel Johnson
4. Craig Hoy
5. Colin Smyth
6. Jamie Greene
7. Colin Beattie
8. Willie Coffey

Members selected for General Questions on 27 March 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 19 March 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 20 March 2025.

1. Sandesh Gulhane
2. Willie Rennie
3. Clare Haughey
4. Sue Webber
5. Paul Sweeney
6. Douglas Lumsden
7. Pauline McNeill
8. Fergus Ewing

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Questions Ceistean				

Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 17 March 2025

[S6W-35594 Jackson Carlaw](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether there are any plans to allow people who received Zostavax when they became eligible for a shingles vaccination in recent years, before it was replaced by Shingrix, to receive a further inoculation with Shingrix, in light of reports that it provides a greater level of protection and for a longer duration.

[S6W-35709 Craig Hoy](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service should become a statutory consultee in the consent process for battery energy storage systems.

[S6W-35710 Craig Hoy](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has consulted with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service over any fire safety risks posed by battery energy storage systems.

[S6W-35711 Craig Hoy](#): To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to amending the regulations governing the location of battery energy storage systems to account for any community safety concerns where developments are close to housing and other public amenities and services, such as schools and parks.

[S6W-35713 Roz McCall](#): To ask the Scottish Government how it measures the impact of funded early learning and childcare on children's (a) development, (b) family wellbeing and (c) parental employment.

[S6W-35714 Alexander Burnett](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has asked the UK Health Security Agency to conduct a review into any health effects of electromagnetic fields from overhead lines.

[S6W-35715 Oliver Mundell](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it is permissible for private businesses to fund the employment of assistant registrars to carry out marriage ceremonies.

[S6W-35716 Oliver Mundell](#): To ask the Scottish Government what consideration has been given to digitalising the M10 Marriage Notice - Scotland form.

[S6W-35717 Tim Eagle](#): To ask the Scottish Government when it will begin its process to recruit a new chair of Highlands and Islands Enterprise, and whether it will publish details of this.

[S6W-35719 Ross Greer](#): To ask the Scottish Government what measures other than existing patronage numbers are used when considering varying the frequency of rail services on particular routes.

[S6W-35722 Liam Kerr](#): To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Camphill organisation regarding long-term funding for its work.

[S6W-35723 Rachael Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has plans to standardise visitor levy forms across local authorities.

[S6W-35724 Rachael Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to issue guidance to local authorities on the implementation of visitor levy forms, with reference to businesses that operate across several local authorities.

[S6W-35725 Rachael Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made regarding any potential impact that variations of visitor levy forms will have on businesses that operate across several local authorities.

[S6W-35726 Liz Smith](#): To ask the Scottish Government what selection process it follows when issuing contracts to companies to install cavity wall insulation.

[S6W-35727 Liz Smith](#): To ask the Scottish Government what procedure is in place to ensure that any companies receiving Scottish Government contracts for cavity wall insulation are of the appropriate standard.

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[S6W-35728](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what urgent measures can be put in place to protect marine life and stop the reported alleged dumping of wasteful bycatch as a result of bottom-trawling nets being used to catch prawns.

[S6W-35729](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many young carers have accessed (a) higher and (b) further education in each year since 1999.

[S6W-35732](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of pupils left school with no qualifications in each year since 1999.

[S6W-35733](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) 14, (b) 15 and (c) 16 year olds have been accessing college courses through school-college partnerships whilst at school in each year since 1999, broken down by local authority area.

[S6W-35734](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been on waiting lists for college courses in each year since 1999.

[S6W-35735](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent on anti-smoking campaigns in schools in each year since 1999, broken down by local authority area.

[S6W-35736](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent on anti-drug campaigns in schools in each year since 1999, broken down by local authority area.

[S6W-35737](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many care experienced bursaries have been awarded in each year since the establishment of the support .

[S6W-35738](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what the rate of absenteeism has been for teachers in each local authority area in each year since 1999.

[S6W-35739](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent on school bus transport by each local authority in each year since 1999.

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New Bills Bilean Ùra				

New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New Bills introduced or reprinted on 17 March 2025

Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision about the restriction of the physical movement of, or isolation of, children and young people by education providers in schools.

Introduced by: Daniel Johnson

Explanatory Notes (SP Bill 61–EN), a Financial Memorandum (SP Bill 61–FM), a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 61–PM), a Delegated Powers Memorandum (SP Bill 61–DPM) and Statements on Legislative Competence (SP Bill 61–LC) were published to accompany the Bill.

Amendments

Amendments to Bills lodged on 17 March 2025

Housing (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee Daily List

After section 38

Paul McLennan

231 After section 38, page 51, line 2, at end insert—

<Social landlords: qualifying repairs

Social landlords: qualifying repairs

- (1) The Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 27 (repairs)—
 - (a) in subsection (2), for “make regulations for” substitute “by regulations make provision for or in connection with”,
 - (b) in subsection (3)—
 - (i) for the opening words substitute “Regulations under subsection (2) may, in particular, make provision for or in connection with—”,
 - (ii) after paragraph (a) insert—

“(aa) the period within which an inspection of the house is to take place to determine whether a qualifying repair is required,

(ab) the period within which a qualifying repair is to be commenced,”
 - (iii) the word “and” immediately following paragraph (b) is repealed,
 - (iv) after paragraph (c) insert—

“(d) compensation payable in relation to a failure to comply with a requirement imposed by the regulations,

(e) any review or appeal in relation to a failure to comply with a requirement imposed by the regulations.”.>

After section 40

Ross Greer

232 After section 40, insert—

<PART

CONVERSION OF LONG LEASE TO OWNERSHIP

Conversion of long lease to ownership

Meaning of “qualifying lease”

- (1) A lease is a “qualifying lease” if it complies with subsection (2).
- (2) A lease complies with this subsection if immediately before the appointed day, it is a right of lease in land—
 - (a) which is registered,
 - (b) which comprises wholly or mainly a private dwelling house,
 - (c) granted for a period of more than 175 years,
 - (d) in respect of which the unexpired portion of that period is more than 50 years, and
 - (e) for which the annual rent payable under the lease is under £100.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (2)(b), “dwelling house” includes any yard, garden or outbuilding.>

Ross Greer

- 233** As an amendment to amendment 232, line 12, leave out <50> and insert <5>

Ross Greer

- 234** After section 40, insert—

<Application to convert right of lease to right of ownership

- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any tenancy agreement, a tenant, in relation to a qualifying lease (within the meaning of section (*Meaning of “qualifying lease”*)), may apply to the landlord to convert the right of lease to a right of ownership.
- (2) A tenant must serve a notice on the landlord in such form as the Scottish Ministers may prescribe, and must contain—
 - (a) the period for which the lease was granted,
 - (b) the unexpired portion of that period,
 - (c) confirmation that the tenant is applying for the conversion of the right of lease to a right of ownership.
- (3) The landlord must respond no later than 3 months after the day on which the application is received by the landlord setting out whether—
 - (a) the landlord agrees to the conversion of the property,
 - (b) the landlord does not agree to the conversion of the property.
- (4) Where the landlord agrees to the conversion of the property, the response must include an estimation of the level of compensatory payment that the landlord will be seeking.
- (5) Where the landlord does not agree to the conversion of the property, the response must identify the ground on which the landlord’s decision is based (as specified by regulations under subsection (6)).
- (6) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations specify the grounds on which a landlord may decide not to agree to the conversion of the property under subsection (3)(b).
- (7) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision about the process by which a tenant, in relation to a qualifying lease, may apply to convert the tenant’s right of lease.

- (8) Regulations—
- (a) under subsection (6) are subject to the affirmative procedure,
 - (b) under subsection (7) are subject to the negative procedure.
- (9) In this section—
- “compensatory payment” has the meaning given in section (*Requiring compensatory payment*),
- “landlord” in relation to a qualifying lease, means the person who has the right as landlord under the lease,
- “prescribed” means prescribed by the Scottish Ministers in regulations,
- “qualifying lease” has the meaning given by section (*Meaning of “qualifying lease”*),
- “tenant”, in relation to a qualifying lease, means the person who has the right as tenant under the lease.>

Ross Greer

235 After section 40, insert—

<Conversion of right of lease to right of ownership

- (1) The tenant and the landlord, in relation to the qualifying lease, must agree an appointed day.
- (2) On the appointed day—
 - (a) the qualifying lease becomes the right of ownership of the land in relation to which it is the qualifying lease,
 - (b) any right of ownership of that land existing immediately before that day is extinguished.>

Ross Greer

236 After section 40, insert—

<Compensation for loss of landlord’s rights

Requiring compensatory payment

- (1) This section applies where, on the appointed day, the rights of a landlord under a lease are extinguished by virtue of section (*Conversion of right of lease to right of ownership*).
- (2) The former landlord under such a lease may serve on the former tenant a notice in the prescribed form requiring that a compensatory payment be made to the former landlord by the former tenant.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations make provision about—
 - (a) the calculation of the compensatory payment,
 - (b) payment of the compensatory payment, including the option for payment over a specified amount to be made in instalments,
 - (c) the form of the notice to be serviced on the former tenant.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (3) are subject to the affirmative procedure.

- (5) In this section, “compensatory payment” means the payment of the kind mentioned in subsection (2).>

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New Subordinate Legislation

Not subject to parliamentary procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 17 March 2025 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

[Disclosure \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Commencement No. 5, Saving and Transitional Provision\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/73 \(C.7\)\)](#)

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

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Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2024)

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

Passed, 25 February 2025

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
legislationteam@parliament.scot

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

Stage 1 Report (Criminal Justice Committee) published, 11 March 2025

Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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

The deadline has passed for 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.

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 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 26 March 2025

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

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (5th Report, 2025)

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

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

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

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 12 March 2025

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 28 January 2025

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

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

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Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 17 March 2025

Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 18 March 2025

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 11 March 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (62nd Report, 2024)

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

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 27 March 2025

Stage 1 Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (1st Report, 2025)

Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 11 December 2024

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

[*\(legislationteam@parliament.scot\)*](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 18 March 2025

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 12 March 2025

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

Stage 2 (Day 2) (Criminal Justice Committee), 19 March 2025

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Passed, 23 January 2025

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill LCM-S6-54

Lodged on 12 March 2025

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

Lodged on 22 November 2024

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

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

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Employment Rights Bill LCM-S6-53

Lodged on 11 December 2024

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 19 March 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

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

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 18 March 2025

Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work

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)

Affirmative instruments

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 18 March 2025

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

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

Subject to approval by 19 March 2025

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

Subject to approval by 24 March 2025

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

Subject to approval by 27 March 2025

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

Subject to approval by 28 March 2025

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

Subject to approval by 29 March 2025

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

Subject to approval by 23 April 2025

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

Subject to approval by 4 May 2025

[Social Security Information-sharing \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (10 March 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Negative instruments

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)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Subject to annulment 23 March 2025

Lead committee report due by 17 March 2025

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

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

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

Subject to annulment 27 March 2025

Lead committee report due by 24 March 2025

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

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

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

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

Subject to annulment 28 March 2025

Lead committee report due by 24 March 2025

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

Subject to annulment 30 March 2025

Lead committee report due by 24 March 2025

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

Subject to annulment 31 March 2025

Lead committee report due by 24 March 2025

[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)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Subject to annulment 30 April 2025
Lead committee report due by 28 April 2025

[Police Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/58\)](#) (6 March 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 7 May 2025
Lead committee report due by 5 May 2025

[Recognition of Overseas Qualifications \(Charges\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/67\)](#) (13 March 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 17 March 2025—

Finance and Public Administration Committee, 5th Report 2025 (Session 6): Subordinate Legislation: The Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] (SP Paper 758)

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Other Documents

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