

Wednesday 26 March 2025

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Secure  
Accommodation in Scotland – Capacity

**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)

**5:30 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-  
16539 Maggie Chapman: Ending Destitution  
in Scotland – a Road Map for Policymakers

### Committee Meetings

**9:00am** Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

**9:30am** Criminal Justice Committee

**9:30am** Education, Children and Young  
People Committee

**9:30am** Public Audit Committee

**9:45am** Economy and Fair Work Committee

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#### Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic

- 1. Pam Duncan-Glancy:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the economy secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding the contribution that the cultural sector makes to Glasgow and the west of Scotland's economy. ([S6O-04480](#))
- 2. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the steps that it is taking to encourage investment in Scotland's green economy. ([S6O-04481](#))
- 3. Karen Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government what immediate and longer-term actions it can take to support businesses, including in the seafood processing sector, to compete effectively in a UK and global market. ([S6O-04482](#))
- 4. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the provision of Gaelic-medium education at primary level in the Glasgow Shettleston constituency. ([S6O-04483](#))
- 5. Roz McCall:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle long-term economic inactivity in Fife. ([S6O-04484](#))
- 6. Patrick Harvie:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the regulatory approach to AI and any impact that differences between regulations in the UK and the EU could have on Scotland's economy. ([S6O-04485](#))
- 7. Evelyn Tweed:** To ask the Scottish Government, as part of the development and delivery of its economic strategy, what assessment it has made of the contribution of the net zero sector to the economy. ([S6O-04486](#))
- 8. Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to invest in the west of the South Scotland region. ([S6O-04487](#))

#### Finance and Local Government

- 1. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government how the Scottish Budget 2025-26 will improve local services in Motherwell and Wishaw. ([S6O-04488](#))
- 2. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government what the impact will be on discretionary funding in the current financial year of the International Financial Reporting Standard 16 changes outlined in its Spring Budget Revision. ([S6O-04489](#))
- 3. Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support local authorities with managing planning applications. ([S6O-04490](#))
- 4. Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government when ministers last met with the City of Edinburgh Council to discuss the reported financial pressures facing the capital. ([S6O-04491](#))
- 5. Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it has allocated in its Budget to fund applications to the Rural Affordable Homes for Key Workers Fund, including from housing associations where there have been housing stock transfers from a local authority. ([S6O-04492](#))
- 6. Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it has allocated in its Budget for revenue and capital funding for Strathclyde Partnership for Transport for 2025-26. ([S6O-04493](#))

**7. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the finance secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding the allocation of additional funding for health and social care, in light of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board's reported plans to end funding for its third sector grant programme. ([S6O-04494](#))

**8. Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what ongoing assessment it is undertaking regarding the impact of the visitor levy. ([S6O-04495](#))

**followed by Ministerial Statement: Secure Accommodation in Scotland – Capacity**

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

[S6M-16892](#) **Mairi Gougeon: Land Reform (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Land Reform (Scotland) Bill.

**followed by Financial Resolution: Land Reform (Scotland) Bill**

[S6M-16960](#) **Shona Robison: Land Reform (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution**—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Land Reform (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.

**followed by Business Motions**

[S6M-16941](#) **Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Programme**—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

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2.00 pm Time for Reflection

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*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Committee Announcements

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Wednesday 23 April 2025

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business; Justice and Home Affairs

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*followed by* Approval of SSIs (if required)

5.00 pm Decision Time

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Thursday 24 April 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: Education and Skills

*followed by* Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee Debate: Inquiry into Framework Legislation and Henry VIII Powers

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(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 31 March 2025, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**[S6M-16942](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Qualifications Scotland as Specified Authority) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.

**[S6M-16943](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Part 2 Further Extension) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.

**[S6M-16944](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.

**[S6M-16945](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee**—That the Parliament agrees that the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the legislative consent memorandum relating to the Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill (UK Legislation).

**[S6M-16946](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee**—That the Parliament agrees that the Education, Children and Young People Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

**followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)**

**5:30 pm Decision Time**

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

**[S6M-16539](#) Maggie Chapman: Ending Destitution in Scotland – a Road Map for Policymakers**—That the Parliament notes the recent publication by Professor Jen Ang of the legal briefing, *Ending Destitution in Scotland – a Road Map for Policymakers*; further notes that this report was commissioned by I-SPHERE and the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, as part of the Fair Way Scotland partnership, following the publication in September 2024 of the paper *Destitution by Design: righting the wrongs of UK immigration policy in Scotland*; understands that the legal briefing sets out clear, actionable steps that lie within the powers of the Scottish Parliament and the Scottish Government to reduce destitution for people coming to Scotland to study, work, join family or seek sanctuary; further understands that there are clear recommendations about access to social security and financial support, housing, transport, health and social care, justice and legal aid, education, and work; notes the view that the Scottish Government can and should be doing more to prevent destitution in Scotland, including in the North East Scotland region; further notes the view that the complexity of UK immigration law, and the challenges of striking the right balance in the exercise of powers within the devolution settlement, must no longer be an excuse for failure to act on the part of the Scottish Government and local authorities, in the face of what it sees as overwhelming evidence of the harms caused to people with no recourse to public funds/other restricted eligibility, and to the communities in which they live; notes the view that Scotland can create a fairer system based on need and the realisation of rights, ensuring that everyone has access to essential services and what they need to live a life of dignity, regardless of their immigration status; further notes the calls on the Scottish Government to act on each of the recommendations, including to review devolved policy to eliminate unintended exclusions from support, to establish and scale up the financial support available, to ensure appropriate training and resources for all frontline workers, and to negotiate a clearer understanding of “public funds”, as defined by the Home Office, and congratulates the Fair Way Scotland Partnership on its ongoing work to prevent destitution in Scotland.

## Committee Meetings

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

### Rural Affairs and Islands Committee 11th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to consider the evidence taken as part of its scrutiny of Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill at this and future meetings in private. The Committee will also decide whether to consider draft reports on the Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill at future meetings in private.
2. **Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Chief Inspector Michael Booker, Police Scotland;  
Dr Paula Boyden, Veterinary Director, Dogs Trust;  
Laura Buchan, Procurator Fiscal for Policy and Engagement, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service;  
Gilly Mendes-Ferreira, Director of Strategic Communications & Partnership Engagement, Scottish SPCA;  
Mike Moore, Policy and Campaigns Manager (Scotland), Guide Dogs for the Blind Association;  
Stuart Munro, Convener of the Criminal Law Committee, Law Society of Scotland.
3. **Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Criminal Justice Committee 11th 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 3).

### Education, Children and Young People Committee 11th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **The Promise:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Natalie Don-Innes, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise, Gavin Henderson, Deputy Director, Keeping the Promise, and Iona Colvin, Chief Social Work Adviser, Scottish Government.
2. **Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Public Audit Committee 11th 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, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Administration of Scottish income tax 2023/24:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Alyson Stafford, Director-General Scottish Exchequer, and Lorraine King, Deputy Director, Tax Strategy, Engagement and Performance, Scottish Government;  
Jonathan Athow, Director General for Customer Strategy and Tax Design, and Phil Batchelor, Deputy Director for Income Tax Policy, HM Revenue and Customs.
3. **Administration of Scottish income tax 2023/24:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—  
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Richard Robinson, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.
4. **Administration of Scottish income tax 2023/24:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Economy and Fair Work Committee 10th Meeting, 2025**

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4, and all future consideration of evidence heard in relation to its Scotland's skills system scrutiny, in private.
2. **Skills Delivery:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
James Withers, Independent Advisor, JR Withers Advisory Ltd;  
and then from—  
Frank Mitchell, Chair, Damien Yeats, Chief Executive, Gordon McGuinness, Director of Industry and Enterprise Networks, and Lynne Robson, Head of Evidence and Impact, Skills Development Scotland.
3. **Skills Delivery:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 19 March 2025

### 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 — S6M-16128 Liz Smith: 300 Years of The Black Watch

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions

Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Response to Fatal Accident Inquiries (Deaths in Custody)

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

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:30 pm** Decision Time

### Tuesday 1 April 2025

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

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**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Stage 1: Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Financial Resolution: Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution

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## 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>

### Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

27 March 2025

11th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether its consideration of a draft submission to the UK Government's consultation on the UK Internal Market Act 2020 review should be taken in private at future meetings.

2. **UK Internal Market Act 2020 - Consultation and Review:** The Committee will take evidence from—

David Thomson, Chief Executive, Food and Drink Federation Scotland;  
Marc Strathie, Senior Policy Advisor for Devolved Nations, Institute of Directors Scotland;

Mags Simpson, Scotland Deputy Director of Policy, CBI Scotland;

and then from—

Angus Robertson, Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Euan Page, Head of UK Frameworks, Scottish Government.

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, James Johnston on 85215 or at [james.johnston@parliament.scot](mailto:james.johnston@parliament.scot)

### Social Justice and Social Security Committee

27 March 2025

10th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Financial considerations of leaving an abusive relationship (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.

2. **Housing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will, not before 9 am, consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 2).

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Diane Barr on 85220 or at [diane.barr@parliament.scot](mailto:diane.barr@parliament.scot)

### SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review Committee

27 March 2025

8th Meeting, 2025

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

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

**Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, David Millett on 85244 or at [David.Millett@parliament.scot](mailto:David.Millett@parliament.scot)

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## Motions

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

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

- \* 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.

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

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**\*S6M-16917 Clare Adamson: SCIAF Wee Box Appeal 2025**—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund's (SCIAF) 2025 Wee Box Appeal; understands that this year's Wee Box Appeal highlights SCIAF's local partnerships with people in Chocó, Colombia, in

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building peace and offering tangible support; notes that the aims of SCIAF are to provide aid, including shelter, food and water, to those caught up in violence, with a focus on safe havens for children affected by war and assistance for communities to help with rebuilding lives long into the future; understands that 2025 marks the 60th anniversary of SCIAF, with its motto being "A Better World is Possible"; further understands that the launch of the film, *Dignity*, marked the start of SCIAF's 60th anniversary year, with SCIAF having been founded in a Rutherglen classroom in 1965; considers that Deacon Blue's iconic hit, *Dignity*, was centre-stage at the GFT in Glasgow as the film was launched in its name, and welcomes what it sees as SCIAF's positive partnerships and commitment to a just world, free of poverty, where people flourish and live in harmony with each other and all creation.

Supported by: Emma Harper\*

**\*[S6M-16916](#) Clare Adamson: Cambusnethan Primary School Silver Rights Respecting Schools Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Cambusnethan Primary School, Wishaw, on being awarded the Silver Rights Respecting Schools award by UNICEF UK's Rights Respecting Schools programme; understands that UNICEF is the world's leading organisation working for children and their rights; further understands that the Rights Respecting Schools award is granted to schools that show commitment to promoting and realising children's rights and encouraging adults, children and young people to respect the rights of others in school; applauds all the hard work and efforts of the school community to ensure that children's rights are at the core of what the school does and hopes to achieve, and wishes Cambusnethan Primary School all the best for the future.

Supported by: Emma Harper\*

**\*[S6M-16915](#) Pauline McNeill: Remembering Keith Hammond**—That the Parliament marks the sad death of Keith Hammond, a leading figure in academic life, who it believes was known widely for his defence of human rights and justice for the Palestinian people; recognises that Hammond was a senior lecturer at the University of Glasgow, known and respected for his work in the fields of philosophy, politics and education; considers that his commitment to the defence of the Palestinian cause went beyond academic interest, and led him to visit Gaza on many occasions and give lectures on the prospect of cooperation and exchange of experiences between Palestinian and British universities; highlights what it sees as his well-known and highly respected published written work on Palestinian universities and the Israeli occupation, and acknowledges what it regards as the dedication of his advocacy throughout his academic career as he sought to highlight injustices and call for solidarity, using his influence and expertise to contribute to discourse and support Palestinian human rights.

**\*[S6M-16914](#) Clare Haughey: CamGlen Radio Celebrates 10 Years of FM Broadcasting**—That the Parliament congratulates CamGlen Radio, which is based in Rutherglen, on its 10th anniversary of FM broadcasting; notes that CamGlen Radio is part of the Healthy n Happy Community Development Trust, which has an overarching aim to address inequality and improve wellbeing for Rutherglen and Cambuslang communities; understands that CamGlen Radio produces and broadcasts a wide range of music, interviews and specialist programming, spotlights and promotes local organisations and local up-and-coming artists, and provides opportunities and training to those interested in broadcasting; pays tribute to the station's many volunteers and contributors both past and present; notes that the station has recently been awarded an extension to its FM broadcast, allowing it to continue producing radio for the community, by the community, and wishes CamGlen Radio all the best for its continuing success.

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**\*[S6M-16904](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank Woman Raises Funds for St Margaret of Scotland Hospice and CHAS**—That the Parliament recognises Margaret Campbell for a recent donation of £905 for St Margaret's Hospice; notes that Margaret has been fundraising for the hospice since 1991 and has raised thousands over the years after her brother sadly passed away in 1990; understands that the funds will be used to make a difference to the patients of the hospice and their families; further understands that Margaret continues the fundraising efforts, which includes £7,224 over the past six years for Children's Hospices Across Scotland (CHAS), and celebrates individuals such as Margaret, who have shown dedication and drive in holding tombola's and raffles in a bid to raise money for these deserving and vital charities.

Supported by: Emma Harper\*

**\*[S6M-16900](#) Douglas Lumsden: Commending Police Scotland and the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service**—That the Parliament commends what it sees as the professionalism of Police Scotland and the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service in working to remove illegal activity from Scottish politics.

**\*[S6M-16897](#) Humza Yousaf: St Paul's RC High School's Participation in the 2025 SP Energy Networks Warriors School Championship**—That the Parliament congratulates pupils from St Paul's RC High School who are participating in the 2025 SP Energy Networks (SPEN) Warriors School Championship; understands that the SPEN Warriors Championship supports rugby at a grassroots level and creates a platform for aspiring rugby stars, while spotlighting science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) opportunities to encourage students to think about a career beyond the game; recognises that this is the eighth year of SPEN supporting the ever growing Championship with over 6,000 young people from 28 schools taking part over the years; notes that St Paul's initial games against two other schools starts on 1 April 2025, with the final to be played on 6 May 2025; commends the tournament format that allows pupils to play matches in a formal competition, promoting teamwork and a healthy lifestyle, whilst removing barriers to support emerging talent, demonstrating that rugby is for everyone, and wishes the coaching staff and students all the very best for the tournament.

Supported by: Kevin Stewart\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Bill Kidd\*, David Torrance\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Miles Briggs\*, Rona Mackay\*, Bob Doris\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Emma Harper\*

**\*[S6M-16896](#) Clare Adamson: Motherwell Gym Raises £18,000 for Beatson Cancer Charity After 24-hour Challenge** —That the Parliament commends Chris and Laura Ferri of Ferri Fit in Motherwell for their incredible fundraising efforts for Beatson Cancer Charity; understands that Chris and Laura organised a 24-hour fitness challenge with over 400 participants, incorporating a range of activities designed to test physical limits while supporting those affected by cancer; further understands that the event was first held five years ago after Chris was inspired by his own experience with cancer; notes that Chris was diagnosed with bowel cancer at the age of 33 and faced multiple health challenges; commends Chris for his efforts in raising awareness of the exceptional support and care provided by Beatson Cancer Charity and for being an inspiration to others facing similar challenges, proving that nothing could hold him back; further commends Chris, Laura, and all participants and contributors who played a role in this outstanding event, and wishes everyone at Ferri Fit continued success in the future.

Supported by: Emma Harper\*

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**\*[S6M-16895](#) Liam McArthur: Remembering Jake the Cat, William Shearer's Shop, Orkney—**

That the Parliament notes with deep sadness the passing of Jake, the much-beloved cat residing at William Shearer's shop in Kirkwall, Orkney, at the age of 18; understands that Jake was a well-known and popular fixture at the shop and welcomed countless customers over the years; recognises that many in the local community in Orkney and beyond recount fond memories of the affection and mischief Jake so often displayed; understands that Jake could often be found curled up and taking a nap in various corners of the shop, but was always amenable to the attention of customers of all ages; further understands that visitors returning to the islands would often make the journey to Shearer's in the hope of an encounter with Jake; believes that Jake will be sorely missed; offers its condolences to all those at William Shearer's at this sad time, and pays tribute to the life of Jake, who was quite possibly the best-loved feline in Orkney.

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**\*[S6M-16894](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Dr Ijeoma Okoliegbe—**That the Parliament congratulates Dr Ijeoma Okoliegbe on receiving the Quality in Action award at the 2025 Chief Scientific Officer's Awards for Healthcare Science; notes that Dr Okoliegbe, who specialises in infection prevention and control, is a clinical scientist based at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, and was appointed to her current role in 2024, which is the first of its kind in Scotland, having first joined NHS Grampian in 2019 after completing her doctoral training in Microbiology at the University of Aberdeen; understands that the Chief Scientific Officer's Awards, which were held as part of Healthcare Science Week, celebrate the work of healthcare scientists in Scotland, recognising innovation and transformation within NHS services, leadership within the workforce, and high-quality education and service delivery; further understands that the Quality in Action award, which Dr Okoliegbe won, recognises an individual or team that has used healthcare science to improve quality resulting in a positive impact on patients and the wider system; believes that Dr Okoliegbe's win highlights the quality and importance of the work that healthcare scientists are doing in NHS Grampian; hopes that she is rightly proud of this achievement, and wishes her all the best with her future endeavours.

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**\*[S6M-16871](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Professor Gerald Lip—**That the Parliament congratulates Professor Gerald Lip on his appointment to the post of Lead for Artificial Intelligence in Clinical Practice at the University of Aberdeen; understands that this post, which will involve teaching medical students and clinicians the basic principles of AI and how it can be implemented to clinical practice, is the first example of a medical school in Scotland appointing a head of AI in medicine; further understands that Professor Lip is a widely recognised expert in the field of AI in healthcare, with experience of many large-scale clinical trials, including the GEMINI project, where AI was used to detect an additional 12% more cancers than in routine practice; believes that this move highlights the important role that AI is playing in modern medicine and how it will help to equip future doctors with the knowledge and skills required to harness AI technologies in providing more accurate diagnoses, personalised treatments and proactive patient care; wishes Professor Lip all the very best in this new role, and hopes that the University of Aberdeen continues to be at the forefront of education and research in healthcare.

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Supported by: Audrey Nicoll\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Miles Briggs\*, Karen Adam\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bob Doris\*, Emma Harper\*

**[\\*S6M-16848](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating the Success of Brass Bands from the North East**—That the Parliament celebrates the successes of Granite City Brass and of the Arbroath and Carnoustie Band, which won the First and Fourth Sections, respectively, of the 2025 Scottish Brass Band Championships; congratulates everyone involved in the event, including many from the North East Scotland region; recognises and applauds what it considers to be the role of brass bands in nurturing musical talent in children and young people from all backgrounds, building community cohesion in industrial and post-industrial contexts, providing accessible and inclusive opportunities to hear and participate in music, and supporting struggles for the rights of workers and marginalised people, and urges the Scottish Government and local authorities to support free and accessible performances by brass bands and other musicians across Scotland.

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S6M-16925](#) Pam Gosal: Celebration of Eid ul-Fitr 2025** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16901](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Scotland's Islands** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Emma Roddick\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Elena Whitham\*, Emma Harper\*

**[S6M-16887](#) Edward Mountain: Outstanding Work of Highland BlindCraft** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16886](#) Maggie Chapman: Solidarity with University of Dundee Trade Unions** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Mark Ruskell\*

**[S6M-16881](#) Jackie Dunbar: P&J Live Achieves A Greener Arena Certification** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Karen Adam\*, Tess White\*, Emma Harper\*

**[S6M-16880](#) Paul O'Kane: Two Pupils from Woodfarm High School Excel in Public Speaking Competition** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Monica Lennon\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Pam Gosal\*, Annie Wells\*, Martin Whitfield\*, Colin Beattie\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Karen Adam\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, Tess White\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

**[S6M-16879](#) Pam Gosal: Helensburgh Youth Complete Duke of Edinburgh Award at RNLI** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Tess White\*

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**[S6M-16878](#) Pam Gosal: Helensburgh's Gordon Reid Wins Men's Wheelchair Tennis Doubles at the 2025 Cajun Classic in Louisiana, USA** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16877](#) Ariane Burgess: Congratulating Inverary Primary School on its 10th Green Flag Award** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-16876](#) Ruth Maguire: North Ayrshire Pupils Pitchin' In at Rugby Park** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Tess White\*, Emma Harper\*

**[S6M-16875](#) Ruth Maguire: London Marathon Challenge for Kilwinning's Mhairi McCandless** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Tess White\*, Emma Harper\*

**[S6M-16874](#) Fulton MacGregor: The Plight of Albion Rovers and Preserving Scotland's Historic Football Clubs** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Gillian Mackay\*

**[S6M-16870](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Ramblers Scotland 60th Anniversary** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Douglas Lumsden\*, Alex Rowley\*

**[S6M-16869](#) Jackie Dunbar: Global Intergenerational Week 2025** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Brian Whittle\*

**[S6M-16868](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Wildfire Awareness** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart\*, Tim Eagle\*, Douglas Lumsden\*, Alex Rowley\*

**[S6M-16867](#) Clare Adamson: St Aidan's Primary School Awarded 10th Green Flag** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Gillian Mackay\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16866](#) Maurice Golden: WeeCOOK Success at the British Pie Awards** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle\*, Douglas Lumsden\*

**[S6M-16865](#) Christine Grahame: Happy 100th Birthday to Broughton and District Bowling Club** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Emma Harper\*

**[S6M-16864](#) Willie Rennie: Fife's Sight Loss Charity Seescape Celebrates its 160th Anniversary** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

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**[S6M-16863](#) Liam Kerr: Ferryhill Railway Heritage Trust Celebrates 175th Anniversary of the First Railway Reaching Aberdeen** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle\*, Douglas Lumsden\*

**[S6M-16862](#) Humza Yousaf: Fourth Annual Govan Music Festival** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Emma Harper\*

**[S6M-16854](#) Stuart McMillan: Peel Ports' Conservancy Fee Plans for Clydeport Area** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Ben Macpherson\*

**[S6M-16853](#) Alexander Burnett: A Bear Named Buttony Celebrates 10th Anniversary in May 2025** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle\*

**[S6M-16851](#) Karen Adam: The Importance of Macduff Harbour** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16850](#) Kenneth Gibson: Isle of Arran Music School Celebrates Pipe Band Victory** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16849](#) Ariane Burgess: Recognising the Potential of Cohousing in Scotland** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16847](#) Karen Adam: Scotland's Strongest Woman** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16846](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Holi Festival of Colours Celebration 2025** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16843](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Kaleb Mbise, from Dumbarton, on Winning Foundation Apprentice of the Year** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16842](#) Humza Yousaf: Commemorating Belarusian Freedom Day on 25 March** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16841](#) Jackson Carlaw: Isobel Mair School Delivers Two Winning Entries in National Garden Competition** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Douglas Lumsden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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**[S6M-16840](#) Jackson Carlaw: Team of Female Pupils from Mearns Castle High Win Respected Investment Competition** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Douglas Lumsden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16837](#) Mercedes Villalba: River Carron Salmon Conservation** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16836](#) Kevin Stewart: Impact of National Insurance Hikes on Pharmacies** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16835](#) Patrick Harvie: Congratulating Women on Wheels and Sunny Cycles on their Inaugural Ride Bright for International Women's Day** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16833](#) Clare Adamson: Morningside Primary School Finalists at Keep Scotland Beautiful Marine Litter Art Competition** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16832](#) Christine Grahame: Borders Together Tartan** (lodged on 18 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16831](#) Clare Adamson: St Aidan's Youth Group Fundraising for Les Hoey MBE DreamMaker Foundation** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16830](#) Clare Adamson: Hospitality and Culinary Arts ScotHot Awards** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16829](#) Clare Adamson: Coltness High Teenager Cancer Trust Fundraiser** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16828](#) Clare Adamson: Mark Wright Awarded Inaugural Recognition Award** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16827](#) Alexander Stewart: Commending NHS Forth Valley Lead Parkinson's Nurse, Kay Mair** (lodged on 19 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Douglas Lumsden\*

**[S6M-16826](#) Alexander Stewart: Go Forth Stirling BID Spring Clean** (lodged on 18 March 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle\*, Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Douglas Lumsden\*

**[S6M-16825](#) Liam McArthur: Celebrating 25 Years of Orkney's Gable End Theatre** (lodged on 18 March 2025)

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New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16824](#) Evelyn Tweed: Stirling Sisters Honour Mum by Raising Over £20,000 for the Stroke Association** (lodged on 18 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16823](#) Beatrice Wishart: UHI Shetland Learners Recognised at the Awards for Land-based and Aquaculture Skills (ALBAS)** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16822](#) Clare Adamson: Congratulations to Hugh Black & Sons on Winning Smithfield Awards** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16821](#) Carol Mochan: New Cumnock Development Trust Celebrates International Women's Day** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16820](#) Clare Adamson: Erin O'Reilly Pursues Her Dreams** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16819](#) Sharon Dowey: The Coo Shed Wins at the Countryside Alliance Awards** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16817](#) Clare Adamson: Gillian and Stevie O'Rourke Retire from The Horse and Anchor** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16816](#) Edward Mountain: Mikeysline Recognised at Mental Health and Wellbeing Awards** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16815](#) Kevin Stewart: African Women's Group Scotland** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[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: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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**[S6M-16810](#) Alexander Burnett: Ballater Branch of the Royal British Legion Scotland Wins Best Kept War Memorial Competition** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[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: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16807](#) Edward Mountain: 50th Anniversary of Balintore Community Fire Station** (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle\*, Douglas Lumsden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16804](#) Alex Rowley: Scottish and Welsh Rugby Supporters Fundraising for My Name's 5 Daddie Foundation** (lodged on 18 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Brian Whittle\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[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: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Alex Rowley\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[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: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

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New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Emma Roddick\*, Mark Ruskell\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[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: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16782](#) Foysol Choudhury: Fletcher of Saltoun Awards 2025** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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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: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[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: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16746](#) Ariane Burgess: Celebrating the Witches of Scotland Memorial Tartan Campaign** (lodged on 18 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16733](#) Marie McNair: 1st Clydebank Guides and Rangers Receive Prestigious Awards**  
(lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-16713](#) Miles Briggs: Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2025** (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16700](#) Jackson Carlaw: Cathcart Castle Golf Club Raises £14,600 for Charity** (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16699](#) Jackson Carlaw: Eastwood High Achieves SCQF School Ambassador Gold Award** (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16698](#) Jackson Carlaw: Newton Mearns Care Home Launches Warm Cafe Initiative**  
(lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16697](#) Jackson Carlaw: Busby Lawn Tennis Club Raises Money to Support Cancer Charity** (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16696](#) Jackson Carlaw: Education Scotland Delivers Excellent Inspection Report for St Joseph's Primary School in Eastwood** (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16679](#) Alexander Burnett: Generous Farming Brothers Legacy to The Archie Foundation** (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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**[S6M-16678](#) Alexander Burnett: Cairngorms Glamping Wins the Channel 4 Show, Four in a Bed** (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16671](#) Annie Wells: Girlguiding Scotland Celebrates Own Your Path Pilot** (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16670](#) Sharon Dowey: South Ayrshire "Build Your Future" Event Success** (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16669](#) Sue Webber: Men and Women Rugby Teams from Broughton Rugby Club Win League Titles in Year of Club's Centenary** (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16661](#) Liam Kerr: New RNLI Coxswain for Aberdeen** (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-16396](#) Tess White: Burnside Brewery Secures New Premises** (lodged on 12 February 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Craig Hoy\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Miles Briggs\*, Annie Wells\*, Russell Findlay\*, Edward Mountain\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Karen Adam\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jamie Greene\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Douglas Ross\*, Brian Whittle\*, Pam Gosal\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tim Eagle\*

**[S6M-16128](#) Liz Smith: 300 Years of The Black Watch** (lodged on 16 January 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper\*

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## Written Questions

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

Government Initiated Questions are initiated by the parliament Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

### Government initiated questions lodged on 25 March 2025

**[S6W-36258 Evelyn Tweed](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to further support the delivery of Scotland's health visiting service and health visitor workforce, in light of their role in supporting early child health and development through a focus on prevention, early intervention and parental wellbeing.

### Written questions lodged on 25 March 2025

**[S6W-35692 Alexander Burnett](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will put in place a moratorium on all battery energy storage system planning applications until the findings of any investigation into the recent fire at the battery energy storage system site at Rothienorman in Aberdeenshire are published.

**[S6W-35743 Miles Briggs](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many exclusions of (a) primary and (b) secondary school pupils have taken place in each year since 1999, broken down by (i) local authority area and (ii) pupil year group.

**[S6W-35744 Miles Briggs](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent from Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) on mental health in schools in each local authority area in each year since 1999.

**[S6W-35745 Miles Briggs](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) birth to two-, (b) three- to five- and (c) six- to 12-year-olds have been supported as part of the Childsmile campaign in each year since 2006, broken down by local authority area.

**[S6W-35891 Douglas Lumsden](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the publication of the UK Government's consultation, *Building the North Sea's Energy Future*, regarding the potential impact in Scotland, whether it has assessed the consultation's proposals for supporting oil and gas workers in transitioning to new energy sectors; how it plans to engage with stakeholders, including trade unions and local communities, in finalising any policy responses; what assessment it has made of the potential economic and energy security implications of implementing any recommendations arising from this consultation; whether it has had any discussions with the UK Government regarding any reserved or shared competencies relevant to these proposals, and what the reasons are for its position on this matter.

**[S6W-35892 Douglas Lumsden](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recently reported concerns raised by an MSP about Scottish Parliamentary Pension Scheme investments in Tesla shares, whether it (a) has undertaken a review of its ownership of Tesla vehicles and (b) will sell its fleet of 10 Tesla cars.

**[S6W-36031 Jackson Carlaw](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will legislate to ensure that all local authorities observe a "10-minute parking grace period" in their car parks, similar to that implemented in England.

**[S6W-36032 Jackson Carlaw](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what instructions it expects local authorities to provide to parking attendants regarding the issuing of penalty charge notices in situations where a car is not displaying a ticket but the driver states that they were collecting a prepaid voucher from a machine and that this is the only reason why it was not affixed to the vehicle.

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**S6W-36033 Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last reviewed the approach of local authorities to issuing parking fines, and what its position is on whether any local authority has introduced policies in relation to penalty charge notices specifically to make a profit and not to respond to illegal or inappropriate parking.

**S6W-36034 Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance it offers to local authorities to ensure that disabled, older and infirmed people are supported, when required, to park their vehicles in local authority car parks without incurring a penalty charge notice, and when any such guidance was last reviewed.

**S6W-36040 Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish details of Project Chia's consideration of the social value of Ferguson Marine Port Glasgow.

**S6W-36041 Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will undertake a feasibility study on emulating the Common User Facility (CUF) model at the Australian Marine Complex in Perth, Western Australia, and Osborne Naval Shipyard near Adelaide, South Australia, at the (a) Newark Shipyard facility, which is owned by the Scottish Ministers via Ferguson Marine (Port Glasgow) Limited, and (b) Inchgreen Marine Park, which is owned by Peel Group and operated in a joint venture with Inverclyde Council.

**S6W-36042 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what economic analysis it has conducted of the potential impact of (a) new oil and gas licences being issued and (b) the North East Scotland Offshore's Beyond 2030 plans on the (i) Scottish economy, (ii) economy of Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire and (iii) economy of Angus.

**S6W-36043 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential economic impact on the north east of Scotland of not extending funding for the Net Zero Technology Centre beyond the 2026 Aberdeen City Region Deal timeframe, and whether it has conducted any economic analysis of the potential implications of this for the wider energy transition.

**S6W-36044 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people are currently employed in the nuclear industry in Scotland, and what the value of the industry has been to the economy in each of the last five years.

**S6W-36046 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent estimate it has made of any impact on tax revenue of alcohol purchases made by Scotland residents (a) online from businesses registered in England and Wales and (b) in person when travelling to England, in cases where such purchases are not subject to minimum unit pricing.

**S6W-36047 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how much liquefied natural gas (LNG) has been required to supply the MV Glen Sannox in each month since December 2024, and what its position is on the long-term fuel supply strategy for the vessel.

**S6W-36048 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to revise the fourth National Planning Framework (NPF4) in response to reported plans in England to ease the process of building nuclear power plants, and what assessment it has made of any potential implications of this for its energy policy.

**S6W-36049 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to fatal accident inquiries (FAIs) in each of the last five years, what the total cost of conducting FAIs was; how many FAIs were (a) mandatory and (b) discretionary; what the average time taken was from the conclusion of the investigation to the commencement of an FAI; what the average duration was from the start to completion of FAIs; how many recommendations were made as a result of FAIs; how many of these recommendations have been implemented, and what the key lessons learned from recent FAIs are.

**S6W-36050 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how many fatal accident inquiries have not yet commenced more than (a) one year and (b) two years after being mandated, in each of the last three years.

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**[S6W-36051 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what criteria it uses when deciding whether to hold discretionary fatal accident inquiries.

**[S6W-36052 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, in each of the last 10 years, how many discretionary fatal accident inquiries have been requested but not held, and what the reasons were for its position on each such request.

**[S6W-36053 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides to families (a) during and (b) after a fatal accident inquiry.

**[S6W-36054 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed the effectiveness of current processes for (a) monitoring and (b) ensuring the implementation of recommendations made following fatal accident inquiries.

**[S6W-36055 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its assessment is of the effectiveness of fatal accident inquiries in preventing similar fatalities.

**[S6W-36056 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered any reforms or changes to the fatal accident inquiry system, and what the reasons are for its position on this matter.

**[S6W-36057 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it tracks any repeated recommendations arising from multiple fatal accident inquiries, and what action it has taken in response to any such recurring recommendations.

**[S6W-36058 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures (a) transparency and (b) public accountability regarding the outcomes and recommendations of fatal accident inquiries.

**[S6W-36059 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of fatal accident inquiries have involved public bodies in each of the last three years, broken down by type of organisation.

**[S6W-36060 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many fatal accident inquiries have involved delays to the publication of the final inquiry report in each of the last five years, and what the reasons were for any such delays.

**[S6W-36061 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it monitors any trends or common factors identified across fatal accident inquiries, and how it uses any such data in its policy development.

**[S6W-36062 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has reviewed the resources allocated to the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service to manage fatal accident inquiries, and, if so, what its findings were.

**[S6W-36063 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the adequacy of training provided to sheriffs who preside over fatal accident inquiries.

**[S6W-36064 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of fatal accident inquiries have resulted in criminal proceedings or disciplinary action in each of the last five years.

**[S6W-36065 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many deaths subject to mandatory fatal accident inquiries are currently awaiting an inquiry, and what the longest period is that an inquiry has been outstanding.

**[S6W-36066 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has evaluated the accessibility and clarity of the information provided to bereaved families in relation to the fatal accident inquiry process, and, if so, what potential improvements it identified.

**[S6W-36067 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it has introduced to reduce any delays to the commencement of fatal accident inquiries following the conclusion of investigations.

**[S6W-36068 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has made any representations to the UK Government regarding reserved matters that may impact on the

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timeliness and effectiveness of fatal accident inquiries in Scotland, such as delays in obtaining evidence or expert testimony.

**[S6W-36103 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether proposed minimum safety clearance heights for overhead power lines should be adjusted in response to the increasing size of modern agricultural machinery used across Angus and Aberdeenshire.

**[S6W-36117 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what criteria it considers appropriate for balancing the cost, visual impact, and safety when assessing major electricity infrastructure projects that run through prime agricultural land.

**[S6W-36119 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of EY's forecast that Aberdeen is expected to have the slowest gross value added (GVA) growth in the UK between 2025 and 2028.

**[S6W-36120 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on EY's forecast that Aberdeen is expected to be the only UK location where average annual gross value added (GVA) growth will be below 1% between 2025 and 2028.

**[S6W-36121 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what implications EY's forecast contraction in Aberdeen's mining and quarrying sector could have on local employment between 2025 and 2028.

**[S6W-36122 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the reasons for which Aberdeen is forecast by EY to miss out on the pace of growth in professional services compared to other cities between 2025 and 2028.

**[S6W-36123 Douglas Lumsden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has identified potential growth sectors in Aberdeen to compensate for EY's forecast contraction in the city's mining and quarrying sector over the next three years.

**[S6W-36124 Pauline McNeill:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government which NHS boards have the availability of faecal calprotectin tests, which help to improve the diagnosis for inflammatory bowel disease (IBD).

**[S6W-36125 Pauline McNeill:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it is encouraging the use of faecal calprotectin tests, which help to improve the diagnosis for inflammatory bowel disease (IBD).

**[S6W-36126 Stephen Kerr:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its procedures are for vetting and reviewing ministerial memoirs.

**[S6W-36127 Maurice Golden:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the May 2028 deadline for farmers and crofters to have completed habitat maps is consistent with its target of reversing biodiversity decline by 2030.

**[S6W-36128 Nicola Sturgeon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to support calls for debt justice for any countries that are required to take on debt to recover from climate disasters and climate-related loss and damage.

**[S6W-36129 Nicola Sturgeon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to attend the forthcoming Financing For Development summit in Seville.

**[S6W-36130 Nicola Sturgeon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to use its role as a climate leader to advocate for debt cancellation as part of climate justice in the run-up to COP30.

**[S6W-36131 Nicola Sturgeon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its future plans are to further champion climate justice at international events, including in relation to the growing debt crisis faced by many climate vulnerable countries.

**[S6W-36132 Nicola Sturgeon:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it supports calls for global debt cancellation to be a key pillar of the UN Loss and Damage Fund, ensuring that climate-vulnerable nations are not required to take on more debt to recover from climate disasters.

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**[S6W-36133](#) Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider giving hospices £5 million in addition to further funding in its Budget for 2025-26 aligned to the Agenda for Change and medical 2025-26 pay awards once agreed.

**[S6W-36134](#) Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government how the hospice care sector will be factored into the structural processes around the Agenda for Change and medical pay awards agreed in its Budget for 2025-26 to ensure that they can achieve ongoing pay parity with NHS levels.

**[S6W-36135](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the UK Government and BAE Systems campaign for the Type 26 frigate to win the Norwegian Future Frigate competition, in light of the potential subcontracting opportunity for Ferguson Marine (Port Glasgow) Limited.

**[S6W-36136](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-35438 by Gillian Martin on 20 March 2025, whether it has adapted the approach of the UN report and, if so, how it arrived at the specific target of "seeking [a] reduction of Scotland's extraction of raw materials by one third", in light of the country's specific circumstances.

**[S6W-36146](#) Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-34946 by Mairi Gougeon on 20 February 2025, whether it can now provide a breakdown of its Budget commitment to invest £5.11 million to restore rainforest.

**[S6W-36148](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the support mechanisms in each of the past five years specifically targeted at distributing surplus food from farms showing how much (a) surplus food each programme has distributed and (b) funding was committed.

**[S6W-36264](#) Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government what fire and electrical safety requirements there are for alternative, non-traditional, housing, broken down by property type, **R**

**[S6W-36265](#) Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it provides regarding fire and electrical safety to owners of alternative, non-traditional, housing, broken down by property type, **R**

**[S6W-36266](#) Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government what regulations are in place for (a) developers, (b) landlords, (c) agents and (d) contractors working in alternative, non-traditional, housing to ensure quality, and parity with approved installer registration schemes regarding fire and electrical safety, broken down by property type, **R**

**[S6W-36267](#) Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to ensure that people living in alternative, non-traditional, housing, broken down by property type, have parity with those in traditional housing with regard to fire and electrical safety standards. **R**

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## New Bills and Accompanying Documents

### New accompanying documents printed on 25 March 2025

**Care Reform (Scotland) Bill (As amended at Stage 2)**—A Supplementary Financial Memorandum has been printed. (SP Bill 17A–FM) (Government Bill)

## Amendments

### Amendments to Bills lodged on 25 March 2025

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

*Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee Daily List*

#### After section 27

**Emma Roddick**

**250** After section 27, insert—

*<Eviction order: intention to sell*

#### **Eviction order: intention to sell**

- (1) The 2016 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) In schedule 3 (eviction grounds), in paragraph 1—
  - (a) in sub-paragraph (2)—
    - (i) in paragraph (b), the words “for market value” are repealed,
    - (ii) the “and” following paragraph (b) is repealed,
    - (iii) after paragraph (b) insert—

“(ba) intends to offer to sell the property in the first instance to—

      - (i) the local authority within whose area the property is situated, and
      - (ii) landlords on the register of social landlords kept under section 20 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2010, and”,
  - (b) after sub-paragraph (3) insert—

“(4) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision about the process and evidence required for the purposes of sub-paragraph (2)(ba).

(5) Regulations under sub-paragraph (4) are subject to the negative procedure.”.>

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## Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 25 March 2025

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

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

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

Passed, 25 February 2025

### **Care Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)** *(introduced as the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill)*

Stage 2 completed, 4 March 2025

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
[\(\[legislationteam@parliament.scot\]\(mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot\)\)](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot)

### **Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (Economy and Fair Work Committee), 26 March 2025

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

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 1 April 2025

*Stage 1 Report – Criminal Justice Committee (3<sup>rd</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

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

### **Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)**

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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 25 March 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](mailto: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 2) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 27 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](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

### **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 26 March 2025

*Stage 1 Report – Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee (5<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 25 March 2025

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

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

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

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### **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](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

### **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)), 25 March 2025

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

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (62<sup>nd</sup> 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 (1<sup>st</sup> 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*

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*Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (14<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 25 March 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

*Lead committee – Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture*

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

Stage 2 (Day 3) (Criminal Justice Committee), 26 March 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

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				

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

Lodged on 22 November 2024

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

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

### **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 (16<sup>th</sup> 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) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27<sup>th</sup> 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*

### **Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) Bill LCM-S6-55**

Lodged on 21 March 2025

### **Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49**

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025

*Report – Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69<sup>th</sup> 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 (15<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

**Subordinate Legislation** (date of laying) (lead committee)

### **Affirmative instruments**

**Subject to approval by 18 March 2025**

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

**Subject to approval by 19 March 2025**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

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

**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 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)

**Subject to approval by 18 May 2025**

[Land and Buildings Transaction Tax \(Group Relief and Sub-sale Development Relief Modifications\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (24 March 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

## Negative instruments

**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**

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				

### 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)

[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)

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

[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 25 April 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 21 April 2025**

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

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

[Environmental Protection \(Disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyls and other Dangerous Substances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/78\)](#) (18 March 2025)  
(Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 15 May 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 12 May 2025**

[Railway Closure \(Exclusion\) \(Hairmyres\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/81\)](#) (21 March 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

## Petitions

The following petitions were lodged by the Parliament on 25 March 2025:

PE2150: Amend the Scottish Housing Regulator's mandate or create a body to protect owners of ex-council properties

PE2151: Grant protected status to primitive goat species in the Scottish Borders

<https://petitions.parliament.scot/petitions>

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

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### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 25 March 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Electoral Management Board for Scotland Annual Report 2023/24 (EMBS/2025/03)** laid under section 8(2) of the Local Electoral Administration (Scotland) Act 2011

**A Joint assurance review of the use of retrospective facial search technologies for criminal justice and police purposes in Scotland (SBC/2025/02)** laid under Section 20(2) of the Scottish Biometrics Commissioners Act 2020

**Scottish Law Commission Annual Report 2024 (SG/2025/44)** laid under section 3(3) of the Law Commissions Act 1965

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