

Friday 28 March 2025

Business Bulletin

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Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Chamber Desk Arrangements: Easter Recess / Easter Bank Holiday

During Easter recess, the Chamber Desk will be open from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm, Monday to Thursday and 10.00 am to 3.30 pm on a Friday.

The Chamber Desk will be closed on Friday 18 April and Monday 21 April.

Normal opening arrangements will resume on Tuesday 22 April.

Topical Questions 22 April and First Minister's Questions 24 April 2025

Members are advised that the deadline for submitting questions for Topical Questions on 22 April and First Minister's Questions on 24 April is 9.30 am on Tuesday 22 April.

Portfolio Questions 23 and 24 April 2025 and General Questions 24 April 2025

The deadline for submitting names for Portfolio Questions on 23 and 24 April, and General Questions on 24 April is 12 noon on Monday 14 April. Members who are selected will be advised by email on that day.

Members selected will have until 12 noon on Wednesday 16 April to submit their questions. The submitted questions will appear in the Business Bulletin on Tuesday 22 April.

Portfolio questions on Wednesday 23 April will be Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business, and Justice and Home Affairs, and on Thursday 24 April, Education and Skills.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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There are no meetings today.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 26 March 2025

Tuesday 1 April 2025

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Laura Gillespie, Humanist

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Tackling Fuel Poverty in Scotland: Periodic Report 2021-2024

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

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

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Data (Use and Access) Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Appointment of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-16644 Daniel Johnson: Learning Disability, Autism and Neurodivergence Bill

Wednesday 2 April 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands
Health and Social Care

followed by Ministerial Statement: Heat in Buildings Bill

followed by Ministerial Statement: The Impact of the UK Government's Spring Statement on Scotland

followed by Scottish Government Debate: The Impact of the UK Government's Spring Statement on Scotland

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-16901 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Scotland's Islands

Thursday 3 April 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-16633 George Adam: Celebrating the University of the West of Scotland's Groundbreaking Foundation Academy

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Social Justice

followed by Ministerial Statement: Project Willow - Unlocking Grangemouth's Potential

followed by Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee and Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee Debate: The Aarhus Convention and Access to Environmental Justice

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 22 April 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 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

followed by Scottish Government Business

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 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

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>

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

1 April 2025

13th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.

2.

Scottish Water (Annual Report and Accounts 2023-24): The Committee will take evidence from—

Deirdrie Michie, Chair, Alex Plant, Chief Executive, Peter Farrer, Chief Operating Officer, and Professor Simon Parsons, Director of Environment, Planning and Assurance, Scottish Water.

3. **Petition PE2123:** The Committee will consider the following petition—

Update air quality standards in Scotland to align with 2021 World Health Organisation guidelines.

4.

Scottish Water (Annual Report and Accounts 2023-24): The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier under agenda item 2.

5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath on 85232 or at peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot

Finance and Public Administration Committee

1 April 2025

12th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **The Scottish budget process in practice:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Professor Graeme Roy, Chair, Professor Francis Breedon, Commissioner, John Ireland, Chief Executive, and Claire Murdoch, Head of Fiscal Sustainability and Public Funding, Scottish Fiscal Commission.

2. **Scottish Fiscal Commission: annual evidence session:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Professor Graeme Roy, Chair, and John Ireland, Chief Executive, Scottish Fiscal Commission.

3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Joanne McNaughton, at FPA.committee@parliament.scot.

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

1 April 2025

11th Meeting, 2025

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

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

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Alex Bruce on 85229 or at Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

1 April 2025

12th 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 item 6 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Land and Buildings Transaction Tax \(Group Relief and Sub-sale Development Relief Modifications\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Recognition of Overseas Qualifications \(Charges\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/67)
[Railway Closure \(Exclusion\) \(Hairmyres\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/81)
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Disclosure \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Commencement No. 5, Saving and Transitional Provision\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/73 (C.7))
[Aggregates Tax and Devolved Taxes Administration \(Scotland\) Act 2024 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/79 (C.8))
[Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session 1994 and Ordinary Cause Rules 1993 Amendment\) \(Miscellaneous\) 2025](#) (SSI 2025/80)
[Disclosure \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Commencement No. 5, Saving and Transitional Provision\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/84 (C.9))
5. **Evidence session with the Minister for Parliamentary Business:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Jamie Hepburn, Minister for Parliamentary Business, Douglas Kerr, Deputy Legislation Co-ordinator, Scottish Government Legal Department, and Steven MacGregor, Head of Parliament and Legislation Unit, Scottish Government.
6. **Evidence session with the Minister for Parliamentary Business:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Greg Black at Greg.Black@parliament.scot

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

1 April 2025

9th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 10:00 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 to 6 in private.
2. **Scottish Human Rights Commission:** The Committee will take evidence on the Commission's report on progress in moving people from institutions to independent living from—
Jan Savage, Executive Director, Oonagh Brown, Participation and Policy Officer, and Cathy Asante, Legal Officer - Human Rights based approach, Scottish Human Rights Commission.
3. **Scottish Human Rights Commission:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 2.
4. **British Sign Language Inquiry:** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.
5. **International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR):** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny of the Human Rights Consortium Scotland's report submitted to the UN Committee on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights.
6. **EU Law Tracker:** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee.
7. **Operation of the Public Sector Equality Duty in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence received on the inquiry.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Euan Donald on 85204 or at euandonald@parliament.scot

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

2 April 2025

12th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Mark Ruskell will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Mark Lodge, Senior Planning and Strategies Officer, Argyll & Bute Council;
Grant Moir, Chief Executive Officer, Cairngorms National Park Authority;
Gordon Watson, Chief Executive Officer, Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority.
3. **Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (in private):** 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

Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee

2 April 2025

6th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Evidence Session:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 - Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Transport
 - Nicola Blaney, Head of Strategic Transport Planning, Transport Scotland
 - Alasdair Graham, Head of Design, Procurement and Contracts, Transport Scotland
 - Lawrence Shackman, Director of Major Projects, Transport Scotland

The Committee will be taking evidence on the following petitions—

- PE1657: A77 upgrade;
 - PE1610: Upgrade the A75;
 - PE1916: Request a public inquiry into the management of the rest and be thankful project;
 - PE1967: Protect Loch Lomond's Atlantic oakwood shoreline by implementing the High Road option for the A82 upgrade between Tarbet and Inverarnan, and
 - PE2132: Publish a timeline for the dualling of the A96 between Inverness and Nairn by Easter 2025.
3. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
 - PE1885: Make offering Community Shared Ownership mandatory for all windfarm development planning proposals;
 - PE1919: Ban the sale of high caffeine products to children for performance enhancement;
 - PE2030: Review cultural funding arrangements to enable Scotland to contribute to the Venice Biennale in 2024;
 - PE2085: Introduce a statutory definition of residency for Fatal Accident Inquiries into the deaths of Scots abroad; and
 - PE2091: Provide funding to have a CAHMS worker and a nurse based within Scottish high schools.
 4. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
 - PE2135: Implement the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) in Scottish legislation, and
 - PE2140: Introduce a parking badge for pregnant women

5. **Consideration of Evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
6. **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

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Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

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

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

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

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***[S6M-16978](#) Neil Bibby: BBC Scotland's Decision to End River City and Close its Dumbarton Studios**—That the Parliament notes with regret the reported decision by BBC Scotland to end the programme, *River City*, which it understands is Scotland's only homegrown soap; believes that this will have a disproportionately negative impact on performers in Scotland, many of whom, it understands, get their first TV job on *River City*, as well as on the wider Scottish production landscape; considers that the reported £9 million annual budget for the show is excellent value for money, given the hours of programming produced throughout the year for what it sees as a successful show, which, it understands, attracts a regular audience of 500,000 per episode, outperforming other TV series by more than two and a half times; believes that the Glasgow-based show is well loved by Scottish audiences and enjoys strong ratings, with it winning Best Drama at the Royal Television Society Scotland 2023 awards for its 20th anniversary episode; notes what it sees as BBC Scotland's failure to inform the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee of its reported plans to close the BBC studios in Dumbarton and end *River City* in its annual report to the Parliament in January 2025; further notes the calls for BBC Scotland to recognise its public broadcasting duty and explain how its current proposals to replace *River City* will provide the same good jobs, training and apprenticeships currently available at the BBC's Dumbarton studios to performers and crew in Scotland, and ensure that the reported £9 million budget will be spent on Scottish drama; considers the BBC's Dumbarton studios to be an important asset, which has been used for a number of other productions, including *Vigil* and *Shetland*; understands that the owner of the studios site is open to renewing the lease, and notes the calls, in light of this, for BBC Scotland to revisit its reported decision to end *River City* and close its Dumbarton studios.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie*

***[S6M-16920](#) Kenneth Gibson: Marine Conservation Society Publishes 2024 State of our Beaches Report**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the Marine Conservation Society 2024 report, *State of our Beaches*, which compiles data gathered through the organisation's year-round citizen science initiative, Beachwatch; acknowledges that Beachwatch was launched in 1994; believes that it provides one of the most detailed datasets on marine litter across the whole of the UK; applauds the 4,000 volunteers who attended beach cleans across Scotland in 2024, including in the Cunninghame North constituency, which represents a 25%

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increase in volunteers compared to 2023; notes that they removed over 10,000 kg of litter from Scotland's beaches in 2024, consisting of around 527,000 separate items; expresses concern that, on average, 204 items of litter were found for every 100 metres across Scotland's beaches, which represents a 7.2% increase on 2023 and is higher than the UK-wide average of 170 items per 100 metres; understands that 22,000 wet wipes were found on Scotland's beaches in 2024, and that drinks-related litter was recorded on 95% of surveyed beaches; acknowledges that marine litter not only harms what it sees as Scotland's beautiful coastline, but can also damage marine habitats; notes the view that reducing marine litter will require not only behavioural changes, but also a range of policy changes, including the introduction of circular economy measures and the phasing-out of single-use plastic items, and further notes calls for the Scottish Government to continue its work alongside key stakeholders to drive down marine litter across Scotland's beaches.

Supported by: Stephanie Callaghan*, John Mason*, Audrey Nicoll*, Michelle Thomson*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-16963](#) Murdo Fraser: 400th Anniversary of the Accession of King Charles I**—That the Parliament recognises that 27 March 2025 marks the 400th anniversary of the accession to the throne of King Charles I of England, Scotland and Ireland, on the death of his father, King James VI, who had ascended to the throne of England and Ireland as James I in 1603; notes that Charles was born in Dunfermline, Fife, in 1600 and became heir to the throne in 1612 on the death of his elder brother, Prince Henry; notes that his belief in the Divine Right of Kings and his ambition to align religious practices in Scotland with those in England led to conflict with the Kirk, nobility and people, leading to the signing of the *National Covenant* in 1638, the Scottish Revolution and the Bishops' Wars; understands that his disagreements with the English Parliament would contribute to the Wars of the Three Kingdoms, where the Royalist forces were defeated; notes that Charles' subsequent attempt to ally with the Scottish Estates led to the Second Civil War, which ended when the Scottish invasion force was defeated by Cromwell's New Model Army at Preston in 1648, and that, thereafter, he was put on trial for treason by the English Rump Parliament, convicted, and then executed at Whitehall on 30 January 1649, the only British monarch to face judicial execution, and believes that Charles' legacy today is either as a "Christian martyr" or as "the Man of Blood", depending on one's view of history.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Douglas Ross*, Meghan Gallacher*, Kenneth Gibson*, Miles Briggs*, Stephen Kerr*, Sandesh Gulhane*, John Mason*, Tim Eagle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*

***[S6M-16947](#) Meghan Gallacher: Keep Scotland Beautiful Eco-Schools Success for Greengairs Primary School**—That the Parliament congratulates Greengairs Primary School on receiving its 10th Green Flag as part of the international Eco-Schools programme by the environmental charity, Keep Scotland Beautiful; understands that the Green Flag award is an internationally recognised achievement for schools and nurseries committed to Learning for Sustainability; notes that Greengairs Primary has worked extremely hard to take action on three topics and fulfil all seven elements of the award criteria, and notes that the Eco-Schools programme is currently celebrating its 30th anniversary and is the largest sustainable schools programme in the world operated internationally by the Foundation for Environmental Education and delivered by Keep Scotland Beautiful.

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***[S6M-16940](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating MCR Pathways on the Success of its Schools-based Mentoring Programme—**That the Parliament congratulates MCR Pathways on its schools-based mentoring programme, recruiting volunteer mentors to support care-experienced young people and others facing ongoing instability; understands that it has been operating across Scotland for almost 20 years, becoming a charity in 2015; notes that, in 2024, it supported 5,109 young people in urban and rural areas across the country; believes that its mentoring intervention is effective in reducing and alleviating the impacts of child poverty, social isolation and adverse childhood experiences; understands that 83% of mentored care-experienced young people stated that having a mentor improved their confidence and helped them understand their talents and strengths; believes that these statistics are due to the early intervention mentoring model, which helps break cycles of inequality and increases wellbeing, giving young people the tools to succeed as they transition into adulthood; understands that the programme has wider societal impacts, such as developing a skilled workforce, helping communities thrive by feeding into Best Start, Brighter Futures programme, enhancing wellbeing, delivering The Promise for care-experienced young people and, overall, contributing to a more fair and equal society, and welcomes MCR Pathways' commitment to continue to work towards engaging with every young person across the whole of Scotland who needs support, wherever they may be, with the help from what it sees as the charity's incredible volunteers, schools and partners.

***[S6M-16939](#) Stephanie Callaghan: University Health and Social Care North Lanarkshire Marks Successful First Year of its Frailty Strategy 2024-29—**That the Parliament commends University Health and Social Care North Lanarkshire (UHSCNL) on celebrating the first year of its Frailty Strategy for 2024-29, which it believes has been successful; recognises the strategy's focus on empowering older people across North Lanarkshire to preserve independence, health and the ability to live safely and comfortably in their own homes for longer; believes that frailty is an age-related condition, affecting approximately 12% of over-65s and over half of those aged 85 or over, as the body gradually loses its reserves and has heightened vulnerability to health challenges; welcomes the range of innovative initiatives, such as dedicated frailty units in Lanarkshire's hospitals, prioritising timely, specialist care, the Carers Academy, which is run in partnership with Alzheimer Scotland and offers what it sees as invaluable guidance to dementia carers and families, the Motherwell Independent Living project, which has an emphasis on reablement and restoring confidence after illness, and the Active Wards programme, which counters physical and mental decline among hospitalised patients through personalised activities; highlights the strategy's commitment to early detection via technology and collaboration and fostering proactive support; expresses its profound gratitude to all staff whose efforts underpin what it sees as this transformative work, to enrich the lives of older residents across North Lanarkshire, including those in Uddingston and Bellshill, with dignity, respect and independence, and wishes UHSCNL every success with its aim to build on what it sees as these successes through community engagement, enhancing access to frailty resources and delivering sustainable, person-centred care.

***[S6M-16938](#) Kevin Stewart: Construction Industry and SAMH Collaboration—**That the Parliament welcomes the news that Barratt and David Wilson Homes North Scotland have joined forces with Scottish Action for Mental Health (SAMH) to create a new suicide prevention training programme tailored to the Scottish construction industry; notes that the bespoke training and

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resource programme, which is backed by £239,000 in funding from the Construction Industry Training Board's (CITB) Industry Impact Fund, will be designed specifically for the unique pressures faced by construction workers, aiming to equip companies and individuals with the tools necessary to identify colleagues facing mental health challenges and provide meaningful support; understands that the programme is scheduled to launch in Autumn 2025, and will be available to individuals and companies across Scotland, ensuring the whole industry has access to help; believes that this initiative will play a vital role in tackling mental health challenges in the construction industry, and wishes those involved every success in the developmental phase of this programme and its resources.

Supported by: Emma Roddick*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*, John Mason*

***S6M-16937 Kevin Stewart: The Art and Science of Pharmacy: 100 Years of Charles Michie's**—That the Parliament notes the launch of the exhibition, *The Art and Science of Pharmacy: 100 Years of Charles Michie's*, at the Aberdeen Union Street branch of Charles Michie's Pharmacy; notes that this exhibition has been designed to explore the history of the pharmacy over the last 100 years, and features a collection of pharmaceutical objects accrued by Michie's over the years, from hand-painted specie jars to stylish ingredients drawers; understands that Michie's, which was first opened in Aberdeen in 1921 by Charles Michie Snr, has been owned and operated by the Michie family ever since, having been run by Charles' sons, John and Charles, since 1963, and now operates seven branches across Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire; hopes that this exhibition is a great success, educating and entertaining those who visit it, and wishes Charles Michie's Pharmacy all the very best in its future endeavours.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Karen Adam*, Marie McNair*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*

***S6M-16936 Finlay Carson: Scotland's National Chef Gary Maclean Gains Prestigious Honour**—That the Parliament congratulates Gary Maclean, who is Scotland's national chef and the senior chef lecturer at City of Glasgow College, on what it sees as his outstanding success on being elected as an academician of the Royal Academy of Culinary Arts (RACA); notes that, by doing so, he is joining what it understands are some of the most respected figures in the industry, including culinary icons such as Raymond Blanc, Tom Kerridge and Clare Smyth; believes that RACA is the UK's leading professional association dedicated to culinary excellence, education and training; acknowledges that Gary's election to what it considers is this renowned and prestigious body is both a significant personal honour and testament to what it believes is his tireless dedication to culinary education and leadership; understands that, throughout his career, Gary has demonstrated exceptional talent, inspiring countless students and championing Scotland's hospitality sector on both a national and international stage though his passion for teaching and mentoring, which, it considers, has made a lasting impact both in the college and across the wider industry; believes that this latest recognition underscores his role as a national ambassador for Scotland's food and drink, and warmly wishes Gary continued success.

Supported by: Meghan Gallacher*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Colin Beattie*, Pam Gosal*, Annie Wells*, Liam Kerr*, Bill Kidd*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Ross*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Tim Eagle*

***S6M-16935 Michelle Thomson: Murray Leslie Named Recipient of Community Achievement Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Murray Leslie, who is the store manager at Tesco, Redding, on being presented with a Community Achievement Award by the Rotary Club of Falkirk; understands that the ethos of this award is to recognise the efforts of someone who has helped

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others in the community where they live or work, with the individual often being an unsung hero whose actions go above and beyond to benefit others; commends Murray and his colleagues at the Redding store for the support that they have given to the community and organisations over the previous 12 months, allowing fundraising events to take place in store and community groups to utilise the noticeboard; recognises that the organisations that Murray and his colleagues have supported have included Strathcarron Hospice, Polmont Playgroup, Go Kids, Wee Braes Choir and Wallacestone and District Pipe Band; notes that, alongside receiving a trophy to keep for the next 12 months to recognise his efforts, Murray also received a cheque for £400 to be given to the charity of his choice; congratulates Murray on this award, and thanks him, and his colleagues, on their continued efforts to support the community.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Karen Adam*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Emma Harper*, Pam Gosal*

***S6M-16934 Sandesh Gulhane: Scotland Wins Bronze at the Kabaddi World Cup 2025**—That the Parliament congratulates the Scotland National Men's Kabaddi team upon winning bronze at the Kabaddi World Cup 2025; understands that Scotland took home the bronze medal on 23 March 2025, after defeating Wales in the third-place playoff in front of a sell-out audience in Wolverhampton; notes that male and female competitors from across Africa, Asia, Oceania, the Americas and Europe took part in the tournament that was hosted in venues across the West Midlands; recognises that the sport of Kabaddi is said to have originated in India over 4,000 years ago and involves players earning points by crossing into their opponent's territory and returning safely; understands that Kabaddi is the second most watched sport in India and attracts a global audience of millions; commends all of the Scotland team for a truly inspirational performance on the world stage, and wishes the team every success for future competitions.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Edward Mountain*, Douglas Ross*, Alexander Stewart*, Meghan Gallacher*, Liam Kerr*, Craig Hoy*, Miles Briggs*, Jamie Greene*, Tim Eagle*, Pam Gosal*, Kenneth Gibson*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*, Russell Findlay*, Foysool Choudhury*

***S6M-16933 Humza Yousaf: Recognising Maslow's Community Shop, Govan**—That the Parliament recognises the ongoing contributions of Maslow's Community Shop in Govan; understands that its purpose is to empower refugees, asylum seekers, and those experiencing poverty and hardship by enabling them to improve their financial and social situation and promote community cohesion; further understands that it does this through a volunteer-run second-hand goods shop that provides free clothing and household goods to asylum seekers and people in the local community who are experiencing hardship; recognises what it sees as the positive impact that its new van funded by The Clothworkers' Foundation and The Robertson Trust will have on the local community due to increased capacity for donations; commends the volunteers on their commitment to improving the lives of those most disadvantaged in the local community, and applauds them for helping almost 500 families in the month of February 2025 alone.

Supported by: Audrey Nicoll*, Mercedes Villalba*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Karen Adam*, Colin Beattie*

***S6M-16931 Colin Beattie: Staggs Pub Named Edinburgh and Lothians Pub of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Musselburgh's Staggs Pub, also known as The Volunteer Arms, on being named Pub of the Year 2025 in Edinburgh and Lothians by the Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA); understands that Staggs will now be judged alongside all the winners from the Scottish branches to find the Scottish Pub of the Year; notes that the historic pub on North High Street has won numerous CAMRA awards; further notes that it won the title of best pub in Scotland and

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Ireland for the third time in 2018, and Pub of the Year for the UK in 1998, and thanks the staff and customers for their loyalty in maintaining Staggs' welcoming and community spirited atmosphere.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Tim Eagle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*, Karen Adam*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Foyso Choudhury*

***[S6M-16930](#) Colin Beattie: Midlothian School Shares First Place in Keep Scotland Beautiful Annual Pocket Garden Design Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates St David's Early Learning Centre on sharing first place in the Keep Scotland Beautiful's annual Pocket Garden Design Competition with its entry of "Dalkeith Produce and Railway" in the nursery – P4 category; notes that the competition aims to provide an ideal way to connect children and young people with food, nature and their heritage, while creating a focus for learning for sustainability; understands that more than 130 entries from 18 local authority areas were submitted all capturing fantastic imagination and creativity linked to the 2025 Our Heritage theme, and welcomes that the designers of the 32 winning entries have now been invited to build and grow their garden at school, before filming or photographing it so that it can be displayed as part of an online garden showcase in June 2025, where people will be able to vote for their favourite.

Supported by: Audrey Nicoll*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*, Karen Adam*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Kenneth Gibson*, Foyso Choudhury*

***[S6M-16929](#) Shona Robison: Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Group Relief and Sub-sale Development Relief Modifications) (Scotland) Order 2025 [draft]**—That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Group Relief and Sub-sale Development Relief Modifications) (Scotland) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Ivan McKee

***[S6M-16928](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating 100 Years of Wellbeing in Dundee**—That the Parliament celebrates the success of Wellbeing Works, formerly known as Dundee Association of Mental Health; congratulates all those who have been involved in the work of the organisation during its 100-year history; notes that its planned centenary celebrations will include a photography exhibition, arts and crafts activities and walking 100 miles; acknowledges the importance of the ongoing contribution to wellbeing that the organisation's staff and volunteers make, and wishes everyone involved all the best for the future.

***[S6M-16927](#) Claire Baker: Congratulating Brigid Soares, Girlguiding Scotland Member from Cupar, as the First Guide in the Area to Win a Gold Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Cupar Girlguiding Scotland member, Brigid Soares, 14, of 3rd Cupar Guides, on earning the prestigious Gold award, which is the highest award available to Girlguiding members aged from 10 to 14 years; understands that to achieve the accolade, Brigid completed a number of activities at unit meetings and earned an interest badge across all six of Girlguiding's themes; notes that these themes include adventures, being well, expressing themselves, knowing themselves, taking action and developing skills for their future; recognises Brigid's commitment and hard work, and extends its very best wishes to Brigid for continued success into the future.

Supported by: Carol Mochan*, Murdo Fraser*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Pam Gosal*, Foyso Choudhury*

***[S6M-16926](#) Annie Wells: Celebrating the Success and Community Impact of Girish's Premier Store in Barmulloch**—That the Parliament congratulates Girish's Premier Store in

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Barmulloch on being named Best Independent Store of the Year across the UK; recognises what it sees as the store's outstanding contribution to the local community since its reopening in 2022 following a full refurbishment; acknowledges the commitment of owner, Girish Jeeva, to supporting the people of Barmulloch through generous donations to local charities and schools, as well as initiatives such as weekly giveaways and affordable food deals; welcomes the store's decision to fund the community Christmas tree in 2024 after, it understands, the council withdrew funding, and commends the store's team for organising a festive event with Santa and Mrs Claus for local families; applauds the store's decision to remain open on Christmas Day, providing a vital service to the community; notes the introduction of Scotland's first 24-hour delivery service through Snappy Shopper, which it believes has been an overwhelming success, and supports the benefits that this service brings to night-shift and key workers; acknowledges the store's innovative use of AI technology to deter shoplifters, reducing thefts significantly and ensuring a safer environment for staff and customers; recognises the vital role that independent businesses like Girish's Premier Store play in fostering strong and resilient communities, and wishes Girish and his team continued success in their efforts to serve and support the people of Barmulloch.

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***S6M-16903 Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating the Coatbridge Garage, TDC Autos, on Raising Funds for Children's Hospices Across Scotland—**That the Parliament congratulates the team from Coatbridge-based TDC Autos on its courageous efforts to raise funds for Children's Hospices Across Scotland (CHAS); understands that staff members took on a 100ft abseil down the Falkirk Wheel as part of the fundraising initiative to support CHAS in its vital work providing specialist care for children with life-shortening conditions and their families across Scotland; commends the team's dedication to giving back to the community and raising awareness of the importance of children's palliative care; recognises the invaluable support that CHAS offers to families during incredibly difficult times, and wishes both the team at TDC Autos and CHAS continued success in their fundraising and efforts to support children and families.

Supported by: Annie Wells*, Colin Beattie*, Karen Adam*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Tim Eagle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Evelyn Tweed*

***S6M-16902 Claire Baker: Celebrating the Associate of the Year 2025 Award to the Dunfermline-based Company, Cress Co, at the Farm Retail Association Awards—**That the Parliament celebrates the Associate of the Year 2025 Award given to the Dunfermline-based company, Cress Co, at the recent Farm Retail Association (FRA) Awards annual event in Birmingham, which celebrates excellence in farm retail and champions local food businesses, including farm shops, farmers' markets and "pick your own"; understands that the business supplies fine food and drink to farm shops and independent retailers across the UK; notes that the national award recognises outstanding suppliers to farm shops, farmers' markets and other farm food businesses, and is judged by farm shop retailers themselves through customer testimonials and mystery shopper phone calls; acknowledges that the award recognises the business's reliable supply, strong relationships and genuine commitment to customers; understands that Cress Co operates from a 110,000 square-foot warehouse in Dunfermline, and a 15,000 square-foot chilled warehouse in Telford, with three other depots around the UK, and that deliveries to customers in Scotland and northern England are despatched from Dunfermline, and extends its very best wishes to everyone at Cress Co for continued success in the future.

Supported by: Murdo Fraser*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Pam Gosal*, Foysol Choudhury*

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***[S6M-16891](#) Gillian Mackay: Motherwell FC Community Trust Hosts Maiden Iftar**

Celebration—That the Parliament recognises that, in collaboration with the Well Foundation and the Scottish Asian Business Chamber, Motherwell FC Community Trust welcomed 300 attendees for prayer and a communal meal to break the fast during the holy month of Ramadan: believes that the gathering represented a significant milestone in Scottish cultural understanding, engaging with and bringing together diverse communities at Fir Park stadium, and commends the efforts of all involved in making such an important event possible.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Jeremy Balfour*, Foyso Choudhury*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Mercedes Villalba*, Jackie Dunbar*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*

***[S6M-16838](#) Mark Ruskell: Support for Stella Maris**—That the Parliament notes with concern the treatment and dismissal of Stella Maris as the rector of University of St Andrews, following her public letter calling for a ceasefire in Palestine; understands that this letter was published from the independent office of the rector to, and on behalf of, students at the university; recognises that rector is an independent role in the university court and is elected by the student body; believes that this gives the role holder significant scope to make statements on global issues on behalf of the students; understands that, since Ms Maris' dismissal, several open letters signed by the students and the international community calling for her reinstatement have been published, believes that Ms Maris has not received adequate support from the university and has felt unsafe due to the heightened media coverage of her dismissal, and supports the calls for her reinstatement as chair of the university court.

Supported by: Gillian Mackay*, Bill Kidd*

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: Monica Lennon*, Miles Briggs*, Emma Harper*, Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Foyso Choudhury*, Alexander Stewart*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Douglas Ross*, Mercedes Villalba*, Edward Mountain*, Craig Hoy*, Liam Kerr*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jamie Greene*, Annie Wells*, Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*, Russell Findlay*, Bob Doris*, Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-16924](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank Groups Receive £250,000 in National Lottery Community Funding (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16922](#) Clare Adamson: Network Rail and Scottish Football Association Show Trespassing the Red Card (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Mercedes Villalba*, Jackie Dunbar*, Marie McNair*, Foyso Choudhury*, John Mason*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-16921](#) Maurice Golden: Welcoming the Release of a New Set of Surface Water Flood Maps from SEPA (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Stephen Kerr*

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[S6M-16919](#) Monica Lennon: Congratulating Aldi as the First UK Supermarket to Introduce Free Period Products in Toilets, in Partnership with Bloody Good Period (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16918](#) Annabelle Ewing: Benarty Citizen of the Year Award (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Emma Harper*, Marie McNair*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Bob Doris*

[S6M-16917](#) Clare Adamson: SCIAF Wee Box Appeal 2025 (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Marie McNair*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-16916](#) Clare Adamson: Cambusnethan Primary School Silver Rights Respecting Schools Award (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Marie McNair*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-16915](#) Pauline McNeill: Remembering Keith Hammond (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Carol Mochan*, Stuart McMillan*, Mercedes Villalba* R, Bob Doris*, Rona Mackay*

[S6M-16914](#) Clare Haughey: CamGlen Radio Celebrates 10 Years of FM Broadcasting (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair*

[S6M-16913](#) Jackson Carlaw: Maths Tutoring Centre Opens in Newton Mearns (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16912](#) Jackson Carlaw: Woodfarm High School's Girls Volleyball Team Reach Scottish School's Cup Final (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16911](#) Jackson Carlaw: Mother Earth Hindu Temple Organises Activity for British Science Week (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16910](#) Jackson Carlaw: Willamwood High School Pupils Win Maths Competition (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16909](#) Jackson Carlaw: The Malletsheugh Named as Best Restaurant at People's Choice Business Awards (lodged on 26 March 2025)

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New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16906](#) Colin Smyth: Securing and Maintaining Scotland's Status as a Fair Trade Nation
(lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16905](#) Jeremy Balfour: Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Murrayfield Stadium
(lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Kevin Stewart*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Liam Kerr*, Karen Adam*, John Mason*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-16904](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank Woman Raises Funds for St Margaret of Scotland Hospice and CHAS (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-16900](#) Douglas Lumsden: Commending Police Scotland and the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16899](#) Liam McArthur: Kirkwall City Pipe Band Presented with a King's Award for Voluntary Service (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*

[S6M-16897](#) Humza Yousaf: St Paul's RC High School's Participation in the 2025 SP Energy Networks Warriors School Championship (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair*

[S6M-16896](#) Clare Adamson: Motherwell Gym Raises £18,000 for Beatson Cancer Charity After 24-hour Challenge (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-16895](#) Liam McArthur: Remembering Jake the Cat, William Shearer's Shop, Orkney
(lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16894](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Dr Ijeoma Okoliegbe (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair*

[S6M-16893](#) Richard Leonard: Scotland in the Red 2024 StepChange Scotland (lodged on 21 March 2025)

New Support: John Mason*, Bob Doris*

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[S6M-16890](#) Finlay Carson: Financial Help Given to Improve Mental Health and Wellbeing in Dumfries and Galloway (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Sharon Dowe*, Kevin Stewart*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Paul Sweeney*, Craig Hoy*, Karen Adam*, Russell Findlay*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-16889](#) Jackie Dunbar: ONE SeedPod Launched in Aberdeen Donside (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Mercedes Villalba*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-16888](#) Jackie Dunbar: Northfield Academy Indoor Climbing Wall Reactivated (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Marie McNair*, Tess White*

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

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-16885](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Alan Reid Presented with Lifetime Achievement Award at Chief Scientific Officer Awards (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowe*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Russell Findlay*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16884](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Claire Tarbert Wins Excellence in Clinical Leadership Award at Chief Scientific Officer Awards 2025 (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowe*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Russell Findlay*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16883](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Brian McGill Named Support Worker of the Year at Chief Scientific Officer Awards 2025 (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowe*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Russell Findlay*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16882](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Mark Mason Awarded HealthCare Scientist of the Year Accolade at Chief Scientific Officer Awards 2025 (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowe*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Russell Findlay*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

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

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Emma Harper*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Tim Eagle*, Alexander Stewart*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Douglas Ross*, Liz Smith*, Edward Mountain*, Craig Hoy*, Meghan Gallacher*, Liam Kerr*, Jamie Greene*, Annie Wells*, Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*, Russell Findlay*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[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)

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New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

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

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*, Clare Haughey*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Karen Adam*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Bob Doris*, Stuart McMillan*, Pam Gosal*, Colin Beattie*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

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

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Clare Haughey*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Karen Adam*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Rona Mackay*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*

[S6M-16873](#) Douglas Lumsden: Celebrating Scotland's First Head of AI in Medicine at the University of Aberdeen (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16872](#) Douglas Lumsden: Santander Branch Closures (lodged on 21 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

[S6M-16871](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Professor Gerald Lip (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair*, Tess White*

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

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

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

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

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

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

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

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Foyso Choudhury*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

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

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Stephen Kerr*

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

New Support: Mark Ruskell*

[S6M-16848](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating the Success of Brass Bands from the North East (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Gillian Mackay*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Tess White*

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

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

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

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Stephen Kerr*

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

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*, Clare Haughey*, Emma Harper*

[S6M-16345](#) Alex Rowley: British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme (lodged on 05 February 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark*

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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 27 March 2025

[S6W-36343](#) Fulton MacGregor: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to publish the relationships and behaviour in schools action plan 2024-27 progress report.

Written questions lodged on 27 March 2025

[S6W-35591](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it will provide a list of all organisations and groups that have exhibited at the Scottish Parliament, broken down by how many times each has exhibited, and which MSP sponsored the exhibition, since May 2021.

[S6W-35636](#) Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the farmed fish sector has a non-binding industry code of good practice regarding the legal obligations for keepers and industry stakeholders under the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006 and the Welfare of Animals at the Time of Killing (Scotland) Regulations 2012, and whether it will introduce official guidance to help ensure clarity.

[S6W-35637](#) Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government what measures are in place or planned to ensure that enforcement bodies and the fish farming industry fully understand and comply with legal welfare requirements for farmed fish across their entire lifecycle.

[S6W-35638](#) Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to review or update the current farmed fish industry-developed code of good practice by replacing or supplementing it with official guidance that provides prescriptive detail on meeting welfare obligations, and, if so, what consultation process will be carried out with stakeholders.

[S6W-35944](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish the scope and terms of reference that it agreed with AMEY to investigate what safety improvements are required to the trunk road at Toll of Birness; by what date the study will be (a) completed and (b) published; how the reported £10,000 fee for the study was arrived at, and what design and/or construction funding and resources will be committed to any outputs arising from the report.

[S6W-35945](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6O-02023 by Jenny Gilruth on 16 March 2023, in light of the minister's comments that, although dualling of the A90 between Ellon and Peterhead was not recommended, "measures were considered for improving road safety and reliability and adapting the trunk road network to deal with the challenge of climate change", whether it will confirm what action has subsequently been taken to improve the safety of the road at the Toll of Birness, also broken down by what date this (a) was or (b) will be completed, and what further action it plans, and by what date this will (i) commence and (ii) be completed.

[S6W-36073](#) Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government whether it maintains a central register of recommendations made by sheriffs in fatal accident inquiry determinations, and, if so, how it ensures that these recommendations are tracked and reviewed.

[S6W-36074](#) Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of recommendations from fatal accident inquiries have related specifically to health and safety improvements in workplaces in each of the last five years, broken down by sector.

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[S6W-36075 Douglas Lumsden:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what (a) support and (b) guidance it provides to organisations to implement recommendations arising from fatal accident inquiries.

[S6W-36076 Douglas Lumsden:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many fatal accident inquiries in each of the last three financial years have specifically addressed concerns regarding workplace safety.

[S6W-36077 Douglas Lumsden:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of recommendations from fatal accident inquiries have specifically related to healthcare practices in each of the last three financial years, broken down by NHS board.

[S6W-36078 Douglas Lumsden:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed the impact of any resource constraints within the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service on the progress of fatal accident inquiries.

[S6W-36079 Douglas Lumsden:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many fatal accident inquiry recommendations have required legislative changes in each of the last three financial years, and how many of these have been implemented.

[S6W-36081 Douglas Lumsden:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed any barriers to implementing recommendations arising from fatal accident inquiries, and, if so, what any such barriers were.

[S6W-36082 Douglas Lumsden:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service has adequate staffing and expertise to efficiently manage fatal accident inquiries, and what assessments have been made of this.

[S6W-36083 Douglas Lumsden:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to enhance public access to information about fatal accident inquiry outcomes, recommendations and their implementation status.

[S6W-36084 Douglas Lumsden:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that consistent standards are applied across Scotland in relation to deciding whether discretionary fatal accident inquiries should be held.

[S6W-36153 Tim Eagle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the comments made by Jim Watson, Head of Domestic Fisheries Management at the Marine Directorate, to the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee on 5 February 2025, that "in the mid-1990s, around 38% of our key stocks were being fished at sustainable levels and, by 2022-23, that had risen to 70%", what the full list of key stocks considered were (a) in the mid-1990s and (b) by 2022-23, and which of those were being fished at sustainable levels in both periods.

[S6W-36160 Sarah Boyack:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action is being taken to preserve traditionally built homes and to make them wind and weathertight in an energy-efficient manner, in light of the need to reduce carbon emissions across all housing stock.

[S6W-36161 Sarah Boyack:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that Scotland will remain at net zero emissions, should it achieve its legal target by 2045, in light of reports of inefficient heating measures in traditionally built homes.

[S6W-36169 Liam Kerr:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) arrests and (b) prosecutions there have been each year under the Protection of Workers (Retail and Age-restricted Goods and Services) (Scotland) Act 2021, also broken down by how many (i) convictions and (ii) other disposals there were.

[S6W-36170 Liam Kerr:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it takes to encourage the reporting of crimes against retailers and their staff, including to make it easier for such incidents to be reported.

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[S6W-36171](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the suggestion by the Scottish Retail Consortium that the £3 million fund to deal with retail crime, which was announced in its 2025-26 Budget, should be made permanent.

[S6W-36172](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether prioritising action on retail crime, including shoplifting, should form part of (a) its strategic police priorities and (b) the priorities of the Scottish Police Authority.

[S6W-36173](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will remove the qualifying period for (a) adult and (b) child disability payment for young people diagnosed with cancer.

[S6W-36174](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason young people with a confirmed diagnosis of cancer must wait at least three months before they can apply for adult or child disability payment.

[S6W-36175](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what the current (a) average and (b) longest wait is for (i) an adult and (ii) a child disability payment from application to payment.

[S6W-36176](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to review the application form and process for (a) adult and (b) child disability payment in order to (i) simplify the process and (ii) make it more appropriate for young cancer patients.

[S6W-36177](#) Sue Webber: To ask the Scottish Government on what date it was notified by CMAL regarding its decision to award the contract for the Small Vessel Replacement Programme to Remontowa Shipbuilding SA in Poland.

[S6W-36178](#) Michael Marra: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-15187 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 7 March 2023, whether it will provide the complete figures for (a) 2023-24 and (b) 2024-25.

[S6W-36179](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding working jointly towards ending the use of pig farrowing crates.

[S6W-36180](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to support pig farmers who wish to replace conventional farrowing crates with free farrowing systems.

[S6W-36181](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its commitment in 2021 to do so, by what date it will publish a public consultation on ending the use of pig farrowing crates.

[S6W-36182](#) Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-30074 by Mairi Gougeon on 27 September 2024, and in light of recent media coverage, including a video showing discarded fish on the seabed, how the suite of measures in place to manage fisheries and safeguard fish stocks are tackling illegal discarding.

[S6W-36190](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government when the report on the dual role of the Lord Advocate will be (a) finalised and (b) published, and whether it will publish preliminary findings in advance of final publication.

[S6W-36195](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has provided to the Scottish Assembly, which supports people with learning difficulties to access services, in each of the last five years.

[S6W-36196](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide details of any changes to the funding criteria for the Learning Disability Support Fund, which will operate from October 2025, for organisations such as the Scottish Assembly and the leadership framework that it operates.

[S6W-36197](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it anticipates will be made available from the Learning Disability Support Fund to the Scottish Assembly over the next three years.

[S6W-36198](#) Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made with the implementation of the Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Act 2021.

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[S6W-36199](#) Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made with the implementation of the Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Act 2020.

[S6W-36200](#) Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made with the implementation of the Children (Scotland) Act 2020.

[S6W-36201](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what its co-management process is in developing the demersal fisheries management plans.

[S6W-36202](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-32079 by Gillian Martin on 18 December 2024, whether the marine and coastal restoration plan will take account of, and have regard to, other plans, in particular, the National Marine Plan and the Scottish Biodiversity Strategy.

[S6W-36204](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the reasons for any disparities between local authorities in the proportion of children that they identify as having additional support needs.

[S6W-36205](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to support the teaching of Latin in state schools.

[S6W-36206](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many schools have completed the LGBT Inclusive Education National Implementation and Evaluation Toolkit.

[S6W-36207](#) Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on when a police officer should press "record on" when having access to a body-worn camera, and what discussions the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs has had with Police Scotland regarding this matter.

[S6W-36208](#) Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government how many police (a) officers and (b) staff currently have access to a body-worn camera.

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New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New Bills introduced or reprinted on 27 March 2025

Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to require public bodies, when exercising their functions, to have due regard for the need to promote wellbeing and sustainable development; and to provide for the establishment and functions of a Future Generations Commissioner for Scotland; and for connected purposes.

Introduced by: Sarah Boyack

Explanatory Notes (SP Bill 63–EN), a Financial Memorandum (SP Bill 63–FM), a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 63–PM), a Delegated Powers Memorandum (SP Bill 63–DPM) and Statements on Legislative Competence (SP Bill 63–LC) were published to accompany the Bill.

Amendments

Amendments to Bills lodged on 27 March 2025

Housing (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

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Annual reporting

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of each reporting period—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report on the operation of this Act on the private rental sector, and
 - (b) lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (2) The report must include information about—
 - (a) average rental levels, broken down by—
 - (i) local authority area, and
 - (ii) number of bedrooms,
 - (b) the total number of evictions,
 - (c) the number of rental properties available on the housing market at the time of reporting,
 - (d) the total level of rent arrears.
- (3) The report may include such other information as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) In this section, “reporting period” is the period of 1 year beginning with the day on which provision in Parts 1 and 2 of this Act comes into force and each subsequent period of 1 year.>

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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 (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
[\(\[legislationteam@parliament.scot\]\(mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot\)\)](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 (3rd Report, 2025)

Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (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)

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 3) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 3 April 2025

Amendments to section 41, page 53, line 35 onwards, specifically on matters relating to the part 5 homelessness prevention provisions or the part 6 fuel poverty provisions, except any such amendments to the schedule or the long title, should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 28 March with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 29 April 2025

All amendments other than those that are to be considered by the Social Justice and Social Security Committee should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 23 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 26 March 2025

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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 (12th Report, 2025)

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

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Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 2 April 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
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Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 17 March 2025

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

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 (62nd Report, 2024)

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

Stage 1 completed, 27 March 2025

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 11 December 2024

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (14th Report, 2025)

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

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

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 4) (Criminal Justice Committee), 2 April 2025

Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 27 March 2025

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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

Lead committee – Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice

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

Lodged on 22 November 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 1 April 2025

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

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

Employment Rights Bill LCM-S6-53

Lodged on 11 December 2024

Meeting (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)

Planning and Infrastructure Bill LCM-S6-56

Lodged on 27 March 2025

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) (9th Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69th Report, 2024)

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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 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 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 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

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[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)

[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

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

Subject to annulment 12 May 2025
Lead committee report due by 5 May 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 petition was lodged by the Parliament on 27 April 2025:

PE2152: Review and update the Home Report system to ensure it protects both the seller and the buyer

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

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 27 March 2025—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 22nd Report 2025 (Session 6):
Subordinate Legislation Considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee
on 25 March 2025 (SP Paper 765)

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 27 March 2025—

Gillian Martin, Acting Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Energy: Legislative Consent
Memorandum on the Planning and Infrastructure Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-56)

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 27 March 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Act 2019 – Yearly report on the use of Section 28 - to take a child under 12 to a place of safety (SG/2025/72) laid under Section 32 of the Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Act 2019

Competition and Markets Authority Annual Plan 2025 to 2026: Promoting Competition and Protecting Consumers to Drive Growth, Opportunity, and Prosperity for the UK (CMA/2025/02) laid under Schedule 4 s13(2)(b) of the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013

Fifteenth Annual Report on the Operation of Section 72 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 (SG/2025/31) laid under Section 73 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

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