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Tuesday 5 November 2013

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Meetings of Committees

9.30 am  Education and Culture Committee  Committee Room 6
9.30 am  Justice Committee  Committee Room 4
10.00 am  Health and Sport Committee  Committee Room 2
10.00 am  Welfare Reform Committee  Committee Room 3
11.30 am  Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

2.00 pm  Time for Reflection – Mrs Manjit Kaur Jheeta, Gurdwara Guru Granth Sahib, Glasgow
followed by  Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by  Topical Questions (if selected)
followed by  Scottish Government Debate: Person-centred Healthcare
followed by  Business Motions
followed by  Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm  Decision Time
followed by  Members’ Business – S4M-07773 Sandra White: Glasgow Women’s Aid’s 40th Anniversary Celebration

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Meetings of Committees

All meetings take place in the Scottish Parliament, unless otherwise specified. Contact details for Committee Clerks are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

Education and Culture Committee
28th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 9.30 am in Committee Room 6


2. Children and Young People (Scotland) Bill (in private): The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Justice Committee
30th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 9.30 am in Committee Room 4

   - Anne Pinkman, Convener, Scottish Working Group on Women’s Offending;
   - Tom Halpin, Chief Executive, Safeguarding Communities - Reducing Offending (Sacro);
   - Lillian Cringles, Manager, Justice Services, North Lanarkshire Council.

   - Kenny MacAskill, Cabinet Secretary for Justice;
   - Kerry Twyman, Finance Programme Management Division, Andy Bruce, Deputy Director, Community Justice Division, Kerry Morgan, Community Justice Division, and Stephen Woodhouse, Police Division, Scottish Government.

3. Commission on Women Offenders: The Committee will take evidence from—
   - Kenny MacAskill, Cabinet Secretary for Justice;
   - Jane Moffat, Community Justice Division, Scottish Government;
   - Colin McConnell, Chief Executive, Scottish Prison Service.

4. Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012: The Committee will consider correspondence received.
Health and Sport Committee
31st Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in Committee Room 2

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

2. **Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Welfare Reform Committee
17th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in Committee Room 3

1. **The ‘Bedroom Tax’ in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence on research it commissioned on the impact of the ‘Bedroom tax’ in Scotland from—Professor Ken Gibb, Professor in Housing Economics and Director for Public Policy, University of Glasgow.


Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee
28th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 11.30 am in Committee Room 5

1. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
   

2. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
   
   - [Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session Amendment No. 6) (Miscellaneous) 2013 (SSI 2013/294)](https://www.scottish.parliament.uk/legislation/si/2013-294);

3. **Procurement Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

4. **Scottish Independence Referendum Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
Meeting of the Parliament

2.00 pm  Time for Reflection – Mrs Manjit Kaur Jheeta, Gurdwara Guru Granth Sahib, Glasgow

followed by  Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by  Topical Questions

1. Linda Fabiani: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that local authorities are owed more than £3 million in rent as a result of the so-called bedroom tax. (S4T-00501)

followed by  Scottish Government Debate: Person-centred Healthcare

S4M-08155 Alex Neil: Person-centred Healthcare—That the Parliament recognises the importance of person-centred healthcare in delivering the best health outcomes possible; supports measures to ensure that individuals are supported to be active partners in their own care; agrees that all parts of the healthcare system should be focused on the patient, and that should include both community and hospital care, and further supports Scotland’s modernisation programme to test measures to make GP services more accessible for patients, while reducing bureaucracy for GPs and freeing their time to focus on patients.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

S4M-08155.1 Neil Findlay: Person-centred Healthcare—As an amendment to motion S4M-08155 in the name of Alex Neil (Person-centred Healthcare), insert at end “; commends the hard work and dedication of those working in Scotland’s health and care services, and calls on the Scottish Government to guarantee that the health service is ready for winter and that all waiting time targets will be met over the winter period.”

S4M-08155.2 Jim Hume: Person-centred Healthcare—As an amendment to motion S4M-08155 in the name of Alex Neil (Person-centred Healthcare), insert at end “; believes that all people in Scotland should be supported to live a longer, healthier life; acknowledges that this support can only be delivered in a person-centred manner with a well-resourced and motivated workforce; considers mental wellbeing to be a foundation for good health and good healthcare, and believes that further work is needed to break down barriers and tackle the stigma that continues to exist around mental ill-health.”
followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members’ Business

Debate on the subject of—

S4M-07773 Sandra White: Glasgow Women’s Aid’s 40th Anniversary Celebration—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow Women’s Aid, which will celebrate its 40th anniversary on 1 November 2013; commends this organisation, which provides information, support and refuge for women, children and young people who experience the many forms of domestic abuse; understands that this help can take the form of signposting to other support organisations, providing information about legal, housing and financial rights, supplying interpreting services and providing access to safe refuge accommodation; notes that it also provides a service that allows people to talk to its staff members confidentially; considers that its work with women and children, through group work and support, is hugely important in the recovery process from domestic abuse, and hopes that it, and its staff, enjoy every success in providing meaningful and lasting support to women and children across Glasgow who face some of the most challenging times in their lives.
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Section B – Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 30 October 2013

Wednesday 6 November 2013

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Portfolio Questions
Health and Wellbeing (for text of questions see Section D of the Business Bulletin for Thursday 31 October 2013)

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Transport (for text of motion S4M-08173 see Section F)

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Justice (for text of motion S4M-08172 see Section F)

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time


Thursday 7 November 2013

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions (for text of questions see Section D of the Business Bulletin for Thursday 31 October 2013)

12.00 pm First Minister’s Questions (for text of questions see Section D)


2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2.30 pm Stage 1 Debate: Tribunals (Scotland) Bill (for text of motion S4M-08145 see Section F of the Business Bulletin for Monday 4 November 2013)

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 12 November 2013

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members’ Business

Wednesday 13 November 2013

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions
Infrastructure, Investment and Cities; Culture and External Affairs (for names of those Members selected for Portfolio Questions see Section D)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members’ Business

Thursday 14 November 2013

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
11.40 am  General Questions *(for names of those Members selected for General Questions see Section D)*

12.00 pm  First Minister’s Questions

12.30 pm  Members’ Business

2.00 pm  Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm  Stage 3 Proceedings: Scottish Independence Referendum Bill

*followed by*  Business Motions

*followed by*  Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm  Decision Time
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 at:

http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/business/committees/index.htm

Economy, Energy and Tourism Committee
6 November 2013
30th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 9.30 am in Committee Room 4

1. **Bankruptcy and Debt Advice (Scotland) Bill**: The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
   Rosemary Winter-Scott, the Accountant in Bankruptcy and Agency Chief Executive, and Claire Orr, Executive Director Policy and Compliance, Accountant in Bankruptcy;  
   Graham Fisher, Scottish Government Legal Directorate;  
   and then from—  
   Fergus Ewing, Minister for Energy, Enterprise and Tourism, Scottish Government;  
   Chris Boyland, Head of Strategic Reform, and Claire Orr, Executive Director Policy and Compliance, Accountant in Bankruptcy;  
   Graham Fisher, Scottish Government Legal Directorate.

2. **Bankruptcy and Debt Advice (Scotland) Bill (in private)**: The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

**Proposed future business**
At its next meeting, on 13 November, the Committee will consider a revised draft report on the 2014-15 Draft Budget. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.
The Committee will meet at 9.30 am in Committee Room 5

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

2. **Section 23 report - NHS financial performance 2012/13:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland’s report entitled “NHS financial performance 2012/13” from—
   - Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;
   - Angela Canning, Assistant Director, Tricia Meldrum, Portfolio Manager, and Gemma Diamond, Project Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value Group, Audit Scotland.

3. **Section 23 report - Scotland’s colleges 2013:** The Committee will take evidence from—
   - Audrey Cumberford, Principal and Chief Executive, West College Scotland;
   - Margaret Munckton, Acting Principal and Chief Executive, Perth College;
   - Susan H Walsh, Principal and Chief Executive, Glasgow Clyde College;
   - Alan Williamson, Director of Finance, Edinburgh College;
   and then from—
   - Laurence Howells, Interim Chief Executive, Martin Fairbairn, Senior Director – Institutions and Corporate Services, and John Kemp, Director – Colleges and Post-92 Universities, Scottish Funding Council.

4. **Consideration of approach - NHS financial performance 2012/13:** The Committee will consider its approach to the Auditor General for Scotland’s report entitled "NHS financial performance 2012/13" and take evidence from—
   - Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;
   - Angela Canning, Assistant Director, Tricia Meldrum, Portfolio Manager, and Gemma Diamond, Project Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value Group, Audit Scotland.

5. **Consideration of approach - Scotland’s colleges 2013:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 3 and take evidence from—
   - Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;
   - Ronnie Nicol, Assistant Director, and Phil Grigor, Project Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value Group, Audit Scotland.

**Proposed future business**
At its next meeting it is expected that the Committee will take evidence on reports recently published by the Auditor General for Scotland.
For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.
Infrastructure and Capital Investment Committee  
6 November 2013  
21st Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in Committee Room 3

1. **Procurement Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
   Stuart Greig, Head of Zero Waste Policy, Alastair Merrill, Director of Procurement, Paul McNulty, Head of Procurement Policy and Development, and Mark Richards, Solicitor, Branch Head of Commercial and Business Services, Scottish Government; and then from—
   Dr Jim Cuthbert and Margaret Cuthbert; Duncan Osler, Partner, MacRoberts LLP; Christa Reekie, Commercial Director, and Barry White, Chief Executive, Scottish Futures Trust.


**Proposed future business**
At its next meeting, on 13 Nov, The Committee expects to take oral evidence on the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Bill and consideration of the Draft Budget Scrutiny 2014-15 Draft Report. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

Local Government and Regeneration Committee  
6 November 2013  
28th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in Committee Room 6

1. **The Implications of Procurement Reform for Public Services and Community Regeneration:** The Committee will take evidence on the implications for local government of the provisions of the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Bill from—
   Andy Milne, Chief Executive, Scotland’s Urban Regeneration Forum (SURF); Francis Stuart, Research and Policy Adviser, Oxfam Scotland; Annie Gunner Logan, Director, CCPS Coalition of Care and Support Providers in Scotland.

2. **Public Petitions PE01423:** Following the publication of the Committee’s report entitled *Public Services Reform and Local Government: Strand 3 Developing New Ways of Delivering Services* (SP Paper 370), the Committee will consider the petition PE1423 by Gordon Hall on behalf of The Unreasonable Learners, on harnessing the undoubted talent of public sector staff.
3. **The Implications of Procurement Reform for Public Services and Community Regeneration (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence received.

4. **Forthcoming Legislation (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to forthcoming legislation on the Defective and Dangerous Building (Recovery and Expenses) (Scotland) Bill.

**Proposed future business**
At its next meeting, on 13 November 2013, the Committee expects to consider the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Bill, with oral evidence from former Council Chief Executives, SOPO, SOLAR, Audit Scotland and SOLACE; and will take a second consideration of the draft report to the Finance Committee on the 2014/15 Budget and 2013 Spending Review. The Committee is also planning to carry out a inquiry into the Defective and dangerous Buildings (Recovery of Expenses) (Scotland) Bill in the new year. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment Committee**
6 November 2013
32nd Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in Committee Room 2

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
   - Bee Keeping (Colonsay and Oronsay) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/279); and
   - Loch Sligachan, Isle of Skye, Scallops Several Fishery Order 2013 (SSI 2013/280).

2. **The Scottish Government’s draft Scottish Climate Change Adaptation Programme:** The Committee will take evidence from—
   - Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Environment and Climate Change, Bob Irvine, Deputy Director for Climate Change and Water Industry, Helen Mansbridge, Team Leader - Behaviour Change, and Neil Ritchie, Head of Natural Assets and Flooding, Scottish Government.

3. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2014-15 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report to the Finance Committee.

**Proposed future business**
For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

**Equal Opportunities Committee**
7 November 2013
28th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 9.00 am in Committee Room 2

1. **Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.
Proposed future business
At its next meeting on 14 November, the Committee expects to consider a draft report to the Finance Committee on the Scottish Government’s Draft Budget 2014-15.
For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee
7 November 2013
14th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 9.30 am in Committee Room 6

1. Decision on taking business in private: The Committee will decide whether its consideration of a response from the Parliamentary Bureau on Presiding Officer and Deputy Presiding Officer elections and responses on its consultation on the review of Parliamentary reform should be taken in private at future meetings.

2. Cross-Party Group: The Committee will consider an application for recognition from the proposed Cross-Party Group on the Scottish Economy, and take evidence from—
   Richard Baker, Co-Convener of the proposed Cross-Party Group on the Scottish Economy.

3. Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland: The Committee will take oral evidence, on the Commissioner’s annual report, from—
   Stuart Allan, Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland;
   Douglas Winchester, Investigating Officer, and Ian Bruce, Public Appointments Manager, Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.

4. Cross-Party Group - approval: The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to the proposed Cross-Party Group on the Scottish Economy.

5. Status of Groups - substitutes in Committee (in private): The Committee will consider a note by the Clerk.

Proposed future business
At its next meeting, 21 November, the Committee expects to consider a monitoring report on the activities of Cross-Party Groups, an issues paper on the Interests of Members of the Scottish Parliament Act 2006 and minor Standing Order rule changes for Hybrid Bills.
For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.
European and External Relations Committee
7 November 2013
18th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 10.30 am in Committee Room 4

1. Decision on taking business in private: The Committee will decide whether to take item 2 in private and all future discussion of the post of adviser in private.

2. Inquiry into the aspects of the Scottish Government’s White Paper on Independence relating to the European Union: The Committee will consider candidates for the post of adviser in connection with its forthcoming inquiry.

Proposed future business
At its next meeting, on 14 November, the Committee expects to take evidence in a round table on European structural funds and to consider the latest edition of the Brussels Bulletin.
For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.
Topical Question selected for answer on 05 November 2013

1. Linda Fabiani: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that local authorities are owed more than £3 million in rent as a result of the so-called bedroom tax. (S4T-00501)

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 07 November 2013

1. Johann Lamont: To ask the First Minister what engagements he has planned for the rest of the day. (S4F-01653)

2. Ruth Davidson: To ask the First Minister when he will next meet the Secretary of State for Scotland. (S4F-01650)

3. Willie Rennie: To ask the First Minister what issues will be discussed at the next meeting of the Cabinet. (S4F-01651)

4. Christine Grahame: To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government’s position is on Shelter Scotland’s statement that around 5,000 children will be housed in temporary accommodation over Christmas and that the law must be changed to enable families to challenge inadequate temporary accommodation. (S4F-01655)

5. Ken Macintosh: To ask the First Minister, in light of the recent report by the Educational Institute of Scotland, what action the Scottish Government is taking to address the use of zero-hours contracts in the higher education sector. (S4F-01658)

6. Murdo Fraser: To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government’s position is on the Student Awards Agency for Scotland’s finding that the level of grants paid to university students from the poorest backgrounds has fallen by 3%. (S4F-01654)

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 13 November 2013

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 06 November 2013. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 07 November 2013.

Infrastructure, Investment and Cities

1. Annabel Goldie
2. John Scott
3. Jenny Marra  
4. John Mason  
5. Jayne Baxter  
6. Maureen Watt  
7. Rhoda Grant  
8. Willie Rennie  
9. Drew Smith  
10. Christian Allard

**Culture and External Affairs**

1. Mary Fee  
2. Christina McKelvie  
3. Colin Beattie  
4. John Wilson  
5. Kenneth Gibson  
6. Dennis Robertson  
7. John Finnie  
8. Lewis Macdonald  
9. Jackie Baillie  
10. Aileen McLeod

**Members selected for General Questions on 14 November 2013**

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 06 November 2013. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 07 November 2013.

1. Ken Macintosh  
2. Claire Baker  
3. Angus MacDonald  
4. Jim Hume  
5. Elaine Murray  
6. Liam McArthur  
7. Fiona McLeod  
8. Roderick Campbell  
9. Margaret McDougall  
10. Gil Paterson
Questions marked with a triangle (Δ) are initiated by the Scottish Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

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

**S4W-18076 Jamie McGrigor:** To ask the Scottish Government (a) how many times and (b) for how long on average the (i) A82, (ii) A83 and (iii) A85 have been closed as a result of crime scene investigation of accident sites in the last three years, and for what reasons these roads cannot be reopened for managed traffic flow more quickly in such cases.

**S4W-18077 Jamie McGrigor:** To ask the Scottish Government what the Lord Advocate’s role has been in advising on road accidents and consequent investigations causing closure of the (a) A82, (b) A83 and (c) A85 roads and whether accidents on these roads have been reduced following the investigations necessitating closures on these roads, in the last three years.

**S4W-18078 Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on EU plans to phase out bottom trawling and bottom set gill nets in the north east Atlantic deep water fishery.

**S4W-18079 Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what the quota breakdown arising from the EU mackerel quota agreement is for (a) the EU, (b) Scotland, (c) Norway, (d) Faroe Islands, (e) Iceland, (f) Russia and (g) Greenland.

**S4W-18080 Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will examine the long-term consequences for Scotland of the recent mackerel quota agreement.

**S4W-18081Δ Stewart Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government what approach it will take to the UK Government policy to increase employee contributions to public sector pensions from April 2014.

**S4W-18082 Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support for childcare is available only to student nurses.
Motions and amendments are normally printed the day after they are lodged. If an amendment is lodged to a motion then the original motion will appear alongside the amendment, along with any support lodged that day, in this section.

Each Monday, this section also contains all motions and amendments lodged the previous week that are still live and any motions and amendments that have been lodged for debate in the coming week. A motion or amendment is live if it has not been debated, withdrawn or otherwise deleted from the list.

Where a motion or amendment has been withdrawn, it is indicated in this section the day after it has been withdrawn. Support for motions and amendments received after they are lodged is shown at the end of this section the day after such support is received.

Motions and amendments can be published with various symbols:

- Asterisks before the motion or amendment number indicate a motion or amendment published for the first time;
- Asterisks also identify alterations to the text of a motion or amendment made since it was first published;
- A hash symbol identifies motions eligible for debate at Members’ Business;
- A diamond symbol identifies motions lodged for Members’ Business that have not yet attracted the required cross-party support;
- An "R", identifies motions or amendments in which the Member who lodged it has a registrable interest.

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


Any questions in relation to this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk, for which contact details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.
New and altered motions and amendments

*S4M-08174 Roderick Campbell: North East Fife Businesses Collect Awards—That the Parliament congratulates Morton of Pitmilly countryside resort on being named Tourism Business of the Year and Scaramanga Trading on being named Retail Business of the Year by The Courier; understands that this was The Courier’s inaugural business awards and that businesses from across Fife, Tayside, Stirling and the Mearns were in attendance; considers that these awards celebrate the best of business in east central Scotland, and wishes both Morton of Pitmilly countryside resort and Scaramanga Trading the best of luck for the future.

*S4M-08173 James Kelly: Transport—That the Parliament deplores that £29.91 million was spent prior to the cancellation of the Glasgow Airport Rail Link project, including an £8.17 million loss on land transactions; regrets that the land sales lacked transparency and accountability and were processed with no ministerial oversight, and demands a full and independent audit of all transactions associated with the project.

Supported by: Mark Griffin*

*S4M-08172 Graeme Pearson: Justice—That the Parliament believes that the Scottish Government’s budget cuts are having a significant impact on the link between communities and their local police service; notes concern at plans to close police station public counters and reduce opening hours; also notes concern at the use of police officers to cover for cuts in the number of police staff; encourages people to make the case to save the service offered by their local police station and stand up for their local police service; condemns the practice of back-filling of staff posts by police officers, and calls on the Scottish Government to defend local policing.

Supported by: Elaine Murray*

*S4M-08171 Siobhan McMahon: Congratulations to the Hamilton Branch of the Royal British Legion and Hamilton Academical FC—That the Parliament congratulates the Hamilton Branch of the Royal British Legion and Hamilton Academical FC on erecting a plaque in memory of James Morgan and John Thomson at New Douglas Park; understands that both men were footballers at Hamilton Accies in the 1930s and lost their lives in action during the Second World War; notes that James Morgan was a private mentioned in dispatches for his bravery and that John Thomson was an RAF flying officer; welcomes the recognition of their heroism and sacrifice and hopes that this will remind current and future fans of the importance of the fight against fascism; praises in particular the efforts of the President of the Royal British Legion Hamilton Branch and Accies fan, Ian Forsyth, and the Stand Manager, Walter Hamilton, on having the plaque erected, and wishes all those involved every success for the future.

Supported by: Margaret Mitchell*, Richard Lyle*, Kevin Stewart*
*S4M-08170 Siobhan McMahon: 20th Anniversary of the Formal Establishment of the EU—That the Parliament notes that 1 November 2013 marked the 20th anniversary of the formal establishment of the European Union (EU); understands that the EU came into effect as a result of the signing of The Treaty of Maastricht on European Union on 7 February 1992; notes that the EU had existed in earlier guises, including the European Coal and Steel Community and the European Economic Community; believes that membership of the EU brings many benefits to the UK, including freedom to trade with other member states and fewer restrictions on the movement of labour; notes what it sees as the importance of the Social Chapter in relation to working conditions that the Labour administration signed in 1997; considers important the funding that the EU brings to a wide range of projects across communities; rejects any attempt to undermine what it sees as this very important relationship, and looks forward to a prosperous future for the UK as part of the EU.

*S4M-08169# Claudia Beamish: Thirsting for Justice—That the Parliament understands that the average daily consumption of water of Palestinian people to cover domestic and public service needs is around 70 litres per person; believes that this is well below the 100 litre limit recommended by the World Health Organization; understands that Israeli policies and practices limit access to water for people in Palestine to less than they are entitled to under international law; believes that only 31% of West Bank residents have access to the sewage network and that there is only one waste water treatment plant operating in the area; considers that there are significant barriers to access to water for agricultural use; condemns what it sees as Israel’s refusal to grant the necessary permits or military security clearance for the construction and operation of sanitation and waste water treatment facilities; understands that the situation is far worse in the Gaza Strip where, it believes, over 30 kilometres of waterworks and 11 wells operated by the water authorities were damaged or destroyed by the Israeli military during its mission, Operation Cast Lead; understands that the Report of the United Nations Fact-Finding Mission on the Gaza Conflict, which is known as the Goldstone report, deemed that the Israeli actions were “deliberate and systematic”; applauds the Thirsting for Justice Campaign, which, it understands, works directly with communities in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, and notes the campaign’s aim to encourage European citizens, including those in the south of Scotland, to demand that governments put pressure on Israel to comply with international law and for human rights to be respected in Palestine.

Supported by: John Finnie*, David Stewart*, Richard Lyle*, Kevin Stewart*

*S4M-08168 Roderick Campbell: St Andrews Food and Drink Festival 2013—That the Parliament welcomes the second St Andrews Food and Drink Festival; understands that this annual celebration of food and drink, which runs from 2 November to 1 December 2013 promotes Fife’s wonderful produce, natural larder and renowned chefs; notes that there will be a variety of activities for people of all ages, including demonstrations by chefs, tastings and events involving a wide range of delicacies, and encourages everyone to visit St Andrews to celebrate what it sees as the best in Scotland’s food and drink.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie*, Jayne Baxter*, Richard Lyle*, Rob Gibson*, Kevin Stewart*
*S4M-08167 Colin Beattie: EAE Wins a Nature of Scotland Award in Sustainable Development—That the Parliament congratulates EAE Ltd, a leaflet and poster distribution specialist in Loanhead, Midlothian, on receiving what it considers RSPB’s coveted Nature of Scotland Award in Sustainable Development; considers that EAE has been outstanding in implementing its effective environmental strategy, including using renewable sources of energy to run its vehicles and distribution centre, promoting the use of recycled paper and seeking to achieve carbon neutrality across all of its operations by 2015; further considers that EAE has gone the extra mile in sustainable business practices and in earning what is considered this prestigious award by creating a biodiversity garden in Loanhead, and understands that the garden provides a habitat for over 50 indigenous plant species and 30 bird species, making the Loanhead community a greener place to live.

Supported by: Rob Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Anne McTaggart*, Chic Brodie*, Kevin Stewart*

*S4M-08166 Nigel Don: Dunnottar Castle Recognised in Global Poll—That the Parliament congratulates Dunnottar Castle on its top 10 finish in a virtualtourist.com poll that searched for the eighth wonder of the world; acknowledges that the castle finished seventh out of 344 entries in the poll, which saw more than five million votes cast; notes that it was the only UK entry in the top 10, and commends what it sees as this global recognition of Dunnottar Castle as a rich cultural heritage site and the home of Disney’s Brave.

*S4M-08165 Alex Johnstone: Dunnottar Castle Wins Global Recognition—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Dunnottar Castle near Stonehaven has been placed in the top 10 list in a global search for the eighth wonder of the world; understands that more than five million votes were cast worldwide and that Dunnottar Castle remained in the top 10 throughout the process and finished in seventh place overall; further understands that the castle was featured prominently in the film, Hamlet, starring Mel Gibson and was the inspiration for Castle DunBroch in the Disney-Pixar Oscar-winning animated blockbuster, Brave; congratulates all those involved in making Dunnottar Castle such a successful and prominent attraction to visitors, and wishes them every success in their future work.


*S4M-08164 Stewart Maxwell: Commemorating the Victims of Kristallnacht—That the Parliament commemorates the 75th anniversary of the events of Kristallnacht; notes that this was a series of coordinated attacks that took place against Jewish people throughout Germany and Austria on 9 and 10 November 1938; understands that the attacks led to the deaths of 91 people and that a further 30,000 were incarcerated in concentration camps; notes that over 1,000 synagogues were burned and over 7,000 business that were owned by Jewish people were damaged or destroyed; understands that the events led to the establishing of the Kindertransport policy in the UK and that this rescued nearly 10,000 children from persecution in central and eastern Europe, most of whom were Jewish; acknowledges that many of these children were the only holocaust survivors in their
families, and remembers all of the victims of Kristallnacht, the Holocaust and Nazi persecution.

*S4M-08163 Stewart Maxwell: HMRC Falls Short on Tobacco Smuggling—That the Parliament understands with concern that the National Audit Office has estimated that, in 2010-11, trade in illicit tobacco cost the UK £1.9 billion and that, in 2012-13, HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC) failed to meet any of its operational targets on tobacco smuggling; acknowledges the reported comments of Margaret Hodge MP, the chair of the House of Commons Public Accounts Committee, that HMRC had “fallen short” in its efforts to tackle smuggling, and agrees with ASH Scotland that tobacco smuggling undermines important health policy initiatives designed to reduce smoking rates and improve the health of the population.

Supported by: Clare Adamson*

*S4M-08162 Colin Beattie: Volunteer Centre Midlothian Shortlisted for Public Vote—That the Parliament congratulates Volunteer Centre Midlothian on its project, Get Ready for Retail, being shortlisted in the STV East region for the programme, The People’s Millions, in which it will compete in a public vote for the chance to win a £50,000 grant; believes that the project seeks to give teenagers valuable experience and training in the retail sector in order to improve their employability; understands that participants must take part in a six-week training course before going on to open and run a so-called pop-up jewellery shop on the high street; notes that all 19 regional versions of the programme will be broadcast from 25 to 27 November 2013 and that the centre is one of the six community groups to be shortlisted in the STV East region; wishes everyone at the centre good luck, and will watch on with interest.

Supported by: Clare Adamson*, Roderick Campbell*, Rob Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Chic Brodie*, Kevin Stewart*

*S4M-08161 Chic Brodie: Diwali in Ayrshire—That the Parliament congratulates Ayrshire Bhartaya Association on its Diwali celebrations in Ayr Town Hall on 2 November 2013 and congratulates all the entertainers in celebrating the Festival of Light.

Supported by: Clare Adamson*

*S4M-08160 Hanzala Malik: Marking the End of the RNIB Community Engagement Project in Glasgow—That the Parliament commends the Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB) Community Engagement Project in south Glasgow, which has trained bilingual volunteers from the South Asian community to increase awareness of the risks to eye health; understands that people from South Asian backgrounds are six times more likely to develop type 2 diabetes, the leading cause of blindness among working-age Scots, however groups most at risk are not regularly accessing eye-care services even though eye examinations are free in Scotland; notes that the pilot project is coming to an end in December 2013, and would like to congratulate the staff and volunteers on what it considers their hard work and commitment to improving eye health in the South Asian community in Glasgow.
That the Parliament congratulates Diabetes Scotland on securing funding for its work with black and ethnic minority communities in Glasgow for a further two years; understands that this will enable it to continue to support people from minority ethnic backgrounds to reduce their risk of developing diabetes and help people with the condition to self-manage and live well; further understands that funding is from two sources, Glasgow City Reshaping Care Partnership’s Transformation Fund and Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland; is confident that this funding and the two new projects that it will help establish will greatly improve the quality of life for people in black and ethnic minority communities with diabetes and their families, and wishes Diabetes Scotland every success.

That the Parliament congratulates Thurso Cinema in Caithness on being recognised as one of the top cinemas in the country after being shortlisted in the Screen Awards 2013, which were held in London; understands that the Ormlie Road venue received a highly commended award in the Exhibitor of the Year, 50 screens or under category; understands that Thurso Cinema opened its doors to the public in July 2012 and received a £350,000 digital makeover last year; further understands that the cinema drew 65,000 customers in its first year to become one of the big success stories of the Caithness economy in recent years, and believes that the cinema owner has plans to expand the Thurso-based venture, including to other sites in the Highlands, such as Fort William, in the coming years.

That the Parliament understands that the University of St Andrews’ commitment to providing education to young people both in and leaving care has been recognised by it being awarded a Buttle UK Quality Mark; notes that this is given to institutions in recognition of their work in supporting what is considered one of the least represented groups in the UK education sector, and understands that, to achieve this, the university demonstrated that it has a robust strategy in place to ensure that students from a care background can access a package of financial, pastoral and educational support.
That the Parliament congratulates Samaritans in its 60th anniversary year; recognises the efforts of those 127,000 volunteers who have answered over 115 million calls for help since 1953, and acknowledges what it considers their dedication in establishing Samaritans’ prominent and essential role in civic society in Scotland, the UK and the Republic of Ireland.

That the Parliament recognises the importance of person-centred healthcare in delivering the best health outcomes possible; supports measures to ensure that individuals are supported to be active partners in their own care; agrees that all parts of the healthcare system should be focused on the patient, and that should include both community and hospital care, and further supports Scotland’s modernisation programme to test measures to make GP services more accessible for patients, while reducing bureaucracy for GPs and freeing their time to focus on patients.

That the Parliament celebrates the official opening on 1 November 2013 of the St Molios Park housing development in Lamlash, Arran; understands that of the 56 houses at St Molios, 40 provide housing at an affordable rent and 16 are shared equity; considers that this £8.9 million investment has been brought to fruition through the partnership
-working of Irvine Housing Association, North Ayrshire Council and the Scottish Government, each of whom invested significantly in the project; recognises what it sees as the excellent layout of the houses, designed by Campbell & Morris Associates, and the high standard of workmanship by John Thomson Construction Limited; believes that this development is a major step forward in addressing the shortage of high quality affordable rented property on Arran, and wishes all the new residents every happiness in their new homes.


*S4M-08153 Helen Eadie: Building on Scotland’s Strong Relationship with Bulgaria—That the Parliament is very pleased that Scotland is among the leading countries to forge friendships and alliances with Bulgaria, particularly as it now becomes a full member of the European Union; considers that significant progress has been made in developing links and relationships with Bulgaria and hopes that a commitment will be made by all current parliamentarians to ensure that this work continues; asks that those parliamentarians who are committed to progress in this area work closely with Margaret McDougall and Margaret McCulloch, who, it considers, have both been strong advocates of this work, to help galvanise more political support across Scotland in the coming year, being mindful of the work already undertaken together with the airline and wine and spirit industries, and endorses the work of the Friends of Bulgaria group in the Parliament, and considers that, among the Bulgarian leadership in Scotland, there is a remarkable person living and working in Scotland in Professor Nikolai Zhelev, who was confined in his home for over a year by the former communist government in Bulgaria and has since worked tirelessly to support democracy and what it stands for across the European Union.


*S4M-08152 Kevin Stewart: Welcome to North East Scotland College—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of North East Scotland College, which brings together Aberdeen College and Banff and Buchan College; considers that North East Scotland College already has the advantage of cooperating and collaborating across campuses, with the area’s universities, businesses, schools and councils to provide the best courses possible for their students, and wishes the chair of the college board, Ken Milroy, the principal, Rob Wallen, the staff and the students all the best for the future.

Supported by: Clare Adamson*

*S4M-08151 Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to the WEA—That the Parliament congratulates the Workers’ Educational Association (WEA) in the north of Scotland on its centenary; notes that the original Aberdeen and District branch was founded in 1913 and was later reorganised to cover the north of the country, from Tayside to Shetland; acknowledges what it sees as the contribution that the WEA has made
across the north over the last century, which it believes is driven by its members’ passion for learning, and looks forward to seeing it go from strength-to-strength.


*S4M-08150 Rob Gibson: Food and Drink Awards—That the Parliament congratulates all of the winners at the Highland and Islands Food and Drink Awards 2013 on what it considers their talent and hard work; praises in particular what it sees as the strong showing from a wide range of businesses in the Caithness, Sutherland, and Ross constituency; notes that these included Gilpin Bradley of Wester Ross Salmon, who was presented with the top honour, Ambassador of the Year, in recognition of his contribution to the industry; understands that Berry Good, of Watten in Caithness, won the Best Drink Award for its vodka and gin infusions and that AquaScot from Alness won both the Healthier Food and Drink Award for its Easy to Cook Range and the Entrepreneur Business of 2013 Award; further notes that two businesses from the area were highly commended, the Storehouse, from Evanton in Ross-shire, in the Independent Food and Drink Retailer of the Year category and Michael Scott, of Mike’s Filling Station in Invergordon, in the Young Shining Star category, and wishes all of these businesses good fortune.

Supported by: Clare Adamson*

*S4M-08149 Christina McKelvie: Unite—That the Parliament agrees with Unite the Union’s leader, Len McCluskey, that the First Minister and the Scottish Government are to be congratulated for the “sensitive and understanding” way that the Grangemouth refinery dispute was handled; further agrees with him that the case for a Yes vote in the independence referendum “is a seductive argument”, and acknowledges his comments on people’s political perceptions changing and that many of Unite’s members are now finding the SNP more radical than Labour.


*S4M-08148 Willie Rennie: Citizens Advice Service’s Check it, Don’t Regret it Campaign—That the Parliament commends the Citizens Advice Service (CAS) for launching its Check it, don’t regret it campaign during National Consumer Week in November 2013 to educate and inform consumers about their rights when buying a used car; is shocked at the figures issued by CAS showing that the Citizens Advice Consumer Service helpline advised over 4,750 Scottish consumers with a complaint about a used car in the last year, and that one in 10 were from the Fife area; understands that £600,000 are spent by consumers every week on used cars that develop faults, that 10% of those cars were not safe to drive and that 69% developed a fault within three months, and welcomes discussions that have been held between CAS, the Scottish Motor Trade Association and the Society of Chief Officers of Trading Standards in Scotland on drafting a code of conduct for used car dealers that would offer consumers in Scotland greater protection when buying a used car.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S4M-08147 Launch of Scottish Women in Sport (lodged on 01 November 2013)

S4M-08146 Respect for Shopworkers Week (lodged on 01 November 2013)

S4M-08144 St Andrew’s First Aid Count Me In Campaign (lodged on 01 November 2013)
Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08142 Dundee and Angus College Opens (lodged on 01 November 2013)
George Adam*, Angus MacDonald*, Annabelle Ewing*, Rob Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Adam Ingram*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08141 2013 Scottish Health Awards (lodged on 01 November 2013)
Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08140 Asterix and the Picts (lodged on 01 November 2013)

S4M-08139 Down’s Syndrome Scotland to Host 2018 World Congress (lodged on 01 November 2013)

S4M-08138 Scotland’s Towns Week (lodged on 01 November 2013)

S4M-08137 Strathaven Echoes (lodged on 01 November 2013)
Margaret Mitchell*, Angus MacDonald*, Adam Ingram*, Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*, Chic Brodie*
S4M-08136 Glasgow Disability Alliance’s Ability Fest Exhibition (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Hanzala Malik*, John Finnie*, Clare Adamson*, James Dornan*

S4M-08135 Hidden in Plain Sight (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Richard Simpson*, Adam Ingram*, Jean Urquhart*, John Finnie*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08134 World Forum on Natural Capital (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08133 New Production at Claymore Dairy (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Richard Simpson*, Jean Urquhart*, John Finnie*, Clare Adamson*, Cameron Buchanan*

S4M-08132 RSPB Nature of Scotland Awards, Youth and Education Award - (lodged on 31 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08131 RSPB Nature of Scotland Awards, Best Politician (lodged on 31 October 2013) John Finnie*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08130 Write for Rights Campaign (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Richard Simpson*, Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08129 Congratulating Emma McLachlan on her Successes in Archery - (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Richard Simpson*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08128 Scottish Book Week 2013 (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Jean Urquhart*, John Finnie*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08127 Angus Community Allotment Receives Award (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08126 End of an Era for the Larkhall and District Volunteers Group (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*


S4M-08124 UN Votes against US Trade Embargo against Cuba for 22nd Time - (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Jean Urquhart*, John Finnie*, Elaine Smith*

S4M-08123 Rise in Petrol Prices also Affects Urban Drivers (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*
S4M-08122 Lasswade High School’s First Day (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08121 50th Anniversary of the Open University (lodged on 31 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Richard Simpson*, Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08120.1 Petitioning Ed Miliband (lodged on 31 October 2013) Richard Simpson*, Iain Gray*

S4M-08119 No Increased Terrorist Risk to an Independent Scotland (lodged on 30 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Jean Urquhart*, John Finnie*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08116 WSREC Secures £32,750 to Support Roma Youth Project (lodged on 30 October 2013) John Finnie*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08115 £3 Million for the Coigach-Assynt Living Landscape (lodged on 30 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08114 Congratulations to Mandarin Hair Salon, Riverside, Stirling (lodged on 30 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Richard Simpson*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08112 Let’s Raise a Smile for Scottish Happiness Day (lodged on 30 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, John Finnie*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08111 Voluntary Adoption Service of the Year (lodged on 30 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08110 World Prematurity Day 2013 and World-class Neonatal Care in Scotland (lodged on 31 October 2013) Richard Simpson*, Jean Urquhart*, John Finnie*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08108 I Am Bikes Climate Challenge Fund Success (lodged on 30 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08107 Action on Hearing Loss Launches Bishopbriggs Hear to Help Drop-in (lodged on 30 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08106 National Infertility Awareness Week 2013 (lodged on 30 October 2013) Richard Simpson*, Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08105 Dundee’s UK City of Culture 2017 Bid (lodged on 30 October 2013) Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08104 Newton Stewart Twinned with Marcoussis (lodged on 30 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Alex Fergusson*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08103 International Day of Action Against Depleted Uranium Weapons - (lodged on 30 October 2013) Alison Johnstone*, Angus MacDonald*, John Mason*, Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*
S4M-08102 Congratulating the Rock Community Church in Dumbarton (lodged on 30 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08101 Congratulations to Multi-Cultural Family Base (lodged on 30 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08100 Dyslexia Awareness Week 2013 (lodged on 30 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Richard Simpson*, Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08098 Catherine Wheels and Cats (lodged on 29 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*

S4M-08097 Abbotsford, You’re a Star (lodged on 29 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08096.1 Scotland, One of the Best Places to Visit (lodged on 30 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*

S4M-08096 Scotland, One of the Best Places to Visit (lodged on 29 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Richard Simpson*, John Finnie*

S4M-08095 SURF’s Up in Orkney and Elsewhere (lodged on 29 October 2013) Jean Urquhart*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08092 Harry Hay (lodged on 29 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08088 Congratulations to Drumchapel Citizens Advice Bureau (lodged on 28 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08087 Scottish Natural Heritage Public Receptions (lodged on 28 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08086 Official Opening of Eastwood High School (lodged on 28 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08085 Record Total Raised at Kirriemuir’s Relay for Life (lodged on 28 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08084 Darkest Day for Angus Lifeboat Crew (lodged on 28 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-08083 Motherwell College (lodged on 28 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08081 Good Luck to Scotland in Rugby League World Cup 2013 (lodged on 28 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08080 Scottish Telehealth and Telecare Week (lodged on 28 October 2013) Angus MacDonald*, Richard Simpson*, Clare Adamson*
S4M-08078 Celebrating 50 Years of Helensburgh Oratorio Choir (lodged on 25 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08077 Social Enterprise Winners (lodged on 25 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08076 Movember 2013 (lodged on 30 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08075 Remembering the Women of World War One and World War Two - (lodged on 25 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08074 Congratulating All Dressed Up and 1500 Photography on VOWS nomination (lodged on 24 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08073 Aid to the Church in Need’s Report, Religious Oppression (lodged on 24 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08072 Billington’s of Lenzie Declared Glasgow’s Best Deli (lodged on 24 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08071 Auchinairn After School Care Ltd Wins Awards for All Grant (lodged on 24 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08070 Community First Wins Awards for All Grant (lodged on 24 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08069 INEOS Closure Devastating Blow for Grangemouth and Scotland - (lodged on 23 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08068 Congratulations to Matthew Davies of Dalkeith for Millennium Awards Trust Funding (lodged on 23 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08067 Vote for Drumchapel Table Tennis Club (lodged on 23 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08063 West Lothian Council and Ecosse Regneration Helping Bring Local History to Life (lodged on 23 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08062 Frog Pond Rises (lodged on 23 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08061 Pinewood School Anniversary (lodged on 23 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08060 Stoneyburn Primary Sensory Garden (lodged on 23 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08059 Congratulations to Isabel Lind for Receiving the Lifetime Achievement Teaching Award (lodged on 22 October 2013) Clare Adamson*
S4M-08058 Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month 2013 (lodged on 22 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08057 Isabel Lind Awarded Teaching Lifetime Achievement Award (lodged on 22 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08056 North Ayrshire Forum on Disability, Access Ability Plus Project - (lodged on 22 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08053 Condemnation of the Home Secretary (lodged on 22 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08052 HS2 Impact on Aberdeen’s Economy (lodged on 22 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-08050 20 Years of Planning Aid Scotland (lodged on 21 October 2013) Clare Adamson*

S4M-07773 Glasgow Women’s Aid’s 40th Anniversary Celebration (lodged on 20 September 2013) Claudia Beamish*
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Section G – Bills

Proposals for Members’ Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member’s Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no indication is given that the Scottish Government or UK Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at Proposals for Members’ Bills / Session 4 Proposals:

http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/29731.aspx

New or Reprinted Draft Proposal

John Finnie: Local Government Accountability and Transparency (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to remove the obligation on local authorities to appoint religious representatives to Education Committees; to remove the right of unelected members of local authority committees to vote; to require the full results of local authority voting to be published; and to require remote access to the public proceedings of local authorities (lodged 4 November).

A consultation document, lodged with the proposal, may be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) or on the website page referred to above. The consultation period runs from 4 November 2013 to 7 January 2014.
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Section H – New Documents

Subordinate Legislation

Negative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 4 November 2013 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Adoption (Recognition of Overseas Adoptions) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/310)
  laid under section 117(4) of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007

Committee Reports

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

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


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 three sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Thursday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is four days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for Stage 2, 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.

Bankruptcy and Debt Advice (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy, Energy and Tourism)) 6 November

Burrell Collection (Lending and Borrowing) (Scotland) Bill (P)
Preliminary Stage (lead committee (Burrell Collection (Lending and Borrowing) (Scotland) Bill)) 31 October
Children and Young People (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 1 (lead committee (Education and Culture)) 5 November

City of Edinburgh Council (Leith Links and Surplus Fire Fund) Bill (P)
Preliminary Stage (evidence, lead committee (City of Edinburgh Council (Leith Links and Surplus Fire Fund) Bill)) 14 November

City of Edinburgh Council (Portobello Park) Bill (P)
Preliminary Stage (evidence, lead committee (City of Edinburgh Council (Portobello Park) Bill)) 9 October

Criminal Justice (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 1 (lead committee, (Justice)) 29 October

Defective and Dangerous Buildings (Recovery of Expenses) (Scotland) Bill (M)
Stage 1 (Local Government and Regeneration Committee) 6 November

Landfill Tax (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 1 completed 29 October

Marriage and Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 1 (lead committee (Equal Opportunities)) 7 November

Procurement Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee, Infrastructure and Capital Investment) 6 November
Stage 1 (Local Government and Regeneration Committee) 6 November
Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee) 5 November

Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 1 (lead committee (Health and Sport)) 5 November

Regulatory Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 1 Report (Economy, Energy and Tourism Committee) published 8 October

Scottish Independence Referendum Bill (G)
After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee) 5 November
Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament) 14 November

Amendments should be lodged by 4.30 pm on Friday 8 November with the clerks in the Legislation Team (Legislation_Team@scottish.parliament.uk)

Tribunals (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament) 7 November
Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Bill (G)
Stage 2 (Day 1) (Health and Sport Committee) 5 November
Stage 2 (Day 2) (Justice Committee) 12 November
 Amendments to sections 1-25, 28-31 and the long title should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 7 November with the clerks in the Legislation Team (Legislation_Team@scottish.parliament.uk).
The order of consideration is: ss 26 and 27 (by the Health and Sport Committee) and ss 1-25, ss 28-31 and the long title (by the Justice Committee).

Subordinate legislation in progress
(date of laying) (Lead Committee)

Affirmative Instruments

Lead committee to report by 6 December 2013

Budget (Scotland) Act 2013 Amendment Order 2013 [draft] (17 October 2013) (Finance)

Lead committee to report by 9 December 2013

Register of Young Voters (Anonymous Entries) (Scotland) Order 2013 [draft] (31 October 2013) (Referendum (Scotland) Bill)

Lead committee to report by 10 December 2013

Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations (Removal from Register and Dissolution) Amendment Regulations 2013 [draft] (1 November 2013) (Justice)

Negative Instruments

Members should note that the deadline for the lead committee to report by is an administrative deadline. Lead committees normally report on negative instruments only after considering a motion recommending annulment of the instrument. Where Members have queries in relation to this deadline, they should contact the clerks to the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee.

Subject to annulment by 6 November 2013
Lead committee to report by 4 November 2013

Overhead Lines (Exemption) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/264) (12 September 2013) (Economy, Energy and Tourism)

Common Agricultural Policy Single Farm Payment and Support Schemes (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/265) (12 September 2013) (Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment)
Subject to annulment by 7 November 2013
Lead committee to report by 4 November 2013

Food Additives, Flavourings, Enzymes and Extraction Solvents (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/266) (13 September 2013) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 11 November 2013
Lead committee to report by 4 November 2013

Angus College (Transfer and Closure) (Scotland) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/267) (17 September 2013) (Education and Culture)

Banff and Buchan College of Further Education (Transfer and Closure) (Scotland) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/268) (17 September 2013) (Education and Culture)

Cumbernauld College (Transfer and Closure) (Scotland) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/269) (17 September 2013) (Education and Culture)

John Wheatley College and Stow College (Transfer and Closure) (Scotland) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/270) (17 September 2013) (Education and Culture)

Subject to annulment by 17 November 2013
Lead committee to report by 11 November 2013

Town and Country Planning (Marine Fish Farming) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/277) (23 September 2013) (Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment)

Subject to annulment by 20 November 2013
Lead committee to report by 18 November 2013

Bee Keeping (Colonsay and Oronsay) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/279) (26 September 2013) (Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment)

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