

PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU

REMOVAL OF MOTIONS FROM THE BUSINESS BULLETIN

Background

1. Admissible motions lodged by Members are published in the Business Bulletin along with the support that each motion attracts.
2. Under Rule 8.2.8 of *Standing Orders*, the Bureau may remove from the list of admissible motions any motion that has been on the list for more than six weeks without a date for it to be taken by the Parliament being appointed in the business programme.

Criteria for removal of motions

3. In relation to motions for Members' Business, the Bureau previously agreed that all motions should be removed from the Bulletin after six weeks (excluding recess time) but that the Bureau will consider the following in removing or retaining motions—
 - a. the motion has the support of at least 30 other Members and these supporters came from more than three political parties (note that in cases where the number of supporters exceeds 30, the topicality of the motion and the extent of the recent support have also been taken into account when making these recommendations); or
 - b. the motion remains highly topical; or
 - c. the motion has been selected for a Members' Business debate.
4. The Business Team checks all Members' Business motions on the list to ensure that any that may fit the criteria are recommended for retention. In addition, at a Bureau meeting, Business Managers may request that certain motions are retained if, for example, the motion is to be debated at a future date.

Removal of motions lodged before 25 January 2022

5. The annex lists all motions marked for Members' Business which are over six weeks old (i.e. those lodged on or before 25 January 2022) and includes the number of supporters and date of the most recent registration of support.
6. Fergus Ewing, Meghan Gallacher and Monica Lennon have requested that their motions – S6M-02299: Fergus Ewing: Scotland's Fair Share, the Potential of Solar Energy in Scotland; S6M-01794: Meghan Gallacher: Better Protection for Scotland's War Memorials and S6M-01845: Monica Lennon: Scotland's Rail Unions Launch A Vision For Scotland's Railways – are retained.
7. Based on the criteria in paragraph 3, it is not recommended that any of the other motions from the attached list be retained.

8. Business Managers should indicate at the Bureau meeting if they do wish to retain any of the other motions

Conclusion

9. The Bureau is invited to agree that no motions lodged before 25 January 2022, other than those set out at paragraph 6, are retained.

**Parliamentary Business Team
March 2022**

Annex: Member's Business motions suggested for removal

Reference	Member Name	Date Lodged	Title	Total support	Date Last Supported
S6M-02310	Mason, John	03/12/2021	Councillors' Low Pay		08/12/2021
S6M-02336	Dornan, James	03/12/2021	Systematic Discrimination as Key Barrier to Palestinian Health and Healthcare		09/12/2021
S6M-02514	McLennan, Paul	14/12/2021	The Role of a Wellbeing Economy in Tackling Failure Demands		27/01/2022
S6M-02589	Sweeney, Paul	21/12/2021	Recognising the Value of Asylum Seekers		18/01/2022
S6M-02745	Golden, Maurice	11/01/2022	Tackling Dog Theft		01/02/2022
S6M-02750	Sweeney, Paul	13/01/2022	Glasgow's Pre-loved Uniforms Improving Accessibility and Sustainability of School Uniforms		10/02/2022
S6M-02777	Rowley, Alex	18/01/2022	Longstanding Underpayment of Social Care Staff		28/01/2022
S6M-02795	Balfour, Jeremy	19/01/2022	Welcoming the Down Syndrome Bill		10/02/2022
S6M-02864	Adamson, Clare	21/01/2022	Fairtrade Foundation Pledge		07/02/2022
S6M-02874	Briggs, Miles	21/01/2022	World Tuberculosis Day 2022		16/02/2022
S6M-02882	Leonard, Richard	24/01/2022	Changes to ScotRail Ticket Office Hours		14/02/2022
S6M-02887	Villalba, Mercedes	24/01/2022	Solidarity with Hospitality Workers in Their Dispute with MacMerry 300		02/02/2022
S6M-02902	Clark, Katy	24/01/2022	Keeping CalMac Public and Publicly-owned Ferry Services		07/02/2022
S6M-02906	Stewart,	25/01/2022	Diabetes Care in Scotland		08/02/2022

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S6M-02910	O'Kane, Paul	24/01/2022	ENABLE Scotland's My Own Front Door Campaign		10/02/2022
S6M-02918	MacDonald, Gordon	25/01/2022	Edinburgh Dog and Cat Home "Paws Pantry"		10/02/2022