

Parliamentary Bureau – Future Business programme

Possible motions for Members' business

1. Bureau members will be aware that under Rule 5.6.1(c) the Bureau has a duty to ensure that there is a period of time available for Members' Business at each meeting of the Parliament.
2. This paper is circulated with the Bureau papers each week and provides Bureau members with an updated list of motions lodged each week for Members Business debate. The paper will also provide Bureau members with a record of Members Business debates throughout the session, and the number and frequency of such debates that each party has had.
3. Bureau members may wish to note for information that the rota for Members' Business until Easter Recess is as follows—

Week beginning	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
22 April 2024	SNP	SNP (was CON*)	CON (was SNP*)
29 April 2024	SNP	GRN	CON
6 May 2024	LAB	SNP	SNP
13 May 2024	CON	SNP	LAB
20 May 2024	SNP	CON	SNP
27 May 2024	SNP	CON	LAB
3 June 2024	SNP	SNP	GRN
10 June 2024	LD	CON	SNP
17 June 2024	SNP	SNP	CON
24 June 2024	LAB	SNP	SNP
Summer recess 2024			
2 September 2024	CON	SNP	LAB
9 September 2024	SNP	CON	SNP
16 September 2024	SNP	GRN	CON
23 September 2024	LAB	SNP	SNP
30 September 2024	CON	SNP	LAB
7 October 2024	SNP	CON	SNP

*parties agreed to swap

4. Motions submitted for Members' Business are shown below—

S6M-12852: Ruth Maguire: World Press Freedom Day - That the Parliament recognises 3 May 2024 as World Press Freedom Day; understands that World Press Freedom Day is dedicated to what it sees as the importance of journalism and freedom of expression in the context of the current global environmental crisis; acknowledges that the aim is to highlight what it considers the significant role that the press, journalism and access to and dissemination of information play in ensuring and securing a sustainable future that respects the rights of individuals and their diversity of voices, as well as gender equality; notes the support for the Universal Declaration of Human Rights regarding the right to freedom of expression, which it understands has been further affirmed and enshrined in numerous international instruments, including the 1966 International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, 1989 Convention on the Rights of the Child and 2007 Convention on the Rights of

Persons with Disabilities; commends the UNESCO Observatory for remembering the reported 1,663 journalists who have been killed since 1993, including 11 killed in 2024 so far, and notes the support for the promotion of the fundamental principles of press freedom, which are to evaluate press freedom around the world, to defend the media from attacks on its independence and to pay tribute to journalists who have lost their lives in the exercise of their profession.

S6M-12850: Kevin Stewart: 40th Anniversary of Volunteers' Week - That the Parliament welcomes the 40th anniversary of Volunteers' Week, which will take place from 3 to 9 June 2024; notes that Volunteers' Week, which takes place from the first Monday of June every year, celebrates what it considers to be the invaluable contribution that volunteers make to society by selflessly giving up their time and energy to help other people, as well as inspiring others to try their hand at volunteering; understands that Volunteers' Week will be marked by thousands of charities, voluntary groups and social organisations coming together across hundreds of events and activities, including volunteer recruitment events, open days, coffee mornings and awards ceremonies, and culminating with "The Big Help Out", which is aimed at encouraging more people to become part of the volunteering community; sends its best wishes to everyone taking part in Volunteers' Week, and thanks all the volunteers for everything that they do in improving lives in Aberdeen and in communities across Scotland.

S6M-12842: Tess White: New Energy Infrastructure in the North of Scotland - That the Parliament acknowledges the reported concerns of communities across the north of Scotland, especially those in Aberdeenshire, Angus, Moray and the Highlands, regarding new energy infrastructure; notes that the Scottish Government reportedly indicates that this infrastructure is needed to meet the 2030 offshore wind connection dates and its net zero targets; recognises what it sees as the importance of decarbonising the electricity system, and notes the belief that the strategy to achieve net zero should use a variety of energy sources and consider all infrastructural options, such as undergrounding electrical transmission cables or submarine cables, in order to protect the local economy and character of rural communities; understands that the concerns of rural communities relate to the location, scale and accelerated timeframe of these projects, and that they feel their views are routinely disregarded by the Scottish Government's current strategy, which has reportedly resulted in an unjust transition taking place in rural communities across Scotland; notes in particular the impact of these plans on the wellbeing of affected residents, who are reportedly worried about their health, businesses, property value, cultural heritage, and the potential loss of prime agricultural land; understands that affected residents have criticised the consultation process of transmission network operator, Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN); highlights petition PE2095 to improve the public consultation processes for energy infrastructure projects, which was lodged in the Scottish Parliament by Margaret Tracey Smith; notes the calls for the Scottish Government to ensure that local community submissions are considered as a key factor in considering what applications and routes should be approved; acknowledges what it sees as the strength of feeling among affected communities that rural Scotland is being disproportionately impacted by new energy infrastructure, and recognises local campaigners who are working to raise awareness of these plans so that the voices of affected residents are heard.

S6M-12774: Pam Duncan-Glancy: Impact of Reductions to Education in Glasgow - That the Parliament is concerned about reported proposals from Glasgow City Council to remove 450 teaching posts over the next three years, to remove and/or replace the MCR Pathways Programme from all Glasgow secondary schools, and, it understands, to put at risk the Developing the Young Workforce (DYW) initiative in Glasgow; notes the belief that the MCR Pathways and DYW programmes are key to supporting disadvantaged pupils, including care experienced pupils; recognises what it considers to be the significant impact that these programmes have on securing a reportedly high rate of positive destinations for the young people that they support; notes with concern that teachers, support staff and trade

unions have reportedly stated that teaching and support capacity is already stretched in Glasgow, and that these reductions will worsen the situation, could increase incidents of violence in schools, and will make addressing the needs of pupils with additional support needs much more difficult; understands that parent councils, teachers, pupils, and MCR volunteers have all highlighted what they consider to be the hugely detrimental impact that these reductions will have on young people's lives; recognises the concerns of these groups, and notes the belief that these proposals are inconsistent with the aims of policies such as The Promise and Getting It Right For Every Child (GIRFEC).

S6M-12762: Evelyn Tweed: Fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis Trust in Memory of Oliver Steele - That the Parliament congratulates Natasha Cuthbert and Sean Steele, of Deanston, on raising vital funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust in memory of their son, Oliver Steele, who sadly passed away from cystic fibrosis aged just 14 months old on 16 July 2023; praises Natasha and Sean for their fundraising efforts, following the heartbreak of losing their young son; understands that this began with over £1,000 being raised through online donations and a collection following Oliver's funeral and, more recently, a charity football match between Deanston and Aberfoyle at Deanston Community Centre on 30 March 2024, where they raised over £3,400 through a raffle, tombola, bake sale, bouncy castle, refreshments, barbeque and the football match; further understands that Oliver, who lived with his mum, Natasha, in Deanston, was born at Forth Valley Royal Hospital on 10 May 2022, and at just two days old was rushed to the Royal Hospital for Children in Glasgow for surgery on a blocked bowel, which unfortunately could not be repaired at the time so Oliver was given a stoma, and that it was later discovered that the bowel issue was due to Oliver having cystic fibrosis, which led to multiple trips to hospital and several surgeries; notes that Natasha and Sean are keen to raise awareness of cystic fibrosis, which is a hereditary disorder affecting the exocrine glands that causes the production of abnormally thick mucus, leading to the blockage of the pancreatic ducts, intestines and bronchi, often resulting in respiratory infection, and to raise vital funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust; further notes that NHS Scotland states the symptoms of cystic fibrosis, including recurring chest infections, wheezing, coughing, shortness of breath and damage to the airways (bronchiectasis), difficulty putting on weight and growing, yellowing of the skin and the whites of the eyes (jaundice), diarrhoea, constipation, or large, smelly poo, and a bowel obstruction in newborn babies (meconium ileus); understands that, in the UK, all newborn babies are screened for cystic fibrosis as part of the newborn blood spot test, or heel prick test, carried out shortly after they are born, and that, if the screening test suggests that a child may have cystic fibrosis, they will need a sweat test and a genetic test to confirm that they have the condition; notes that there is no cure for cystic fibrosis, but that a range of treatments can help to control the symptoms, prevent or reduce complications, and make the condition easier to live with; understands that people with cystic fibrosis may need to take different medicines to treat and prevent lung problems, and that physical activity and the use of airway clearance techniques may also be recommended to help clear mucus from the lungs, and wishes Natasha and Sean continued success with their fundraising efforts in memory of Oliver, who they describe as the "happiest, funniest and most beautiful little boy in the world".

S6M-12740: Katy Clark: STUC Report on Renewable Jobs - That the Parliament welcomes the publication by the Scottish Trades Union Congress of Mind the Gap, The Increasing Gulf Between Jobs and Turnover in Scotland's Low Carbon and Renewable Energy Economy; notes with concern the report's finding that employment fell by 4,000 between 2021 and 2022 in the low carbon and renewable energy economy, despite there being a £4 billion increase in turnover for companies in the sector; understands that the low carbon and renewable energy economy's balance of trade, measured by exports minus imports, has widened for the first time since 2018, standing at £407.5 million in 2022, the largest gap since ONS records began; further understands that no offshore wind farm in Scotland is publicly owned; notes the view that foreign capital benefits most from the current

system and that wealth is being extracted from Scotland's natural resources for the benefit of multinationals without any adequate return for workers and communities, including in the West Scotland region; understands from the report that entities owned by the Irish, Swedish and Danish governments hold stakes in ScotWind projects, but that there is no UK or Scottish equivalent; notes the calls for the Scottish Government to explore the feasibility of using the £700 million in upfront fees that were raised during the ScotWind leasing round to establish a sovereign wealth fund for the benefit of current and future generations; further notes the STUC report's recommendations that the Scottish Government must set out to bring the active involvement of the public sector into the green economy, using ownership at a national and local level, alongside stricter conditions, to guarantee the creation of new jobs, on good terms, and community wealth from renewable energy, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to develop a robust green industrial strategy, in coordination with businesses, public sector bodies and trade unions, alongside a detailed plan for skills development, geared towards the stated aim of achieving a just transition on the path to net zero.

S6M-12724: Fulton MacGregor: Tackling Sibling Sexual Abuse in Scotland - That the Parliament commends the recent paper, Tackling Sibling Sexual Abuse in Scotland, published by the Cross Party Group on Adult Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse; notes with concern the lack of Scotland-specific data regarding sibling sexual abuse (SSA); understands that SSA is the most common form of intra-familial child sexual abuse; acknowledges research that suggests that it is estimated that at least twice as many children are sexually abused by a child sibling than by a parent; recognises that many survivors who talk of their experiences of rape or sexual assault perpetrated by a sibling find that their abuse can be met by disbelief or minimisation by adults and professionals as "sexual experimentation" or "natural curiosity"; understands that SSA is less likely to be disclosed than other forms of sexual abuse, due to shame, fears of punishment or blame, or not being believed; further understands that the consequences of SSA may include post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, substance and alcohol misuse, eating disorders and relationship difficulties throughout life; believes that there is credible evidence that SSA often goes unrecognised or is minimised by professionals, which it considers is adverse to the needs of survivors and their families; notes the support for any measures to highlight the prevalence of sibling sexual abuse, its impact and what parents can do if they are concerned about sexual behaviour between siblings; further notes the belief that it is valuable to launch a reference group bringing together key agencies and those with lived experience to consolidate learning, identify best practices and steer future policy and practice so that scalable, proportionate and trauma-informed responses are available to address this issue, and notes the belief that it is beneficial to establish dedicated training courses for social workers and other safeguarding professionals, including those in the Coatbridge and Chryston constituency, specifically on disclosure and communicating with children when there are concerns about SSA.

S6M-12723: Katy Clark: Ardrossan Harbour - That the Parliament understands that it has been seven years since the Scottish Government decided to retain Ardrossan as the service's mainland port for the Arran service, citing connectivity, reliability, overall operational cost to the public purse and socio-economic considerations; further understands that it has been six years since Transport Scotland approved proposals to redevelop the harbour, which it understands includes major works necessary to run the MV Glen Sannox and MV Rosa vessels from the port; understands that a refreshed business case to redevelop the harbour is yet to be finalised; considers that the daily Ardrossan-Brodick service is critical to the economic development of both Ardrossan and the Isle of Arran, and that this is the quickest, shortest route, with supporting infrastructure already in place, and notes the belief that the Scottish Government must provide a clear commitment that Ardrossan will be retained as the mainland port to serve Arran in the long term.

S6M-12707: Emma Harper: World Asthma Day 2024 - That the Parliament notes World Asthma Day 2024, which will take place on 7 May 2024; recognises that the Global Initiative for Asthma, supported by the World Health Organization, will this year mark the theme of "Asthma Education Empowers"; understands that around 360,000 people, including 72,000 children, have an asthma diagnosis in Scotland; further understands that asthma is one of the most common chronic non-communicable diseases that affects over 260 million people globally, and is responsible for over 450,000 deaths each year worldwide, most of which are preventable, and that, according to the Global Initiative for Asthma, one of the key universal issues for which education is required is the under-diagnosis or inaccurate diagnosis, including of people with severe asthma, underuse of anti-inflammatory inhaled corticosteroid inhalers, overuse and over-reliance on short-acting beta₂-agonist (SABA) inhalers, and poor recognition of patients requiring specialist assessment and further asthma care management; notes the reported difference in - severe asthma compared with unstable asthma, and understands that poorly controlled severe asthma can take a toll on health and wellbeing; welcomes the Scottish Government's Respiratory Care Action Plan, which aims to improve prevention, diagnosis, treatment, care and self-management of asthma and lung conditions; notes the calls on the Scottish Government to provide an update on the effectiveness of the plan in helping to improve outcomes for people living with asthma; welcomes the work of Asthma + Lung UK Scotland to improve asthma care in Scotland and to support people who receive an asthma diagnosis and their families; further welcomes the creation of the International Coalition of Respiratory Nurses (ICRN) in 2023, which brings together nurses and allied health professionals from across the globe to advance the care and treatment of patients with respiratory conditions, including asthma, and notes the view that better asthma care at all levels of healthcare can lead to better outcomes and lives for people living with asthma.

S6M-12700: Beatrice Wishart: DWP Maladministration and the WASPI Women - That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the importance of the publication of the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman (PHSO) report, Women's State Pension age: our findings on injustice and associated issues, for many women across Scotland, including in Shetland; notes that this report found that the UK Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) did not sufficiently inform thousands of women of the changes to the State Pension age as it should have done; understands that, due to this maladministration, the Ombudsman has recommended that these women be compensated by the DWP, and that should the DWP continue to refuse to take the necessary actions to rectify its wrongs, then the UK Parliament must intervene; notes the belief that it is only right that these women receive compensation; further notes the belief that the UK Government should come forward immediately with a plan to provide this compensation, and notes the calls on it to do so; expresses deep regret that many women who, it believes, fought courageously for justice died before seeing such justice; notes the belief that this should act as an impetus for the UK Government to respond swiftly, so that more women do not pass before they receive any compensation; considers that the Women Against State Pension Inequality (WASPI) campaign has worked tirelessly in what it sees as its fight for justice, and that its persistence and hard work is to be admired, and notes the calls for the UK Government to do what is right.

S6M-12695: Maggie Chapman: Celebrating Workers and Trade Unions on May Day - That the Parliament recognises 1 May 2024 as International Workers' Memorial Day, also known as May Day, which is an annual observance that commemorates what it sees as the historic struggles of and gains made by workers and the trade union movement; further recognises 4 May as International Firefighters' Day, which is an annual observance that honours the service and sacrifices made by firefighters worldwide; acknowledges what it considers to be the vital role that workers and trade unions play in Scotland's economy and

communities, from caring for and educating people, to building infrastructure and keeping people safe; notes the belief that the principles of fair work, including that of effective voice and trade union recognition, should be central to all workplaces; recognises the campaigning work done by trade unions to achieve what it considers to be positive policy changes across the Scottish economy, especially those related to taxation, fair pay, health and safety, transport and energy; understands that the Scottish Trades Union Congress (STUC), the Fire Brigades Union (FBU) and other trade unions will mark May Day on 28 April, with events in Aberdeen and Dundee in the north east and many other places across Scotland; notes the encouragement for all interested to attend an event in their area, and further notes the calls to support the trade union movement both now and in the future.

S6M-12612: Clare Haughey: WASPI PHSO Final Report Published – That the Parliament notes the findings from the UK Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman (PHSO) final report into the women's State Pension age and associated issues, published on 21 March 2024; understands that the PHSO has made a finding of failings by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) in this case, and has ruled that the women affected are owed compensation; believes that women born in the 1950s have been treated unfairly by accelerated changes to the State Pension age, under the Pensions Act 1995 and subsequent legislation, and that the changes were not adequately communicated to them; understands that the report finds that many 1950s-born women have experienced financial loss and a negative impact on their health, emotional wellbeing and home life as a result; further understands that around 3.6 million women are impacted, including an estimated 5,000 in the Rutherglen constituency; recognises that, in its stage one report published in 2021, the PHSO found "maladministration" on two counts, the first being in 2005 when the DWP failed to make a reasonable decision about targeting information to the women affected by these changes, and the second being when the DWP proposed, in 2006, writing to women individually to tell them about changes to the State Pension age, but reportedly failed to act promptly; regrets that, as per the findings in the final ombudsman report, the DWP has not acknowledged its failings nor put things right for those women affected, and that it has failed to offer any apology or explanation for its failings and has indicated that it will not compensate women affected by its failure; notes the reported comments by the PHSO chief executive, Rebecca Hilsenrath, that given the "significant concerns" that it has that the DWP will "fail to act on" its findings, and "given the need to make things right for the affected women as soon as possible" the PHSO has "proactively asked Parliament to intervene and hold the Department to account"; understands that the level of compensation recommended by the PHSO is between £1,000 and £2,950; notes, however, that in its submission to the PHSO, the UK Parliament's All-Party Parliamentary Group on State Pension Inequality for Women argued for compensation at Level 6 on the PHSO scale, of £10,000 or more; pays tribute to what it considers to be the tenacity, commitment and resolve of Women Against State Pension Inequality (WASPI) campaigners who, it considers, despite experiencing what it sees as setback after setback from the UK Government, the PHSO, and in court, have never given up fighting for justice; highlights estimates from the WASPI campaign that, in the past nine years, an estimated 270,000 women impacted have sadly passed away without seeing proper compensation; believes that the WASPI activists have been vindicated in their lengthy campaigning for pensions justice by the PHSO's findings, and notes the calls for the UK Government and UK Parliament to act swiftly and set up a fair compensation scheme without delay in order to resolve this long-standing issue.

S6M-12605: Bill Kid: 50th Anniversary of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 - That the Parliament marks the 50th anniversary of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974, which, to this day, remains the umbrella legislation that underpins all legal health, safety and welfare requirements for both employers and employees in the UK, including in the Glasgow Anniesland constituency; acknowledges the effect that this legislation has had on workplace safety through the laying down of wide-ranging duties on employers to protect

the health, safety and welfare at work of all of their employees, as well as others on their premises, including temporary or casual workers, self-employed workers, clients, visitors and the general public; understands that, despite remaining too high, fatal injuries to employees fell by 73%, while reported non-fatal injuries dropped by 70%, between 1974 and 2007, and notes the belief that, in light of this milestone, it is time for all relevant stakeholders to come together to examine what steps need to be taken now to ensure that employment law continues to deliver for Scotland's workers for the next 50 years.

S6M-12559: Alex Rowley: Physiotherapy Workforce Shortage in Scotland - That the Parliament is concerned about the reported shortage of physiotherapists in the NHS workforce in Scotland and notes the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy's campaign "Scotland needs more physios"; notes the belief that Scotland does not currently educate or train enough physiotherapists to supply the workforce needs, with, it understands, only 7% of the hundreds of university applicants accepted onto undergraduate physiotherapy training places, and that this leaves considerable scope to expand the supply of qualified physiotherapists; understands that undergraduate training places have doubled in England to meet demand, but that there has been no increase in Scotland in the last decade, meaning that, while Scottish course programmes are oversubscribed with applicants, not enough places are funded to meet the needs of Scotland's NHS; acknowledges the reported views of physiotherapists, stating that they are finding it extremely difficult to recruit staff for their practices across Scotland, with record high vacancy rates, averaging over 10%, and that this is having an impact on existing staff morale, with increased levels of stress and work pressures; believes that the shortage of physiotherapists impacts on local communities, their services and staff, including in Mid Scotland and Fife, and further believes that physiotherapy is essential to reduce hospital admissions, speed up discharge from hospital and reduce reliance on social care, all of which are critical.

S6M-12524: Clare Adamson: No Falls Week 2024 - That the Parliament recognises that 13 to 17 May 2024 marks No Falls Week; considers that this week is an opportunity to recognise the powerful campaign dedicated to promoting safe working at height, providing an opportunity for organisations in all sectors to focus on working at height safety; notes that the latest figures from the Health and Safety Executive show that 40 people lost their lives due to a fall from height in Great Britain in 2022-23, that falls from height were responsible for 30% of all workplace deaths, and that, it understands, every year thousands of non-fatal falls take place, estimated at as many as 100 every day; understands that the No Falls Foundation has produced a toolkit with resources and guidelines to assist organisations in planning and implementing activities during No Falls Week, and notes the calls encouraging employers not only to contribute to the broader safety narrative, but also to demonstrate their dedication to the wellbeing of their employees.

S6M-12467: Russell Findlay: The Murder of Emma Caldwell - That the Parliament notes the conviction of Iain Packer for the murder of Emma Caldwell, aged 27, from Erskine, Renfrewshire, in 2005; further notes that Iain Packer was also found guilty by a jury at the High Court in Glasgow of 32 additional charges, including the rape and sexual assault of 21 other women; notes with concern that some of Iain Packer's victims have told the media that they were initially not believed; understands that these include Magdalene Robertson, who reported Iain Packer to police in 2006 for raping her; notes with concern that, in 2007, four other men were charged by the police with Emma Caldwell's murder, and were remanded in custody before the Crown Office decided in 2008 not to prosecute them; understands that at least one of these four men reportedly received financial compensation for false arrest; commends former police detective, Gerry Gallacher, who learned of concerns about the murder inquiry and, it understands, decided to undertake his own inquiries as a private citizen; understands that Iain Packer was first publicly identified as a "forgotten suspect" by

the Sunday Mail newspaper in 2015; further understands that, in response to the Sunday Mail report, Police Scotland launched an investigation that sought to identify the source of the newspaper's information; notes reports that Police Scotland unlawfully obtained private communications data from Gerry Gallacher, his wife, Marjorie Gallacher, former police officers, David Moran and Steven Adams, and two other individuals; understands that, in 2016, the Investigatory Powers Tribunal (IPT) found that Police Scotland's unlawful actions were contrary to these individuals' rights under the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR); further understands that, in 2022, the IPT found that Police Scotland had acted in a manner that was incompatible with the ECHR rights of the newspaper's then editor, Jim Wilson, with the judge, Lady Carmichael, stating that "There is a real risk that conduct of that sort will have a chilling effect on his ability to obtain and disseminate information in the public interest"; notes that, in 2019, BBC Scotland broadcast a documentary entitled Disclosure: Who Killed Emma?, which was produced by Eamonn O Connor and included an interview with Iain Packer, conducted by Sam Poling, in which he denied killing Emma Caldwell and being violent towards women; further notes that some reported victims of Iain Packer contacted the BBC after the broadcast and provided statements to Police Scotland; agrees with trial judge Lord Beckett, who, in his sentencing statement, gave credit to Sam Poling for her journalistic work, and also cited the "patient, persistent and professional police work" of retired detectives, Stuart Hall and David Barr; commends the work of all police officers, lawyers and journalists who, it believes, have been instrumental in collectively exposing what it sees as significant police failings and wrongdoing, which it is believed resulted in Iain Packer evading investigation for far too long, and which, it considers, has caused damage to public confidence in Scotland's justice system; notes with sadness that Emma Caldwell's father, William Caldwell, died of cancer in 2011 at the age of 62; pays tribute to Emma Caldwell's mother, Margaret Caldwell, and her family for their tireless 19-year campaign to secure justice, during which time, it believes, they have displayed great courage, strength, tenacity and dignity; welcomes the apology that has been issued by Police Scotland, and notes the reported view of Margaret Caldwell, her family, and their solicitor, Aamer Anwar, that while the judge-led public inquiry that has been agreed to by the Scottish Government is welcome, it should be presided over by someone who is wholly independent of Scotland's criminal justice system.

S6M-12420: Ariane Burgess: Welcoming the Five Bids Submitted for the Designation of Scotland's Next National Park - That the Parliament acknowledges the Scottish Government's commitment to expanding the national park network by 2026; warmly welcomes the five proposals submitted for the establishment of the proposed Tay Forest, Galloway, the Borders, Loch Awe and Lochaber National Parks that were brought forward by community groups; notes the extensive consultations across Scotland to explore the potential for creating national parks in various areas; commends the collaborative efforts of all communities, volunteers, organisations and stakeholders involved in shaping the different bids in Scotland, including the ones that were withdrawn; believes that the designation of a new national park could foster sustainable development and tourism, enhance and protect nature and create local employment in the chosen area; expresses gratitude to everyone who has contributed to advancing the discussion on national park creation in Scotland, and extends its best wishes to the communities and authorities involved in the five bids mentioned above.

S6M-12369: Fulton MacGregor: Fostering a Discussion on a Kindergarten Stage in Scotland - That the Parliament acknowledges the body of international evidence on the reported benefits of play-based early years education; believes that active, social play is a natural learning drive that helps develop physical fitness, social skills, cognitive capacities and personal qualities; understands that Scotland and the rest of the UK are outliers in Europe in starting formal education at four or five years of age; considers that, since the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) comparisons began, countries with later school starting ages have performed better than those with earlier starts; understands

that the UN defines early childhood as being from birth to eight years of age, and that Scottish research has established that there are significant differences in children's levels of development at age five; commends the work of organisations such as Upstart Scotland in promoting the needs of children in early years education based on relationship-centred, child-led, play-based environments, with a greater focus on outdoor learning; notes the belief that a universal play-based kindergarten stage, with a raised formal school starting age, could contribute to closing the attainment gap and be a significant anti-poverty measure, and that it would help provide a true level playing field for all of Scotland's children, including those in the Coatbridge and Chryston constituency, giving every child time to develop the skills and capacities that underpin educational success, improving long-term outcomes and giving every child the best start in life, and further notes the belief that there is a need for a national conversation on early years education to consider a later school starting age preceded by a relationship-centred, play-based kindergarten stage to support optimal development during early childhood and ensure secure foundations, and that such a conversation should be open to all who wish to contribute, including early years practitioners, parents, teachers, academics and children, as well as policy makers.

S6M-12360: Christine Grahame: Phasing Out Farrowing Crates - That the Parliament notes with concern reports that most indoor bred sows in Scotland are confined to farrowing crates for weeks and that, during that time, in a very restricted space that they cannot turn around in or perform highly motivated behaviours, including building a nest and caring for their piglets; understands that, in 2015, the Farmed Animal Welfare Committee recommended that farrowing crates be phased out; further understands that the British Veterinary Association has identified the use of farrowing crates as a priority animal welfare problem for the year 2023-24; understands that the European Food Safety Authority has concluded that sows can be kept in free-farrowing systems without increasing piglet mortality and recommended that farrowing crates should not be used, for animal welfare reasons; notes that the Scottish Government's Programme for Government 2021-22 included a commitment to consult on phasing out farrowing crates, which it considers has not been fulfilled; understands that most people in Scotland, including in the Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale constituency and across the South Scotland region, want to see the use of farrowing crates ended; notes the longstanding calls from animal welfare organisations, including OneKind, for an end to farrowing crates, and further notes the view that the Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill and the National Good Food Nation Plan could provide policy levers that would support and incentivise farmers in a just transition to free-farrowing systems.

S6M-12342: Collette Stevenson: Shining a Light on Domestic Abuse in LGBT+ History Month - That the Parliament condemns domestic abuse in all its forms; understands that domestic abuse often consists of intimate partner violence (IPV), and that this is defined by the World Health Organization as behaviours including sexual abuse, violence, psychological abuse and controlling behaviours perpetrated by a current or former intimate partner; is concerned by Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (COPFS) statistics showing that 30,139 charges were reported to COPFS with a domestic abuse identifier in 2022-23; notes that these figures show that the accused was male in 86% of these cases; understands that Police Scotland statistics for 2021-22 show that 1,691 domestic abuse incidents were recorded with same-sex victims and suspected perpetrators, representing around 3.5% of incidents in which gender was recorded, but that the data is not broken down for transgender people; believes that these statistics are a stark reminder of what it considers to be the unacceptable levels of domestic abuse in Scotland, but considers that these likely underestimate the scale of LGBTQ+ domestic abuse; understands that research suggests that 30% to 45% of LGBTQ+ people will ever experience IPV, which, it believes, is in line with cisgender women in heterosexual relationships; notes the view that structural inequalities could be prohibiting LGBTQ+ victims of domestic abuse from coming forward or

receiving the support that it considers they deserve from services; acknowledges that the theme of LGBT+ History Month 2024, "Medicine: #UnderTheScope", aims to showcase the work of LGBT+ healthcare staff and highlight what it sees as the health inequalities experienced by LGBTQ+ people today; believes that domestic abuse is a public health issue; considers that the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 strengthened the law to protect people in East Kilbride and across Scotland against abusive behaviour, including physical and psychological abuse, as well as coercive control; recognises the Scottish Government's Equally Safe strategy to tackle violence against women and girls; notes the calls for a national LGBTQ+ domestic abuse policy, with specific outcomes and measures to help the community, including ensuring that services and staff have the right procedures and training to ensure that LGBTQ+ people get appropriate support; further notes the belief that such a policy could be aligned with or supplementary to Equally Safe, which, it considers, offers a good framework for such a policy; notes reports that LGBTQ+ people can face barriers in accessing services, including potential stigma, misunderstanding of LGBTQ+ relationships, and what it considers to be default heterosexual norms; further notes the calls for a comprehensive analysis to identify gaps in domestic abuse service provision for LGBTQ+ individuals, to ensure routine risk assessment processes are more inclusive for LGBTQ+ experiences, and to ensure that LGBTQ+ people are considered and included in sexual violence and domestic abuse courses; acknowledges that a roundtable on LGBTQ+ IPV was held in the Parliament on 8 February 2024, with stakeholders including members of the LGBTQ+ community and representatives from the third sector, local authorities and Police Scotland; understands that this roundtable for the wider LGBTQ+ community builds on previous research by academics in Scotland, including Dr Steven Maxwell, from the University of Glasgow, and Professor Jamie Frankis, from Glasgow Caledonian University, into same-sex male relationship IPV; believes that LGBTQ+ people experiencing domestic abuse should not be made to feel invisible, and notes that people who have experienced domestic abuse are encouraged to seek the support to which they are entitled.

S6M-12302: Christine Grahame: Global Intergenerational Week 2024 - That the Parliament marks and celebrates Global Intergenerational Week 2024, which will run from 24 to 30 April, led by Generations Working Together; believes that Scotland is a nation that values fairness, equality and community, and what it considers to be the importance of building a society in which people of all ages can live happy, healthy and connected lives; notes the belief that intergenerational work is critical, reinforcing the campaign's 2024 theme, "Intergenerational practice is not just nice, it's essential"; recognises what it sees as the essential role of intergenerational practice in tackling social isolation and loneliness and combatting ageism, in line with recommendations by the World Health Organization in 2023, and supporting the development of young people, instilling in them, it believes, greater confidence and a sense of social responsibility; believes that intergenerational work reinforces Scottish social values, by promoting understanding, empathy and respect between people of different ages; acknowledges what it considers to be the potential social return on investment that intergenerational practice can offer; notes the calls for Scotland to become an "intergenerational nation", and further notes the calls for the Scottish Government, local authorities and all other relevant bodies to prioritise intergenerational work and develop policies and initiatives that promote intergenerational collaboration and understanding, across a range of policy areas, including health and social care, early years and education, and community planning.

S6M-12301: Evelyn Tweed: Increasing Benefits Uptake in the Current Economic Climate - That the Parliament believes that it is important that people are accessing all the benefits that they are entitled to, especially in the current economic climate; notes reports from 2023 that £19 billion of benefits went unclaimed across the UK; understands that some benefits are especially undersubscribed; further understands that 25% of those eligible for the Young Carer Grant do not currently claim it, as well as 39% of those eligible for Funeral Support Payment; notes the encouragement for the people of Scotland, including those in

the Stirling constituency, to ensure that they are receiving all the support that they are eligible for; highlights what it sees as the useful services available, such as Citizens Advice Scotland, Age UK, and various online calculators to help individuals identify benefits that they may be missing out on; understands that Advice Direct Scotland's benefits calculator allows people to check their entitlement to both devolved and reserved benefits, and that it has been used by 56,000 people to identify over £43 million of unclaimed money; believes that a level of stigma is still associated with accessing some benefits; notes the belief that, although great work is underway, more work is required in this area, and recognises the stakeholders that are working to widen access to and reduce the stigma associated with benefits.

S6M-12264: Alexander Stewart: FAST Stroke Detection Guidance - That the Parliament notes the calls for a review of the current FAST stroke detection guidance; understands that the acronym, which stands for "face, arms, speech, time", does not reliably detect all strokes, according to the independent academic evidence cited by the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) in its briefing for the Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee on petition PE2048; further understands that figures suggest that between 8% and 10% of all strokes are missed by FAST, and that, with over 11,250 recorded strokes in Scotland in 2022, this could mean that more than 1,000 strokes are missed by FAST in Scotland each year; considers that further SPICe evidence highlights that what it sees as the updated BE-FAST test, which stands for "balance, eyes, face, arms, speech, time", is more effective at detecting strokes when compared with FAST; notes the calls for the Scottish Government to acknowledge this updated guidance, and to strongly consider issuing this across both NHS and private healthcare providers all over Scotland; commends Mid Scotland and Fife constituent, Selena Bundy, and her family for what it sees as their tireless efforts in raising awareness of BE-FAST and all stroke symptoms, following the sudden death of Selena's husband, Anthony Bundy, in 2023, and sends its deepest condolences to Mrs Bundy and her family for the tragic loss of their loving husband and father.

S6M-12232: Pam Gosal: International Women's Day - That the Parliament recognises International Women's Day, taking place on 8 March 2024; welcomes the 2024 theme, "Inspire Inclusion"; understands that the first International Women's Day was held in March 1911, and that it is a day of collective global activism and celebration that belongs to all of those committed to forging women's equality; believes that, in order to truly include women, one must embrace the diversity of women in terms of race, age, ability and body image; recognises the critical value of women, and work towards the inclusion of women and girls; notes the belief that this can be achieved in a number of ways, such as by promoting women's economic empowerment, assisting women and girls in assuming leadership and decision-making roles in business and STEM fields, designing and constructing infrastructure that meets the needs of women and girls, and much more; acknowledges what it sees as the importance of fostering an environment of inclusion that uplifts and empowers women from all walks of life, and notes the calls on MSPs to commit to working towards a more equitable and diverse society.

S6M-12209: Jamie Halcro Johnston: 200th Anniversary of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution - That the Parliament congratulates the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) on celebrating the 200th anniversary of its formation in 1824, and on the remarkable achievements of the RNLI in saving over 144,000 lives throughout its history; recognises the bravery and commitment of RNLI personnel throughout the 238 lifeboat stations across the UK and Ireland, and the RNLI lifeguards on over 240 beaches, who watch over Scotland's coastal communities and are ready to help those in trouble at sea; remembers all those RNLI crew members who have been lost risking their lives to save the lives of others; acknowledges what it sees as the huge respect in which Scotland, as a maritime nation, holds the RNLI, nowhere more so than in communities across the Highlands and Islands,

which have a strong relationship with the sea; further acknowledges the contribution of all those who help to support the work of the RNLI, from fundraisers to volunteers, and wishes the RNLI every success for the future as it continues with its vital mission of saving lives at sea.

S6M-12169: Richard Leonard: Marking the 40th Anniversary of the Miners' Strike -

That the Parliament notes that 12 March 2024 marks the 40th anniversary of the official start of the 1984-85 miners' strike; considers that this strike was, without parallel, the most significant industrial dispute since the 1926 general strike; believes that miners took action in defence of jobs, communities and a very way of life; considers that the full force of the state was deployed against the miners and their trade union, the National Union of Mineworkers, but that they stood steadfast for a full year; believes that the strike could not have endured without public support, including from women's groups, the lesbian and gay community, trade unions and workers across the world; deplores what it sees as the injustices towards miners and their communities during and since the strike; notes the belief that there is continuing need for investment in mining communities, and further notes the call for a public inquiry into the policing of the strike.

S6M-12165: David Torrance: Celebrating 125 Years of Learning with Fife College -

That the Parliament celebrates the 125th anniversary of Fife College, the first ever college to be set up in Fife following the opening of the Lauder Technical College in 1899; understands that local politician and businessman, George Lauder, established the college with funding from his nephew, the famous industrialist, Andrew Carnegie; believes that, for 125 years, the provision of college education in Fife has offered opportunities for thousands of students and benefited the people, communities, and businesses of the area; further believes that the 125th anniversary will be celebrated through a series of special events and initiatives, each of which will pay tribute to what it sees as the incredible legacy of those who laid the groundwork for the success of Fife College all those years ago; notes the launch of a new 125th anniversary scholarship programme to "empower and support" students in their educational journey, while the college builds upon its relationships with institutions in the USA as it aims to explore mutually beneficial opportunities and continue the legacy of its founding benefactors; welcomes the series of events planned for across Fife, which will highlight its alumni programme to celebrate the achievements of former students who have since gone on to make their mark across the globe; further notes the planned revival of the annual Lauder Lecture, coinciding with the college's birthday in October 2024; considers that the event will serve as a platform for thought leaders to share insights and knowledge, embodying the spirit of George Lauder's commitment to education; understands that the aims of the college remain the same today as they did 125 years ago, and that they are to provide opportunity for all, to deliver outstanding education and training, to contribute to the economic prosperity of the region and its communities, and to help students, staff and the communities that it serves to be the best that they can be; commends what it sees as the hard work and dedication of all staff, past and present, and wishes everyone at Fife College a bright future.

S6M-12082: Alexander Burnett: National Lyme Disease Awareness Month -

That the Parliament recognises that May 2024 marks Lyme Disease Awareness Month, which aims to raise awareness of the disease in order to improve prevention, diagnosis and treatment; understands that Lyme disease is a bacterial infection that can be spread to humans by infected ticks; recognises that cases of Lyme disease have been reported across Scotland, but that diagnosis and treatment of the disease can be difficult and complex due to varying symptoms, including a "bullseye" bite, rash, fatigue and flu-like symptoms; notes the importance of early diagnosis and access to antibiotic treatment, as in some cases Lyme disease can have long-term symptoms impacting someone's health, including memory problems, joint and nerve pain and heart problems, and further notes the view that there is

still much more progress to be made in educating medical professionals across Scotland to help improve detection of the disease, as well as spreading public health information on how to prevent and treat Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses.

S6M-11811: Jamie Greene: Protecting Bank Branches for Rural and Island

Communities - That the Parliament expresses concern at reports of the further closure of more bank branches in rural and island communities across Scotland; understands that face-to-face branches will be closed on both the islands of Arran and Great Cumbrae, leaving islanders on Cumbrae with no physical bank branch on the island whatsoever, with just one to remain open on Arran; further understands that, on 29 November 2023, Lloyds Banking Group announced the closure of four further Bank of Scotland branches in Kilcreggan, Bowmore, Tarbert and Glasgow Byres Road, also announcing a significant reduction and removal of mobile banking facilities from May 2024; believes that high street banks have a social, financial and economic responsibility to the communities that they serve, and that the removal of banking services from rural areas and islands often comes with specific and unique adverse effects on local economies; understands that rural and island businesses are often more likely to have a greater reliance on cash than in urban economies; notes the outcome of the Financial Lives 2022 survey by the Financial Conduct Authority, which found that the digitally excluded, older people, people in poor health and those with lower financial resilience depend more on access to cash; understands that the Financial Conduct Authority is holding a public consultation on how it can support access to cash in an increasingly digital world, and that participation in this consultation is encouraged before it closes on 8 February 2024, and notes the belief that, while overall regulation of the banking sector is contained in UK-wide legislation and through the Financial Conduct Authority, it is both sensible and helpful for all devolved administrations, governments and political representatives of varying political interests to express directly the collective concerns over these proposed cuts to retail banks, and to work constructively together to ensure that the banking sector not only abides by its regulatory requirements, but also meets the social and moral duties that elected representatives have come to expect from the industry in the best interest of their constituents and communities.

Record of Members' Business taken by the Parliament since 8 June 2021

Date	MSP	Party	Subject
8 June 2021	Jim Fairlie	SNP	Impact on Scottish Agriculture of Tariff-free Trade Deals
9 June 2021	Neil Gray	SNP	Social Justice and Fairness Commission Report
15 June 2021	Douglas Ross	CON	The Campaign to Restore the Consultant-led Maternity Unit at Dr Gray's, Elgin
16 June 2021	Monica Lennon	LAB	Historical Forced Adoption
22 June 2021	Bob Doris	SNP	MND Scotland (40 th Anniversary)
23 June 2021	Alasdair Allan	SNP	National Gaelic Language Plan
31 August 2021	Rachael Hamilton	CON	Success of Great Borders River Clean
1 September 2021	Emma Harper	SNP	100 Years of Insulin

2 September 2021	Paul Sweeney	LAB	Our Factory, Our Future, the Fight to Save McVitie's at Tollcross, Glasgow
7 September 2021	Alasdair Allan	SNP	Reserved Board Seats for Islanders
8 September 2021	Brian Whittle	CON	Team GB Success
9 September 2022	Christine Grahame	SNP	Mineworkers' Pension Scheme
14 September 2021	Karen Adam	SNP	2020 Tokyo Paralympics
15 September 2021	Maggie Chapman	GRN	A Just Transition for Torry
16 September 2021	Miles Briggs	CON	SCVO Creates its 10,000 th CJS Job in Scotland's Voluntary Sector
21 September 2021	Michael Marra	LAB	Action on Brain Injury in Football
22 September	Stuart McMillan	SNP	National Eye Health Week 2021
23 September 2021	Siobhian Brown	SNP	FASD Awareness Day – 9 September
28 September 2021	Jamie Halcro Johnston	CON	Ambulance Services Across Scotland
29 September 2021	Fulton MacGregor	SNP	Alleviating Poverty Associated with the Purchase of School Uniforms in Scotland
30 September 2021	Rhoda Grant	LAB	Community Wealth and the Emergence of "Green Lairds".
5 October 2021	Gordon MacDonald	SNP	Big Noise Programme in Wester Hailes
6 October 2021	Donald Cameron	CON	Rest and Be Thankful
7 October 2021	Paul McLennan	SNP	World Mental Health Day 2021
26 October 2021	Clare Adamson	SNP	UK Malnutrition Awareness Week 2021, Malnutrition in Older People
27 October 2021	Jamie Halcro Johnston	CON	Recognising the Importance of Scotland's Ferry Services
28 October 2021	Mercedes Villalba	LAB	The Need for an Offshore Training Passport
2 November 2021	Collette Stevenson	SNP	Improving Support and Ending the Stigma of the Menopause
3 November 2021	Elena Whitham	SNP	A Model for Scotland, the Campaign for Prostitution Law Reform in Scotland
4 November 2021	Gillian Mackay	GRN	Abortion Clinic Buffer Zones
9 November 2021	Alex Cole-Hamilton	LD	Long Covid as a Condition of Concern
10 November 2021	Alexander Stewart	CON	100 Years of the Poppy in the UK

11 November 2021	Fiona Hyslop	SNP	Publication of the Communiqué Setting Out the Conclusions of the Glasgow Climate Dialogues
16 November 2021	Emma Harper	SNP	World COPD Day 2021
17 November 2021	Clare Adamson	SNP	Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month
18 November 2021	Stephen Kerr	CON	Road Safety in Falkirk
23 November 2021	Foysol Choudhury	LAB	Linking Food and Climate Change at COP26
24 November 2021	David Torrance	SNP	Mouth Cancer Action Month 2021
25 November 2021	Gillian Martin	SNP	Carbon Capture Utilisation and Storage as Part of Scotland's Net Zero Ambitions
30 November 2021	Jim Fairlie	SNP	Lamb for St Andrew's Day Campaign
1 December 2021	Jamie Greene	CON	World AIDS Day 2021
2 December 2021	Pam Duncan-Glancy	LAB	International Day of Disabled People
7 December 2021	Paul McLennan	SNP	16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence
8 December 2021	Graham Simpson	CON	East Kilbride Rail Line Dualling
9 December 2021	Fulton MacGregor	SNP	Human Rights Day 2021
14 December 2021	Jenni Minto	SNP	Importance of Community Defibrillators
15 December 2021	Mark Ruskell	GRN	Protecting Rural Bus Services
16 December 2021	Craig Hoy	CON	Edington Hospital
21 December 2021	Sarah Boyack	LAB	Ending Pharmaceutical Monopolies of Covid-19 Vaccines
22 December 2021	Emma Harper	SNP	Dumfries City Status
11 January 2022	Rachael Hamilton	CON	Endometriosis
12 January 2022	Fulton MacGregor	SNP	Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service
13 January 2022	Martin Whitfield	LAB	Championing the Right to Holistic Family Support
18 January 2022	Stuart McMillan	SNP	Scottish History in Schools
19 January 2022	Alexander Stewart	CON	The ASDA Foundation and its Community Work

20 2022	January	Bill Kidd	SNP	NPT Review Conference and Anniversary of TPNW Entry Into Force
25 2022	January	Jackie Dunbar	SNP	My Breath is My Life
26 2022	January	Katy Clark	LAB	Domestic Abuse Charges
27 2022 (FMQs)	January	Jackson Carlaw	CON	Holocaust Memorial Day to be Marked on 27 January 2022
27 2022 (DT)	January	Rona Mackay	SNP	Support for the 70/30 Campaign to Reduce ACES by 2030
1 2022	February	Jackie Baillie	LAB	World Cancer Day 2022
2 2022	February	Evelyn Tweed	SNP	Response to Storm Arwen in Stirling and Future Resilience Planning
3 2022	February	Ariane Burgess	GRN	Revitalising Coastal Communities
8 2022	February	Alex Cole-Hamilton	LD	Future of the BBC
9 2022	February	Stephen Kerr	CON	Commemorating the 70 th Anniversary of the Accession to the Throne of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
10 2022	February	Ruth Maguire	SNP	Online Pimping
22 2022	February	Jim Fairlie	SNP	Redundancies at OVO Energy
23 2022	February	Karen Adam	SNP	Celebrating LGBT History Month
24 2022	February	Craig Hoy	CON	Decommissioning of Torness Nuclear Power Station
1 March 2022		Emma Harper	SNP	Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2022
2 March 2022		Alasdair Allan	SNP	Epilepsy and Employment in Scotland
3 March 2022		Michelle Thomson	SNP	International Women's Day 2022: Break the Bias
8 March 2022		Pam Gosal	CON	Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2022
9 March 2022		Jenni Minto	SNP	Recognition of Dr Elsie Inglis
10 March 2022		Alex Rowley	LAB	Longstanding Underpayment of Social Care Staff
15 March 2022		Gillian Martin	SNP	Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2022
16 March 2022		Maurice Golden	CON	Tackling Dog Theft
17 March 2022		Clare Adamson	SNP	Fair Trade Pledge
22 March 2022		Evelyn Tweed	SNP	Scottish Tourism Month 2022
23 March 2022		Ross Greer	GRN	Industrial Relations in the College Sector

24 March 2022	Miles Briggs	CON	World Tuberculosis Day 2022
29 March 2022	Sarah Boyack	LAB	Commonwealth Day 2022 on 14 March 2022
30 March 2022	Marie McNair	SNP	Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month
31 March 2022	Kaukab Stewart	SNP	Impacts of Benefit Sanctions
19 April 2022	Jeremy Balfour	CON	Welcoming the Down Syndrome Bill
20 April 2022	Joe FitzPatrick	SNP	Sexism in Football
21 April 2022	Katy Clark	LAB	Keeping CalMac Public and Publicly-Owned Ferry Services
26 April 2022	David Torrance	SNP	MS Awareness Week 2022
27 April 2022	Graham Simpson	CON	Honouring Emergency Workers
28 April 2022	Jackie Dunbar	SNP	Global Intergenerational Week 2022
3 May 2022	Russell Findlay	CON	World Press Freedom Day
4 May 2022	Audrey Nicoll	SNP	International Day of the Midwife, 100 Years of Progress
10 May 2022	Michelle Thomson	SNP	Women in Business
11 May 2022	Emma Roddick	SNP	LGBTQ+ People's Experience of Alcohol Services in Scotland
12 May 2022	Maggie Chapman	GRN	Supporting Striking University Staff
12 May 2022	Jackie Baillie	LAB	Celebrating Nurses on International Nurses Day
17 May 2022	Beatrice Wishart	LD	Protecting Marine Wildlife During Ordnance Removal
18 May 2022	Tess White	CON	Improving the Disaster Response to Serious Weather Events
19 May 2022	Fiona Hyslop	SNP	Celebrating the 200 th Anniversary of the Union Canal and its Contribution to Scotland
24 May 2022	Clare Adamson	SNP	R.B. Cunninghame Graham and Scotland: Party, Prose and Political Aesthetic
25 May 2022	Fergus Ewing	SNP	Scotland's Fair Share, the Potential of Solar Energy in Scotland
26 May 2022	Sharon Dowey	CON	Marking the 40 th Anniversary of the Liberation of the Falkland Islands
31 May 2022	Colin Smyth	LAB	Ethical Principles in Wildlife Management
1 June 2022	Collette Stevenson	SNP	Access to Cannabis-based Products for Medicinal Use

7 June 2022	Sue Webber	CON	Economic Value of Medical Charity Research in Scotland
8 June 2022	Graeme Dey	SNP	Commemorating 40 Years Since the Falklands War
9 June 2022	Rhoda Grant	LAB	NHS Staff Recruitment and Retention
9 June 2022	Bill Kidd	SNP	Making Scotland hostile to trafficking and a safe place for Ukrainian Refugees
14 June 2022	Alasdair Allan	SNP	Supporting Great Bernera's Community Land Buyout
15 June 2022	Meghan Gallacher	CON	Better Protection for Scotland's War Memorials
16 June 2022	Christine Grahame	SNP	Men Don't Talk
21 June 2022	Bob Doris	SNP	MND Scotland Report, No Time to Lose: Addressing the Housing Needs of People with MND
22 June 2022	Ross Greer	GRN	Save Loch Lomond
23 June 2022	Douglas Lumsden	CON	Celebrating Success of Rugby in Scotland
29 June 2022	John Mason	SNP	Scotland's Companies
30 June 2022	Marie McNair	SNP	Action Mesothelioma Day 2022
30 June 2022	Michael Marra	LAB	Dundee Drugs Commission Review Report
6 September 2022	Liz Smith	CON	Team Scotland at the 2022 Commonwealth Games
7 September	Kaukab Stewart	SNP	Changing the Boundaries – Ending Institutional Racism in Sport
8 September	Rhoda Grant	LAB	Fair Tax Week
21 September 2022	Alexander Stewart	CON	NHS Out-of-hours GP Services
22 September 2022	Ruth Maguire	SNP	Ardeer Girls Take Centre Stage
22 September 2022	Clare Adamson	SNP	Gas Safety Week 2022, The Hidden Dangers
27 September 2022	Kenneth Gibson	SNP	Adopt a Road
28 September 2022	Pam Gosal	CON	Congratulating Scottish Universities on Research Excellence Framework
29 September 2022	Daniel Johnson	LAB	Mesh Treatment Clarity
4 October 2022	Elena Whitham	SNP	Challenge Poverty Week 2022
6 October 2022	Mark Ruskell	GRN	Greyhound Racing in Scotland
25 October 2022	Gordon MacDonald	SNP	20 th Year of The BIG Project
26 October 2022	Alex Cole-Hamilton	LD	Sewage and Scotland's Waters

27 October 2022	Murdo Fraser	CON	The MOD coming Back to Perth
1 November 2022	Siobhan Brown	SNP	World Menopause Month
2 November 2022	Alasdair Allan	SNP	Western Isled Interconnector
3 November 2022	Miles Briggs	CON	Cancer Card
3 November 2022	Carol Mochan	LAB	Allied Health Professions Day 2022
8 November 2022	Stephen Kerr	CON	A Potato with more Vitamin C Than a Lemon
9 November 2022	Stuart McMillan	SNP	Greenock and Inverclyde Faced with Higher Forecourt Prices than the rest of Scotland
10 November 2022	Emma Roddick	SNP	Mental Health Stigma in the Workplace
15 November 2022	Alexander Burnett	CON	Improving Outcomes for People with Neurological Conditions
16 November 2022	Bill Kidd	SNP	Co-op. SAMH, Mind and Inspire's Together Through Tough Times Report
17 November 2022	Katy Clark	LAB	Higher Education Workers' Dispute
22 November 2022	Christine Grahame	SNP	Brexit's Impact on Inflation
23 November 2022	Pam Gosal	CON	Recognising the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
24 November 2022	Paul McLennan	SNP	The Economic Impact of Scotland's Renewable Energy Sector – 2022 Update
29 November 2022	Clare Adamson	SNP	Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month 2022
30 November 2022	Gillian Mackay	GRN	Stroke Association's Report, Keeping Stroke Recoveries in Mind, Launched on World Stroke Day
1 December 2022	Michelle Thomson	SNP	Small Business Saturday
6 December 2022	Paul O'Kane	LAB	Carer's Rights Day 2022
7 December 2022	Jackie Dunbar	SNP	#IWILL WEEK 2022
8 December 2022	Bob Doris	SNP	How Will We Survive: Steps to Preventing Destitution in the Asylum System
13 December 2022	Graham Simpson	CON	Free Rail Travel for Blind and Partially Sighted People and Companions
14 December 2022	Emma Harper	SNP	Transforming Scotland's Vacant and Derelict Sites

15 December 2022	Pam Duncan Glancy	LAB	UNISON Year of Disabled Workers 2022
22 December 2022	Douglas Ross	CON	Maternity Services at Dr Gray's
10 January 2023	Fulton Macgregor	SNP	Programme Promoting the Benefits of Shared Parenting
11 January 2023	Finlay Carson	CON	Long and Short Term Improvements Required on A75
12 January 2023	Richard Leonard	LAB	Caledonian Sleeper Service
12 January 2023	Stephanie Callaghan	SNP	Circular Fashion: Looping the Thread
17 January 2023	Evelyn Tweed	SNP	Ferrier Family Raises £30,280.90 for Cardiomyopathy UK
18 January 2023	Gordon MacDonald	SNP	Developing an Economy Driven by New Robotic Technology at Heriot-Watt University
19 January 2023	Maggie Chapman	GRN	Fire Brigades Union DECON Campaign
25 January 2023	Meghan Gallacher	CON	Future of Childcare
26 January 2023	Fergus Ewing	SNP	Holocaust Memorial Day 2023
31 January 2023	Siobhan Brown	SNP	Concern Regarding Youth Vaping
01 February 2023	Paul McLennan	SNP	Heart Month
02 February 2023	Sue Webber	CON	Scottish Government Commissioned Review of ME Services and Future Action
02 February 2023	Jim Fairlie	SNP	Male Suicide in Scotland
07 February 2023	Martin Whitfield	LAB	UNCR (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill
08 February 2023	Ruth Maguire	SNP	Cervical Cancer Prevention Week
08 February 2023	Michael Marra	LAB	Final Report of the Independent Oversight and Assurance Group on Tayside's Mental Health Services
09 February 2023	Emma Roddick	SNP	UK Income Inequality
21 February 2023	Russell Findlay	CON	Victims Awareness Week: Championing the Rights of Crime Victims
22 February 2023	Jenni Minto	SNP	Special Tribunal on Russian Aggression in Ukraine
23 February 2023	Alex Cole Hamilton	LD	Chinese State Surveillance

28 February 2023	Joe Fitzpatrick	SNP	Celebrating LGBT+ History Month
1 March 2023	Craig Hoy	CON	Scotland's Hospitality and Brewing Sector
2 March 2023	Kenneth Gibson	SNP	Eating Disorder Awareness Week 2023
7 March 2023	Rona Mackay	SNP	The Cost to Families of Imprisonment and Release
8 March 2023	Ross Greer	GRN	Save Loch Lomond
9 March 2023	Roz McCall	CON	Scotland's Forgotten Children
14 March 2023	Jackie Baillie	LAB	International Long Covid Day
15 March 2023	John Mason	SNP	Promoting the Benefits of Camping
16 March 2023	Gillian Martin	SNP	Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2023
21 March 2023	Jamie Halcro Johnston	CON	Road Improvements and the Dualling of the A9
22 March 2023	Jenni Minto	SNP	100 Years of the BBC in Scotland
23 March 2023	Pauline McNeil	LAB	Supporting Taxi Drivers
28 March 2023	Christine Grahame	SNP	St Andrew's Children's Society
29 March 2023	Liam Kerr	CON	Scotland's Courts Maintenance Backlog
18 April 2023	Emma Harper	SNP	Wear a Hat Day 2023
19 April 2023	Alexander Stewart	CON	Healthy Ageing in Scotland
20 April 2023	Foyso Choudhury	LAB	Damp Housing in Scotland
20 April 2023	Kenneth Gibson	SNP	Bringing back the Eurasian Lynx to Scotland
25 April 2023	Christine Grahame	SNP	Global Intergenerational Week 2023
26 April 2023	Stephanie Callaghan	SNP	Celebrating Autism Acceptance
27 April 2023	Ariane Burgess	GRN	Community-led Housing Supporting a Sustainable Future
2 May 2023	Beatrice Wishart	LD	Highly Protected Marine Areas
3 May 2023	Sharon Dowey	CON	Impact of Long Term Historical Site Closure Managed by Historic Environment Scotland
4 May 2023	Bill Kidd	SNP	Firefighters Memorial Day 2023
9 May 2023	Jackie Dunbar	SNP	VAT Burn Campaign
10 May 2023	Fiona Hyslop	SNP	Future of St Michael's Hospital in Linlithgow
11 May 2023	Rachael Hamilton	CON	Supporting Mental Health in Rural Communities
16 May 2023	Rhoda Grant	LAB	The Clearances Again

17 May 2023	Evelyn Tweed	SNP	Lyme Disease Awareness Month
18 May 2023	Rona Mackay	SNP	Supporting Forster Carers in the Workplace
23 May 2023	Jackson Carlaw	CON	East Renfrewshire Good Causes
24 May 2023	David Torrance	SNP	Race For Life Celebrates 30yr Anniversary
25 May 2023	Colin Smyth	LAB	Justice for Fornethy House
30 May 2023	Keith Brown	SNP	Protecting Devolution and the Scottish Parliament
31 May 2023	Murdo Fraser	CON	Dewars Centre in Perth
1 June 2023	Audrey Nicoll	SNP	Increasing the Participation of Women and Girls in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.
6 June 2023	Michelle Thomson	SNP	Tercentenary of Adam Smith
7 June 2023	Mark Ruskell	GRN	Transforming Local Bus Services
8 June 2023	Jeremy Balfour	CON	Ensuring that Late-diagnosed Deaf Children Get the Support the Need
13 June 2023	Katy Clark	LAB	Women Prisoners
14 June 2023	Stuart McMillan	SNP	Scotland's Liver Crisis
15 June 2023	Emma Harper	SNP	World Asthma Day
20 June 2023	Alexander Burnett	CON	Ensuring a Just Transition for Rural Communities
22 June 2023	Mercedes Villalba	LAB	Deconcentrating Land Ownership
27 June 2023	Alasdair Allan	SNP	Epilepsy Scotland Report, Epilepsy on the Mind
28 June 2023	Russell Findlay	CON	50th Anniversary of the Murder of Margaret McLaughlin
29 June 2023	Marie McNair	SNP	Action Mesothelioma Day 2023
29 June 2023	Clare Adamson	SNP	Drowning Prevention Week 2023
6 September 2023	Christine Graham	SNP	NHS Borders Paediatric Ambulatory Care Unit Celebrates 20 th Anniversary
7 September 2023	Liz Smith	CON	Save our Pools Campaign
8 September 2023	Carol Mochan	LAB	Investing in Alcohol Services to Reduce Alcohol Related Harm in Scotland
12 September 2023	Bob Doris	SNP	Tackling Child Poverty
13 September 2023	Rona Mackay	SNP	Opening of Scotland's First Bairn's Hoose
14 September 2023	Gillian Mackay	GRN	Environmental Impact of Disposable Vapes

19 September 2023	Willie Rennie	LD	Consultation on Proposed Council Tax Rises
20 September 2023	Meghan Gallacher	CON	Maternity Services in Scotland
21 September 2023	Jackie Dunbar	SNP	World Rivers Day 2023
26 September 2023	Keith Brown	SNP	Devolution of Employment Law
27 September 2023	Kate Forbes	SNP	Rural Visa Pilot Scheme
28 September 2023	Miles Briggs	CON	See Beyond - See the Lives - Scotland
3 October 2023	Claire Baker	LAB	Our Kids Won't Wait Campaign
4 October 2023	Edward Mountain	CON	Stoma Care in Scotland
5 October 2023	John Swinney	SNP	Welcoming the Impact of Climate Cafes
24 October 2023	Collette Stevenson	SNP	Challenge Poverty Week
25 October 2023	Maggie Chapman	GRN	Climate Justice and Support for a Global Loss and Damage Fund
26 October 2023	Paul Sweeney	LAB	Free Bus Travel for People Seeking Asylum
31 October 2023	Katy Clark	LAB	Fire Service Cuts
1 November 2023	Clare Adamson	SNP	Scottish Games Week
2 November 2023	Bill Kidd	SNP	Nuclear Weapons Free Europe
7 November 2023	Finlay Carson	CON	Welcoming the Contribution of Rural Estates to Scotland's Wellbeing Economy
8 November 2023	Gordon MacDonald	SNP	Contribution of the Scottish Convenience Store Sector
9 November 2023	Daniel Johnson	LAB	Increase in Youth Anti-Social Behaviour
14 November 2023	Stuart McMillan	SNP	Children's Grief Awareness Week 2023
15 November 2023	Willie Coffey	SNP	Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month
16 November 2023	Paul O'Kane	LAB	Dying in the Margins
21 November 2023	Colin Beattie	SNP	Holodomor Memorial Day 2023
22 November 2023	Jackson Carlaw	CON	Calderwood Lodge Primary School 60-year Celebration
23 November 2023	Martin Whitfield	LAB	Keeping the Promise Oversight Board Report

28 November 2023	Clare Haughey	SNP	World AIDS Day 2023
29 November 2023	Kenneth Gibson	SNP	Celebrating Age Scotland's 80th Anniversary
30 November 2023	Mark Ruskell	GRN	Restoring Nature to Tackle Climate Change
5 December 2023	Beatrice Wishart	LD	Future Island and Rural Transport Infrastructure
6 December 2023	Sue Webber	CON	Charitable Hospice Care to Meet Future Need
7 December 2023	John Swinney	SNP	Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Katharine Stewart-Murray, Duchess of Atholl's Election to the UK Parliament
12 December 2023	Kaukab Stewart	SNP	75th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights
13 December 2023	Keith Brown	SNP	Fighting With Pride and Advocacy for LGBT+ Veterans
14 December 2023	Graham Simpson	CON	Antisocial Behaviour on Buses
19 December 2023	Alex Rowley	LAB	Supporting the Work of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust
20 December 2023	Clare Adamson	SNP	Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Awareness Month
21 December 2023	Bob Doris	SNP	75 Years of Marie Curie
9 January 2024	Jeremy Balfour	CON	Addressing the Availability of Changing Places Toilets
10 January 2024	Collette Stevenson	SNP	Protecting FCDO Jobs in East Kilbride
11 January 2024	Rhoda Grant	LAB	Bank of Scotland Ending Mobile Branch Services across Scotland
16 January 2024	Kevin Stewart	SNP	Languages at the University of Aberdeen
17 January 2024	Brian Whittle	CON	Recognising the Success of HMP Kilmarnock
18 January 2024	Ruth Maguire	SNP	International Insights, A Model for Scotland
23 January 2024	Emma Harper	SNP	The Role of the British-Irish Parliamentary Assembly
24 January 2024	Ariane Burgess	GRN	Celebrating Scotland's National Native Woodlands
25 January 2024	Paul O'Kane	LAB	Holocaust Memorial Day 2024
30 January 2024	Richard Leonard	LAB	Recognising the Contribution of Michael (Mick) McGahey
31 January 2024	Ben Macpherson	SNP	Enhancing Scottish Football
1 February 2024	Kenneth Gibson	SNP	Lifting the £50 Million Charity Cap

6 February 2024	Donald Cameron	CON	Celebrating the Work of Dunoon Grammar School
7 February 2024	Rona Mackay	SNP	Definition of Deafblindness
8 February 2024	Stephen Kerr	CON	The Future of the Grangemouth Oil Refinery
20 February 2024	Gordon MacDonald	SNP	Gas and Electricity Standing Charges
21 February 2024	Douglas Lumsden	CON	Declaration to Triple Nuclear Energy Launched at COP28
22 February 2024	Ivan McKee	SNP	Immediate Ceasefire in Palestine and Israel
27 February 2024	Stuart McMillan	SNP	McClure Solicitors
28 February 2024	Sharon Dowey	CON	Local Infrastructure and Rural Connectivity on the A77 and A75
29 February 2024	Paul Sweeney	LAB	Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2024
5 March 2024	Emma Harper	SNP	Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2024
6 March 2024	Keith Brown	SNP	Congratulating the University of Stirling on the Launch of its Winning Students 100 Programme
7 March 2024	Mark Ruskell	GRN	Site-specific Just Transition for Mossmorran
12 March 2024	Willie Rennie	LD	Flood Management
13 March 2024	Sandesh Gulhane	CON	International Long Covid Awareness Day 2024
14 March 2024	Karen Adam	SNP	Young Carers Action Day 2024
19 March 2024	n/a	SNP	Cancelled due to Parliamentary Business – to be rescheduled at a future date
20 March 2024	Kate Forbes	SNP	The Economic Contribution of the Third Sector in Scotland
21 March 2024	Douglas Ross	CON	Save Our Surgeries - Burghead and Hopeman
26 March 2024	Foysoil Choudhury	LAB	Brain Tumour Awareness Month
27 March 2024	Audrey Nicoll	SNP	The Economic Impact of Scotland's Renewable Energy Sector – 2023 Update
28 March 2024	Christine Grahame	SNP	Congratulating Crystal FM Penicuik as the Best Community Radio Broadcaster at the SME News Scottish Enterprise Awards
16 April 2024	Oliver Mundell	CON	Putting Langholm on the Map
17 April 2024	Ivan McKee	SNP	Celebrating Scotland's Iconic Scotch Whisky Industry

18 April 2024	Pauline McNeill	LAB	Prison Officers Association Campaign, 68 is Too Late
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Record of Members' Business taken by the Parliament in Session 6

Party	SNP	CON	LAB	GRN	LD	Alba	TOTAL
Frequency (no)	153	71	48	18	9	0	299
Frequency %	51	24	16	6	3	0	100

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