# 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 13 March 2025

5. The annexe lists all motions marked for Members' Business which are over six weeks old (i.e. those lodged on or before 13 March 2025) and includes the number of supporters and date of the most recent registration of support.

6. Based on the criteria in paragraph 3 it is recommended that the following motion from the attached list be considered for retention—

   - S6M-16503: Michael Marra: Wraparound Care for Children with Additional Support Needs – selected for Member's Business.

7. Business Managers should indicate at the Bureau meeting if they wish to retain any of the other motions in the annexe.

## Conclusion

8. The Bureau is invited to agree any motions to be retained.

Parliamentary Business Team
May 2025

| Reference | Member Name | Date Lodged | Title | Total Support | Date Last Supported |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| S6M-15136 | Smyth, Colin | 06/11/2024 | Justice for the Fornethy Survivors | 13 | 20/11/2024 |
| S6M-15164 | Johnson, Daniel | 01/11/2024 | Concerning Figures About Violence Against Public Service Staff Set Out in Unison Scotland Report | 2 | 04/11/2024 |
| S6M-15898 | Whitham, Elena | 18/12/2024 | No Rollback on Housing Rights | 12 | 16/01/2025 |
| S6M-16094 | Doris, Bob | 14/01/2025 | Celebrating 50 Years of Summerston | 19 | 05/02/2025 |
| S6M-16154 | Clark, Katy | 21/01/2025 | ScotRail's Plans to Reduce Ticket Office Opening Hours | 15 | 20/03/2025 |
| S6M-16194 | Whitham, Elena | 22/01/2025 | Common Ground Forum on Deer | 12 | 29/01/2025 |
| S6M-16212 | Sweeney, Paul | 24/01/2025 | International Year of Co-operatives | 26 | 20/03/2025 |
| S6M-16219 | Villalba, Mercedes | 27/01/2025 | Amnesty International Report Accuses Israel of Genocide Against Palestinians in Gaza | 10 | 20/03/2025 |
| S6M-16354 | Kerr, Stephen | 07/02/2025 | Blackness Primary School Faces Closure | 20 | 17/04/2025 |
| S6M-16432 | Macpherson, Ben | 18/02/2025 | Scotland's Seabirds | 26 | 20/03/2025 |
| S6M-16452 | Dowey, Sharon | 13/02/2025 | Improving Access to Hearing Care for Scotland’s Ageing Population | 28 | 20/03/2025 |
| S6M-16503 | Marra, Michael | 17/02/2025 | Wraparound Care for Children with Additional Support Needs | 8 | 26/02/2025 |
| S6M-16557 | McMillan, Stuart | 05/03/2025 | Bladder Cancer in Scotland | 23 | 31/03/2025 |
| S6M-16558 | Roddick, Emma | 25/02/2025 | The Campaign for a Highland Tartan Act | 15 | 26/02/2025 |
| S6M-16615 | Stevenson, Collette | 27/02/2025 | Concerns Over UK Government Foreign Aid Reductions | 17 | 21/03/2025 |
| S6M-16621 | Grahame, Christine | 27/02/2025 | Stow Station House Celebrates | 17 | 13/03/2025 |