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 26 January 2026

5. The annexe lists all motions marked for Members' Business which are over six weeks old (i.e. those lodged on or before 26 January 2026) 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 retained—

   - S6M-20447: Fulton MacGregor: Awareness and Support for People Affected by PANS and PANDAS in Scotland

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
February 2026

Reference	Member Name	Date Lodged	Title	Total Support	Date Last Supported
S6M-19207	Mason, John	02/10/2025	Nature Champions Initiative	39	21/11/2025
S6M-20262	Torrance, David	19/12/2025	Lang Toun Cycles Community Bike Shop	1	21/12/2025
S6M-20263	Torrance, David	19/12/2025	Sportscotland Scottish Sports Awards 2025	1	21/12/2025
S6M-20264	Torrance, David	19/12/2025	Creative Coven	0	
S6M-20371	Torrance, David	16/01/2026	Kirkcaldy YMCA Marks Milestone 140th Anniversary	15	25/02/2026
S6M-20434	Gibson, Kenneth	15/01/2026	Towards the Fourth Anniversary of Russia's Full-scale Invasion of Ukraine	16	17/02/2026
S6M-20447	MacGregor, Fulton	15/01/2026	Awareness and Support for People Affected by PANS and PANDAS in Scotland	34	24/02/2026
S6M-20497	Whittle, Brian	20/01/2026	Sport and Activity as a Force for Good	26	10/02/2026