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 December is as follows–

Week beginning	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**
9 November	REF	LAB*	LAB
16 November	CON	SNP	SNP
23 November	SNP	REF	LD
30 November	SNP	GRN	LAB
7 December	SNP	CON	SNP
14 December	SNP	SNP	SNP
Recess – 19 December 2026 to 2 January 2027			

*parties agreed to swap

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

S7M-01909: Clare Adamson: Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month 2026— That the Parliament marks Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month, which is held annually in November, and World Pancreatic Cancer Day on 19 November 2026; acknowledges previous Members' debates on pancreatic cancer, which have highlighted a need for the condition to be recognised as an urgent health priority; commends the work of charitable organisations over the past decade to raise awareness, improve outcomes and support those affected by what it understands to be Scotland's deadliest common cancer; recognises progress in recent years, including promising research into earlier diagnosis and greater recognition of cancers with lower survival rates; notes the view that further work is needed to secure sustainable funding for nationally consistent, best-practice pathways for pancreatic cancer diagnosis, treatment and care, ensuring long-term improvements for patients across Scotland; acknowledges the potential of transformative innovations, including breath tests and personalised medicine, and the importance of policy leadership in supporting their integration into standard clinical practice; notes the view that all patients in Scotland should benefit from the provisions of the UK legislation, the Rare Cancers Act 2026, including improved access to clinical trials and new treatments; acknowledges calls for Scotland to appoint a national lead to drive progress in this area and work alongside UK counterparts; believes that the past decade has brought greater public

awareness and political attention to pancreatic cancer; notes the view that the next decade must deliver tangible improvements in diagnosis, treatment and care to increase survival rates and save lives; pays tribute to all lived experience advocates who courageously share their experiences to shape policy, inform research and drive progress, and wishes everyone involved with Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month every success in raising awareness of this devastating disease.

S7M-01830: David Torrance: Celebrating 30 Years of Maggie's and 20 Years of Maggie's Fife— That the Parliament congratulates Maggie's on its 30th anniversary and Maggie's Fife on 20 years of supporting people affected by cancer; recognises the invaluable work of Maggie's Fife, which is based in the grounds of Victoria Hospital in Kirkcaldy, in providing free practical, emotional and psychological support to people living with cancer and their families and friends; notes that this includes providing expert information, benefits advice, support groups and help with the emotional impact of diagnosis and treatment, with no appointment or referral required; welcomes the anniversary celebrations taking place on 5 November 2026 as an opportunity to reflect on the charity's achievements and to thank those who have supported its work; commends the dedication of its staff, volunteers, fundraisers and supporters, and wishes Maggie's continued success in helping people affected by cancer.

S7M-01795: David Linden: A Men's Health Action Plan for Scotland— That the Parliament recognises that November marks Movember, the annual campaign that raises awareness of, and funds for, men's health; welcomes Movember's recent report on the state of men's health in Scotland; notes the report's findings that male life expectancy in Scotland is lower than in any other part of the UK, that two in five Scottish men die prematurely and that the leading causes of premature mortality among men costs Scotland over £1.7 billion each year; further notes that these outcomes are closely tied to deprivation, with men living in the most deprived communities facing the greatest inequalities; commends Movember-funded programmes in Scotland, including The Changing Room and Ahead of the Game, which engage with men where they are and show what works in supporting men's health and wellbeing; acknowledges the work of healthcare professionals, third sector organisations and community groups that support men to seek help earlier; believes that while some Scottish Government strategies address some aspects of men's health, there is no single plan that coordinates action, sets clear accountability or tackles the gaps in data relating to different groups of men; notes the view that a dedicated men's health action plan, supported by appropriate funding, would help to scale up proven, community-based approaches; encourages men across Scotland, including in Glasgow Baillieston and Shettleston, to take part in Movember and to talk openly about their health, and notes calls for the Scottish Government to commit to developing a men's health action plan.

S7M-01780: Julie MacDougall: Supporting Skills and Further Education Opportunities in Scotland— That the Parliament notes the belief that there is an urgent need for wholesale review and implementation of a new national skills and further education funding strategy in Scotland, including in the Mid Scotland and Fife Region; notes with concern reports that a number of college campuses have faced wholesale closure, most notably the Alloa Campus of Forth Valley College and the Elmwood Campus of Scotland's Rural College in Cupar; further notes reports that

some Scottish universities are also cutting back on major skills offerings due to mounting financial difficulties, with the reported entry into administration of Air Service Training (Engineering) Limited (AST) at Perth Airport in April 2025 representing what it sees as one of the most consequential losses in vital investment and skills development opportunities provided by UHI Perth, and notes the view that this is severely impacting the aeronautical sector in Scotland; understands that severe warnings have been issued by senior representatives of Scotland's further education sector on what it considers are deep flaws of the current funding mechanisms for skills and tertiary learning in Scotland, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government, and the Minister for Innovation, Technology and Tertiary Education in particular, to engage with everyone in the Parliament to create a new skills strategy for Scotland, which, it believes would support everyone who faces being left behind in an increasingly turbulent labour market and ensure that colleges and universities in Scotland can provide opportunities with robust and sustainable funding models to back them.

S7M-01769: Alex Kerr: Strengthen Scotland's Education System and Contribution to Wider Public Service Reform— That the Parliament congratulates the University of the West of Scotland and New College Lanarkshire on the opening of a new learning hub for their joint Undergraduate School at UWS Lanarkshire campus on 23 October 2026; commends all those whose vision, commitment and hard work helped bring this innovative partnership to fruition; considers the Undergraduate School to be an outstanding example of collaborative working across secondary, further and higher education, supporting students on their journey into employment; believes that this model demonstrates the benefits of partnership in delivering positive outcomes for learners and communities, and notes the belief that similar approaches could help strengthen Scotland's education system and contribute to wider public service reform.

S7M-01709: Max Bannerman: Refusal of Planning Permission for Coul Links— That the Parliament regrets the decision by Scottish Ministers to refuse planning permission for the proposed 18-hole championship golf course development at Coul Links, near Embo; notes reports that no consideration was given to the fact that the creation of the proposed golf resort, clubhouse and pro shop was projected to generate between 270 and 400 local jobs; believes that rejecting the development represents a significant missed opportunity for an area struggling with the loss of its working-age population, and notes calls for the Scottish Government to be clear about its commitment to, and the future of, investment in the Highlands.

S7M-01689: Paul Sweeney: The Impact of Dying in Poverty in Scotland 2026— That the Parliament considers poverty and fuel poverty at the end of life as a significant and ongoing challenge for people across Scotland; notes the forthcoming publication of Marie Curie's latest report on poverty at the end of life in Scotland, produced in partnership with Loughborough University; welcomes ongoing efforts to better understand poverty and financial insecurity at the end of life; understands that living with a terminal illness can increase household costs while reducing income from employment for dying people and unpaid carers; notes the impact that poverty and fuel poverty can have on wellbeing, care and choice at the end of life; considers that no-one should face financial insecurity at the end of life; believes that, while there is no single solution to ending deaths in poverty or fuel poverty, there is a need

for urgent action; notes calls for continued momentum across government and public services to target support for people at the end of life and their carers, and further notes the calls for the Scottish Government to take action to prevent people across Scotland, including in the Glasgow region, from dying in end of life poverty.

S7M-01683: Stephen Kerr: The Scottish Veterans Commissioner's Progress Report 2026— That the Parliament notes the Scottish Veterans Commissioner's Progress Report 2026 and its relevance to veterans and their families across Scotland, including in the Mid Scotland and Fife region; recognises their service and contribution, and the work of public services, charities and volunteers in supporting the Armed Forces community; welcomes the progress identified in helping service leavers translate military skills and qualifications into civilian employment, and the updated housing guidance recognising the needs of veterans and their families; acknowledges that, according to the report, of the 96 recommendations made by the Commissioner's office since 2014, all have been accepted by the Scottish Government and 50 have been fully implemented; notes the Commissioner's assessment that progress has slowed; further notes her concerns about minimal progress on the Veterans Homelessness Prevention Pathway, participation by around 5% of GP practices in the GP Recognition Scheme, the time taken to develop the Veterans Mental Health and Wellbeing Pathway, and limited activity in response to her Veterans and the Law report; recognises what it sees as the importance of employment support for veterans and their spouses and partners, and notes the view that the findings merit parliamentary discussion of the barriers to delivery, responsibility for outstanding commitments and how progress is measured through improvements in veterans' lives.

S7M-01635: Joe Fagan: Collaboration for Health Equity and Scotland's Marmot Places— That the Parliament notes the publication of the report, A Fairer, Healthier Scotland: A Collaboration for Health Equity, by the University College London's Institute for Health Equity, led by Professor Michael Marmot; further notes the institute's partnership with Public Health Scotland to support three Collaboration for Health Equity (CHES) places, Aberdeen City, North Ayrshire and South Lanarkshire; notes that the report was publicly launched at the Hamilton Family Hub in Burnbank, in South Lanarkshire, on 13 October 2026 where Community Planning partners are piloting new approaches for the early years and childhood aligned with the first of eight Marmot principles and where South Lanarkshire Council, NHS Lanarkshire and South Lanarkshire Integration Joint Board have jointly committed £8 million to child poverty, early years and developing prevention activity, with £2 million ring-fenced for third sector and community partners; further notes that the eight Marmot Principles for Health Equity are to give every child the best start in life, to enable all children, young people and adults to maximise their capabilities and have control over their lives, to create fair employment and good work for all, to ensure healthy standard of living for all, to create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities, to strengthen the role and impact of ill health prevention, to tackle racism, discrimination and their outcomes and to pursue environmental sustainability and health equity together; understands that the report reinforces the view that health inequalities are largely driven by the social determinants of health, which are understood as the conditions of daily life that shape health, including income, housing, work and education; further understands that work with three collaborating areas tests new approaches to addressing the social determinants of health and

strengthening health equity; believes that the recommendations of the report could inform future decision-making and encourage policymakers to consider why ambitions to improve health equity have not always translated into action at the scale or to the pace required, and further believes that the recommendations of the report in favour of action to address the structural drivers of health inequities and to deliver for health equity, including through a 'total place' approach, are relevant and timely as consideration is given to rewiring public services and the future of public service reform.

S7M-01605: David Torrance: Celebrating 100 Years of the Scottish Poppy— That the Parliament marks the centenary of the Scottish poppy and the establishment of Lady Haig's Poppy Factory in Edinburgh in 1926; recognises that the red poppy became a symbol of remembrance following the First World War, inspired by the sight of poppies growing on the battlefields of Flanders and immortalised in Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae's 1915 poem, In Flanders Fields; notes that the first Poppy Appeal took place on 11 November 1921, when nine million poppies were produced to raise funds for former servicemen; acknowledges that Lady Dorothy Haig established Scotland's own poppy factory on 8 March 1926, initially employing two disabled ex-servicemen in premises on Edinburgh's Royal Mile; recognises that Lady Haig also helped design the distinctive Scottish poppy, featuring four petals and no leaf, a design that remains an enduring symbol of remembrance across Scotland; commends the factory for providing meaningful employment, dignity and support to disabled veterans over the past century; understands that the factory, now based on Warriston Road in Edinburgh, continues to produce over three million poppies each year in support of the Scottish Poppy Appeal; recognises that the appeal raises over £2 million annually to support Scotland's Armed Forces community, with funds providing vital financial assistance, housing, employment and wellbeing support to veterans and their families; notes that all money raised in Scotland is spent in Scotland, ensuring that the generosity of the Scottish public directly benefits those who have served and their loved ones, including those in Kirkcaldy; pays tribute to Poppyscotland, its staff and volunteers for their continued dedication to supporting veterans and their families, and believes that the centenary provides an important opportunity to reflect on the sacrifices made by generations of servicemen and women, while reaffirming the importance of remembrance, compassion and hope for a peaceful future.

S7M-01584: Fulton MacGregor: Traces of Empire exhibition Recognises Scotland's Shared History and Celebrating Community Voices— That the Parliament congratulates the North Lanarkshire Muslim Women and Family Alliance (NLMWA) on what it sees as its outstanding work to build the confidence and capacity of its members through education, the promotion of religious and racial harmony and partnership working; recognises its contribution to fostering understanding, inclusion and stronger communities across North Lanarkshire and Scotland; welcomes the opening of Traces of Empire: Voices, Memories & Our Shared History, an exhibition at Summerlee Museum of Scottish Industrial Life in Coatbridge, which is taking place from 3 October to 1 November 2026; commends NLMWA for its role in bringing this important exhibition to the public; acknowledges Historic Environment Scotland (HES) for commissioning the exhibition as part of its response to its 2024 report, Surveying and Analysing Connections Between Properties in Care and the British Empire, c.1600–1997, which found that 126 of the

336 properties in its care have connections to the British Empire; recognises the importance of examining these historical connections and their continuing legacies through the experiences, perspectives and voices of the communities affected by colonial histories; notes that the exhibition has been developed through collaboration between HES and 34 co-curators from four grassroots communities across Scotland, led by people from or with connections to countries shaped by colonialism; celebrates the mutual learning, shared decision-making and meaningful dialogue that have informed this process; welcomes the exhibition's use of artworks, oral histories, storytelling and poetry to explore the impact of empire across generations and its continuing influence on people's lives, including through reflections on cotton, education, self-sufficiency and partition; recognises the courage and significance of bringing previously unheard experiences into the public conversation, allowing communities to reclaim their voices, preserve family memories and contribute to a fuller understanding of Scotland's shared history; highlights the words of Bushra Iqbal MBE, chair of NLMWA, in drawing inspiration from the poet and philosopher Allama Muhammad Iqbal's message that the destiny of nations rests in the hands of individuals, and that every person has a part to play in shaping the future of their community; recognises HES's commitment to truthful communication, mutual understanding and collective healing in addressing the difficult and often painful legacies of empires; believes that Scotland's heritage must be understood through a broad and inclusive historical lens, recognising that while the nation's traditional stories of clans, territorial conflicts and folklore remain an important part of its identity, they represent only one dimension of its rich and complex past; considers that a fuller understanding must also recognise the experiences and contributions of South Asian and other migrant communities, whose histories, struggles, resilience and achievements have helped shape modern Scotland; believes that engaging honestly, critically and empathetically with the history of empire is essential to understanding present-day inequalities, challenging racism and prejudice and strengthening mutual respect across religious, racial and cultural differences; further believes that acknowledging difficult histories should not divide communities but provide opportunities for learning, reconciliation, dignity and a stronger shared sense of belonging, and commends NLMWA, HES, the co-curators and all participating community groups for demonstrating how education, art, storytelling and partnership can create spaces for reflection, peace and healing, inspire future generations to build a fairer and more inclusive society, and help foster the understanding and solidarity that Scotland needs now more than ever.

S7M-01572: Fulton MacGregor: Developing a National Scottish Fontan Service and Transplant Pathway— That the Parliament recognises the life-saving role of the Fontan procedure for children born with complex congenital heart disease and a single-ventricle circulation; notes that the Fontan operation is a form of open-heart surgery, which enables oxygen-poor blood returning from the lower body to bypass the heart and flow directly to the blood vessels of the lungs, separating oxygen-poor and oxygen-rich blood and significantly improving oxygen levels throughout the body; recognises that, following Fontan surgery, many children experience improved oxygenation, energy and quality of life, allowing them to survive into adulthood; further recognises, however, that the Fontan circulation is a form of palliation rather than a cure and that people living with it require lifelong specialist surveillance and multidisciplinary care; notes what it sees as the growing current and foreseeable clinical needs of people in Coatbridge and Chryston and across Scotland who are

living with Fontan circulation and complex congenital heart disease; understands that international prevalence data suggest that between 300 and 400 individuals in Scotland currently live with it, with adult survival now up to 90%, resulting in a growing adult population at increasing risk of Fontan-associated complications and multi-organ disease; notes that complications can include progressive heart failure, arrhythmias, protein-losing enteropathy, plastic bronchitis, kidney dysfunction and liver disease, with up to 50% of adult Fontan patients developing clinically significant liver disease; understands that approximately 20 to 30% might ultimately require multi-organ transplantation such as heart, liver and/or lung transplants; believes that the increasing number of adults living with Fontan circulation represents a significant and evolving clinical need for NHS Scotland; notes with concern that Scotland currently lacks a dedicated national pathway for failing Fontan circulation and complex congenital heart disease requiring transplantation, resulting in some patients being referred outwith the country, most commonly to specialist centres in England; recognises the physical, emotional, financial and logistical burden that this can place on patients and families, including prolonged separation, fragmented continuity of care and ongoing cross-border follow-up requirements; notes what it sees as the absence of a formalised Scottish shared care model for post-transplant surveillance and long-term management; acknowledges Scotland's existing strengths, including the Scottish Adult Congenital Cardiac Service (SACCS), established heart transplant infrastructure at the Golden Jubilee National Hospital, experienced cardiothoracic surgical programmes and national service planning capability; believes that these existing strengths provide a strong foundation for developing a coordinated Scottish Fontan service; further believes that there is a strategic opportunity to develop a national Scottish Fontan hub to provide structured lifelong surveillance, early identification of Fontan-associated complications, multidisciplinary assessment, risk stratification, transplant planning and coordination, and post-transplant shared care; considers that such a model could improve patient safety, equity of access, continuity of care and clinical outcomes, while supporting the principle of providing specialist care as close to home as clinically appropriate; notes the view that, in the context of any future changes to the organisation or provision of specialist health services in Scotland, particular consideration should be given to the arrangements required to ensure continued access to specialist transplant centres in England for patients from Scotland, where clinically appropriate, and notes the view that clear and sustainable cross-border pathways should form an important part of the long-term planning for Fontan and complex congenital heart disease services, and acknowledges the calls on the Scottish Government to engage with NHS Scotland, SACCS leadership, transplant centres, relevant clinical specialists and patients and families affected by Fontan circulation to undertake a feasibility assessment for the development of a national Fontan hub and structured complex congenital heart disease transplant pathway, including consideration of workforce planning, specialist training, infrastructure, cross-border arrangements, research and data collection, and the long-term sustainability of the service.

S7M-01563: Jenny Young: Specialist Respite Care Centres for Children in NHS Lothian— That the Parliament recognises the support provided to families by the specialist respite centres for children with complex needs at Sunndach in Livingston and Calareidh in Edinburgh; commends the staff at the centres for the highly specialised care and support that they provide, which it considers a lifeline to families across the Central Scotland and Lothians West region and beyond; notes with

concern that these facilities have been under review by NHS Lothian since November 2024; understands that the NHS board has agreed to pause any decision regarding the future of these services pending further meaningful engagement with affected families, and notes calls on NHS Lothian to reinstate and maintain a full service at both Sunndach and Calareidh to ensure that families of children with complex needs can continue to have access to this vital support, both now and in the future.

S7M-01531: Miles Briggs: Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month 2026— That the Parliament marks Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month, which takes place every November, and World Pancreatic Cancer Day, which falls on 19 November 2026; acknowledges the previous Members' debates on pancreatic cancer, which, it believes, have highlighted the case for the condition being treated as an urgent health priority; commends the ongoing work of charity organisations over the last 10 years to improve outcomes of what it understands is Scotland’s deadliest common cancer; recognises the progress that has been made in recent years, including promising developments in earlier diagnosis research and greater recognition of less survivable cancers; notes the view that more work is needed to secure sustainable funding for best practice national pathways for pancreatic cancer diagnosis, treatment and care, so that patients can benefit from long-term improvements; acknowledges the potential of game-changing innovations, such as the breath test for diagnosing the condition and personalised medicine, and the need for policy leads to support their integration into standard care practice; notes the view that all patients nationally should be able to benefit from the provisions of the UK-wide Rare Cancers Act 2026, including through improved access to clinical trials and new treatments; acknowledges calls for Scotland to appoint a national lead to take its work in this field forward alongside UK counterparts; believes that the last 10 years has brought greater public awareness and political attention to pancreatic cancer and notes the view that the next 10 years should deliver tangible improvements to ultimately increase survival rates and save lives across Scotland; thanks all lived experience advocates who bravely use their unique perspective to help shape and inform pancreatic cancer progress, and wishes everyone involved with Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month every success in raising awareness of this devastating disease.

S7M-01495: Kate Nevens: Welcoming Islamophobia Awareness Month— That the Parliament welcomes Islamophobia Awareness Month, which is set to take place in November 2026; recognises the month as an opportunity to raise awareness of the harms of Islamophobia as well as showcase the positive contributions of Muslims in Scotland and across the UK; notes that the theme, Don’t Let It Slide, calls on all to take action, have courage and recognise everyone's everyday responsibility to address Islamophobia; considers Islamophobia as a form of racism and discrimination and notes the view that MSPs should respond to it through their work as Parliamentarians and not allow it to be normalised; believes with sadness that anti-Muslim hatred and attacks on Muslim communities in Scotland are growing, including on the streets, in schools and workplaces, in the media, in politics and online; considers that Islamophobia has a disproportionate impact on Muslim women and that they bear the brunt of anti-Muslim hostility; recognises the important role of specialist Muslim-led "by and for" organisations in supporting those affected by Islamophobia and hate crime, and notes the important contributions of anti-racist

education programmes and active bystander work in responding to Islamophobia in Scotland.

S7M-01487: Stephen Kerr: Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation— That the Parliament condemns the use of strategic lawsuits against public participation (SLAPPs) and abusive legal threats to silence survivors of sexual and domestic abuse, journalists, whistleblowers and campaigners, including those in the Mid Scotland and Fife region; notes with concern evidence submitted to the Scottish Government's consultation, suggesting that survivors have been pressured to retract allegations and withdraw statements to the police; recognises that fear of unaffordable legal expenses can silence people before proceedings reach court; further recognises the Scottish Government's acceptance of the need for reform; notes the calls for a clear timetable for anti-SLAPP legislation, which would provide for early dismissal of abusive proceedings and protection against prohibitive legal expenses, while safeguarding legitimate claims, and further notes calls for immediate action to improve access to legal advice and address intimidation through threats of litigation.

S7M-01465: Paul Sweeney: Securing the Future of Dalzell Plate Mill and Scotland's Steel Industry— That the Parliament notes that Dalzell Steelworks in Motherwell is the last remaining operational steel plant in Scotland and the only shipbuilding-certified plate mill in the UK; further notes the belief that Scotland's steel supply chain has been severely eroded over the last decade, notably following the mothballing of Clydebridge Steelworks by Tata Steel in 2015 and the subsequent loss of its vital quenching capability to produce ultra-high-strength, high-impact steel, which resulted in the UK losing the sovereign capability to manufacture armoured steel plate and steel for submarine pressure hulls; recognises the exceptional dedication, skill and loyalty of the workforce at Dalzell, who, it considers have kept the plant operational, despite what it sees as the severe mismanagement and controversies associated with its current owner, Sanjeev Gupta and the GFG Alliance; notes the belief that domestic plate steel production is of paramount strategic importance, acting as the vital link between UK steelmaking and UK shipbuilding, and that the closure of Dalzell would result in the unacceptable loss of the remaining capability of the UK to build ships using domestically-produced steel; further notes the belief that, while a £2.5 billion UK-wide steel investment fund has facilitated strategic industrial interventions, including unprecedented legislation and nationalisation to save the UK's last two operational blast furnaces at Scunthorpe Steelworks and to save Speciality Steel UK from liquidation, alongside ongoing investments at state-owned Sheffield Forgemasters and at Tata Steel's Port Talbot Steelworks in Wales, Scotland's remaining steel industry has thus far been overlooked for such intervention and capital investment; considers that Dalzell Steelworks and its highly-skilled workforce must not be made scapegoats for what it sees as the toxicity associated with its ownership or the past complacency of governments, and notes the calls on both the Scottish Government and the UK government to work collaboratively, utilising the available steel investment funds and recent legislative precedents, to intervene and nationalise Dalzell Plate Mill, ensuring that it receives the investment required to operate as a value-adding mill integrated with the UK's last remaining virgin steel-making process at Scunthorpe, thereby protecting Scotland's steel-making and shipbuilding capability, retaining highly skilled

unionised jobs, and securing Scotland's role in the UK's defence and green energy transition.

S7M-01422: Graham Simpson: Protecting Scotland's Most Precious Woods and Trees— That the Parliament recognises that ancient woodland and ancient and veteran trees are irreplaceable natural assets, which are critical to addressing the nature and climate emergencies, protecting biodiversity and storing carbon; understands that while ancient woodland covers only one to two percent of Scotland's landmass, more than two thirds of it is in poor ecological condition and 12.5% has been lost entirely in the last 40 years; welcomes what it views as policy improvements in recent years, including enhanced protection within National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4) for ancient woodland, namely Policy 6, and the introduction of a framework for statutory nature restoration targets and better deer management in the Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2026; notes the view of Woodland Trust Scotland that, despite these welcome policy developments, Scotland's ancient woods and ancient and veteran trees remain vulnerable to ongoing loss, degradation, and fragmentation caused by development pressures, unsustainable grazing, invasive species and climate impacts; understands that individual ancient and veteran trees, including those in the Central Scotland and Lothians West region, currently lack robust, dedicated statutory protection equivalent to protected structures or historical monuments, and believes that deliberate damage to or destruction of what remains of Scotland's ancient woodland and ancient and veteran trees is intolerable on any grounds.

S7M-01394: George Adam: Octopus Clinical Trial for Primary and Secondary Progressive Multiple Sclerosis— That the Parliament welcomes the recent interim results from the Octopus clinical trial for primary and secondary progressive Multiple Sclerosis (MS), which has indicated that alpha-lipoic acid has early promise as a potential treatment; notes that Octopus is designed to test potential treatments up to three times faster than traditional trials by using the multi-arm, multi-stage (MAMS) approach; understands that the trial is testing repurposed treatments and, at this stage, has tested metformin and alpha-lipoic acid; welcomes that alpha-lipoic acid will now continue to the next stage of the trial, which will see hundreds more people recruited; believes that Octopus demonstrates that an innovative approach to clinical trials is possible with MS and that this encouraging news is a step in the right direction to finding treatments to slow or stop progression of MS; anticipates that new treatments to be tested will be announced in early 2027 and that the final results of the alpha-lipoic stage of the trial will be available in 2029; considers this to be a positive development for people living with progressive MS, including in Paisley, who currently have limited treatment options, and wishes staff and participants well as the trial continues.

S7M-01369: Martyn Day: Supporting the Mental Health Workforce— That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the soaring demand for mental health services, including in the Falkirk East and Linlithgow constituency; notes that the Mental Health Foundation cites post-2008 austerity, the global pandemic and the ongoing cost-of-living crisis as contributory factors to a UK-wide mental health crisis; further notes recent research, which indicates that increased demand is being accompanied by growing insecurity within the mental health labour force; notes the belief that trainee counsellors require better support to overcome the inequalities,

challenges and barriers that they face before qualifying, and recognises the role that such support could play in helping to meet the rising demand for mental health provision.

S7M-01346: Martyn Day: Wild Animals Kept as Exotic Pets— That the Parliament notes reported concerns regarding the welfare of wild animals kept as exotic pets in the Falkirk East and Linlithgow constituency and across Scotland; recognises that some species have complex welfare needs that can make them unsuitable to be kept in a domestic environment; notes the recommendation made in 2022 by the Scottish Animal Welfare Commission's Exotic Pet Working Group that a single list of species of animal that may legally be kept as pets should be compiled; understands that such a permitted-list approach would seek to ensure that species are assessed on the basis of animal welfare and other relevant considerations, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to consider the introduction of such an evidence-based single permitted list.

S7M-01170: Jenni Minto: Brain Tumour Tissue Preservation and Patient Choice in Scotland— That the Parliament notes concerns raised by the Campaign for Owain's Law regarding what it sees as substantial variation in the fresh-freezing of brain tumour tissue following surgery across NHS Scotland; notes research by the campaign indicating that around a quarter (23%) of specimens reported across Scotland's four main neuro-oncology NHS boards in 2025 were fresh-frozen, with significant variation between centres; understands that, once sufficient tissue for diagnosis has been secured, fresh-freezing suitable remaining tumour tissue can preserve future opportunities for advanced testing, personalised treatments, clinical trials and research; notes the view that diagnosis must always come first and that not every specimen will be suitable for freezing; considers that substantial variation in practice risks creating a postcode lottery in whether potentially valuable tissue is preserved; notes the belief that patients should receive clear and consistent information and meaningful choice regarding the storage and future use of their tissue, and further notes the calls for a consistent national approach to brain tumour tissue preservation across Scotland, including in the Argyll and Bute constituency, under which suitable remaining tissue is routinely fresh-frozen where clinically feasible, patient choice is protected and preserved tissue can better support future treatment, testing and research.

S7M-01158: Clare Adamson: Scottish Storytelling Centre's 20th Anniversary— That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Storytelling Centre on reaching its 20th anniversary in 2026; acknowledges it as the world's first purpose-built centre for live storytelling and as a vibrant cultural venue in Edinburgh's Old Town; notes that, since opening in 2006, it has provided a welcoming space for communities, families and visitors to experience and participate in storytelling and the traditional arts; recognises the Centre's year-round programme of live storytelling, theatre, music, exhibitions, workshops, family events and festivals, alongside its specially curated Edinburgh Festival Fringe programme showcasing storytelling, music, theatre, spoken word and family performances from Scotland and around the world; acknowledges what it sees as the important role it plays in preserving, celebrating and passing on Scotland's rich storytelling traditions and cultural heritage to future generations; recognises its ownership by the Church of Scotland and partnership with Traditional Arts and Culture Scotland (TRACS), including its role as a home for

the Scottish International Storytelling Festival and as a base for TRACS's work across Scotland and beyond; welcomes the upcoming Scottish International Storytelling Festival, one of the 11 major Edinburgh festivals; notes that this will take place from 21 to 31 October 2026 and bring together storytellers, artists, musicians and audiences from Scotland and around the world to celebrate the rich tradition and enduring power of oral storytelling; believes the Centre's ethos of openness, inclusion and shared creativity is reflected in the Scottish Traveller proverb, "The story is told eye to eye, mind to mind and heart to heart"; welcomes the contribution made by the Centre, TRACS, performers, artists, staff, volunteers and partners over the past 20 years, and wishes the Scottish Storytelling Centre continued success as it celebrates this significant milestone, as well as every success for the forthcoming Scottish International Storytelling Festival and its ongoing contribution to Scotland's cultural life for many years to come.

S7M-01157: David Torrance: Honouring the Volunteers of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI)— That the Parliament commends the selfless dedication, bravery and humanitarian service of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) across Scotland and the UK; recognises that the RNLI operates in accordance with international maritime law and the humanitarian duty to save lives at sea without judgment, distinction or political bias; highlights what it sees as the indispensable role played by local RNLI crews, many of whom are volunteers, in safeguarding coastal communities throughout Scotland, including the RNLI Kinghorn Lifeboat Station, which serves the Kirkcaldy constituency; condemns in the strongest terms reports of RNLI volunteers being harassed and vilified by far right activists; considers that targeting emergency service workers and volunteers carrying out life-saving duties undermines basic human decency and degrades public discourse, and notes the calls on all political parties to reject the politicisation of life-saving charities, to condemn abuse directed at lifeboat crews and to offer their full, unequivocal support to the RNLI.

S7M-01121: Steven Bonnar: Turning Lucky Into Normal, Preventing Homelessness in Scotland— That the Parliament believes that homelessness should be rare, brief and not repeated; welcomes what it sees as the shift from crisis management towards early intervention, prevention and rapid rehousing; recognises the value of an "Ask and Act" approach, whereby public services identify and respond to the risk of homelessness at the earliest possible opportunity; further recognises the importance of Housing First, rapid rehousing and effective tenancy sustainment in helping people secure and maintain a safe and stable home; notes the view that housing stability should be at the heart of homelessness prevention, so that everyone has the opportunity to access and sustain a stable home, and that successful approaches to prevention should become the norm in Uddingston and Bellshill and across Scotland, rather than outcomes depending on individual circumstances or chance, and welcomes the commitment to ending homelessness for everyone, recognising the importance of sustained investment and effective collaboration across public services to deliver this ambition.

S7M-01064: Paul Sweeney: Challenge Poverty Week 2026— That the Parliament recognises Challenge Poverty Week 2026, which is coordinated by the Poverty Alliance, Scotland's anti-poverty network, and runs from 5 to 11 October; understands that hundreds of organisations and communities across Scotland,

including in the Glasgow region, are coming together during the week to challenge the causes and consequences of poverty and to demand action; expresses concern that almost a million people in Scotland, including one in five children, are living in poverty; believes that poverty and inequality are not inevitable, but are created and sustained by political and economic choices, and that different choices can build a society where everyone has the security and opportunities to live a good life; recognises that poverty is experienced unequally, with women, lone parents, disabled people and people from minority ethnic communities among those more likely to be affected; notes the view that tackling poverty requires action across the foundations of people's lives, including a social security system that provides an adequate income, affordable energy, secure and fairly paid work, investment in children and young people and a properly funded third sector, and notes the calls for MSPs to support Challenge Poverty Week events and activities in their constituencies and communities, and to stand with people across the country in demanding a Scotland free from poverty.

S7M-01055: Colin Beattie: Holodomor Memorial Day 2026— That the Parliament recognises that 28 November 2026 marks the annual Holodomor Memorial Day; understands that this memorial day is in remembrance of the victims of the 1932-33 man-made famine that killed millions of Ukrainians; notes the longstanding relationship between Ukraine and Scotland; recognises that Holodomor Memorial Day commemorates all the victims of the Holodomor; expresses its solidarity with the people of Ukraine who were victims of this genocide by, it believes, what were the deliberate actions of the Soviet regime, and pays its respects to those killed during this time.

S7M-01045: Stephen Kerr: 500th Anniversary of William Tyndale's New Testament— That the Parliament notes that 2026 marks the 500th anniversary of the first printed New Testament in English, which was translated from the Greek by William Tyndale and printed in Worms in 1526; understands that copies were smuggled into Britain in merchants' cargoes and had reached Edinburgh by 1527, and that Tyndale was executed in 1536; considers that his belief that ordinary people could be trusted to read and interpret scripture for themselves is an early expression of what is now protected as freedom of religion or belief under Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and regrets that many people around the world are still persecuted for holding, changing or sharing their beliefs; recognises the influence of these ideas on Scottish education, including the ambition of the *First Book of Discipline* in 1560 for a school in every parish and the subsequent Act for Settling of Schools in 1696; notes that around four-fifths of the New Testament in the *King James Bible* follows Tyndale's wording, and commends all those marking this quincentenary.

S7M-01023: Katy Clark: Opposing the Proposed Reduction in Funding for the No Knives, Better Lives Programme— That the Parliament notes with concern reports that knife crime has reached its highest level in eight years; recognises what it sees as growing public concern regarding knife crime, particularly after recent high-profile incidents involving young people; notes the work of the No Knives, Better Lives programme, which has reached over 100,000 young people across Scotland, including in the West Scotland Region, and has been credited with an 85% reduction in the number of young people convicted of handling an offensive weapon since

2008-09; expresses its concern that the No Knives, Better Lives programme has been subject to a reported 32% reduction in its funding in the 2026-27 financial year; understands that this is on top of a previously reported real-terms reduction of 10% in funding for the programme since 2022-23, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to increase funding for the No Knives, Better Lives programme, in light of its previous success in helping to reduce knife crime among young people across Scotland.

S7M-01002: Steven Bonnar: No Wrong Door: Supporting People with Complex Needs— That the Parliament considers that people experiencing homelessness alongside mental ill health and/or problematic substance use can face multiple barriers when trying to access health, social care, housing and support services, including in the Uddingston and Bellshill constituency; notes the belief that people with complex needs can fall between the gaps when responsibility for their care moves between different services; welcomes the Scottish Government's work through the National Mental Health and Substance Use Protocol, the Discharge Without Delay approach and forthcoming homelessness prevention duties; notes the view that continued work is required to ensure that this guidance is consistently followed across Scotland and that people are not discharged from hospital or other healthcare settings without proper consideration of their mental health, substance use, housing situation, safety and ongoing support needs; further notes the view that closer working between NHS boards, Health and Social Care Partnerships, local authorities, housing and homelessness services, mental health and substance use services and the third sector is required to provide joined-up support, with clear arrangements for follow-up and continuity of care, and notes the belief that an approach is needed where people with complex needs are supported through services rather than passed between them because their circumstances do not fit neatly within one service.

S7M-00982: Stuart McMillan: Congratulating Inverclyde Tourist Group on its 25th Anniversary— That the Parliament congratulates Inverclyde Tourist Group (ITG) on reaching its 25th anniversary; recognises the outstanding contribution that its volunteers have made in welcoming visitors to Inverclyde and promoting the area's attractions, heritage and hospitality; notes that ITG members were recently honoured at a special celebration aboard the *Majestic Princess* cruise ship, hosted by Princess Cruises and Global Ports, to mark this significant milestone; acknowledges that the group has welcomed hundreds of thousands of cruise passengers to Greenock over the past quarter century and has played a major role in helping establish Greenock as a leading cruise destination; commends the dedication and commitment of current and former volunteers, including the organisation's founders, whose efforts have helped showcase Inverclyde to visitors from around the world; recognises the positive contribution that tourism makes to local communities, including across the Inverclyde constituency; notes that ITG's work was previously recognised through the award of The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, and wishes everyone associated with ITG continued success for the future and for the next 25 years of service.

S7M-00926: Fulton MacGregor: A Play-Based Kindergarten Stage for Scotland— That the Parliament recognises that the first seven years of life are a unique period of physical, emotional, social and cognitive development, and that

young children, including those in the Coatbridge and Chryston constituency, learn through relationships, play, movement, conversation, creativity, exploration and first-hand experience; further recognises what it considers to be the substantial body of evidence supporting play-based and developmentally appropriate early education, including the importance of active and outdoor play in supporting physical health, wellbeing, self-regulation, social development and lifelong learning; 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 Scotland has a strong tradition of early learning and childcare and that the principles of Curriculum for Excellence, Getting It Right For Every Child and Scotland's Play Strategy recognise the importance of children's wellbeing, development, relationships and learning through play; further notes the belief, however, that the transition from early learning and childcare into P1 can introduce expectations of formal academic learning at an age when children's development, interests and readiness vary considerably; recognises evidence indicating that an earlier start to formal academic instruction does not necessarily confer a lasting educational advantage, and that language-rich, play-based and developmentally appropriate experiences provide important foundations for later literacy, numeracy and scientific learning; notes the view that giving young children more time and opportunity to develop through play, conversation, creativity, physical activity and exploration can strengthen the foundations for successful formal learning rather than delay them; further notes the view that a universal kindergarten stage could help address inequalities in school readiness by giving every child, regardless of background, access to high-quality play, outdoor learning, language-rich environments and sensitive adult support, while recognising that children who show an early interest or readiness in reading, writing or mathematics should be encouraged and supported at their own level; acknowledges the experience of education systems internationally that provide a distinct, play-based early-years stage before formal schooling, and notes the belief that Scotland should learn from this evidence while building on the considerable expertise of its own early-years workforce; notes the calls on the Scottish Government to support a universal kindergarten stage in Scotland for pupils in what is currently P1, with an ethos distinct from formal primary schooling and centred on play, relationships, wellbeing, communication, creativity, physical development and learning through enjoyable experiences; notes the belief that such a stage should provide substantial opportunities for self-directed, imaginative, social, active and outdoor play alongside skilled adult support and purposeful experiences in language, music, art, drama, storytelling, science and mathematics; notes the view that formal literacy and numeracy should be introduced responsively according to children's individual development, interests and readiness, rather than imposed uniformly at an early age; notes the belief that the development of a kindergarten stage should include consideration of a more gradual transition into formal academic learning and the implications of a later commencement of formal schooling; acknowledges the view that the precise structure and age range should be informed by evidence, consultation and experience, and that implementation would require proper consideration of workforce capacity, professional development, funding, facilities and outdoor spaces; considers that children, parents and carers, early-years practitioners, teachers, local authorities, researchers and relevant organisations should have a meaningful role in shaping and evaluating the approach, and notes the view that Scotland's youngest children should receive an education that reflects

how they learn and develop, gives them the strongest possible foundations for later attainment and supports their physical, emotional and social wellbeing.

S7M-00870: Murdo Fraser: Seen and Known: Rebuilding Belonging in Modern Scotland— That the Parliament welcomes the publication of *Seen and Known: Rebuilding Belonging in Modern Scotland* by Logos Scotland, which examines the causes and consequences of loneliness and social disconnection and considers how a stronger sense of belonging can be fostered across Scotland, including in the Mid Scotland and Fife region; notes with concern the report's findings regarding levels of loneliness among younger people and what it considers to be the growing challenge of people feeling disconnected from family, community and wider society; recognises what it sees as the important contribution made by churches, faith communities, charities, voluntary organisations and other local institutions in creating places where people can build meaningful relationships and a sense of belonging; notes the view that tackling loneliness requires consideration not only of individual wellbeing but also of the strength of the families, communities and institutions that connect people to one another; welcomes the contribution that Logos Scotland makes to public policy debate by bringing a Christian perspective to contemporary social and political challenges; notes the belief that policy at both national and local level should recognise and support the institutions and relationships that help build strong and connected communities, and welcomes further discussion about how Scotland can become a country in which more people feel seen, known and that they belong.

S7M-00822: Rachael Hamilton: Protecting the Safety of Women by Condemning the Use of Misleading Language by Elected Members that Undermines the Severity of Sexual Violence— That the Parliament recognises that women have the right to feel safe, respected and protected from intimidation or harassment, including within the Scottish Parliament; notes with concern comments attributed to a Scottish Green MSP that rape exists "on a spectrum"; believes that any suggestion that rape can be understood in terms that diminish its seriousness is wholly inappropriate and deeply distressing to survivors of sexual violence; further believes that the gravity of rape must never be trivialised by those holding public office or responsible for upholding the law; recognises an official response from Rape Crisis Scotland which states: "If anything, rape is not demonised enough. These comments are deeply irresponsible and reinforce harmful rape myths that organisations like ours have fought hard against for decades. The trauma and seriousness of rape should never be minimised."; acknowledges the work of organisations supporting survivors of sexual violence across Ettrick, Roxburgh and Berwickshire; considers that women serving as elected representatives must be able to participate fully in parliamentary life without feeling intimidated or unsafe as a result of the views or conduct of another elected member; and believes that public discourse in this area must adhere to the highest standards of conduct and protect women's safety, and should never diminish the seriousness of sexual violence.

S7M-00786: Paul Sweeney: Glasgow Secures the Future of the Commonwealth Games— That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow on successfully hosting the XXIII Commonwealth Games; further congratulates Commonwealth Games Scotland on its successful organisation of the Games, which saw over 3,000 athletes compete for 645 medals across 10 sports; notes that Glasgow stepped in at short notice to host the Games after the original host, the state of Victoria in Australia, withdrew in

July 2023 due to cost concerns; recognises that, following a sustained campaign by Commonwealth Games Scotland and with support from Glasgow parliamentarians, Glasgow agreed in September 2024 to take over the hosting rights for the 2026 Commonwealth Games, allowing the Games to continue uninterrupted, as they have done since the Second World War; further recognises that the Games received financial support from Victoria, Australia; notes that the Games made extensive use of four venues that were originally built or upgraded for the 2014 Commonwealth Games, the Scottish Event Campus, Glasgow International Arena, Scotstoun Stadium and Tollcross International Swimming Centre, demonstrating a lower-cost and more sustainable model that allowed the Games to proceed on a leaner budget than originally planned; welcomes the full integration of para-sport across six of the 10 disciplines on offer, which is a record number of para medal events for the Commonwealth Games; celebrates Scotland's performances as host nation, including Josh Kerr's Gold in the Commonwealth Mile, marking the first time the mile has featured at the Games in 60 years; commends the thousands of staff and volunteers whose work across the 11 days of competition was instrumental to the success of the Games; celebrates the fact that Amdavad, India, will host the centennial edition of the Commonwealth Games in 2030, securing the longer-term future of the Games; wishes every athlete, volunteer and spectator involved in the Games the very best, thanks them for making it such a success, and celebrates Glasgow's willingness to step in to ensure that the Commonwealth Games were neither postponed nor cancelled.

S7M-00586: Rachael Hamilton: World Arthritis Day— That the Parliament welcomes World Arthritis Day, which takes place on 12 October 2026; understands that arthritis and other musculoskeletal (MSK) conditions affect more than 1.7 million people in Scotland, around one in three adults, and are a leading cause of pain and disability; notes that these conditions affect people of all ages, including more than 18,000 children in Scotland living with a long-term MSK condition; acknowledges the impact that MSK conditions have on individuals, the NHS, social care services and the wider economy; welcomes what it sees as Scotland's world-leading research into arthritis and immunology, including the work led by Professor Sir Iain McInnes at the University of Glasgow and at the Centre for Musculoskeletal Health and Work in Aberdeen under the leadership of Professor Gary J Macfarlane, and commends Arthritis UK for currently investing £15.3 million to advance research in Scotland while supporting people living with arthritis and campaigning for better care.

S7M-00516: Clare Adamson: Gas Safety Week 2026— That the Parliament marks Gas Safety Week 2026, which runs from 14 to 20 September, under the theme of "Getting ready for the colder months and not taking risks"; recognises that the week encourages everyone to have their gas appliances checked annually by a Gas Safe registered engineer and to share gas safety advice with others; acknowledges the continuing pressures of the cost of living and that many households are reducing spending because of financial pressures, but believes that gas safety should not be overlooked; emphasises the importance of annual gas safety checks using Gas Safe registered engineers and ensuring that carbon monoxide alarms are installed and in working order; recognises that poorly maintained gas appliances can cause gas leaks, fires, explosions and carbon monoxide poisoning; acknowledges that Gas Safe Register provides a range of support and resources, including GasMap, which is an interactive tool that allows consumers to see how many unsafe gas jobs have

been identified in their area and access practical safety advice; notes continued efforts to raise gas safety awareness among people living in rented accommodation, including holidaymakers, and to promote understanding of the relevant legal responsibilities and regulations; commends the work of Gas Safe Register and all organisations supporting Gas Safety Week, and wishes them every success in raising awareness of an issue that helps save lives across Scotland, including in Motherwell and Wishaw.

S7M-00445: Fulton MacGregor: Protecting Vulnerable Consumers Following Termination of Family Protection Plan Insurance Scheme— That the Parliament expresses concern over the financial and emotional distress facing thousands of credit union members across Scotland, including in Coatbridge and Chryston, following the decision by the Swedish underwriter, Maiden Life Försäkrings AB, to withdraw from the UK market, resulting in the termination of the long-standing Family Protection Plan (FPP) group life insurance policy; understands that an estimated 5,000 policyholders across the UK, with a high concentration in Scotland, were reportedly left without cover despite many having paid monthly premiums in good faith for up to 25 years to protect their families from funeral costs and financial hardship; notes with dismay that, because the FPP was structured as a monthly renewable term policy with a short notice cancellation clause, rather than as a ring-fenced savings mechanism or protected prepaid funeral plan, members have been left with no cash-in value or financial return despite years of contributions; recognises evidence submitted by the Independent Coalition of Credit Unions indicating that a significant proportion of affected members are elderly and vulnerable people, including some living with chronic health conditions or on modest incomes, that many have been unable to secure replacement cover following the withdrawal of the scheme and that a number of affected policyholders have died since the cover was terminated; believes that Scotland accounts for the substantial proportion of affected credit union members across the UK and therefore bears a disproportionate share of the social and financial consequences arising from the termination of the scheme; pays tribute to the leadership of Elaine Rae, chief executive officer of the NHS Credit Union, and to the efforts of Scottish credit unions, elected representatives and consumer advocates, who have worked to highlight the experiences of affected members and seek a fair resolution; notes that the Financial Conduct Authority has confirmed that Maiden Life's withdrawal was permitted under the existing regulatory framework, highlighting potential weaknesses in consumer protections relating to long-term group insurance products marketed as providing lasting peace of mind and financial security; welcomes the engagement of HM Treasury, including the convening of discussions involving regulators, industry representatives and affected credit unions, and believes that meaningful consumer redress must remain a priority as those discussions continue; concurs with calls for the establishment of an appropriate compensation, redress or support mechanism that reflects the particular circumstances and vulnerabilities of affected consumers; notes calls for the Scottish Government to continue its engagement with the credit union sector and to utilise all available mechanisms to support those impacted, and concurs with the call for HM Treasury ministers and officials to convene a further formal roundtable with affected credit union groups, consumer representatives, the Financial Conduct Authority, industry stakeholders and devolved administrations to consider redress options, address the regulatory issues highlighted by the

termination of the scheme and ensure that vulnerable consumers are not left to bear the full consequences of its withdrawal.

S7M-00008: Emma Roddick: Capacity of Raigmore Hospital and Highland Healthcare— That the Parliament notes reported concerns regarding the current capacity of Raigmore Hospital in Inverness; acknowledges the role of the National Treatment Centre Highland in addressing elective surgery waiting lists; recognises the dedication of NHS staff in delivering healthcare services across Scotland, including in Inverness and Nairn; notes the view that the delivery of high-quality care must be supported by adequate clinical space and staffing levels; further notes calls for a review of hospital capacity in the region, and remains mindful of what it sees as the ongoing importance of ensuring that healthcare infrastructure meets the evolving needs of the Highland population.

Record of Members' Business taken by the Parliament

5. Below is a table of Members' Business taken by the Parliament.

Date	MSP	Party	Subject
9 June 2026	Patricia Gibson	SNP	World Pre-Eclampsia Day, 22 May 2026
10 June 2026	Alyn Smith	SNP	Growing Scotland's Screen Sector
11 June 2026	Colin Beattie	SNP	Recognising the Damaging Impact of Antisocial Behaviour
16 June 2026	Jenny Young	LAB	The 10th Anniversary of the Death of Jo Cox
17 June 2026	Helen McDade	REF	The Cost of Undiagnosed ADHD or Autism in Outcomes and Life Chances
18 June 2026	Maggie Chapman	GRN	Sustaining Jobs and Securing the Future of Scotland's Universities
23 June 2026	Jack Middleton	SNP	Save STV North News
24 June 2026	Liam Kerr	CON	Nuclear Power in Scotland
25 June 2026	Marie McNair	SNP	Action Mesothelioma Day 2026
1 September 2026	Andrew Baxter	LD	The Growing Risk of Wildfires in Scotland
2 September 2026	Keith Brown	SNP	Driving Test Delays and the Impact on Learners in Scotland
3 September 2026	Graham Simpson	REF	AI Data Centres
8 September 2026	Katy Clark	LAB	Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's Service Delivery Review
9 September 2026	Paul McLennan	SNP	Walking Scotland's 30th Anniversary
10 September 2026	Holly Bruce	GRN	Save Queen's Park Glasshouse
15 September 2026	Lloyd Melville	SNP	Celebrating Angus Berries and Scotland's Soft Fruit Sector

16 September 2026	Jenni Minto	SNP	Scotland's Rainforest
17 September 2026	Stephen Kerr	CON	Policing, Crime Prevention and the Response to Mental Health Crisis in Mid Scotland and Fife
22 September 2026	Steven Bonnar	SNP	Child Maintenance, Protecting Children and Families in Scotland
23 September 2026	Jackie Baillie	LAB	Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
24 September 2026	Thomas Kerr	REF	Results of the Independent Inquiry into White Working Class Educational Outcomes
29 September 2026	Clare Adamson	SNP	Breast Cancer Now Wear It Pink Day 2026
30 September 2026	Ariane Burgess	GRN	Building Scotland's Resilience to Wildfires and Other Climate Shocks
1 October 2026	Liam McArthur	LD	Calling for a Regional Air Strategy for the Highlands and Islands
6 October 2026	Clare Haughey	SNP	150th Anniversary of the Founding of Blantyre in Malawi
7 October 2026	Patricia Gibson	SNP	Baby Loss Awareness Week 2026
8 October 2026	Thomas Kerr	REF	Face Coverings in Public Places
27 October 2026	Iris Duane	GRN	Celebrating Scotland's 25th Black History Month - swapped with the LAB on 11 November
28 October 2026	Gary Bouse	SNP	World Stroke Day 2026
29 October 2026	Tim Eagle	CON	Transport Connectivity in Rural Scotland
3 November 2026	Bob Doris	SNP	Hospice Care Week 2026 - Don’t Leave Hospice Care to Chance
4 November 2026	David Barratt	SNP	The Lobular Moon Shot Project, Raising Awareness of Lobular Breast Cancer and the Lack of Research
5 November 2026	Colm Merrick	SNP	World Diabetes Day 2026

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Party	**SNP**	**LAB**	**REF**	**GRN**	**CON**	**LD**	**Total**
Frequency (no)	17	3	4	4	3	2	33
Frequency %	52	9	12	12	9	6	100

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