



The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

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Meeting of the Parliament

Wednesday 3 June 2026

Note: (DT) signifies a decision taken at Decision Time.

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. Investing, Protecting and Renewing Scotland's NHS : The Cabinet Secretary for Health and Care (Angela Constance) moved S7M-00228—That the Parliament recognises and commends the hard-working staff across Scotland's NHS; thanks them for the significant progress they have delivered, including long waits down 11 months in a row, and welcomes the Scottish Government's commitment to working with all staff across Scotland's Health and Social Care sectors to deliver further reform and renewal.

Helen McDade moved amendment S7M-00228.1—

As an amendment to motion S7M-00228 in the name of Angela Constance (Investing, Protecting and Renewing Scotland's NHS), leave out from "including long waits" and insert "; further recognises that 93% of people in Scotland think that the NHS needs to be reformed whilst continuing to deliver services free at the point of use, and calls on the Scottish Government to set up an independent, Scottish Health and Social Care Commission, comprising experts, staff and service users to review health and social care delivery, produce a workforce plan to train and retain more doctors, nurses and social care professionals in Scotland, propose solutions for delayed discharge, and actions to streamline frontline services through greater integration between community health and social care services and local GP surgeries."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 27, Against 98, Abstentions 0).

Jackie Baillie moved amendment S7M-00228.4—

As an amendment to motion S7M-00228 in the name of Angela Constance (Investing, Protecting and Renewing Scotland's NHS), leave out from "recognises" to end and insert "thanks hard-working NHS and social care staff across Scotland for their care and dedication; commends them for the progress made in recovering services despite the Scottish Government's failure to meet its own promises, and believes that protecting and renewing Scotland's NHS for the next generation requires a proper emergency waiting times plan with funding that follows the patient, embracing new technology to improve productivity and patient experience, prioritising primary care and delivering proper investment in social care, which will not only reduce pressure on acute services but support healthier and happier lives in the community."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 54, Against 55, Abstentions 15).

Maggie Chapman moved amendment S7M-00228.2—

As an amendment to motion S7M-00228 in the name of Angela Constance (Investing, Protecting and Renewing Scotland's NHS), insert at end "; recognises that issues in hospitals cannot be solved without addressing the crisis in social care, reducing health inequalities and tackling poverty; believes that social care workers should be paid at least £15 an hour, and calls on the Scottish Government to address long term workforce planning to support current staff and patients.

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 41, Against 82, Abstentions 1).

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 99, Against 6, Abstentions 18).

2. Business Programme: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Jamie Hepburn), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S7M-00248—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 9 June 2026

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by General Questions

followed by First Minister's Questions (Backbench Members)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Greenhouse Gas Emissions Statistics 2024

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Growing Scotland's Economy

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 10 June 2026

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Finance and Local Government, Parliamentary Business and Veterans; Public Service Reform, Europe, External Affairs and Energy

followed by Scottish Labour Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 11 June 2026

1.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1.30 pm General Questions

2.00 pm First Minister's Questions (Party Leaders)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Improving Maternity Services Across Scotland

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Public Service Reform: Empowering Staff, Service Users and Local Communities

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Tuesday 16 June 2026

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by General Questions

followed by First Minister's Questions (Backbench Members)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 17 June 2026

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Justice; Health and Care

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 18 June 2026

1.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1.30 pm General Questions

2.00 pm First Minister's Questions (Party Leaders)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 8 June 2026, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

The motion was agreed to

3. Motion Without Notice: The Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans (Jamie Hepburn), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved a motion without notice that, under Rule 11.2.4, Decision Time be brought forward to 4.52 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

4. Decision Time: The Parliament took a decision on item 1 as noted above.

The meeting closed at 5.03 pm.

David McGill
Clerk of the Parliament

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Appendix

(Note: this Appendix does not form part of the Minutes)

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