

The Scottish Parliament Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Parliamentary Year 5, No. 22, Session 6

Meeting of the Parliament

Tuesday 2 September 2025

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

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

- **1. Time for Reflection:** Time for Reflection: Lorraine Currie, Chief Executive, Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund, led Time for Reflection.
- **2. Revision to Business Programme:** The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Jamie Hepburn), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-18622—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—
- (a) Tuesday 2 September 2025—

delete

followed by Scottish Government Business

and insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Tackling the Housing Emergency

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Priorities for Scotland

(b) Wednesday 3 September 2025—

delete

followed by Scottish Government Business

and insert

followed by First Minister's Statement: Situation in Gaza

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Palestine

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.15 pm Decision Time

(c) Thursday 4 September 2025—

delete

followed by Scottish Government Business

and insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Drug-related Deaths in Scotland in 2024 and the National Mission to Reduce Deaths and Improve the Lives of People Impacted by Drugs

followed by Public Audit Committee Debate: The 2022/23 and 2023/24 Audits of the Water Industry Commission for Scotland

The motion was agreed to.

- 3. **Topical Questions:** Questions were answered by Cabinet Secretaries.
- **4. Ministerial Statement:** The Ministerial Statement: Tackling the Housing Emergency (Màiri McAllan) made a statement and answered questions on Ministerial Statement: Tackling the Housing Emergency.
- 5. Priorities for Scotland: The First Minister (John Swinney) moved S6M-18671—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Government's continued focus on its four key priorities of eradicating child poverty, tackling the climate emergency, growing the economy, and ensuring high-quality and sustainable public services; recognises that the delivery of these priorities is within the significant constraints of a constitutional settlement that hampers achieving those priorities due to the policy decisions of UK Conservative and Labour administrations, and recognises that it is only by choosing independence that Scotland can get the fresh start that its people need and deserve.

Russell Findlay moved amendment S6M-18671.4—

As an amendment to motion S6M-18671 in the name of John Swinney (Priorities for Scotland), leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert "recognises that the Scottish Government has failed to take action on the priorities of taxpayers, like cutting NHS waiting lists, fixing crumbling roads and stimulating economic growth; acknowledges that, despite repeatedly raising taxes, public services have not improved in Scotland; laments that, increasingly, the Scotlish Government has focused on its obsession with independence, as well as fringe issues like gender reform and subjects wholly outside its remit like foreign affairs; notes with concern that Scotland continues to have a bloated public sector, with a huge number of quangos that often have overlapping functions and remits; argues that public money would be better spent being diverted to frontline services rather than on the bureaucratic state, and calls for the Scottish Ministers

to prioritise economic growth and improving public services rather than yet another push for an independence referendum."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 27, Against 90 (including 2 proxy votes), Abstentions 1).

Anas Sarwar moved amendment S6M-18671.2—

As an amendment to motion S6M-18671 in the name of John Swinney (Priorities for Scotland), leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert "notes that the Scottish National Party (SNP) administration has overseen the development of a housing emergency, allowed NHS waiting lists to soar, leading to a two-tier system with those who can afford to pay going private, been forced to scrap its legal climate change targets due to its own inaction, wasted billions of pounds of public money through incompetence and bureaucracy, and stood by while school standards declined; recognises that SNP incompetence means that people in Scotland are not feeling the benefits of the £5.2 billion in additional funding delivered by the UK Labour administration, which is working to restore public services and kickstart economic growth, and believes that Scotland is a country that is full of potential but that it is being failed by the SNP administration, and that, at the election in 2026, people in Scotland can choose a new administration that shares their ambitions and works to deliver the services that they deserve."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 19 (including 1 proxy vote), Against 98 (including 1 proxy vote), Abstentions 1).

Ross Greer moved amendment S6M-18671.3—

As an amendment to motion S6M-18671 in the name of John Swinney (Priorities for Scotland), insert at end "; is concerned that Scottish Government action to tackle the climate emergency has been scaled back, that targets for reducing child poverty have been missed and that the wealthiest 2% of households in Scotland hold more wealth than the bottom 50%; recognises that tackling the climate emergency, eradicating child poverty and ensuring high-quality and sustainable public services will require further redistribution of wealth, and calls, therefore, on the Scottish Government to make bold use of its existing tax-raising powers, including the creation of new revenue-raising mechanisms for local government."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 8 (including 1 proxy vote), Against 111 (including 2 proxy votes), Abstentions 0).

Alex Cole-Hamilton moved amendment S6M-18671.1—

As an amendment to motion S6M-18671 in the name of John Swinney (Priorities for Scotland), leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert "recognises that people feel let down and frustrated, and considers that Scotland deserves better than the current Scotlish National Party administration; calls for first-rate healthcare, help with the cost of living, more

support for pupils to help get Scottish education back to its best, and an end to the ferries fiasco, and believes that Scotland needs change with fairness at its heart."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 50 (including 2 proxy votes), Against 68 (including 1 proxy vote), Abstentions 1).

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66 (including 1 proxy vote), Against 52 (including 2 proxy votes), Abstentions 1).

6. Committee Membership: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Jamie Hepburn), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-18690—That the Parliament agrees that—

Rhoda Grant be appointed to replace Paul O'Kane as a member of the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee;

Davy Russell be appointed to replace Foysol Choudhury as a member of the Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee;

Michael Marra be appointed to replace Paul O'Kane as a member of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee; and

Carol Mochan be appointed to replace Mark Griffin as a member of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Committee Membership: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Jamie Hepburn), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-18691—That the Parliament agrees that—

Ariane Burgess be appointed to replace Mark Ruskell as a member of the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Substitution on Committees: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Jamie Hepburn), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-18692—That the Parliament agrees that—

Michael Marra be appointed as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Public Audit Committee:

Foysol Choudhury be appointed to replace Daniel Johnson as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee;

Mark Griffin be appointed to replace Carol Mochan as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Social Justice and Social Security Committee; and

Rhoda Grant be appointed as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Substitution on Committees: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Jamie Hepburn), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S6M-18693—That the Parliament agrees that—

Mark Ruskell be appointed to replace Ariane Burgess as the Scottish Green Party substitute on the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

- **10. Decision Time:** The Parliament took decisions on items 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 as noted above.
- Provision of NHS Dentistry: The Parliament debated S6M-17893 in the name of Alex Rowley—That the Parliament is concerned by the availability of NHS dentistry provision, with specific concerns relating to some dental practices reportedly making the decision to no longer provide dentistry on the NHS for adult patients; understands that the operators of Breeze Dental Care in Fife have indicated their intention to restrict the NHS dental care that they provide to only those under the age of 26, affecting patients of both their Cowdenbeath and Cardenden practices; further understands that this decision has caused considerable stress for existing patients, who have reportedly been told that the only option to remain with the practice is to sign up to a private payment plan, which many cannot afford; regrets the reported anxiety that this has caused for some patients who have used the same dental practice for many decades of their life and are now unable to find any other dentists in their local area accepting new NHS dental patients; is troubled by situations such as this when a dentist decides to no longer offer NHS dental treatment, but existing patients have no recourse to move to another dentist due to a lack of availability in the provision; believes that this situation is unfair and risks disrupting continuity of care, which can be vital for people who have attended a local dentist for much of their life; understands that, in responding to this latest practice removing NHS provision, NHS Fife has said that "There is a national shortage of qualified dentists currently and this remains a significant issue impacting NHS dentistry across Scotland, including here in Fife", and that "Health Boards like NHS Fife have no means of compelling practices to provide NHS dental services, and with the shift over recent years from smaller NHS-run practices to larger corporate entities, we have very limited influence over practice decisions", and notes the belief that, as a result of many people across the Mid Scotland and Fife region, as well as across Scotland, finding it difficult to access NHS dentistry, the Scottish Government should review the availability of provision as well as what action can be taken to ensure that people remain able to access NHS dentistry.

The meeting closed at 6.32 pm.

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

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 2 July 2025—

Rural Affairs and Island Committee, 7th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Stage 1 report on the Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (SP Paper 843)

The following reports were published on 4 July 2025—

Public Audit Committee, 3rd Report, 2025 (Session 6): The 2023/24 audit of Ferguson Marine (Port Glasgow) Holdings Limited (SP Paper 846)

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee, 3rd Report, 2025 (Session 6): Subordinate legislation considered by the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee on 12 and 26 June 2025 (SP Paper 848)

The following report was published on 9 July 2025—

Social Justice and Social Security Committee, 6th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Inquiry into financial considerations when leaving an abusive relationship (SP Paper 849)

The following report was published on 2 September 2025—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 56th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Legislative Consent Memorandum: delegated powers exercisable within devolved competence in the Employment Rights Bill (SP Paper 851)

Subordinate Legislation

Affirmative Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 25 August 2025 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Winter Heating Assistance (Pension Age) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft]

laid under section 96(2) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

The following instrument was re-laid before the Parliament on 28 August 2025 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2025 [draft] laid under section 115 and schedule 7 of the Scotland Act 1998

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 2 September 2025 and are subject to the affirmative procedure—

Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Commons) Regulations 2025 [draft]

laid under section 3(1) of the Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Act 2025

Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Councillors) Regulations 2025 [draft] laid under sections 5(3) and 72(3)(a) of the Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Act 2025

Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Lords) Regulations 2025 [draft]

laid under section 4(1) of the Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Act 2025

Negative Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 24 July 2025 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Council Tax Reduction (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) (No. 4) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/212)

laid under section 113(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 29 August 2025 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Personal Injuries (NHS Charges) (Amounts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/239)

laid under Section 195(8) of the Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 1 September 2025 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Offshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/240)

laid under section 20(5) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967

Laid Only Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 22 August 2025 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Animal Products (Control of Personal Importation) (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/230)

laid under section 10(6) of the Animal Health Act 1981

Legislative Consent Memorandums

The following memorandum was lodged on 24 July 2025—

Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Transport: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-61)

The following memorandum was lodged on 1 August 2025—

Angela Constance, Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Crime and Policing Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-57b)

The following memorandum was lodged on 13 August 2025—

Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Transport: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Planning and Infrastructure Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-56a)

The following memorandum was lodged on 14 August 2025—

Tom Arthur, Minister for Social Care and Mental Wellbeing: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Employment Rights Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-53b)

The following memorandum was lodged on 27 August 2025—

Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Terminally III Adults (End of Life) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-62)

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 2 July 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

MG Alba Aithisg Bhliadhnail & Aithris Nan Cunntasan Annual Report & Statement of Accounts 2024/25 (SG/2025/143) laid under paragraph 12 of Schedule 19 to the Broadcasting Act 1990

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 4 July 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Strategy 2025-28 (SG/2025/112) laid under section 41(B)(11) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 8 July 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Engineering Construction Industry Training Board (ECITB): Report of the trustees and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 (SG/2025/21) laid under section 8(4) of the Industrial Training Act 1982

HMICS Custody inspection report - Forth Valley (HMICS/2025/06) laid under section 79(3) of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 9 July 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

The National Lottery Community Fund: Annual report and accounts 2024-25 SG/2025/145 laid under section 34 and paragraph 21 of Schedule 4A of the National Lottery etc. Act 1993

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 10 July 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board: Annual report and accounts 2024/2025 (SG/2025/103) laid under section 13(8) of the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board Order 2008

Competition and Markets Authority Annual Report and Accounts for 2024/25 laid under Schedule 4, section 14(3)(a) of the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013 (as amended by the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020, section 40(3))

The Office of Communications Annual Report and Accounts 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/133) laid under paragraph 12(4) of Schedule 1 to the Office of Communications Act 2002

Professional Standards Authority for Health and Social Care Annual Report and Accounts 2024/2025 (SG/2025/110) laid under paragraph 16(2) of Schedule 7 to the National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002

Professional Standards Authority for Health and Social Care Business Plan 2025/26 (SG/2025/111) laid under paragraph 16(1B) of Schedule 7 to the National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002

The 2022/23 audit of Lews Castle College (SG/2025/93) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

University of the Highlands and Islands: Lews Castle College Report and Financial Statements for the year Ended 31 July 2023 (SG/2025/3) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 14 July 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner Annual Report 2024-2025 (SG/2025/151) laid under section 42(11)(b) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 15 July 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

British Transport Police Authority Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/120) laid under section 88 of the Scotland Act 1998

Transport Focus Annual report and accounts 2024-2025 (SG/2025/125) laid under section 19 and Schedule 5 of the Railways Act 2005

Scottish Borders Council Report to the Scottish Parliament on the number of Assessors and availability of Resources (SBCVJB/2025/01) laid under section 24 of the Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Act 2020

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 16 July 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

General Dental Council Annual Report and Accounts 2024 (SG/2025/82) laid under section 2B and section 2C of the Dentists Act 1984

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 17 July 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

British Tourist Authority Trading as VisitBritain and VisitEngland Annual Report and Accounts For the year ended 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/130) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2024-25 (SG/2025/87) laid under section 6 of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Act 1995

Industrial Development Act 1982 Annual Report by The Secretary of State for Business and Trade, the First Minister of Scotland, and the Welsh Ministers For the year ended 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/131) laid under section 15 of the Industrial Development Act 1982

National Heritage Memorial Fund National Lottery Distribution Annual Report and Accounts 2024–2025 for the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/135) laid under section 34(3) & 35(5) of the National Lottery etc Act 1993

National Heritage Memorial Fund Annual Report and Accounts 2024-2025 (SG/2025/134) laid under section 7 of the National Heritage Act 1980

NHS Blood and Transplant Annual Report and Accounts 2024-25 (SG/2025/107) laid under section 88 of the Scotland Act 1998

Office of Gas and Electricity Markets (Ofgem) Annual Report and Accounts 2024-25 (SG/2025/148) laid under section 5XA of the Utilities Act 2000

Security Industry Authority Annual Report & Accounts 2024-25 (SG/2025/142) laid under section 17(3) of Schedule 1 to the Private Security Industry Act 2001

UK Statistics Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2024-25 (UKSA/2025/01) laid under section 27(2) of the Statistics and Registration Service Act 2007

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 21 July 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

The Electoral Commission Annual Report and Accounts 2024-25 (ELC/2025/02) laid under paragraph 20 A (1) of Schedule 1 to the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000

Gambling Commission Annual Report and Accounts 2024-2025 (SG/2025/39) laid under section 88 of the Scotland Act 1998

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 22 July 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

HMICS Custody progress inspection report – Argyll and West Dunbartonshire (HMICS/2025/07) laid under section 79(3) of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

National Crime Agency Annual Report and Accounts 2024-2025 (SG/2025/144) laid under paragraph 8(3) of schedule 2 of the Crime and Courts Act 2013

Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2024/25 (SG/2025/86) laid under sections 14(8) and 26(11) of the Energy Act 2004

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 28 July 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

UK Internal Market Act 2020: UK Government response to the Review of the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020 and Public Consultation (SG/2025/128) laid under sections 13(2), 22(2) and 44(1) of the UK Internal Market Act 2020

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 30 July 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scotland's Trafficking and Exploitation Strategy July 2025 (SG/2025/150) laid under section 36(5)(d)(i) of the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 8 August 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Standards Commission for Scotland: Annual Report and Accounts Year Ending 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/159) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Waste Reprocessing Infrastructure in Scotland - August 2025 (SG/2025/153) laid under section 23(5) of the Circular Economy (Scotland) Act 2024

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 13 August 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Water 2024/25 Annual Report and Accounts: Performance and Prospects (SG/2025/147) laid under section 57(8) of the Water Industry (Scotland) Act 2002 and section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 19 August 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

HM Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland Annual Report 2024-25 (SG/2025/163) laid under section 82(3) of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 20 August 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Independent National Whistleblowing Officer: Compendium of Case Reports for August 2025 (INWO/2025/08) laid under sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

The Scottish National Investment Bank Annual Report and Accounts 2025 (SG/2025/172) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Compendium of Case Reports for August 2025 (SPSO/2025/08) laid under sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 22 August 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Education Scotland Annual Report and Accounts 2024-2025 (SG/2025/164) laid under section 19(4) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 25 August 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Risk Management Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2024-2025 (SG/2025/69) laid under section 13(2) of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003

Scottish Commission on Social Security Scrutiny report laid in the form of a letter on draft Regulations: The Carer's Assistance (Young Carer Grant and Carer Support Payment) (Miscellaneous Amendment and Saving Provision) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 - additional provision (SCoSS/2025/08) laid under section 97(8)(a)(ii) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

The Winter Heating Assistance (Pension Age) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025: Statement made under section 97(9)(b) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (SG/2025/176) laid under section 97(9)(b) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 26 August 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Fiscal Update - August 2025 (SFC/2025/6) laid under section 5(3) of the Scottish Fiscal Commission Act 2016

Forecast Evaluation Report - August 2025 (SFC/2025/7) laid under section 5(3) of the Scottish Fiscal Commission Act 2016

Flooding in communities: Moving towards flood resilience: A report prepared for the Auditor General for Scotland (AGS/2025/6) laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

HMICS Frontline focus review of tools of the trade (HMICS/2025/09) laid under section 79(3) of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 27 August 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service - Annual Report and Accounts 2024-25 (SCTS/2025/01) laid before the Scottish Parliament by the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service under section 67 of the Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008 and section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Standards Commission for Scotland: Annual Report 2024/25 (SCfS/2025/01) laid under paragraph 10F to Schedule 1 of the Ethical Standard in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 as amended by the Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010

The Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Act 2016 - reporting requirement - 2024/2025 (SG/2025/178) laid under section 29 of the Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Act 2016

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 28 August 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Document Summarising the Representations Made, And The Scottish Ministers Consideration of Those Representations, On The Draft Annual Report On The Scottish Ministers Exercise Of The Power In Section 1 Of The UK Withdrawal From The European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021 Laid In Draft In Parliament On 31 October 2024 (SG/2025/141) laid under section 11(5) of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021

Proposed Draft Regulations - The Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Act 2021 (Characteristic of Sex) Amendment Regulations 2026 (SG/2025/179) laid under section 12(5)(a) of the Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Act 2021 for the purposes of consultation required by section 12(5)(b) of that Act

Report By the Scottish Ministers In Exercise Of The Power In Section 1(1) Of The UK Withdrawal From The European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021 For The Reporting Period 1 September 2023 - 31 August 2024 And The Intended Future Use Of The Power Under Section 1(1) In The Upcoming Reporting Period 1 September 2024 - 31 August 2025 (SG/2025/140) laid under section 10(1) of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021

Scottish Enterprise Annual Report and Accounts For the year ended 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/146) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Housing Regulator - National Report on the Scottish Social Housing Charter 2024/2025 (SG/2025/152) laid under section 41 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2010

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 29 August 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service Annual Report and Financial Statements For the year ended 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/165) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

South of Scotland Enterprise Annual Report and Accounts 1 April 2024 - 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/157) laid under section 16 of the South of Scotland Enterprise Act 2019

Scotland's Land Use Strategy Annual Progress Report - 2024/2025 (SG/2025/169) laid under section 37A of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 1 September 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scrutiny report on draft Regulations: The Two Child Limit Payment (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SCoSS/2025/09) laid under sections 22 and 97 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 2 September 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scrutiny report on draft Regulations: the Winter Heating Assistance (Pension Age) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SCoSS/2025/10) laid under sections 22 and 97 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

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