Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



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Meeting of the Parliament

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12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-00193 Murdo Fraser: 750th Anniversary of the Treaty of Perth

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Government Debate: Dignity, Fairness and Respect and Disability Benefits

followed by Business Motions

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Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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11:40 am General Questions

- **1. Peter Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what investment plans it has for transport infrastructure in north Aberdeenshire. (S5O-00021)
- **2. Ross Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the £254 million infrastructure investment that it announced in January 2016 will be included as part of the Aberdeen City Region Deal governance structure. (S5O-00022)
- **3. Bruce Crawford:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve public transport in rural areas. (S5O-00023)
- **4. Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its moratorium on fracking. (S5O-00024)
- **5. Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what noise level monitoring it carries out on the trunk road network. (S5O-00025)
- **6. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with Education Scotland and the Scottish Qualifications Agency regarding the implementation of the curriculum for excellence. (S5O-00026)
- **7. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the Clyde Gateway project will continue to receive core funding. (S5O-00027)
- **8. Ross Greer:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports the provision of additional support for learning posts in schools. (S5O-00028)
- **9. Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the reductions to their budgets, whether it expects all of the national performing companies to continue to provide high-quality performances. (S5O-00029)
- **10. Linda Fabiani:** To ask the Scottish Government what the status is of the Glasgow City Deal Project. (S5O-00030)

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- **1. Ruth Davidson:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the day. (S5F-00038)
- **2. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the First Minister when she will next meet Carers Scotland. (S5F-00070)
- **3. Patrick Harvie:** To ask the First Minister when the Cabinet will next meet. (S5F-00036)
- **4. Mairi Evans:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's position is on the publication of the cancer patient experience survey. (S5F-00066)
- **5. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the First Minister, in light of the findings of the latest Bank of Scotland research series report on oil and gas, what support the Scottish Government will offer the industry. (S5F-00040)

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- **6. lain Gray:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government is doing to reverse the reported fall in women studying key subjects in science and computing at Higher level since 2007. (S5F-00049)
- **7. Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the First Minister on what date the new Queensferry Crossing will open. (S5F-00058)
- **8. Miles Briggs:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to ensure that the Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service is adequately funded. (S5F-00063)

12:45 pm Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

S5M-00193 Murdo Fraser: 750th Anniversary of the Treaty of Perth—That the Parliament welcomes the 750th anniversary of the Treaty of Perth; understands that the treaty, along with the Treaty of York set out much of the modern boundaries of Scotland; recognises that the treaty ended the military conflict between Magnus VI of Norway and Alexander III of Scotland over the sovereignty of the Hebrides and the Isle of Man; notes that Norway initially had control of the Hebrides and the Isle of Man after Edgar of Scotland signed them over to Norway; recognises that the Treaty of Perth was signed after Scottish victory at the Battle of Largs; believes that Norwegian envoys sailed up the River Tay to meet the Scottish King and the treaty was sealed on 2 July 1266 at Blackfriars monastery on the north side of the city; understands that visitors to Perth can see the earliest surviving text of the treaty, recorded in the "Black Book", at Perth museum; notes the various civic activities taking place on 21 August in Perth to recognise the treaty's importance, which include a mini tattoo, complete with the King's Guard of Norway, and hopes that the commemoration of the Treaty of Perth can help foster closer links between the Fair City and Norway and also act as a focal point for attracting visitors to the city over the summer.

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Government Debate: Dignity, Fairness and Respect and Disability Benefits

S5M-00374 Angela Constance: Dignity, Fairness and Respect in Disability Benefits—That the Parliament welcomes Carers Week 2016 and thanks carers for their invaluable contribution to society and recognises the vital role that they play caring for family, friends and neighbours; supports the Scottish Government's plan to increase carers allowance, extend winter fuel allowance to children on higher rate disability living allowance and ensure that disability benefits are not means tested and that assessments are fair and transparent; believes that carer and disability benefits, once devolved, will help achieve the Scottish Government's wider goal of supporting disabled people and their carers to participate in society, fulfilling their potential in life; believes that the UK Government's cuts to disability benefits are unfair and have caused unnecessary stress and financial hardship; urges the UK Government to make no further cuts to disability benefits; agrees that disability benefits are an investment in the people of Scotland and that they should support disabled people and those with long-term conditions and illnesses in a fair way; believes that, when the powers over disability and ill-health benefits are devolved, smooth transfer and transition is a priority, and considers that disabled people, carers and their representative groups should be fully involved in the development of the Scottish benefits, which should have dignity and respect at their heart.

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The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

S5M-00374.2 Adam Tomkins: Dignity, Fairness and Respect in Disability Benefits—As an amendment to motion S5M-00374 in the name of Angela Constance (Dignity, Fairness and Respect in Disability Benefits), leave out from "supports" to end and insert "further welcomes the Scottish Government's commitment to implement the Scottish Conservatives' proposal to align carers allowance with jobseeker's allowance, which will support over 60,000 carers in Scotland; recognises the positive impact that the delivery of short breaks for carers, secured by the Scottish Conservatives in the last parliamentary session, will have in providing crucial respite from their caring roles; acknowledges that disability benefits are not means tested under the current UK government and that benefits related to the additional costs of disability have been uprated every year; understands that the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions has confirmed that there are no plans for further welfare savings over and above those already announced; agrees that the devolution of most disability benefits to the Scottish Parliament will allow Scotland to take a different path if it chooses to, rather than laying blame on the UK Government, and urges the Scottish Government to ensure the smooth transfer of powers for disability benefits and to work collaboratively with other parties and stakeholders to develop a disability benefits system that puts opportunity at its heart, working to reduce the disability employment gap and exploring a new, personalised and integrated approach that supports the most vulnerable in society."

S5M-00374.3 Mark Griffin: Dignity, Fairness and Respect in Disability Benefits—As an amendment to motion S5M-00374 in the name of Angela Constance (Dignity, Fairness and Respect in Disability Benefits), after first "disability benefits" insert "are increased at least in line with inflation to ensure that they cover the cost of living,"

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 8 June 2016

Tuesday 14 June 2016

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Greenhouse Gas Inventory 2014

followed by Scottish Government Debate: The Contributions of Colleges and Universities to Scotland's Success

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 15 June 2016

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Labour Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business

Thursday 16 June 2016

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Motions for Debate

S5M-00374 Angela Constance: Dignity, Fairness and Respect in Disability Benefits—That the Parliament welcomes Carers Week 2016 and thanks carers for their invaluable contribution to society and recognises the vital role that they play caring for family, friends and neighbours; supports the Scottish Government's plan to increase carers allowance, extend winter fuel allowance to children on higher rate disability living allowance and ensure that disability benefits are not means tested and that assessments are fair and transparent; believes that carer and disability benefits, once devolved, will help achieve the Scottish Government's wider goal of supporting disabled people and their carers to participate in society, fulfilling their potential in life; believes that the UK Government's cuts to disability benefits are unfair and have caused unnecessary stress and financial hardship; urges the UK Government to make no further cuts to disability benefits; agrees that disability benefits are an investment in the people of Scotland and that they should support disabled people and those with long-term conditions and illnesses in a fair way; believes that, when the powers over disability and ill-health benefits are devolved, smooth transfer and transition is a priority, and considers that disabled people, carers and their representative groups should be fully involved in the development of the Scottish benefits, which should have dignity and respect at their heart.

Supported by: Kevin Stewart, Jeane Freeman

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*S5M-00374.1 Alison Johnstone: Dignity, Fairness and Respect in Disability Benefits—As an amendment to motion S5M-00374 in the name of Angela Constance (Dignity, Fairness and Respect in Disability Benefits), leave out from "and respect" to end and insert ", rights and respect at their heart, and welcomes the Scottish Government's intention to consider a young carers allowance to support young people with caring responsibilities."

Other new and altered motions and amendments

*S5M-00396 Gordon MacDonald: Promoting Traditional Building Skills and Materials—That the Parliament welcomes the Traditional Building Skills and Materials event held at St Andrew Square Gardens in Edinburgh on 6 and 7 June 2016, which featured apprentices demonstrating traditional building skills, including masonry, slate roofing, plastering and painting and decorating; recognises that the event was a collaboration organised through the Scottish Traditional Building Forum and included British Geological Survey, Built Environment Forum Scotland, National Federation of Roofing Contractors, Edinburgh College, Institute of Historic Building Conservation, Scottish Historic Buildings Trust, Architecture and Design Scotland, Stone Federation Great Britain, Historic Environment Scotland and Essential Edinburgh; notes that the event was open to members of the public for advice, with the aim of highlighting the importance of traditional building skills in the construction sector, and brought together pupils from across Edinburgh with local apprentices; believes that practical demonstrations of traditional building skills provide a platform to promote the construction industry and the many varied and desirable career paths that it can offer, and welcomes the ongoing work of all partner agencies to draw attention to the necessity for traditional building skills and, in turn, help to create a hi-tech, world-class industry with outstanding career prospects, helping companies to skill-proof their businesses, invest in skills and plan for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Mairi Evans*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*, Colin Beattie*, Peter Chapman*, Bruce Crawford*, Andy Wightman*, Monica Lennon*, Ivan McKee*, Graeme Dey*, Jeremy Balfour*

*S5M-00395 Pauline McNeill: Protecting Glasgow's Historic Conservation Sites—That the Parliament notes with concern the purchase of Park Quadrant by Expresso Properties, which intends to build 98 flats on the site; understands that over 160 objections have been submitted to Glasgow City Council's Planning Department about the proposed development; further understands that this is a grade A conservation area of international interest and that any plan should comply fully with conservation rules and the city plan; believes that Park Quadrant should be sympathetically developed for the benefit of the local community, taking into consideration its conservation status, rather than have a substantial building shoehorned into this small site, and calls on Glasgow City Council to consider alternative development options for the Park Quadrant site.

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Supported by: David Stewart*, Patrick Harvie*

*S5M-00394 Rhoda Grant: Comhairle nan Eilean Siar Leads the Way on ELS—That the Parliament congratulates Comhairle nan Eilean Siar on, it understands, being the first of Scotland's local authorities to add emergency life support (ELS) training to the school curriculum; notes that the council's Education and Children's Services Committee has agreed to grant £30,000 toward the Lucky2BHere project, which aims to see defibrillators installed and training provided at all schools in the area; acknowledges what it sees as the unquestionable benefits of communities being trained in ELS; congratulates the pupils and school staff from across the Western Isles on their willingness to engage with this training; believes that this has led to it being included on the curriculum; believes that this initiative could save an untold amount of lives, and encourages Scotland's other local authorities to follow suit and add this to the curriculum in their areas.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Gail Ross*, Kenneth Gibson*, David Stewart*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*, Douglas Ross*, Monica Lennon*

*S5M-00393 John Finnie: Investigatory Powers Bill—That the Parliament regrets the decision of the House of Commons to give a third reading to the Investigatory Powers Bill; understands that it has been supported by the Conservative and Labour parties, while the Green, Scottish National and Liberal Democrat parties have opposed it; believes that it mandates the bulk collection and retention of personal data, including internet and telephone records and location information, on persons who are not suspected of any crime; urges the House of Lords to approve amendments that would ensure that surveillance is targeted, proportionate and carried out under independent judicial authorisation; notes that, in accordance with the Sewel convention, the UK Parliament does not legislate with regard to devolved matters without the consent of the Scottish Parliament, and reminds the UK Government that the Scottish Parliament cannot take any action, including making a legislative consent motion, that is incompatible with the European Convention on Human Rights.

Supported by: Alison Johnstone*, Andy Wightman*, Kenneth Gibson*, Ivan McKee*

*S5M-00392 Graeme Dey: Congratulations to Judith Strachan and her Friends—That the Parliament congratulates Judith Strachan, who is from Birkhill, on recently returning from a sponsored trek in Peru, which raised £16,000 for Marie Curie Cancer Care; notes that Judith, along with her friends, Fran Beaton, Sandra Tindal and Jill Smith, trekked for five days through the harsh and diverse Andean mountains to reach the 15th-century Inca citadel, Machu Picchu, which is perhaps the most familiar icon of the Inca civilization; understands that the route was very demanding and included three mountain passes, including the Yuracrumiyoc Pass, which stands at 4,672m, and welcomes the news that the money raised by Judith and her friends will help "buy" more than 800 hours-worth of free high-quality care.

*S5M-00391 John Scott: Dementia Friendly Prestwick—That the Parliament welcomes the recent launch of Dementia Friendly Prestwick; commends the scheme's introduction of best practice from countries such as Japan and the USA; understands that 90,000 people in Scotland live with dementia and 76% of Scots know someone who has dementia or cares for someone with the condition; recognises that dementia can be an isolating condition with diverse care needs; welcomes steps by Alzheimer Scotland to tackle stigma around the condition during Dementia Awareness Week; believes that dementia friendly communities will have an increasingly important role to play as Scotland's population ages and dementia increases, and congratulates local Prestwick businesses on their engagement with the scheme.

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*S5M-00390 David Torrance: Scottish Renewables Young Professionals Green Energy Awards—That the Parliament congratulates David Hogg of Bright Green Hydrogen on winning the Innovator category, and the eight other winners, at the prestigious Scottish Renewables Young Professionals Green Energy Awards; praises the effort, imagination and determination of everybody involved; understands that their hard work will lead to improvements in renewable energy used to power one of the largest fleets of hydrogen vehicles in the EU, and considers that this will encourage more opportunities for investments to turn Fife into a world-leading energy hub.

Supported by: Mairi Evans*, Kenneth Gibson*, Gail Ross*, Gordon MacDonald*, Richard Lyle*, Liam McArthur*, Colin Beattie*, Bruce Crawford*, Graeme Dey*, Ivan McKee*

*S5M-00389 David Torrance: Congratulations to CLEAR Buckhaven on Receiving £15,310—That the Parliament congratulates CLEAR Buckhaven on receiving £15,310 thanks to the players of the People's Postcode Lottery; understands that this funding will enable CLEAR to carry its local environmental, growing, and community arts work across Buckhaven over the coming year through mobilising volunteers; praises the work of CLEAR for running an increasingly diverse and intensive weekly programme, and considers this funding crucial in enabling this work to continue.

Supported by: Bruce Crawford*, Mairi Evans*, Richard Lyle*, Colin Beattie*, Graeme Dey*

*S5M-00388 John Finnie: Equal Protection for Scotland's Children—That the Parliament welcomes the Church of Scotland General Assembly's vote to recognise corporal punishment as a violent act that is damaging to mental and physical health; further welcomes the assembly's decision to join campaigns that seek an end to the physical punishment of children and to support the development of non-violent parenting skills; believes that legal reform is a crucial preventative measure that will reduce such harm to children; understands that, although there is no evidence that a change to the law results in increased criminal proceedings, it does facilitate widespread culture change; notes that the UK is only one of five EU countries not to have committed to a ban on all physical punishment, and believes that, to provide equal protection within the law for children in Scotland, the defence of "justifiable assault" should be abolished at the earliest opportunity.

Supported by: Alison Johnstone*, Andy Wightman*, Ross Greer*, Patrick Harvie*

*S5M-00387 Miles Briggs: End of Life Care for LGBT People—That the Parliament recognises the new Marie Curie report, *Hiding who I am* – *the reality of end of life care for LGBT people*, which explores access to palliative care for LGBT people and examines some of the barriers that LGBT people face in receiving high quality end of life care; understands that LGBT people are less likely to access palliative care; further understands that Scotland is rated the best country in Europe for LGBT equality in the Rainbow Index; however notes that there is still a lack of data on the level of need for palliative care among LGBT people in Scotland and the number of LGBT people missing out on palliative care altogether; supports the report's recommendations for more research, better training and support for practitioners, more LGBT-relevant literature and greater cross-organisational work to share good practice; acknowledges that palliative care is now the responsibility of the new health and social care partnerships; recognises the need for partnerships to identify palliative care needs in their localities; further recognises the need for partnerships to

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put in place plans and services to meet local unmet need; believes that this should address inequity of people accessing palliative care, including LGBT people, and acknowledges the Scottish Government's Strategic Framework for Action on Palliative and End of Life Care, of which the equality impact assessment recognises that more needs to be done for LGBT people needing palliative care, if its vision that everyone who needs palliative care has access to it by 2021 is to be met.

Supported by: Alison Harris*, Annie Wells*, Margaret Mitchell*, Douglas Ross*, John Lamont*, Liz Smith*, Donald Cameron*, Oliver Mundell*, Neil Findlay*, Jackson Carlaw*, Andy Wightman*, Peter Chapman*, Alexander Burnett*, David Torrance*, Ivan McKee*, Alison Johnstone*, Liam McArthur*

*S5M-00386 Mark Ruskell: Supporting the Can It Campaign—That the Parliament supports the Can It campaign being launched across Tayside and Fife by *The Courier*; notes that the campaign aims to prevent schoolchildren from consuming excess quantities of energy drinks, which often contain extremely high quantities of caffeine, which can lead to disruptive behaviour, cardiac problems, nervousness, insomnia, headaches and anxiety, and calls on schools and parents to support the campaign to promote young people's health, concentration and education by banning them from consuming such drinks in schools.

Supported by: Alexander Burnett*, Ivan McKee*, David Torrance*, Colin Beattie*, Alison Johnstone*, Sandra White*

*S5M-00385 Iain Gray: Professor Sheila Rowan, Scotland's New Chief Scientific

Adviser—That the Parliament congratulates Professor Sheila Rowan of the University of Glasgow on her appointment as the new Chief Scientific Adviser (CSA); understands that Professor Rowan, who is a physicist, is an expert in gravitational waves and is director of the University of Glasgow's Institute for Gravitational Research, which is part of a global effort that led to the discovery of gravitational waves, recognised as one of the most significant scientific discoveries of this century; considers that Professor Rowan will be the third female CSA and believes that this appointment is an encouraging one in providing a positive role model for increasing the number of women going on to study and work in science, technology, engineering and maths; recognises that she will be responsible in her role for providing independent scientific advice to government ministers, and wishes her every success in this important role.

Supported by: Peter Chapman*, Ivan McKee*, Richard Lyle*, Murdo Fraser*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bruce Crawford*, Lewis Macdonald*, Bill Kidd*, Mark Griffin*, Tavish Scott*, David Torrance*, Claire Baker*, Liam McArthur*, Patrick Harvie*, John Mason*, Colin Beattie*, Neil Findlay*, Andy Wightman*, Jackson Carlaw*, Alison Johnstone*, Sandra White*

*S5M-00384 Neil Findlay: National Union of Students—That the Parliament condemns the statement made by Murdo Fraser MSP, who reportedly called members of the National Union of Students "bigots"; believes this to be an outrageous insult to thousands of the students up and down the country who work to improve the education, welfare and lives of seven million students across Scotland and the UK, and urges Mr Fraser to withdraw this remark and apologise.

Supported by: John Finnie*, Patrick Harvie*, Alex Rowley*, Ivan McKee*, Ash Denham*

*S5M-00384.1 Murdo Fraser: National Union of Students—As an amendment to motion S5M-00384 in the name of Neil Findlay (National Union of Students), leave out from "condemns" to end and insert "notes that student unions at Newcastle, Lincoln and Hull universities have all voted to disaffiliate from the National Union of Students (NUS), with it being reported that a dozen others could follow suit, following concerns about comments made by the newly-elected NUS President,

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who has been accused of anti-Semitism; notes the comments of the Labour MP for Bassetlaw, John Mann, after the NUS Conference in April 2016, when he described how some delegates' comments were 'inappropriate, offensive and point to a disturbing wider ignorance about anti-Semitism' within the NUS, and agrees with John Mann, who is chair of the All-Party Parliamentary Group against Antisemitism, that the NUS is 'not doing enough to combat anti-Jewish hatred' and is failing in its responsibilities to its members."

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Jackson Carlaw*, Peter Chapman*, Oliver Mundell*, Douglas Ross*, Donald Cameron*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alexander Burnett*, John Lamont*

*S5M-00383 Bruce Crawford: Camphill Blair Drummond—That the Parliament congratulates Camphill Blair Drummond on its 40th year as a community-focused organisation that provides residential and day services for adults with complex learning difficulties and on being shortlisted as a finalist in two categories of the Forth Valley Chamber of Commerce Business Awards 2016, being awarded certificates for Finalist for Best Large Business of the Year 2016 and Highly Commended for Charity of the Year 2016.

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*S5M-00382 Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees to the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 8 June 2016—

after

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions

Health and Sport

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Queensferry Crossing

delete

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and insert

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*S5M-00381 John Finnie: Moray Supports Refugees—That the Parliament welcomes the decision by Moray Council to offer a rent-free lease of three business units to help the Moray Supports Refugees group; also notes that Moray Council waived the remaining 20% of rates following charity status deduction; believes that this gesture will go a long way to ensuring that Moray and Scotland are seen as a welcoming and supportive home for those fleeing war and persecution; understands that the units will be used to collect, sort and distribute humanitarian aid for refugees, and sends its best wishes and sincere gratitude to Moray Council for its work in supporting the group.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Bruce Crawford*, Ivan McKee*, David Torrance*, Bob Doris*, Mairi Evans*, Alison Johnstone*, Maree Todd*, Sandra White*

*S5M-00380 Oliver Mundell: Celebrating Annan Rugby Club's Success—That the Parliament congratulates Annan Rugby Club on being crowned the best in the country at the recent Scottish

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Rugby Awards, winning a coveted national award; notes the club's achievements in the past year, with its first team being promoted from the BT West Division 2; further notes that the U15 girls' success in winning the National Bowl final at Murrayfield, and commends its vice president, Gary Coupland, for being named as Youth Coach of the Year at the same awards.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Jackson Carlaw*, Alison Harris*, Kenneth Gibson*, Douglas Ross*, John Lamont*, Bill Kidd*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Liz Smith*, Bruce Crawford*, Peter Chapman*, Richard Lyle*, Alexander Burnett*, David Torrance*, Bob Doris*, Donald Cameron*, Colin Beattie*, Emma Harper*, Joan McAlpine*, Margaret Mitchell*, Sandra White*

*S5M-00379 Douglas Ross: Noah's Ark Developmental Playgroup, 40th Anniversary—That the Parliament congratulates Noah's Ark Developmental Playgroup, which is based in Forres, on its 40th anniversary; notes that it was established in 1976 by Dr Isobel Scott for children with additional needs and that, after operating from several sites in the town, it moved to a permanent home at Balnageith Road in 2004; understands that this is a purpose-built property that provides a high standard of care; notes the work carried out by the 11 members of staff and the board of directors, led by Dr Douglas Murray, in looking after around 70 children, of whom 10 have complex needs; believes that their hard work provides a unique and special service to the people of Forres, and wishes the group continued success in supporting the community.

Supported by: Liz Smith*, Alexander Burnett*, Miles Briggs*, Bob Doris*, Ben Macpherson*, Alison Harris*, John Finnie*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jackson Carlaw*, Kenneth Gibson*, Murdo Fraser*, Richard Lyle*, John Lamont*, David Torrance*, Donald Cameron*, Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*, Maree Todd*, Sandra White*, Finlay Carson*

*S5M-00378 George Adam: Glasgow Airport Leads the Way—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement by Delta Air Lines of a new direct air link between Glasgow Airport and New York JFK; recognises the significant tourism and business opportunities that this new route will bring for Glasgow and Scotland and the contribution that it will make to helping Scotland maintain and increase its global competitiveness; congratulates Glasgow Airport on securing this link with the world's largest economy, especially since it comes as the airport is celebrating its 50th anniversary; notes the importance of the USA as the number one tourism market to Scotland, with nearly half a million visitors in 2014, and believes that this announcement underlines Scotland's growing worldwide connectivity, with Glasgow Airport seeing a surge in passenger numbers in recent years, with more than 8.7 million passengers travelling through its doors in 2015.

Supported by: James Dornan*, Rachael Hamilton*, Colin Beattie*, Bruce Crawford*, John Mason*, Gordon MacDonald*, Jackson Carlaw*, Clare Haughey*, Mairi Evans*, David Torrance*, Ivan McKee*, Bob Doris*

*S5M-00377 John Mason: Queen Street Tunnel Works—That the Parliament understands that engineers have finished laying the first line of track through Glasgow Queen Street tunnel; notes the impressive nature of the project, with over 5,000 tonnes of concrete and rock used to create 945 metres of concrete basing, 820 metres of new slab-track units and 2,000 metres of rail; congratulates the workers from the Edinburgh Glasgow Improvement Programme on the work done so far; understands that, while this work is necessary, it has unavoidably caused disruption to many passengers, and, as such, looks forward to the completion of the project and the reopening of the tunnel and of Queen Street high level station in August 2016.

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*S5M-00375 John Mason: McCulloch Rail on Right Track in USA—That the Parliament congratulates Billy and Danny McCulloch of McCulloch Rail on the news of their contract to provide the New York Subway system with brand new rail laying machines; understands that, until the introduction of the McCullochs' new machine, laying track in the New York subway had been handled manually, which had led to a high level of injuries for workers due to the backbreaking nature of the work; understands that, alongside this, there have been notes of interest from metros across the United States, including Washington DC; looks forward to seeing what it is sure will be the ongoing success of McCulloch Rail both in Scotland and abroad, and considers that Scotland is well able to lead the world in engineering and in other fields.

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-00373 Lewis Macdonald: Welcoming Start of Refugee Festival Scotland (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Alex Rowley*, Sandra White*, Bob Doris*, Bruce Crawford*, Richard Lyle*, Alison Johnstone*

S5M-00370 Rhoda Grant: Care Home Open Day 17 June 2016 (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Gail Ross*, Douglas Ross*, Iain Gray*, Andy Wightman*, Pauline McNeill*, Ivan McKee*, John Mason*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Bruce Crawford*, David Torrance*, Colin Beattie*, Neil Findlay*, Clare Haughey*, Alison Johnstone*, Sandra White*, Kenneth Gibson*

S5M-00369 Liam McArthur: Arctic Convoy 75th Anniversary Commemoration (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*, Alex Rowley*, Graeme Dey*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, Stewart Stevenson*, Richard Lyle*, Bob Doris*, Bruce Crawford*, Christina McKelvie*

S5M-00368 Bill Kidd: Congratulating the Islamic Unity Alliance (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*, Sandra White*, Michael Russell*, Stewart Stevenson*, Emma Harper*

S5M-00366 Neil Findlay: Can You Hear Me Now? Finding My Voice in a System That Stole It (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Iain Gray*, Bruce Crawford*, Andy Wightman*, Jackson Carlaw*, David Torrance*

S5M-00365 Rhoda Grant: UCI Mountain Bike World Cup (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Donald Cameron*, Graeme Dey*, Sandra White*, Elaine Smith*, Richard Lyle*, Mark Ruskell*

S5M-00364 Douglas Ross: Elgin Rotary Club Motorfun and Picnic in the Park (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Alison Harris*

S5M-00363 Douglas Ross: Morayvia Group to Restore Cold War Relic (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Alison Harris*

S5M-00362 Douglas Ross: Scottish Team at Euro 2016 (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Alison Harris*

S5M-00361 Richard Lochhead: Congratulations to Islavale FC (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Donald Cameron*, Emma Harper*

S5M-00360 Finlay Carson: Whithorn Trust Reaches the British Archaeological Awards Finals (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Alison Harris*

S5M-00359 Ross Greer: Lenzie Academy U15s Cup Final Victory (lodged on 07 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00358 Stuart McMillan: Glasgow Life Launches Appeal (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Mark Ruskell*, Emma Harper*

S5M-00357 Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen's Golden Games (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00356 David Torrance: Congratulations to Fife Migrants Forum (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Emma Harper*, Christina McKelvie*

S5M-00355 Liam McArthur: Remembering the Lives Lost on board HMS Hampshire (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Ash Denham*

S5M-00353 Liam McArthur: Sanday Commemorates the Stories of the B-98 and the U-70 (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00352 Liam McArthur: Stromness Academy Youth Philanthropy Initiative Finals 2016

(lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00351 Liam McArthur: Orkney's Junior Inter-county Team Retains the Stuart Cup

(lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00350 Bob Doris: Results of the Scottish Cancer Patient Experience Survey (lodged on

06 June 2016)

New Support: Ash Denham*, Christina McKelvie*

S5M-00349 Ross Thomson: BP Announcement a Vote of Confidence in North Sea Oil and Gas (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Ash Denham*, John Scott*

S5M-00348 Miles Briggs: 70th Edition of the Edinburgh International Film Festival (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Andy Wightman*

S5M-00347 Maree Todd: Orkney's Junior Inter-county Heroes Win Historic Stuart Cup (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Christina McKelvie*

S5M-00344 George Adam: Muhammad Ali, The Greatest (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

S5M-00343 Mark Ruskell: Congratulating Pillars of Hercules (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Graeme Dey*, Sandra White*

S5M-00342 Richard Lochhead: Speybuilt, the Story of a Forgotten Industry (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Christina McKelvie*

S5M-00341 Stuart McMillan: Royal West of Scotland Amateur Boat Club 150th Anniversary (lodged on 06 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00340 Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen Organisations Receive the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service (lodged on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00339 David Stewart: Success for the Elgin and District Enable Branch (lodged on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00338 Rachael Hamilton: Macamoon and Cuddybridge Apple Juice Success at Scottish Food and Drink Excellence Awards (lodged on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00337 Ben Macpherson: Theatre in Schools Scotland Project (lodged on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Christina McKelvie*

S5M-00336 Richard Lochhead: The Incredible Successes of the Rock Academy, Lossiemouth (lodged on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Emma Harper*

S5M-00335 Kenneth Gibson: Living with Endometriosis (lodged on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Bob Doris*, Sandra White*, Christina McKelvie*

S5M-00334 Kenneth Gibson: The Best Scone in Scotland (lodged on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00333 Kenneth Gibson: Congratulations to Craig Lindsay (lodged on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00332 Douglas Ross: Jim Walker, Outstanding Contribution to Food and Drink (lodged

on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, John Scott*

S5M-00331 George Adam: Happy Birthday, Paisley Pirates (lodged on 03 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00330 Mary Fee: Centenary Garden for Erskine (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00328 Sandra White: Top Scot Recognised in 30 Under 30 List (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

S5M-00327 James Dornan: Congratulations to the Senior Centre Castlemilk (lodged on 02

June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00326 Anas Sarwar: Carers Week UK (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Rhoda Grant*, Sandra White*

S5M-00325 Lewis Macdonald: Charity Kerusso Trust Opens New Education Centre in

Malawi (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00324 David Torrance: Mark Roscoe Elected to Royal Society of Portrait Painters

(lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00323 Jeremy Balfour: The 11th MoonWalk Scotland (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00322 Jackie Baillie: #shemeansbusiness Campaign (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00321 Alex Rowley: World's First Offshore Reactive Compensation Station to be Built

in Fife (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

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S5M-00320 John Finnie: Honouring Police Officers' Terms and Conditions (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross*

S5M-00318 Bob Doris: NG Homes Oriental Exercise Classes at Tron St Mary's Church

(lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00317 Liam McArthur: The 34th Orkney Folk Festival (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00316 Andy Wightman: Edinburgh Biodiversity Action Plan 2016–2018 (lodged on 02

June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Graeme Dey*

S5M-00315 Clare Adamson: Congratulations to Linda McPartlin (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Christina McKelvie*

S5M-00314 Liam McArthur: Congratulations to Orkney's Girlguiding Trefoil Guild (lodged on

02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00313 Liam McArthur: Congratulations to Kevin Kingston (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00312 Margaret Mitchell: Hamilton Gymnastics Club (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Christina McKelvie*

S5M-00311 Liam McArthur: Remembering Charles Kennedy (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00309 Kenneth Gibson: Largs Thistle Promoted (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00308 Kenneth Gibson: Time to Ban Microbeads (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Gail Ross*, Sandra White*, Andy Wightman*

S5M-00307 Lewis Macdonald: International Cricket Council's Historic Scottish Annual

Conference (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00305 Ash Denham: Carers Trust Campaign (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00304 David Torrance: East Fife Ladies Reach their First Cup Final (lodged on 02 June

2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00303 Brian Whittle: Volunteers in Sporting Clubs (lodged on 02 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00302 Graeme Dey: Promoting Good Food from Angus (lodged on 01 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Claudia Beamish*

S5M-00298 Graeme Dey: Carers Week 2016 (lodged on 01 June 2016)

New Support: Bob Doris*, Sandra White*

S5M-00292 Mark Ruskell: Opposing CETA (lodged on 01 June 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Michael Russell*, Emma Harper*

S5M-00288 Ash Denham: Sands UK's Sands Awareness Month, Turn Facebook/Twitter

Orange (lodged on 01 June 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00275 Christine Grahame: Full Steam ahead for the Borders Railway (lodged on 31 May

2016)

New Support: Sandra White*, Rachael Hamilton*

S5M-00247 Kate Forbes: Rural Communities and the Post-study Work Visa (lodged on 31

May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00233 Gil Paterson: 1st/2nd Milngavie Boys' Brigade Anchor Boys Section (lodged on

31 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00207 Richard Lochhead: Welcoming the Refurbished Children's Ward at Dr Gray's

Hospital (lodged on 25 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00206 Murdo Fraser: Scientists' Call for GM Crops Rethink (lodged on 25 May 2016)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

S5M-00205 Lewis Macdonald: Kim Little Wins BBC Women's Footballer of the Year Award

(lodged on 25 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00204 Ben Macpherson: Congratulations to Out of the Blue Arts and Education Trust

on Funding Award (lodged on 25 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00202 Liam McArthur: Battle of Jutland Centenary (lodged on 25 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00200 Jeremy Balfour: British Heart Foundation Scotland (lodged on 25 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00199 Kate Forbes: Don't Deport the Brains (lodged on 25 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00197 Lewis Macdonald: Imagination Library Comes to Aberdeen (lodged on 25 May

2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00196 Lewis Macdonald: Congratulations to The Grill, Whisky Bar of the Year (lodged

on 25 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00194 Jackie Baillie: Celebrating 70 Years on the Water for the Waverley (lodged on 25

May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00148 Richard Lochhead: The Malt Whisky Trail, a New Voice for an International Icon

(lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00143 George Adam: World MS Day (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00125 John Mason: UN Calls on Turkey to Allow Observer Access to Kurdish Areas

(lodged on 20 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00121 Sandra White: Glasgow 2016 Homelessness World Cup Legacy Project (lodged

on 20 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00119 Neil Findlay: RBS Abandons Communities while the Chief Executive Scoops

Millions (lodged on 20 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00053 John Lamont: 2016 Borders Common Ridings and Festivals (lodged on 17 May

2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00050 Lewis Macdonald: Congratulations to Inverurie's Hannah Miley (lodged on 17

May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00047 Clare Haughey: Support of Mental Health Awareness Week 2016 (lodged on 17

May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00046 Graeme Dey: Congratulations to Beth Morrison (lodged on 17 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00045 Gail Ross: Congratulations to Annie's Bakery (lodged on 17 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00044 Lewis Macdonald: Construction to Begin on Floating Windfarm Offshore

Peterhead (lodged on 17 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00043 Gail Ross: Congratulation to Reids of Caithness (lodged on 17 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00042 Jenny Gilruth: Recognising the Contribution to Public Life of Tricia Marwick

(lodged on 17 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00041 Jackie Baillie: Islelagh Shaw is West Dunbartonshire's Youth Champion (lodged

on 17 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00040 Jackie Baillie: National Learning Disability Week (lodged on 17 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00039 Jackie Baillie: 20 Years of Changing Attitudes, Changing Lives (lodged on 17

May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00038 Jackie Baillie: Team Champions, West Dunbartonshire Community Foodshare

(lodged on 17 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00037 James Dornan: Welcoming the Promotion of Queen's Park Football Club (lodged

on 16 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00036 James Dornan: Judgement on the Unlawfully Imposed Sanctions on Benefit

Claimants (lodged on 16 May 2016)

New Support: Sandra White*

S5M-00018 Ben Macpherson: Botanic Cottage Reopens (lodged on 13 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

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S5M-00016 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Mental Health Awareness Week (lodged on 13 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00015 Douglas Ross: This Farming Life (lodged on 13 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00011 Alison Johnstone: Partnership on Women's Education in Malawi (lodged on 13

May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00010 Jackie Baillie: Arthritis Care Week 2016 (lodged on 12 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-00009 Liam McArthur: International Nurses' Day 2016 (lodged on 12 May 2016)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 15 June 2016

Education and Skills

- **1. Richard Lochhead:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to encourage people to take up teaching posts in the Moray area. **(S5O-00031)**
- **2. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it has invested in building or refurbishing schools in South Lanarkshire since 2007. **(\$50-00032)**
- **3. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure fair access to universities for young people from every community. **(S50-00033)**
- **4. Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the full £750 million pledged for the Scottish Attainment Challenge will be given to headteachers to spend on their individual schools' priorities. **(S50-00034)**
- **5. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to enhance education and skills for a circular economy. **(S5O-00035)**
- **6. Patrick Harvie:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with the EIS regarding its ballot for industrial action. **(\$50-00036)**
- **7. John Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government what the results of information gathered by local authorities on schoolchildren show about their career path aspirations, other than attending college or university. **(S50-00037)**
- **8. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to increase early years learning and childcare. **(\$50-00038)**
- **9. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government to what extent it considers that adverse intergenerational socioeconomic factors impact on educational attainment and what steps it will take to mitigate these over the next five years. **(S50-00039)**
- 10. Murdo Fraser: [Not Lodged]
- **11. Jenny Gilruth:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of headteachers in Fife secondary schools is female, and how this compares with the overall figure for the rest of Scotland. **(S50-00041)**
- **12. Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will next meet the management of Scotland's Rural College. **(\$50-00042)**
- **13. Ash Denham:** To ask the Scottish Government what role breakfast clubs play in closing the attainment gap, and what support it provides to them. **(S50-00043)**
- **14. Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to support families accessing children's services. **(S50-00044)**
- **15. Mary Fee:** To ask the Scottish Government what targets it has set to measure the impact of the Scottish Attainment Fund in West Scotland. **(S50-00045)**
- **16. Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to encourage more young women to take up STEM subjects. **(S50-00046)**
- **17. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what its education directorate's role is in addressing the number of 16 to 19-year-olds who are not in education, employment or training. **(S50-00047)**

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- **18. Ivan McKee:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to ensure that spending on education is targeted at areas where the attainment gap is greatest. **(\$50-00048)**
- **19. Stewart Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making in boosting the delivery of STEM subjects. **(S5O-00049)**
- **20. Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government what assistance it provides for children with additional support needs. **(S50-00050)**

General Questions selected for answer on 16 June 2016

- **1. Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met representatives of the fishing industry to discuss the discard ban. **(S50-00051)**
- 2. Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government what progress is being made to reintroduce passenger flights from Ashaig Airfield on Skye. (S50-00052)
- **3. Sandra White:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to introduce legislation regarding responsible parking on footways. **(S50-00053)** R
- **4. Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide funding so that Scottish Autism's One Stop Shop in Motherwell can reopen. **(S50-00054)**
- **5. Maree Todd:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made on reducing ferry fares for the Northern Isles. **(S50-00055)**
- **6. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with NHS Ayrshire and Arran regarding mental health. **(S50-00056)**
- **7. Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what decisions it has made about the future provision of major trauma centres in the NHS. **(S50-00057)**
- **8. Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government what the annual running cost is of Forestry Commission Scotland, and whether it considers that the commission is doing an effective job in delivering the forestry strategy. **(S50-00058)**
- **9. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress with its commitment to invest £6 million in the regeneration of Stranraer waterfront. **(S50-00059)**
- **10. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what methodology it will use to calculate the increase each year in the financial support that it will provide for people who receive disability payments. **(S5O-00060)**

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Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

Written questions lodged on 08 June 2016

S5W-00576 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government how many staff NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde employs, and how this compares with September 2006.

S5W-00577 Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government what role it plays in the management of wildfowling in nature reserves such as Findhorn Bay and whether it has provided or will provide financial assistance to local authorities and other organisations for this purpose.

S5W-00578 Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government whether there has been a recent change to the rights of grandparents seeking access to their grandchildren and whether a review is planned.

S5W-00579 Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government how public services ensure that they provide appropriate care and support for former service personnel with post-traumatic stress.

S5W-00580 Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government what its plans are for Historic Environment Scotland's Dallas Dhu whisky distillery.

S5W-00581 Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government how the business rates in Elgin city centre compare with the national average and other comparable cities and towns.

S5W-00582 Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government whether its policy is to include new cycle paths when dualling roads such as the A9 and A96.

S5W-00583 Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government what support is available for social enterprises that work with schools to use the outdoors for educational purposes.

S5W-00584 Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government what support is available for social enterprises that use the outdoors to promote mental health and wellbeing.

S5W-00585 Anas Sarwar: To ask the Scottish Government how many people have attended the A&E unit at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in each of the last 12 months, and what information it has regarding what postcode area they live.

S5W-00587 Anas Sarwar: To ask the Scottish Government how many people have attended the A&E unit at the (a) Glasgow Royal Infirmary and (b) Royal Alexandra Hospital in each of the last 24 months, and what information it has regarding what postcode area they live.

S5W-00589 Anas Sarwar: To ask the Scottish Government how many clinical nurse specialists are employed by the NHS.

S5W-00590 Maree Todd: To ask the Scottish Government how many staff NHS (a) Western Isles, (b) Shetland and (c) Orkney employs, and how this compares with September 2006.

S5W-00593 Joan McAlpine: To ask the Scottish Government how many staff NHS Borders employs, and how this compares with September 2006.

S5W-00594 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what research it (a) has carried out and (b) plans to assess the educational attainment of young (i) BME, (ii) disabled and (iii) LGBTI people.

S5W-00595 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that its educational attainment strategy reflects the additional challenges that young (a) BME, (b) disabled and (c) LGBTI people can face.

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S5W-00596 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what action it has (a) carried out and (b) plans to take to support families affected by alcohol harm.

S5W-00597 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what specialist health provision it provides for pregnant and new mothers in Central Scotland who experience mental ill health.

S5W-00598 Michael Russell: To ask the Scottish Government how many staff NHS Highland employs, and how this compares with September 2006.

S5W-00600 Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government to what extent it supports the UNESCO Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property and how it supports the global effort to tackle the illegal trade in antiquities.

S5W-00601 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government when its research into the tied-pub sector will be (a) completed and (b) published.

S5W-00603 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has asked the UK Government or Sir Christopher Pitchford to provide the list of over 100 Police officers who are alleged to have worked for the Special Demonstration Squad, given that Police Scotland officers and secondees may have been employed and, if so, whether it will publish the names listed.

S5W-00604 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has asked the UK Government or Sir Christopher Pitchford how many undercover officers were working for the Special Demonstration Squad and National Public Order Intelligence Unit, given that Police Scotland officers and secondees may have been employed and, if so, whether it will publish the details.

S5W-00605 John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-00290 by Roseanna Cunningham on 8 June 2016, by what date the ban will be introduced.

S5W-00606 Graeme Dey: To ask the Scottish Government how many staff NHS Tayside employs and how this compares with September 2006.

S5W-00607 Ash Denham: To ask the Scottish Government how many staff NHS Lothian employs and how this compares with September 2006.

S5W-00608 Jenny Gilruth: To ask the Scottish Government how many staff NHS Fife employs, and how this compares with September 2006.

S5W-00609 Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government how many staff NHS Grampian employs, and how this compares with September 2006.

S5W-00610 John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Network Rail regarding the reason for the potential benefits of a loop at Kinbrace not being mentioned in the *Scotland Route Study*.

S5W-00611 John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will review the Scottish transport appraisal guidance (STAG) process in light of the claim in issue 68 of the *Far North Express* of it being biased against small rural schemes.

S5W-00614 John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government what the implication for timber extraction in the area might be of not having a railway loop at Kinbrace.

S5W-00615 Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government what impact the proposed airport access project, which is being funded by the Glasgow and Clyde Valley City Deal, will have on the (a) number and (b) frequency of rail services in Inverclyde.

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S5W-00617 Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government whether there are rules in place that can prevent children from playing ball games at school play-time and, if so, what these are and what its position is on them.

S5W-00618 Bruce Crawford: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4W-29246 by Fergus Ewing on 27 January 2016, in light of the information not being provided by the chief executive of Scottish Enterprise, whether it will provide the information that was requested regarding whether it will provide a breakdown of the (a) methods and (b) categories used by Scottish Enterprise to record data with regard to the businesses that it provides grant support to.

S5W-00619 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what the (a) most recent and (b) forecast passenger numbers are on the Borders Railway at (i) Edinburgh Waverley, (ii) Newcraighall, (iii) Shawfair, (iv) Eskbank, (v) Newtongrange, (vi) Gorebridge, (vii) Stow, (viii) Galashiels and (ix) Tweedbank station.

S5W-00620 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the greater number of passengers than anticipated on the Borders Railway line, what Transport Scotland is doing to adjust its passenger forecasting formula.

S5W-00621 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government what effect the reported reduction in college places has had on the rate of adult illiteracy.

S5W-00622 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government how many adults are unable to read and write.

S5W-00623 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government what support it gives to local authorities to address adult illiteracy.

S5W-00624 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government on what dates adverse weather conditions have affected construction on the Forth replacement crossing.

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The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 8 June 2016 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (Commencement No. 1 and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/193 (C.16))

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Subject to annulment by 25 June 2016 Lead committee to report by 20 June 2016

Common Agricultural Policy (Direct Payments etc.) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/178) (17 May 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 7 September 2016 Lead committee to report by 5 September 2016

Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/187) (26 May 2016) (Justice)

Air Weapons Licensing (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/188) (26 May 2016) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 15 September 2016 Lead committee to report by 12 September 2016

Foods for Specific Groups (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/190) (3 June 2016) (Health and Sport)

Food Information (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/191) (3 June 2016) (Health and Sport)

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