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# Business Bulletin Iris Ghnothaichean



## **Today's Business**

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

**Committee Meetings** 

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## **Future Meetings of the Parliament**

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 15 June 2016

#### Tuesday 28 June 2016

2:00 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Topical Questions (if selected)
followed by First Minister Statement: EU Referendum
followed by Scottish Government Debate: BBC Charter Developments
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5:00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

#### Wednesday 29 June 2016

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Communities, Social Security and Equalities
followed by Ministerial Statement: A Delivery Plan for Excellence and Equity in Education
followed by Ministerial Statement: Provisional Outturn 2015-16
followed by Scottish Government Debate: Gender and the Workplace
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5:30 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

#### Thursday 30 June 2016

10:45 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
10:45 am Members' Business
11:40 am General Questions
12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

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## **Future Committee Meetings**

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

### **Motions**

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

#### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

#### Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

\*S5M-00519 Daniel Johnson: Welcome Home, Major Peake—That the Parliament welcomes Major Tim Peake back to planet Earth; celebrates his achievement in being the first British European Space Agency astronaut and the first Briton to take part in a spacewalk; considers that Tim has carried out fantastic work in sparking an interest in space, science, technology and engineering for children and adults alike in Edinburgh and across the country, and hopes that he will be able to visit Scotland to share his experiences and extend what it sees as his already outstanding work in being an ambassador and role model for STEM subjects.

Supported by: Iain Gray\*

#### Other new and altered motions and amendments

#### \*S5M-00542 Sandra White: Good Luck to City of Glasgow College Student Isla

**McLarty**—That the Parliament congratulates the City of Glasgow College beauty therapy student, Isla McLarty, on her selection for Team UK at the prestigious Euroskills 2016 event in Gothenburg; understands that Isla was chosen to represent Team UK after her outstanding performance at the WorldSkills UK National Finals in November 2015; recognises that Isla's achievement is further confirmation of the City of Glasgow College's status as the number one college in the UK for WorldSkills; notes that Isla will join 18 other talented young apprentices from the UK at the event in December 2016; further notes that Euroskills brings together Europe's best apprentices under the age of 25 to compete in more than 35 different skill areas, and wishes Isla and her colleagues the best of luck at the competition.

#### \*S5M-00541 Miles Briggs: James Gillespie's Primary School P6 Pupils' Mock Election-That

the Parliament congratulates all those P6 pupils and teachers involved in Edinburgh's James Gillespie's Primary School's mock election, which took place on 17 June 2016; is aware that the election was part of the pupils' work on their democracy topic and involved 12 parties competing for the votes of fellow students and parents; is further aware that the children produced policies and manifestoes and made rosettes as well as party election broadcasts and that the candidates addressed fellow pupils, seeking their support; is aware that some of the policies on offer included the provision of a school ice cream station, reform of school uniform, fancy dress days and the use

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of virtual reality headsets; congratulates the winner, THE M.I.N.T.Y Party, on its election; welcomes the enthusiasm of the pupils, who, it considers, were well informed and passionate, and believes that mock elections such as these are a positive way of engaging school pupils and educating them about the democratic process.

Supported by: Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*, John Lamont\*, Peter Chapman\*, Alison Harris\*

\*S5M-00540 Margaret Mitchell: Lanarkshire Carers Centre—That the Parliament commends the work of Lanarkshire Carers Centre; recognises how crucial and invaluable carers are to the NHS and the community as a whole; understands that Scotland's carers save the economy an estimated £10.8 billion a year, the cost of a second NHS; congratulates, in particular, Lesley Fishleigh for her 20 years of tireless work as a carer resource worker, providing invaluable support to carers, carers groups and organisations throughout Lanarkshire, prior to her leaving the Carers Trust at the end of June 2016; acknowledges that Lesley was awarded the Healthy Working Lives – Outstanding Achievement Award in 2013 and that her many colleagues have paid tribute to her meticulous attention to detail, problem-solving abilities and dedication to the job at hand, and wishes Lesley all the very best for the future.

Supported by: Liz Smith\*, Peter Chapman\*, Miles Briggs\*, Alison Harris\*

\*S5M-00539 Sandra White: TS Queen Mary Returns to the Clyde—That the Parliament congratulates the Friends of TS Queen Mary on their victory in returning the TS Queen Mary to the Clyde earlier this year; acknowledges the historical significance of the TS Queen Mary as the last turbine excursion steamer built on the Clyde, which began life as a passenger ship that carried holiday makers "doon the watter" to destinations such as Dunoon, Rothesay, Millport and Arran until the breakout of the Second World War, causing the ship to change its role and become a vital lifeline for islanders by carrying passengers and supplies to and from the mainland; notes the huge potential that the ship has as an education and entertainment centre on the Clyde if restored, and wishes Friends of TS Queen Mary continued success in their efforts to raise £2 million to restore the steamer, a fundraising campaign, which is supported by the respected Scottish actor, Robbie Coltrane, and turn it into an excellent facility for the people of Glasgow and those who visit the city and, in their words, "the Clyde will give new life to the TS Queen Mary and she - in return - can help give new life to the Clyde".

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Joan McAlpine\*

\*S5M-00538 Lewis Macdonald: Seaton Backies Project Completed—That the Parliament congratulates those concerned with the Seaton Backies Project, including Chairwoman of the Seaton Backies, Sarah Stephen, Aberdeen City Council, which committed £396,000 funding for playing equipment, and Aberdeen Greenspace, which contributed £102,000 to the project, which, after eight years of hard work, has rejuvenated an underused area of the city into a space filled with play areas, new external lighting, plants and seating; welcomes the official opening by Aberdeen City Council leader, Jenny Laing, and wishes the development a long and lasting success in improving the lives of children in the community.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Liam Kerr\*

\*S5M-00536 Liam McArthur: Auks on Top in North Isles Sports—That the Parliament notes that the 67th North Isles Sports Day was held in Westray on Saturday, 18 June 2016; congratulates Westray on securing a 104-point tally and winning the Millennium Cup in front of a home crowd; congratulates in particular Gaius Bews from Westray and Jodie Drever from Sanday, who won best male athlete and female athlete respectively; notes that Westray retained the seniors' Challenge Cup, while the Sanday team, who came second overall, took the Schools' Cup;

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acknowledges the work carried out by coaches, organisers, volunteers and athletes from Westray, Sanday, Stronsay and Papa Westray, all of whom help make this such a special competition between island communities; believes that the 67th North Isles Sports competition more than lived up to its billing, and looks forward to next year's event.

Supported by: Liam Kerr\*, Douglas Ross\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

\*S5M-00535 Gail Ross: Alness Academy, Striking the Right Note—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at Alness Academy involved in winning the Be Your Best Rock Challenge Scottish Final 2016; further congratulates the Easter Ross School on winning the Performers' Choice Award and the Spirit of Rock Challenge Award; notes that the school beat 10 schools from across Scotland, including Thurso High School and Invergordon Academy, which reached their finals on the first attempt, and wishes Alness Academy the very best of luck when in the UK finals in Southampton later this year.

Supported by: John Finnie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Douglas Ross\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Emma Harper\*

\*S5M-00534 Christina McKelvie: Congratulations to YouthLink Scotland—That the Parliament welcomes the positive work that is carried out by YouthLink Scotland (YLS); believes that this was recently demonstrated at the recent symposium at the Parliament that looked at the contribution of youth work in tackling sectarianism; notes the contributions to this by YLS and the many young people and practitioners who are involved in the youth-led research project, Looking Forward Not Back, which is supported by the Scottish Government; understands that the young people involved in the project were supported by South Lanarkshire Youth Learning Services, Tollcross YMCA, the Govan Youth Information Project, Falkirk Council Community Learning and Development and Stewartry Council of Voluntary Service; believes that, as sectarianism continues to exist, all parts of civil society must do their utmost to educate children of how divisive and negative it is, and hopes that the continued actions of groups such as YLS can help to end what it considers this scourge on society.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Alison Harris\*, Jackie Baillie\*, George Adam\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

\*S5M-00533 Christina McKelvie: Hamilton Citizens Advice Bureau, Living Wage

**Employer**—That the Parliament congratulates Hamilton Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) on its recent accreditation as a living wage employer; considers that this shows another employer in Scotland taking positive steps toward ensuring that its staff are paid a wage level that at the very least allows them to afford the basics in life, which many take for granted; believes that organisations such as Hamilton CAB should be held up as a shining example of how to treat employees, and hopes that this can encourage other employers to follow suit.

\*S5M-00532 Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen Cyclist Heading for Rio Paralympics—That the Parliament congratulates the Aberdeen cyclist, Neil Fachie MBE, on his selection for the Team GB Paralympic squad; understands that this is Mr Fachie's third Paralympics having competed in 2008 and won gold and silver at London 2012, as well as winning two golds at the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow in 2014; notes that Mr Fachie will be defending his title in the Tandem B kilo event in addition to competing in the sprint; believes that the 10-time world cycling champion will once again team up with Team Sky's Pete Mitchell and has an excellent chance of doing well once again, and wishes all the competitors a safe and enjoyable games.

Supported by: John Lamont\*, Bill Kidd\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Neil Findlay\*

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\*S5M-00531 Christina McKelvie: MND Awareness Week 2016—That the Parliament notes that 20 to 26 June 2016 is MND Awareness Week; believes that this as an opportunity to help fight motor neurone disease (MND), raise funds for research and publicise the #CureMND message; notes the devastating manner in which MND can rob a person of their life through the possible loss of mobility, speech and cognitive impairment, with the damage being progressive; welcomes the hard work of everyone at MND Scotland and the research organisations that are looking to better understand the condition and find a cure, and hopes that the awareness week reaches as many people as possible in the fight against MND.

Supported by: Douglas Ross\*, Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, Liam McArthur\*, Anas Sarwar\*, George Adam\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, James Dornan\*, Emma Harper\*, Neil Findlay\*

\*S5M-00530 Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen District Scouts has Record Increase in

**Membership**—That the Parliament welcomes the increase in young people getting involved in Aberdeen District Scouts, which now has a 15-year high membership of 1,755 boys and girls, representing a 10% increase over the last year; recognises that the district has also seen an increase in the number of adult volunteers over the same period, from 259 to 309, and that, without these people giving up their time, the range of activities offered by Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Venture Scouts would not be possible; understands that, as part of Volunteers Week 2016, the organisation is holding a thank you event for all of its volunteers on 11 June; further understands that it is also celebrating other special events later in the year, including the Cubs' centenary and the 30th anniversary of the Beavers section, and thanks all of the volunteers, past and present, who have helped to make Aberdeen District Scouts a positive and enjoyable experience for so many young people.

Supported by: Liam Kerr\*

\*S5M-00529 Lewis Macdonald: University of Aberdeen to Host EXPLORATHON—That the

Parliament congratulates the University of Aberdeen on its successful bid to host EXPLORATHON, Scotland's European Researchers' Night, until 2018; recognises that it will bring together researchers, school pupils and members of the public at an annual event on the last Friday of September to showcase the innovation and development in Scotland's universities; understands that EXPLORATHON has already engaged with over 17,000 members of the public and 800 researchers since its launch in 2014, and that the Europe-wide event will be taking place on the same night in over 300 cities, with 1.5 million participants; further understands that events will be taking place across Aberdeen to mark the event, including at Union Square, the city's museums, Aberdeen Science Centre and the Belmont Cinema, and congratulates everyone involved in securing this auspicious event for the university.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

\*S5M-00528 Lewis Macdonald: Scottish Rugby Launches Elite Women's Scholarship

**Programme**—That the Parliament welcomes Scottish Rugby's plans to launch an elite women's scholarship programme for athletes with experience of other team sports who might have an interest in playing rugby at the highest level; understands that the recipients will be based at one of the BT Sport Scottish Rugby academies, which are in the Borders, Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Glasgow, and that the scholarships will offer the possibility of continuing full-time or part-time studies at college or university; recognises that women's rugby in Scotland is becoming increasingly popular and that the quality of Scotland's players has improved in recent years; understands that this has led to the appointment of Scotland's first full-time female player, the 22-year-old Hillhead/Jordanhill captain, Jade Konkel; further understands that the scholarship

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programme is part of an effort by Scottish Rugby to help the women's team compete on the world stage at upcoming events, including the Women's Six Nations Championship and the Women's Rugby World Cup in 2017, and wishes all the applicants all the best for a successful career in rugby.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie\*, Douglas Ross\*, Bill Kidd\*, Liam Kerr\*, Liam McArthur\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Neil Findlay\*

\*S5M-00526 John Finnie: Congratulations to Alness Academy—That the Parliament congratulates Alness Academy on winning the Scottish Final of the Rock Challenge UK competition; understands that this is a competition in which schools put together an eight-minute dance and drama production on a theme of their choice; notes that the competition is run by the Be Your Best Foundation, which works to encourage young people to lead healthy lifestyles without the need for tobacco, alcohol or other drugs, and commends Mintlaw Academy (5th), Dingwall Academy (4th), Forfar Academy (3rd) and Fraserburgh Academy (2nd) for an excellent final.

Supported by: Douglas Ross\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jackie Baillie\*

\*S5M-00525 Stuart McMillan: Small Wind Co-op Launches Community Energy Funding Drive for Inverclyde—That the Parliament notes that the Small Wind Co-op is seeking to raise £1.4 million to build two 100kW community-owned farm-scale wind projects in Scotland; notes that this is a community investment opportunity inviting people to support two small farm wind turbines at Kellybank Farm in Wemyss Bay, Inverclyde, which is being launched on 20 June 2016 at Kip Marina in Inverclyde; recognises that the Kellybank site is just above the town of Wemyss Bay, which sits east of the Clyde estuary, where the winds blow in from the islands to the west and that the community fund from the Kellybank turbines will be targeted to support initiatives that improve employment prospects and grow a sense of community in the area; understands that the aim is to use turbine funds to support community trusts that are already helping people in the area and will allow people to use the energy generated in their own home or business, and considers that this initiative will help people to directly support renewable energy in Scotland.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Emma Harper\*

\*S5M-00524 Christina McKelvie: World Refugee Day—That the Parliament welcomes 20 June 2016 as World Refugee Day; understands that the UN refugee agency, UNHCR, believes that now is the time to show world leaders that the public stands with refugees and will use the day to launch its petition, #WithRefugees, to send a message to governments that they must work together and do their fair share to help; notes that the petition also asks all governments to ensure that every refugee child gets an education, all refugee families have somewhere safe to live and that every refugee can work or learn new skills to make a positive contribution to their adopted community; recognises what it sees as the need for all to stand together to recognise the strength, courage, and resilience of millions of displaced peoples across the world, and believes that compassion must be at the forefront of how governments across the world work to support refugees.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Richard Lochhead\*, Monica Lennon\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Liam McArthur\*, Richard Leonard\*, James Dornan\*, Ash Denham\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Tavish Scott\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Andy Wightman\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Anas Sarwar\*, Emma Harper\*, Neil Findlay\*, George Adam\*

\*S5M-00523 Neil Findlay: Dispute on Driver-only Operation on ScotRail Trains—That the Parliament notes that RMT's ballot of ScotRail guards returned 75% support for industrial action,

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on a 75% turnout, in support of opposing driver-only operation (DOO) on ScotRail services; further notes that a recent poll of passengers found overwhelming support for opposing DOO and safety concerns at the prospect of guards being removed; is concerned that Abellio's policy of training station and other staff to work as guards on ScotRail rolling stock to break strike action is unsafe for passengers and will only serve to inflame the dispute; understands that this dispute centres on the introduction of new rolling stock on central belt routes in the ScotRail franchise configured for DOO, which would result in the loss of hundreds of guards' jobs; considers that the role of the guard is essential to maintaining passenger safety and security; notes that design options by Hitachi, one of the train manufacturers, would retain a safety role for the guard on the new rolling stock; is concerned that this option has not been given sufficient support by the Scottish Government in its discussions with Hitachi or Abellio, and calls on the Scottish Government to demonstrate its commitment to positive industrial relations and safe passenger rail services by intervening to ensure that Hitachi configure the new rolling stock to retain the safety-critical role of the guard on ScotRail trains and that Abellio negotiates seriously to settle this dispute.

Supported by: Richard Leonard\*, Iain Gray\*, Neil Bibby\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Alex Rowley\*, Andy Wightman\*, Elaine Smith\*

\*S5M-00522 Kenneth Gibson: Young Largs Paralympian Beats World Swimming Record—That the Parliament congratulates 12-year-old Abby Kane on beating the 200 metre world backstroke record by four seconds in her first overseas competition, the German International Championships; acknowledges that the backstroke is not even Abby's discipline as it is not included in the Paralympics; notes that this record has stood for eight years and was set by a woman of 22; is aware that Abby and her brother, Fraser, a cyclist with Team Scotland, have Stargardt disease, which leads to progressive loss of vision; believes that Abby is an inspiration to other young swimmers and is delighted that she will represent Team GB at the 2016 Rio Paralympics as the youngest Scottish competitor, and wishes her and Team GB every success.

\*S5M-00521 Maree Todd: Orkney Distilling Ltd—That the Parliament congratulates Orkney Distilling Ltd on being given permission to build the first Orkney craft gin distillery; understands that work on this artisan distillery, visitor centre and shop, which will be sited at Ayre Road, Kirkwall, will begin in autumn 2016 and that the official opening is planned for the following spring; welcomes the news that the new distillery will take on full production of the company's Kirkjuvagr Gin, which will be launched in early August after being initially distilled on the mainland; understands that the Orkney-based couple behind the project, Stephen and Aly Kemp, have worked closely with the Agronomy Institute at the University of the Highlands and Islands in Kirkwall to identify a unique Orcadian blend of ingredients for the new spirit, and wishes Stephen and Aly well in their new venture.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Liam McArthur\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Rona Mackay\*, Douglas Ross\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, George Adam\*

\*S5M-00520 Anas Sarwar: Sue Ryder's Rewrite the Future Campaign—That the Parliament notes the findings of a recent Sue Ryder survey that suggests that 47% of adults in Scotland fear developing a neurological condition, compared with 37% who are worried about getting cancer; further notes that 46% of those concerned about having a neurological condition said that underlying this were worries about losing their independence, 28% said that they feared social isolation, 52% were concerned about having a poor quality of life and 48% were afraid that they would become a burden on their family members; believes that these findings demonstrate the need to support the Sue Ryder campaign, Rewrite the Future, and considers that people with

neurological conditions should be able to easily access co-ordinated specialist care and support so that they can lead their lives as fully as possible.

Supported by: Neil Findlay\*, Iain Gray\*, Alex Neil\*, Richard Leonard\*, Jackie Baillie\*

#### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-00517 Graeme Dey: Fundraising for Marie Curie by the Parkview Primary Care Centre, Carnoustie (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Tom Arthur\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

S5M-00516 Graeme Dey: Ailsa Summers, Scottish Women's Amateur Golf Championship Winner (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00515 Graeme Dey: Shaun Davies Named Apprentice of the Year** (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*, Tom Arthur\*, Bill Kidd\*

**S5M-00514 Clare Adamson: Braidhurst High School Performs Sunshine on Leith** (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Bill Kidd\*

**S5M-00513 Annie Wells: Thorntree Primary School Streets Ahead Award** (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Liz Smith\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

S5M-00512 Stuart McMillan: Greenock Chamber of Commerce Bees Knees Awards (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Tom Arthur\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

## **S5M-00511 Andy Wightman: Launch of Living Rent National Tenants' Union Membership** (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Alison Johnstone\*, Patrick Harvie\*, Neil Findlay\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Mark Ruskell\*

## **S5M-00510 Donald Cameron: A National Care Framework for Huntington's Disease** (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Liz Smith\*, Liam Kerr\*, Anas Sarwar\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

#### S5M-00509 Kezia Dugdale: Jo Cox MP (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Pauline McNeill\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Maree Todd\*, Edward Mountain\*, Tavish Scott\*, Tom Arthur\*, Liz Smith\*, Richard Lyle\*, Liam Kerr\*, Andy Wightman\*

#### S5M-00507 Douglas Ross: Baxters Soup Challenge 2016 (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Liz Smith\*, Liam Kerr\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

## **S5M-00506 Jackson Carlaw: Success for Talented Belmont House School Artists** (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Liz Smith\*, Liam Kerr\*

#### S5M-00505 Jackie Baillie: Save our Services (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Neil Findlay\*, Monica Lennon\*, Iain Gray\*, Anas Sarwar\*, Neil Bibby\*, James Kelly\*

#### S5M-00504 Ivan McKee: Bob Holman, Anti-poverty Activist (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Andy Wightman\*

**S5M-00503 Annie Wells: Glasgow Bike Shed's Build Your Own Bike Initiative** (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Liz Smith\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Mark Ruskell\*

S5M-00502 Jamie Greene: Congratulations to the Winners of the Young Enterprise Scotland Awards (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Ivan McKee\*, Tom Arthur\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Jackie Baillie\*

**S5M-00499 Gillian Martin: Celebrating BBC Aberdeen's Awards Success** (lodged on 16 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Jackie Baillie\*

S5M-00497 Gordon MacDonald: Al-Anon Family Groups, 65 Years of Supporting Families with Alcohol-related Issues (lodged on 16 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Jackie Baillie\*

**S5M-00496 James Dornan: Congratulating the Greenview Café on its 10th Birthday** (lodged on 16 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Jackie Baillie\*

S5M-00495 Oliver Mundell: Lockerbie Gala Day 2016 (lodged on 16 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00493 Neil Bibby: Bus Services Driving Passengers round the Bend** (lodged on 16 June 2016)

New Support: Richard Leonard\*

**S5M-00492 Mairi Evans: Queen's Fire Service Medal for Bryan Cuthill** (lodged on 16 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

S5M-00488 Maree Todd: Jade Konkel, Scotland's First Full-time Professional Women's Rugby Player (lodged on 16 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

S5M-00485 Jackson Carlaw: Giffnock Primary School Raised £1,302 for Diabetes UK (lodged on 16 June 2016)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Jackie Baillie\*

S5M-00484 Jackson Carlaw: East Renfrewshire Libraries to Mark 100 Years since the Birth of Roald Dahl (lodged on 16 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00483 Monica Lennon: Congratulations to St John Ogilvie High School, Hamilton** (lodged on 15 June 2016) New Support: Iain Gray\*, Jackie Baillie\*

**S5M-00482 Bob Doris: Maryhill Volunteers Help Preserve Scotland's Canals** (lodged on 15 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00479 Christina McKelvie: Human Rights Violations at Yarl's Wood Detention Centre** (lodged on 15 June 2016) New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00478 Clare Adamson: Scottish Rowing Championships** (lodged on 15 June 2016) New Support: Tom Arthur\*

S5M-00476 Gillian Martin: The Transition Training Fund (lodged on 15 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

S5M-00473 Alex Rowley: UK Ban on Hunting Trophies (lodged on 15 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Liam McArthur\*, Mark Ruskell\*

**S5M-00469 Douglas Ross: Whale and Dolphin Centre a First-class Attraction for Moray** (lodged on 15 June 2016)

New Support: John Scott\*, Mark Ruskell\*

S5M-00462 Bill Kidd: Congratulating Macmillan Cancer Support and Glasgow Life, Scottish Charity Awards 2016 (lodged on 14 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00456 Ruth Maguire: Citizens Advice Scotland's Report, Learning From Testing Times** (lodged on 14 June 2016) New Support: Tom Arthur\*

S5M-00455 Clare Adamson: Drowning Prevention Week 2016 (lodged on 14 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00450 Christina McKelvie: Scotland's History of Solidarity and Welcome** (lodged on 14 June 2016)

New Support: George Adam\*

**S5M-00447 Stuart McMillan: Scottish Grand Prix of the Sea Inverciyde** (lodged on 13 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00446** Alex Cole-Hamilton: Solidarity with Those Affected by the Orlando Shootings (lodged on 13 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Mark Ruskell\*

S5M-00445 Liam McArthur: Hoy's 30th Half-marathon (lodged on 13 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

S5M-00435 Gail Ross: Captain's Galley Nets Awards (lodged on 13 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00434 Bruce Crawford: Chris Martin of the Callander Youth Project Trust** (lodged on 13 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00432 Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde, Marine Tourism Capital of Scotland** (lodged on 13 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

S5M-00427 Alison Johnstone: Shetland to Scilly, New Technologies for Peace Tour (lodged on 13 June 2016)

New Support: Mark Ruskell\*

**S5M-00421 Mark Ruskell: Scotland's National Mountain Biking Strategy** (lodged on 13 June 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-00420 James Dornan: Macmillan Cancer Support and Glasgow Life Win SCVO Award** (lodged on 13 June 2016) New Support: Tom Arthur\*

S5M-00418 Jackie Baillie: Vale of Leven Autism and Asperger's Forum Receives Queen's Award (lodged on 13 June 2016) New Support: Tom Arthur\*

### **Written Questions**

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

#### Written questions lodged on 20 June 2016

**S5W-00757 John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason its Gypsy/Traveller strategy development group, set up in response to two Equal Opportunities Committee inquiries, did not endorse the government's draft action plan in 2015, and what action the Scottish Government has taken since 2015 to deal with issues facing Gypsy/Travellers.

**S5W-00877 Linda Fabiani:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4O-04817 by Roseanna Cunningham on 19 November 2015, whether it will provide an update on what progress has been made by local authorities in progressing equal pay claims.

**S5W-00880 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met (a) ScotRail and (b) Hitachi Rail Europe to discuss the configuration of the class 385 trains on order.

**S5W-00881 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the class 385 trains that have been ordered by ScotRail will be configured to retain the role of the guard regarding (a) safety and (b) controlling door operations.

**S5W-00882 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the doors on the class 385 trains that have been ordered by ScotRail will be operated by the (a) driver, (b) guard or (c) both.

**S5W-00883 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what the cost is of the (a) driver-only operated and (b) guard-operated class 385 trains that have been ordered by ScotRail.

**S5W-00886 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent assessment it has made of the potential impact on the safety of (a) passengers and (b) staff of driver-only operations on (i) current and (ii) future ScotRail (A) passenger and (B) freight services.

**S5W-00887 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government how many jobs could be lost if the class 385 trains that have been ordered by ScotRail are configured for (a) driver-only or (b) driver-controlled operation.

**S5W-00888 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what the financial impact will be of the proposed industrial action on rail services by the RMT, and how much compensation ScotRail will receive.

**S5W-00889 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent assessment it has made of its responsibilities to (a) employees and (b) the recognised trade union under the franchise agreement with ScotRail Abellio Ltd in light of the proposed industrial action on services by the RMT.

**S5W-00890 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what the safety implications are of ScotRail training (a) gateline and (b) other station staff to operate trains during the proposed industrial action on services.

**S5W-00891 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to consult passengers regarding the proposed increase in the number of driver-only operated ScotRail services.

**S5W-00892 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on allowing openaccess operators to compete with ScotRail Abellio.

**S5W-00893 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd regarding the class 385 trains that ScotRail has on order.

**S5W-00894 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has received from the (a) ScotRail Alliance and (b) Rail Delivery Group regarding (i) door operations on and (ii) other matters about the class 385 trains that ScotRail has on order.

**S5W-00895 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has asked for the class 385 trains on order for ScotRail to be configured to not allow the guard to have responsibility for operating the doors.

**S5W-00896 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it is a requirement of the ScotRail franchise agreement that the operator has to extend driver-only or driver-controlled operations.

**S5W-00897 Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government which ScotRail stations are unstaffed.

**S5W-00898 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work on 8 June 2016 (*Official Report*, c. 18), on what dates Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC) decided to (a) take on 100 additional workers and (b) increase working hours.

**S5W-00899 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government on what dates ministers requested or were shown a copy of the risk register for the Queensferry Crossing.

**S5W-00900 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will place in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) copies of the risk register for the Queensferry Crossing from each month of construction.

**S5W-00901 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will place in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) a copy of the revised Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC) programme referred to by the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work on 8 June 2016 (*Official Report*, c. 19).

**S5W-00902 John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will press Network Rail to place a dummy entry loop at Kinbrace in the software rewrite for the current radio electronic token block (RETB) signalling renewal.

**S5W-00903 Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made on developing a district heating system and what budget it has allocated.

**S5W-00904 Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government how many acres of land were in community ownership on 1 January (a) 2011, (b) 2012, (c) 2013, (d) 2014, (e) 2015 and (f) 2016.

**S5W-00905 Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government what community land has been bought with help from the Scottish Land Fund and how much has been spent by the fund since its introduction.

**S5W-00906 Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government what its plans are for a wildlife crime prevention review.

**S5W-00907 Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to set up a wildlife crime investigation unit as part of Police Scotland.

**S5W-00908 Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish the results of its consideration of Lord Bonomy's review of Scotland's hunting with dogs legislation.

**S5W-00909 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to cut food waste by a third by 2025.

**S5W-00910 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government how the less favoured area support scheme payments work to mitigate relative disadvantage.

**S5W-00911 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to explore mechanisms to make more publicly owned land available to new entrants into farming and crofting.

**S5W-00912 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to introduce a new entrants' scheme for crofters.

**S5W-00913 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish the national development plan for crofting.

**S5W-00914 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will reintroduce the croft house loan scheme.

**S5W-00915 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making on modernising crofting law.

**S5W-00916 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to ensure that new community landowners are not financially disadvantaged by registering as the new landlord of crofts on their community-owned estate.

**S5W-00917 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government how many farmers and crofters have received support from the less favoured area support scheme since January 2015 who were refused support between 2010 and 2014, broken down by month.

**S5W-00918 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government how much of the £65.5 million budget for the less favoured area support scheme for 2016 has been spent; how much has been projected to be spent in the remainder of the year, and whether it plans to reduce payments in 2016.

**S5W-00919 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to make bullying a specific offence.

**S5W-00920 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered the appointment of a Scottish anti-bullying "tsar".

**S5W-00921 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to formalise and record nationally the number of young people bullied in schools.

**S5W-00922 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been given methadone prescriptions in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board.

**S5W-00923 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have died from suspected drug abuse in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board.

**S5W-00924 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have received access to continuous glucose monitoring in each year since 1999.

**S5W-00925 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many paediatricians work in NHS Scotland, broken down by board.

**S5W-00926 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many care home places there are, broken down by (a) NHS board area and (b) whether they are in the (i) private or (ii) public sector.

**S5W-00927 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what the average waiting time was for both cycles of IVF treatment from 2007 to date, broken down by NHS board.

**S5W-00928 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to help fund and promote pet therapy in the NHS.

**S5W-00929 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many ex-service (a) men and (b) women have been assessed for post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board.

**S5W-00930 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have received treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board.

**S5W-00931 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what the average waiting time was to see a hearing specialist in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board.

**S5W-00932 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what the average waiting time was to receive a hearing aid in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board.

**S5W-00933 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how much additional funding to that set out in its 2014 Budget it projects that the NHS will receive in each year of the current parliamentary session.

**S5W-00934 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will increase support for dementia patients under 65 and support Frank's Law.

**S5W-00935 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the threat from the Zika virus and what information is being provided by the NHS to people visiting affected countries.

**S5W-00936 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many telephone calls the NHSScotland Confidential Alert Line helpline has received since it was established, broken down by NHS board.

**S5W-00937 Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government how many enforcement orders were issued by Scottish Natural Heritage between 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2015 in relation to the control of giant hogweed, broken down by local authority area.

**S5W-00938 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4W-29329 by Annabelle Ewing on 25 January 2016, whether it will provide an update on how many modern apprentices in the oil and gas sector have been hired using the Adopt an Apprentice scheme.

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#### Negative instruments

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#### 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)

#### Subject to annulment by 21 September 2016 Lead committee to report by 19 September 2016

National Health Service (Free Prescriptions and Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/195) (9 June 2016) (Health and Sport) Contact Information | Fios Conaltraidh

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