

Tuesday 4 October 2016

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection - Reverend  
Manson Merchant, Minister, Dyce Parish  
Church, Aberdeen

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions

**followed by** Finance and Constitution  
Committee Debate: Timetable for the Scottish  
Government's Draft Budget 2017-18

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate:  
Implications of the EU Referendum on Higher  
and Further Education

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:30 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-  
01257 Kenneth Gibson: Hate Crimes Against  
Polish Migrants

### Committee Meetings

**10:00am** Delegated Powers and Law Reform  
Committee

**10:00am** Environment, Climate Change and  
Land Reform Committee

**10:00am** Health and Sport Committee

**10:45am** Economy, Jobs and Fair Work  
Committee

**11:30am** Justice Committee

## Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm Time for Reflection - Reverend Manson Merchant, Minister, Dyce Parish Church, Aberdeen**

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**followed by Topical Questions**

**1. Stewart Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress that it has made in delivering the national CAP loan scheme. ([S5T-00117](#))

**2. Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government what environmental assessment it has made of the leak from the Clair oil platform, west of Shetland. ([S5T-00102](#))

**followed by Finance and Constitution Committee Debate: Timetable for the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18**

**[S5M-01788](#) Bruce Crawford on behalf of the Finance and Constitution Committee: Timetable for the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18**—That the Parliament notes the timetable for the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18.

**followed by Scottish Government Debate: Implications of the EU Referendum on Higher and Further Education**

**[S5M-01792](#) Shirley-Anne Somerville: Implications of the EU Referendum on Higher and Further Education**—That the Parliament recognises the benefits of EU membership to Scotland and that Scotland's interests are best served by protecting Scotland's existing relationship in Europe, maintaining membership of the single market and access to the free movement of labour; welcomes the Scottish Government's reassurance on the tuition fee status of continuing EU students and those beginning an undergraduate course in 2016; acknowledges Scotland's success to date in securing EU funding and recognises the benefits that this brings to Scottish universities and colleges; notes that the outcome of the EU referendum potentially makes it harder to attract EU students to study in Scotland, to maintain opportunities for Scottish students and academics in Europe and to collaborate across Europe; resolves to promote Scotland's willingness to continue to collaborate with European partners and to attract the best international talent to maintain the world-class reputation of Scottish universities and colleges, and calls on the UK Government to ensure that Scotland has a role in decision-making, as well as full involvement in all negotiations between the UK Government and the EU, to protect the interests of staff and students in Scotland's universities and colleges.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendment

**[S5M-01792.1](#) Liz Smith: Implications of the EU Referendum on Higher and Further Education**—As an amendment to motion S5M-01792 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Implications of the EU Referendum on Higher and Further Education), leave from first "the benefits" to end and insert "that Brexit represents a significant change for both further and higher education, and that, alongside challenges, there will be new opportunities for both colleges and

universities, especially in developing closer international links with further and higher education institutions in non-EU nations with which Scottish colleges and universities already have expanding collaboration, research projects and knowledge exchange; pays tribute to the resourcefulness and creativity with which further and higher education institutions have always reacted to changing circumstances both at home and abroad; welcomes the existing commitments by the UK Government on EU-funding streams, and calls on the Scottish and UK governments to work together in a constructive manner to support higher and further education in Scotland".

### followed by Business Motions

### followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

### 5:30 pm Decision Time

### followed by Members' Business

#### Debate on the subject of—

**[S5M-01257](#) Kenneth Gibson: Hate Crimes Against Polish Migrants**—That the Parliament condemns recent hate crimes perpetrated against people from Poland living in the UK; recognises that Scotland and Poland have a long-standing, strong and fruitful connection and that this thriving relationship has brought great benefits to both countries, including from the wave of long-settled Polish migrants who came to this country after World War II having resisted Nazism and Stalinism; understands that 92% of Polish-born residents in the UK are in employment or education, which is considerably higher than the figure for people born in the UK; acknowledges that Poles and other migrants from Eastern Europe play a key part in many areas of the Scottish economy, particularly services, agriculture, construction and business; appreciates the high skills and excellent work ethic of Polish people and all that they bring to Cunninghame North and Scotland; believes that the negative rhetoric against Eastern Europeans in Britain has been built up and encouraged, in part, by irresponsible and shameful reporting by sections of the media; understands that, even after over 40 years of EU membership, less than 5% of Britain's population were born in the other 27 EU countries; strongly condemns hate crimes of all kinds and the upset and fear that they cause; stands in solidarity with Polish people, both in Scotland and the rest of the UK, and will continue to welcome and support Polish migrants in Scotland.

## Committee Meetings

All meetings take place in the Scottish Parliament, unless otherwise specified.

### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 7th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Courts Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Relevant Officer and Consequential Provisions\) Order 2016 \[draft\]](#);  
[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2016 Amendment Regulations 2016 \[draft\]](#).
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Civil Legal Aid \(Scotland\) \(Fees\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/290\)](#);  
[Representation of the People \(Absent Voting at Local Government Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/264\)](#).
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Private Housing \(Tenancies\) \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/298 \(C.28\)\)](#).
5. **Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 2016 - Subordinate Legislation:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of a number of instruments associated with the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 2016.

### Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 7th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 8 in private.
2. **Scotland's Climate Change Adaptation Programme** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Diarmid Hearn, Head of Policy, National Trust for Scotland;  
Angela Heaney, Senior Officer for Sustainable Development, Stirling Council;  
Dr Anna Moss, ClimateXChange Research Fellow, Dundee University;  
Martin Ogilvie, Resilience and Community Safety Manager, Dumfries and Galloway Council;  
Professor Gary Pender, Fellow of the Institution of Civil Engineers and Senior Vice Chair – Institution of Civil Engineers Scotland Committee, Institution of Civil Engineers;  
Dr Emily Taylor, Land Management Project Co-ordinator, Crichton Carbon Centre;  
Dr Maggie Keegan, Head of Policy, Scottish Wildlife Trust.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Climate Change (Annual Targets) (Scotland) Order 2016 [draft] from—  
Roseanna Cunningham, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform, John Ireland, Deputy Director of Low Carbon Economy Division, and Tom Russon, Climate Change Policy Advisor, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** Roseanna Cunningham (Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Environment) to move—

- S5M-01520—That the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee recommends that the Climate Change (Annual Targets) (Scotland) Order 2016 [draft] be approved.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Climate Change (Limit on Use of Carbon Units) (Scotland) Order 2016 [draft] from—  
Roseanna Cunningham, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform, John Ireland, Deputy Director of Low Carbon Economy Division, and Tom Russon, Climate Change Policy Advisor, Scottish Government.
  6. **Subordinate legislation:** Roseanna Cunningham (Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform) to move—  
S5M-01712—That the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee recommends that the Climate Change (Limit on Use of Carbon Units) (Scotland) Order 2016 [draft] be approved.
  7. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
Smoke Control Areas (Exempted Fireplaces) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2016 (SSI 2016/292);  
Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (Scotland) Revocation Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/293).
  8. **Scotland's Climate Change Adaptation Programme:** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### Health and Sport Committee 7th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
The General Dental Council (Fitness to Practice) (Amendment) Rules Order of Council 2016 (SSI 2016/902)  
Food Hygiene (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016
2. **Health and Social Care Integration budgets:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Rob McCulloch-Graham, Chief Officer, Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership;  
Val de Souza, Director, South Lanarkshire Health and Social Care Partnership;  
Nick Kenton, Director of Finance, NHS Highland;  
David Robertson, Chief Financial Officer, Scottish Borders Council and Member of the Executive Management Team, Scottish Borders Health and Social Care Partnership.
3. **Health and Social Care Integration Budgets (in private):** The Committee will consider the main themes arising from the oral evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Delayed Discharges (in private):** The Committee will consider its conclusions.

### Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee 7th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:45 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Fair Work:** The Committee will take evidence, in round-table format, from—

Jackson Cullinane, Head of Unite Scotland's Political, Research and Campaigns Unit, Unite;  
 Dave Watson, Head of Policy and Public Affairs, UNISON Scotland;  
 Peter Welsh, Head of Campaigns, Communications and Policy, GMB Scotland;  
 Anna Ritchie Allan, Project Manager, Close the Gap;  
 Patricia Findlay, Academic Adviser, Fair Work Commission;  
 Lynn Henderson, National Officer, Head of Scotland & Ireland Hub, PCS Scotland;  
 Stephen Boyd, Assistant Secretary, Scottish Trades Union Congress.

3. **Fair Work:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.
5. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18.

### Justice Committee 6th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 11:30 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations 2016 [draft] from—  
 Annabelle Ewing, Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs, Denise Swanson, Head of Access to Justice Unit, and Alastair Smith, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Annabelle Ewing (Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs) to move—  
 S5M-01596—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations 2016 [draft] be approved.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (Framework) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/249);  
 Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/257).
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following instruments which are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—  
 Act of Sederunt (Simple Procedure) 2016 (SSI 2016/200);  
 Act of Sederunt (Lay Representation for Non-Natural Persons) 2016 (SSI 2016/243).
6. **Investigatory Powers Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider a draft report on legislative consent memorandum LCM-S5-2.
7. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.



## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 28 September 2016

### Wednesday 5 October 2016

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Health and Sport

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Devolution of Employment Services

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-01279 Neil Findlay: Retain Tax Jobs in Bathgate

### Thursday 6 October 2016

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**12:45 pm** Members' Business — S5M-01639 Liam McArthur: Island Health Boards

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Scottish Government Debate: Draft BBC Charter

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

### Finance and Constitution Committee

5 October 2016

7th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT):** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Lady Susan Rice, Professor Campbell Leith, and Professor Charles Nolan, Scottish Fiscal Commission;  
and then from—  
Elaine Lorimer, Chief Executive, and Chris Myerscough, Head of Tax, Revenue Scotland.
3. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jim Johnston, on 0131 348 5409 or email: [finance.constitution@parliament.scot](mailto:finance.constitution@parliament.scot)

### Education and Skills Committee

5 October 2016

7th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Time for Compliance) Regulations 2016 [draft] from—  
Joe Fitzpatrick, Minister for Parliamentary Business, Andrew Gunn, FOI Policy Officer, and Emily Williams, Solicitor, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Joe Fitzpatrick (Minister for Parliamentary Business) to move—  
S5M-01751—That the Education and Skills Committee recommends that the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Time for Compliance) Regulations 2016 [draft] be approved.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
Children's Services Planning (Specified Date) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/255);  
Education (Student Loans) (Scotland) amendment regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/261)
4. **Overview of Early Years:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Councillor Stephanie Primrose, Education, Children and Young People Spokesperson, COSLA;  
Claire Schofield, Director of Membership, Policy and Communications, National Day Nurseries Association;  
Maggie Simpson, Chief Executive, Scottish Childminding Association.



- Review of Evidence (in private):** The Committee will discuss the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 26 October, the Committee will consider the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Higher Education and Research Bill, and consider its work programme.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Roz Thomson on 0131 348 5204 or by email: [es.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:es.committee@parliament.scot).

## **Local Government and Communities Committee**

**5 October 2016**

**7th Meeting, 2016**

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.  
*Not before 10.00 am*
- Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland's 5th Electoral Review:** The Committee will take evidence on the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland's 5th Electoral Review and the Scottish Government's subsequent response from—  
Professor Ailsa Henderson, Commissioner, Isabel Drummond-Murray, Secretary, and Laura Cregan, Secretariat, Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the draft Council Tax (Substitution of Proportion) (Scotland) Order 2016 and the draft Council Tax (Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 from—  
Derek Mackay, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution, Robin Haynes, Council Tax and CTR Reform Branch, and Stuart Foubister, Solicitor, Scottish Government.
- Subordinate legislation:** Derek Mackay (Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution) to move—  
S5M-01522—That the Local Government and Communities Committee recommends that the Council Tax (Substitution of Proportion) (Scotland) Order 2016 [draft] be approved;
- Subordinate legislation:** Derek Mackay (Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution) to move—  
S5M-01594—That the Local Government and Communities Committee recommends that the Council Tax (Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 [draft] be approved.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
The Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/258).
- Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2.
- Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 26 October, the Committee expects to take evidence on the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland's 5th Review and to consider subordinate legislation. The Committee also expects to consider (in private) its draft report on the Council Tax (Substitution of Proportion) (Scotland) Order 2016.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jane Williams, on 0131-348-6037 or on [LGCCCommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:LGCCCommittee@parliament.scot).

## Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

5 October 2016

6th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Appointment of EU Reporter:** The Committee will appoint a member to serve as EU Reporter.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.
3. **Crofting legislative priorities (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to a review of legislative priorities for crofting.
4. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18 (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18.

### Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 26 September, the Committee will take evidence from the Minister for Transport and Islands. It will also consider petitions PE1236 on the Laurencekirk junction and PE1598 on protecting wild salmonids from sea lice from Scottish salmon farms.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5211 or at [rec.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:rec.committee@parliament.scot)

## Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

6 October 2016

5th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Section 23 report - Audit of higher education in Scottish universities:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "Audit of higher education in Scottish universities" from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Antony Clark, Assistant Director, Tricia Meldrum, Senior Manager, and Kirsty Whyte, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
3. **Section 23 report - Scotland's colleges 2016:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "Scotland's colleges 2016" from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Mark MacPherson, Senior Manager, and Stuart Nugent, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.

4. **Section 22 reports - The 2014/15 audit of Edinburgh College, The 2014/15 audit of Glasgow Colleges' Regional Board:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's reports entitled "The 2014/15 audit of Edinburgh College" and "The 2014/15 audit of Glasgow Colleges' Regional Board" from—  
 Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
 Mark Roberts, Senior Manager, and Mark MacPherson, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;  
 Hugh Harvie, Partner, KPMG;  
 Gary Devlin, Partner, Scott-Moncrieff.
5. **Section 23 report - Audit of higher education in Scottish universities:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 2 and take evidence from—  
 Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
 Antony Clark, Assistant Director, Tricia Meldrum, Senior Manager, and Kirsty Whyte, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
6. **Section 23 report - Scotland's colleges 2016:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 3 and take evidence from—  
 Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
 Mark MacPherson, Senior Manager, and Stuart Nugent, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
7. **Section 22 reports - The 2014/15 audit of Edinburgh College, The 2014/15 audit of Glasgow Colleges' Regional Board:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 4 and take evidence from—  
 Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
 Mark Roberts, Senior Manager, and Mark MacPherson, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;  
 Hugh Harvie, Partner, KPMG;  
 Gary Devlin, Partner, Scott-Moncrieff.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 27 October, the Committee will take evidence from NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde and NHS Highland on the AGS report entitled "Changing models of health and social care". For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Terry Shevlin, on 0131 348 5390 or at [terry.shevlin@parliament.scot](mailto:terry.shevlin@parliament.scot) .

### **Social Security Committee**

**6 October 2016**

**6th Meeting, 2016**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Work programme priorities:** The Committee will take evidence on its forward work programme priorities, in a round-table discussion, from—  
 John McArdle, Director, Black Triangle Campaign;  
 Dr Jim McCormick, Associate Director Scotland, Joseph Rowntree Scotland;  
 Rachel Stewart, Senior Public Affairs Officer, Scottish Association for Mental Health (SAMH);  
 Nina Murray, Women's Policy Development Office, Scottish Refugee Council;  
 Jane Devine, Business Manager, Social Work Scotland;  
 Lesley Baird, Chief Executive, Tenant Participation Advisory Service (TPAS) Scotland;  
 Andrew Jackson, Head of Public Affairs, Scottish Federation of Housing Associations;  
 David Moxham, Deputy General Secretary, Scottish Trades Union Congress (STUC).

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- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2016: (SSI 2016/25) from—  
Robin Haynes, Head of Council Tax, and Dave Sorensen, Statistician, Scottish Government.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2016(SSI 2016/253).

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, [simon.watkins@parliament.scot](mailto:simon.watkins@parliament.scot), 0131 348 5228.

## **Equalities and Human Rights Committee**

**6 October 2016**

**5th Meeting, 2016**

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 in private, and whether consideration of its work programme should be taken in private at future meetings.
- Work programme:** The Committee will consider its approach to developing its work programme by taking oral evidence, in round table format, from—  
Lorraine Gillies, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;  
Tam Baillie, Commissioner, Children's and Youth Parliament for Scotland;  
Anna Ritchie Allan, Project Manager, Close the Gap;  
Lorraine Cook, Policy Officer (Migration, Population and Diversity Team), COSLA;  
Maureen Sier, Director, Interfaith Scotland;  
Brandi Lee Lough Dennell, Policy and Research Manager, LGBT Youth Scotland;  
Rosalind Bragg, Director, Maternity Action;  
Suzanne Munday, Director, MECOPP Carers Centre;  
Judith Robertson, Chair, Scottish Human Rights Commission;  
Glenda Watt, Coordinator, Scottish Older People's Assembly;  
James Morton, Policy Officer, Scottish Transgender Alliance;  
Sandra Deslandes-Clark, Director/General Secretary, Semper Scotland;  
Gozie Joe Adigwe, Senior Eye Health and Equalities Officer, RNIB.
- Work programme:** The Committee will consider evidence received as part of the development of its work programme.
- Departure of the UK from the European Union - implications for equalities and human rights:** The Committee will consider its approach to a scoping session on the implications for equalities and human rights of the departure of the UK from the European Union.
- Bullying and harassment of children and young people in schools:** The Committee will consider its approach to a scoping session on bullying and harassment of children and young people with protected characteristics in schools.
- International Human Rights Day 2016:** The Committee will consider an approach to marking International Human Rights Day 2016.
- Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18.

### **Proposed future business**

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At its next meeting, on 27 October 2016, the Committee expects to consider and agree its work programme.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee by ringing 0131 348 6040 or email [equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot](mailto:equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot)

## **Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee**

**6 October 2016**

**6th Meeting, 2016**

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Cross-Party Groups:** The Committee will consider applications for recognition from two Cross-Party Groups, and take evidence from—  
Gordan MacDonald, Convener of the proposed CPG on Independent Convenience Stores;  
and then from—  
Jackson Carlaw, Convener of the proposed CPG on Building Bridges with Israel.
2. **Cross-Party Groups - approval:** The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to the proposed Cross-Party Groups on Independent Convenience Stores and Building Bridges with Israel.
3. **First Minister's Questions (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report and Standing Order rule changes.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

The Committee will next meet on 3 November.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Dougie Wands, on 0131 348 6924 or at [SPPA.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:SPPA.committee@parliament.scot).

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## 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
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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.

## Motions for Debate

**\*[S5M-01793](#) Jamie Hepburn: Devolution of Employment Services**—That the Parliament welcomes the devolution of employment support programmes under the Scotland Act 2016, with a transitional year of operation from April 2017 and a longer-term programme from 2018 that will reflect fair work and social and economic inclusion, ensure that people are at the heart of a service that treats people with fairness and respect and which will help deliver an inclusive, socially-just, equal and prosperous Scotland; regrets the funding reductions by the UK Government for these employability support services of almost 90% in the first year of devolved services in 2017-18, but notes that the Scottish Government is providing additional resources to ensure continuity of employment support for the most vulnerable in Scottish society, including disabled people, and welcomes voluntary access to Scottish devolved services that will support people into work, as opposed to mandatory participation and the threat of benefit sanctions by the Department for Work and Pensions.

Supported by: Keith Brown\*

**\*[S5M-01792](#) Shirley-Anne Somerville: Implications of the EU Referendum on Higher and Further Education**—That the Parliament recognises the benefits of EU membership to Scotland and that Scotland's interests are best served by protecting Scotland's existing relationship in Europe, maintaining membership of the single market and access to the free movement of labour; welcomes the Scottish Government's reassurance on the tuition fee status of continuing EU students and those beginning an undergraduate course in 2016; acknowledges Scotland's success to date in securing EU funding and recognises the benefits that this brings to Scottish universities and colleges; notes that the outcome of the EU referendum potentially makes it harder to attract EU students to study in Scotland, to maintain opportunities for Scottish students and academics in Europe and to collaborate across Europe; resolves to promote Scotland's willingness to continue to collaborate with European partners and to attract the best international talent to maintain the world-class reputation of Scottish universities and colleges, and calls on the UK Government to ensure that Scotland has a role in decision-making, as well as full involvement in all negotiations between the UK Government and the EU, to protect the interests of staff and students in Scotland's universities and colleges.

Supported by: John Swinney\*



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**\*[S5M-01792.1](#) Liz Smith: Implications of the EU Referendum on Higher and Further Education**—As an amendment to motion S5M-01792 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Implications of the EU Referendum on Higher and Further Education), leave from first "the benefits" to end and insert: "that Brexit represents a significant change for both further and higher education, and that, alongside challenges, there will be new opportunities for both colleges and universities, especially in developing closer international links with further and higher education institutions in non-EU nations with which Scottish colleges and universities already have expanding collaboration, research projects and knowledge exchange; pays tribute to the resourcefulness and creativity with which further and higher education institutions have always reacted to changing circumstances both at home and abroad; welcomes the existing commitments by the UK Government on EU-funding streams, and calls on the Scottish and UK governments to work together in a constructive manner to support higher and further education in Scotland".

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S5M-01803](#) Tavish Scott: Shetland Wool Week 2016**—That the Parliament notes the success of the 7th Shetland Wool Week, which was held between 24 September and 2 October 2016; understands that almost 200 events were held across the islands, including a fashion show; notes that enthusiasts from across the world attended workshops, talks and demonstrations; agrees that efforts to preserve and develop the wool industry are to be welcomed; congratulates all those involved in organising events, and looks forward to another successful Wool Week in 2017.

Supported by: Gail Ross\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Richard Lyle\*

**\*[S5M-01802](#) Fulton MacGregor: Muirhead and District Seniors Forum**—That the Parliament commends the fantastic work of the Muirhead and District Seniors Forum, which is open to men and women aged 55 years and over; welcomes its initiatives to help local people keep active through organised walks across central Scotland; notes that its work in conjunction with Age Scotland includes organising tea afternoons, day trips and an annual holiday to enable its members to socialise and have fun together; further notes that 1 October 2016 was international Older People's Day, and wishes the Muirhead and District Seniors Forum, and other similar organisations throughout Scotland, every success in the future.

Supported by: Tom Arthur\*, Bill Kidd\*, Clare Haughey\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*

**\*[S5M-01801](#) Gail Ross: Mackay's Hotel Win**—That the Parliament congratulates all those at Mackay's Hotel on winning the Caithness and Sutherland Business of the Year Award at the 2016 Highland Business Awards; notes that the family-run Wick hotel beat stiff competition from Reids of Caithness and Scrabster Harbour Trust to land the award; pays particular tribute to members of the Lamont family for their running of the hotel, which has been offering a genuine and warm welcome to people from around the world for many years, and wishes them continued success for the future.

**\*[S5M-01800](#) Mairi Evans: Montrose Playhouse Project Grant**—That the Parliament welcomes the £4,450 grant that has been awarded to Montrose Playhouse Project; recognises that this is part of the Big Lottery Fund programme, Celebrate, which aims to hold events or activities that bring people together and celebrate what makes their local community special; notes that Montrose Playhouse Project is a group made up of volunteers and aims to enhance education and arts in the local area; understands that the group will host a Christmas celebration for the festive season with local people and hold an outdoor cinema night; applauds all the work that the group has undertaken so far, and wishes them all the best for the future.

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**\*S5M-01799 Jackie Baillie: Para-Sport Athlete of the Year, Gordon Reid**—That the Parliament congratulates the wheelchair tennis champion, Gordon Reid from Alexandria, who was named Para-Sport Athlete of the Year in the 2016 Team Scotland Scottish Sports Awards in Edinburgh; notes that this award comes just weeks after Gordon was ranked number one in the world for Wheelchair Tennis, following his success at both the Paralympics and Wimbledon in the summer; recognises Gordon's exceptional talent and achievements, and wishes him every success in the future.

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**\*S5M-01798 Jackie Baillie: Social Bite's CEO Sleep Out**—That the Parliament welcomes Social Bite's CEO Sleep Out, which is scheduled to take place in Edinburgh on 15 December 2016; notes that 100 leading Scottish CEO's have been invited to join the event and fundraise for employment programmes and innovative shelters for the homeless by sleeping out for a night; recognises that Social Bite offers support to homeless people by providing free meals and special Christmas dinners at its branches, training and employment programmes and extensive employment support; believes that the sleep out will help raise awareness of homelessness in a unique way by encouraging business leaders to share homeless people's everyday experiences, and wishes Social Bite every success for this event as well as its other activities.

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**\*S5M-01797 Clare Adamson: Annual Suicide Prevention Tournament 2016**—That the Parliament commends the North Lanarkshire health and social care team on another extremely successful and well-attended suicide prevention football tournament at Ravenscraig Regional Sports Facility in Motherwell; thanks the organisers of the event, North Lanarkshire Council and North Lanarkshire Leisure, for their hard work to raise awareness of mental health during Suicide Prevention Week; congratulates the winners of the schools tournament, St. Ambrose High School, and the other teams that took part, including Chryston High School, Airdrie Academy, Greenfaulds High School, Taylor High School, Our Lady's High School, Coltness High School and Clydevalley High School; congratulates the local community groups that entered teams into the adult tournament; understands that skills training was being offered to participants, including Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training and the SFA level 1.1 early touches coaching course; recognises the support from local organisations that sent representatives to the tournament, including the Motherwell FC assistant manager, James McFadden, the Albion Rovers FC manager, Darren Young, and the Clyde FC manager, Barry Ferguson, and hopes that the tournament continues on an annual basis and continues to raise awareness of mental health issues in Lanarkshire.

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**\*S5M-01796 Angus MacDonald: Stop Climate Chaos Mass Lobby of the Parliament Hailed a Success**—That the Parliament celebrates the civic engagement of constituents who travelled from across Scotland, including Falkirk East, to meet their MSPs during the Stop Climate Chaos mass lobby that took place on 29 September 2016; welcomes that more than 80 members of the public and 50 MSPs discussed actions that can be taken to tackle climate change; notes that

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constituents expressed their concerns about how climate change will, or already does, impact their local areas; further notes that, ahead of a new climate bill and climate action plan, constituents called on their MSPs to take further action so that Scotland could make strides in meeting its climate change reduction targets; recognises that issues raised by constituents included additional funding to improve the energy efficiency of homes, 10% of the transport budget to be allocated to cycling and walking, a new 50% renewable by 2030 all-energy target, and a new sustainable and low-carbon farming programme to address carbon emission from the agriculture sector, and looks forward to all these issues being debated in the coming months once the new climate action plan is laid in the Parliament and the climate bill process gets underway.

Supported by: Jenny Gilruth\*

**\*S5M-01795 Gillian Martin: Haddo Arts Festival Musical Director Alice Dennis**—That the Parliament recognises the contribution of the Haddo Arts Festival Musical Director, Alice Dennis, who took to the stage for the last time on 1 October 2016 before retiring from her role; commends her dedication to the festival, which she has spearheaded since its inception, and values her substantial contribution to the arts in the Aberdeenshire area.

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**\*S5M-01794 Angus MacDonald: Paws for Progress Secures £105,000 for HMYOI Polmont Project**—That the Parliament congratulates Paws for Progress CIC, which is based at HM Young Offenders' Institute Polmont, on securing a £105,048 grant from the Big Lottery Fund, which will enable its rescue dog training programme to continue the work that it does; notes that the aim of the programme is to improve the behaviour and employability skills of the young men taking part, as well as to enhance their educational engagement and improve their wellbeing, through working with rescue dogs, with the ultimate aim of having them successfully rehomed; further recognises the formal SQA qualifications achieved by the young men who take part in this course, provided in partnership with Fife College, and wishes everyone involved with the project continued success in the future.

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**\*S5M-01791 Brian Whittle: Great Scottish Run**—That the Parliament recognises that, in the Great Scottish Run half-marathon in Glasgow on 2 October 2016, Callum Hawkins from the Kilbarchan running club won the men's race in a world-class time of 60 minutes and 24 seconds; acknowledges that this breaks the Scottish half-marathon record, which has stood since 1987, and gives Callum a great end to a fantastic season, which included a ninth place in the Olympic marathon; recognises the Great Scottish Run series and its contribution to the health and wellbeing of the Scottish public, with mass participation junior and toddler races helping to promote community and family participation, and wishes continued success as the series develops.

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**\*S5M-01790 Gail Ross: Pultneytown People's Project Win**—That the Parliament congratulates all those involved at the Pultneytown People's Project (PPP) on winning the Best Social Enterprise at the Highland Business Awards 2016; notes that the award, which is sponsored by Highlands and Islands Enterprise, is recognition of the positive impact that PPP has made for people of all ages in Wick and in the wider area, and pays particular tribute to the chief executive, Katrina MacNab, whose unstinting work and dedication to the PPP has seen it grow to the excellent community asset based in a state-of-the-art building that it is today.

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**\*S5M-01789 Gordon Lindhurst: British Astronaut Tim Peake to Visit Edinburgh and Glasgow**—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement that the British astronaut, Tim Peake, will be visiting Edinburgh and Glasgow in October 2016 as part of his tour of the UK and following his 186-day Principia mission working on the International Space Station (ISS); notes that he will be accompanied by his crewmate, Tim Kopra, and will be giving presentations, including a first-hand account about life on board the ISS and talking about some of the important experiments that he took part in while he was there; recognises that the tour builds on the educational and outreach programme that the UK Space Agency has invested in as part of the mission, which includes an investment of £3 million, and the involvement of over one million young people; further notes that the event in Edinburgh will be presented alongside the Edinburgh International Science Festival and the role that this event and the festival plays in inspiring people of all ages in science and technology, and wishes all involved in the events every success.

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**\*S5M-01788 Bruce Crawford on behalf of the Finance and Constitution Committee: Timetable for the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18**—That the Parliament notes the timetable for the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18.

**\*S5M-01787 Patrick Harvie: Budget Scrutiny**—That the Parliament notes the letter from the Finance Committee to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Constitution on 21 September 2016; agrees with the committee that the Scottish Government's refusal to publish budget scenario planning information and illustrative figures in advance of the draft budget is unacceptable, and urges the Scottish Government to put this information into the public domain before the end of the October recess.

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**\*S5M-01786 Mark Ruskell: Comrie Named in World's Top 100 Green Tourism**

**Destinations**—That the Parliament congratulates Comrie on being declared one of the top 100 green tourism destinations in the world; notes that Comrie joins the likes of the Grand Canyon, Yellowstone Park and Niagara Falls and is the only destination selected in Scotland; further notes that its local initiatives have been hugely successful and popular with, for example, a Second World War prison camp at Cultybraggan being transformed into a world-leading example of green heritage development, with allotments, a community orchard, sports facilities and business units housed in the original Nissen huts, and Comrie Crofts, an award-winning green destination, including a farmstead hostel, group accommodation, camping, Nordic k  tas, walking trails, wildlife viewing and some of the best mountain-biking in Scotland; understands that Comrie's success came from important community-led initiatives, and wishes Comrie every success in its future developments.

**\*S5M-01785 Jeremy Balfour: Ken Swinney Retirement from Corstorphine Community**

**Council**—That the Parliament thanks Ken Swinney for serving as Secretary of Corstorphine Community Council; wishes him well as he prepares to retire after 27 years of service; recognises that Ken has made a tremendous contribution to the Corstorphine community, and wishes him a long and happy retirement.

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

**S5M-01784 Jeremy Balfour: Dalkeith CAB Running for Men's S.H.A.R.E.** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Ben Macpherson\*, Douglas Ross\*, Richard Lyle\*, Edward Mountain\*, Ivan McKee\*, John Lamont\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*, Maurice Corry\*

**S5M-01783 Murdo Fraser: Coats for Kids Appeal** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Pauline McNeill\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Douglas Ross\*, Richard Lyle\*, Edward Mountain\*, Ivan McKee\*, John Lamont\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Jamie Greene\*, Annie Wells\*, Maurice Corry\*, Jackie Baillie\*

**S5M-01782 Sandra White: Big Lottery Celebrate Awards in Glasgow Kelvin** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Clare Haughey\*, David Torrance\*, Gillian Martin\*, Richard Lyle\*, Ivan McKee\*

**S5M-01781 Sandra White: Awards for All in Glasgow Kelvin** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*, Tom Arthur\*, James Dornan\*, Gillian Martin\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Clare Haughey\*, Richard Lyle\*, Ivan McKee\*

**S5M-01780 Richard Lochhead: Andy Simpson to Retire** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

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New Support: Stuart McMillan\*, Douglas Ross\*, Richard Lyle\*, Ash Denham\*, Bob Doris\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Gillian Martin\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01779](#) Emma Harper: World Thrombosis Day, 13 October 2016** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Rona Mackay\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, John Mason\*, Sandra White\*, Douglas Ross\*, Richard Lyle\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Ivan McKee\*, Clare Haughey\*, Bob Doris\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Gail Ross\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Gillian Martin\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-01778](#) Colin Beattie: Rosewell Development Trust Community Company Ltd** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Richard Lyle\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Ivan McKee\*, Ash Denham\*, Gillian Martin\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01777](#) Gil Paterson: Clydebank Youth Worker, Daniel McCormick** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01776](#) Edward Mountain: Loch Ness International Knitting Festival** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Richard Lyle\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-01775](#) Miles Briggs: Commending Lothiansound Talking Newspaper** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Richard Lyle\*, Ivan McKee\*, Rachael Hamilton\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Jamie Greene\*

**[S5M-01774](#) Douglas Ross: Anita Milne Wins Community Contribution Award** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*, Alison Johnstone\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Peter Chapman\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Richard Lyle\*, Miles Briggs\*, Finlay Carson\*, John Lamont\*, Jamie Greene\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-01773](#) Liam Kerr: Big Lottery Fund Montrose Playhouse** (lodged on 30 September 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Richard Lyle\*, Ivan McKee\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-01771](#) Mairi Evans: Turn the Tide Campaign** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01770](#) John Finnie: Argyll and Skye Groups' Big Lottery Success** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Ash Denham\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01769](#) Bill Kidd: Gymnastics Development at Antonine Primary** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*



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**[S5M-01768](#) Bill Kidd: Congratulations to Drumchapel Table Tennis Development Scheme** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Ash Denham\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01767](#) Angus MacDonald: Celebrating 140 Years of Slamannan Primary School** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01766](#) Bill Kidd: Congratulating Charity ANYISO on £4,300 Big Lottery Grant** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01765](#) Neil Findlay: Funding Cuts at BLES** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Anas Sarwar\*, Pauline McNeill\*, Elaine Smith\*, Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-01764](#) Joan McAlpine: Congratulating Sanquhar Community Council** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Ash Denham\*, Rachael Hamilton\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01763](#) Ivan McKee: Poland Seeking to Outlaw Abortion** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01762](#) Clare Adamson: Dalzell Steel Mill** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01761](#) Graeme Dey: Lidl Ending Single-use Plastic Bags** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01760](#) Peter Chapman: Congratulations to Meiklemill Primary School on New Play Area** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Ivan McKee\*, Edward Mountain\*, Annie Wells\*, Oliver Mundell\*

**[S5M-01759](#) Peter Chapman: Sanshou UK – Scotland's Role in the Peterhead Primary Network** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Edward Mountain\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-01758](#) Peter Chapman: Welcoming Continued Development of Aden Community Allotment Association** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Edward Mountain\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*, Jamie Greene\*

**[S5M-01757](#) Peter Chapman: James Tennant Playing Field Trust Expansion** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Edward Mountain\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-01756](#) Finlay Carson: Congratulations to Mull of Galloway Trust** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

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New Support: Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-01755](#) Ruth Maguire: Congratulating Playz Community Centre in Kilwinning** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01754](#) Alexander Burnett: Robert Harper Charity Cycle** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-01753](#) Finlay Carson: Kirkcudbright Art Gallery Project** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-01750](#) Clare Haughey: Congratulations To Cambuslang and Rutherglen Rock 'n' Pop Chorus Juniors** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01749](#) Clare Haughey: Fernhill Hyper Cyber Funding Award** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Richard Lyle\*, Ivan McKee\*, Ash Denham\*, Bob Doris\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Gillian Martin\*, David Torrance\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-01748](#) David Stewart: Morayvia Now Four-star** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Richard Lyle\*, Gillian Martin\*

**[S5M-01747](#) Edward Mountain: Drumnadrochit Bakers Supply European Supermarket Chain with Brownies** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*, John Finnie\*, Bill Kidd\*, John Lamont\*, Richard Lyle\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Murdo Fraser\*

**[S5M-01746](#) Ross Thomson: Aberdeen Universities Offer World's First Master's Degree in Decommissioning** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*, Oliver Mundell\*

**[S5M-01740](#) Maurice Corry: Fares4Free** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-01739](#) Iain Gray: Maria Lyle Appointed as Patron of East Lothian Special Needs Playscheme** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-01738](#) Dean Lockhart: Congratulations to Ochil Management Committee** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*

**[S5M-01736](#) Rhoda Grant: Scotch Whisky Gains Taiwan Trademark** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

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**[S5M-01735](#) Gil Paterson: Recycle Mobility Centre Clydebank, Improving Life for Disabled and Older People** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01734](#) Graeme Dey: Species Champions Initiative Re-launch** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01732](#) Ash Denham: Magdalene Growers Association** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01731](#) Adam Tomkins: Shimon Peres** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: Maurice Corry\*

**[S5M-01730](#) Christine Grahame: Melrose RFC 1883 Legacy Project** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01729](#) Rachael Hamilton: Women's Sport Week** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01727](#) Rona Mackay: Congratulations to Junior Aces of Lenzie Tennis Club** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01726](#) Ivan McKee: Congratulating Golfhill Primary School** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01725](#) Ivan McKee: Congratulating St Clare's Day Nursery** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01724](#) Ivan McKee: Congratulations to Smithycroft Secondary School** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01721](#) Colin Beattie: Maitland Park Residents Association Receives Funding for Play Area** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01717](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa GP Retires after 32 Years of Service** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: Maurice Corry\*

**[S5M-01716](#) Graeme Dey: 12th Year of the Fire Academy** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

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New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01713](#) Ruth Maguire: Funky Films at Irvine's Harbour Arts Centre** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01711](#) John Mason: Extra Trains on TransPennine Express** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01709](#) Edward Mountain: UHI Approval for Nursing Programmes** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: Maurice Corry\*

**[S5M-01708](#) Edward Mountain: Highland Business Awards** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: Maurice Corry\*

**[S5M-01706](#) Graeme Dey: Kirriemuir's Splash Relay Swim** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01705](#) Graeme Dey: Arbroath Relay For Life 2016** (lodged on 28 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01698](#) Ivan McKee: Welcoming the Principal of UttarBangla University College to Scotland** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01692](#) Mairi Evans: Laura Lambert, 2016 Scottish Football Mum of the Year** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-01690](#) Annie Wells: St Roch's Primary School** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*, Bob Doris\*

**[S5M-01689](#) Bill Kidd: UN Older People's Day** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01686](#) Miles Briggs: Keep Scotland Beautiful Report, Scotland's Environmental Quality in Decline** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-01685](#) Ash Denham: Funny Lumps** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01683](#) Maree Todd: Maeshowe Chambered Cairn** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

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**[S5M-01682](#) Gil Paterson: Clydebank Post Helping Readers Back to Work** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01681](#) Gil Paterson: Ancient Cochno Stone Replica** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01679](#) Linda Fabiani: First Edition of the National Guide to: Local Sports Councils** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01676](#) Douglas Ross: Moray Council Confers Freedom of Moray on Heather Stanning** (lodged on 26 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*, Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-01675](#) Adam Tomkins: Great City Swap** (lodged on 26 September 2016)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-01674](#) Donald Cameron: Big Lottery Funding for Dunoon Burgh Hall Trust** (lodged on 26 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01673](#) Richard Lochhead: Scottish League Cup Semi-final Scheduling** (lodged on 26 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01672](#) Jackson Carlaw: Groundbreaking Rock Art Discovery** (lodged on 26 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01671](#) Jackson Carlaw: The Lost Songs of St Kilda** (lodged on 26 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01670](#) Richard Lochhead: Culture Day Forres 2016** (lodged on 26 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01668](#) David Stewart: Callum Finlayson Completes 500-mile Charity Cycle** (lodged on 26 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01667](#) Miles Briggs: Edinburgh Microbusinesses' Success in 2016 Buchanan Business Awards** (lodged on 26 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01655](#) Ruth Davidson: Scotland's National Drone Racing Team** (lodged on 23 September 2016)

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New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01650 Gillian Martin: National Work Life Week 2016](#)** (lodged on 23 September 2016)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Ross Greer\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01636 Clare Adamson: Remembering Outstanding Wishaw Head Teacher](#)** (lodged on 22 September 2016)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-01613 Neil Findlay: Counterfeit Mesh Allegations](#)** (lodged on 29 September 2016)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-01526 Dean Lockhart: Huge Blow for Stirling High Street](#)** (lodged on 19 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01513 Liam Kerr: Aberdeen Squash and Racquetball Club](#)** (lodged on 16 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01512 Miles Briggs: Marine Conservation Society's Great British Beach Clean 2016](#)** (lodged on 16 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01510.1 Alex Neil: Speak Up For Monklands District General Hospital](#)** (lodged on 27 September 2016)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-01508 Alexander Stewart: Senior Scouts Win Chief Scout Gold Award](#)** (lodged on 16 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01500 Gordon Lindhurst: Museum of Fire in Edinburgh](#)** (lodged on 16 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01497 Miles Briggs: NMS Hosts Wildlife Photographer of the Year Exhibition](#)** (lodged on 16 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01495 Sandra White: Ciao Cafe Pizzeria](#)** (lodged on 16 September 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-01466 Douglas Ross: Forres in Bloom Receives Gold Award](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01461 Maurice Corry: Rangers Charity Foundation Pledge](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2016)



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New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01460](#) Brian Whittle: Centrestage Music Theatre, Kilmarnock** (lodged on 15 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01433](#) Maurice Corry: Recruit for Spouses** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01422](#) Douglas Ross: Duffus War Memorial Receives Best-Kept Award from Royal British Legion Scotland** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01413](#) Rhoda Grant: Congratulations to the Embo Trust (Urras Euraboil) in Sutherland** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*

**[S5M-01378](#) Joan McAlpine: Dr G Bernard Worrell Jr** (lodged on 09 September 2016)

New Support: Claire Baker\*

**[S5M-01347](#) Jenny Gilruth: Addaction Fife** (lodged on 08 September 2016)

New Support: Claire Baker\*

**[S5M-01336](#) Dean Lockhart: Scottish Crime Fiction Festival** (lodged on 07 September 2016)

New Support: Claire Baker\*

**[S5M-01332](#) Alexander Stewart: Dunblane Boys' Brigade Raises Money for Project Malawi** (lodged on 07 September 2016)

New Support: Claire Baker\*

**[S5M-01291](#) David Torrance: Diversity Week Fife 2016** (lodged on 05 September 2016)

New Support: Claire Baker\*

**[S5M-01289](#) Alexander Stewart: Fife Hero to Front TV Coverage of Paralympics** (lodged on 05 September 2016)

New Support: Claire Baker\*

**[S5M-01257](#) Kenneth Gibson: Hate Crimes Against Polish Migrants** (lodged on 02 September 2016)

New Support: Claire Baker\*, Mary Fee\*

**[S5M-01164](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Upholding the Rule of Law in Scotland and Abroad** (lodged on 24 August 2016)

New Support: Ross Greer\*

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## Oral Questions

### Topical Questions selected for answer on 04 October 2016

- 1. Stewart Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress that it has made in delivering the national CAP loan scheme. ([S5T-00117](#))
- 2. Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government what environmental assessment it has made of the leak from the Clair oil platform, west of Shetland. ([S5T-00102](#))

### First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 06 October 2016

- 1. Ruth Davidson:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the day. ([S5F-00317](#))
- 2. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the First Minister when she will next meet HIV Scotland. ([S5F-00341](#))
- 3. Willie Rennie:** To ask the First Minister what issues will be discussed at the next meeting of the Cabinet. ([S5F-00346](#))
- 4. Christina McKelvie:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the recent Scottish Social Attitudes survey, which shows that levels of prejudice in Scotland are falling. ([S5F-00336](#))
- 5. Donald Cameron:** To ask the First Minister what steps the Scottish Government is taking to tackle the rise in the number of drug-related acute hospital stays. ([S5F-00318](#))
- 6. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the First Minister what impact the breaching of EU spending rules has had on the funding of infrastructure projects. ([S5F-00343](#))
- 7. Emma Harper:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the proposed deadline of March 2017 for the triggering of Article 50. ([S5F-00337](#))
- 8. Liz Smith:** To ask the First Minister what discussions the Scottish Government is having with the governing bodies of contact sports regarding head injuries. ([S5F-00321](#))

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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 03 October 2016

**[S5W-02987](#) Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve conditions for people in poverty who are in paid employment.

**[S5W-02988](#) Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to mitigate the impact of the increase in part-time employment and the use of fractional contracts.

**[S5W-02989](#) Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to increase the number of large employers that are signed up to the Living Wage accreditation scheme.

**[S5W-03345](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it (a) has carried out and (b) plans regarding the potential impact of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) on (i) each economic sector and (ii) workers' rights in Scotland.

**[S5W-03346](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether NHS Scotland has been listed as exempt from the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA).

**[S5W-03347](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what the legal impact would be of it introducing a complete ban on fracking if the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) is agreed.

**[S5W-03348](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions S5W-00972 and S5W-00973 by Keith Brown on 12 July 2016, whether it will publish its assessment of the possible impact on Scotland of the Section D provisions of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA).

**[S5W-03349](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding keeping protected food names for Scottish products in the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA).

**[S5W-03367](#) Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government how long its Help to Buy (Scotland) schemes are scheduled to run.

**[S5W-03368](#) Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government how many homes have been purchased using its Help to Buy (Scotland) schemes.

**[S5W-03390](#) Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the publication in 2014 of *Autism Spectrum Disorders: Waiting for assessment - Executive Summary*, what the current waiting times are for diagnosing children with autism spectrum conditions, and whether the targets set out in *The Scottish Strategy for Autism* are being met.

**[S5W-03391](#) David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what advice it has received regarding changing the target date for dualling the A9.

**[S5W-03403](#) Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government how many NHS-related meetings and seminars were held off NHS campuses in 2016, and at what cost.

**[S5W-03414](#) Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will confirm the difference between classroom music lessons and instrumental music tuition in terms of what local authorities can charge for in schools.

**[S5W-03416](#) James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government about the funding that was allocated in its March 2015 Budget to tackling nuisance calls, and how much of this was allocated to Scotland.

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**[S5W-03417 James Kelly](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether the consumer principles outlined in the Programme for Government will include details of a one-stop-shop for consumers, as recommended by the Working Group on Consumer and Competition Policy for Scotland.

**[S5W-03418 James Kelly](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether, as part of its Nuisance Calls Commission, it will investigate the potential for further funding for call blocking technologies for vulnerable people.

**[S5W-03419 Claire Baker](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many jury trials there have been at each court in each of the last five years.

**[S5W-03420 Claire Baker](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many criminal trials have been adjourned broken because of (a) a crown motion, (b) a defence motion, (c) a failure to appear by an accused, (d) a failure to appear by a witness, (e) a lack of court time and (f) another reason at each court in each of the last five years.

**[S5W-03421 Claire Baker](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many summary procedures without a jury were called but adjourned because of lack of court time at each court in each of the last five years.

**[S5W-03422 Claire Baker](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many jury trials were called but adjourned because of a lack of court time at each court in each of the last five years.

**[S5W-03423 Claire Baker](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many days each court has sat in each of the last five years.

**[S5W-03424 Claire Baker](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many indictments have been registered at each court in each of the last five years.

**[S5W-03425 Claire Baker](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many domestic abuse cases have been heard by each (a) domestic abuse and (b) other court in each of the last five years, and how many convictions there were.

**[S5W-03426 Murdo Fraser](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what communication it has had with Perth and Kinross Council regarding funding for improvements to the A9/A85 junction.

**[S5W-03427 Murdo Fraser](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what resources have been allocated to improvements to the A9/A85 junction in Perth and Kinross.

**[S5W-03434 Joan McAlpine](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government which local authorities have changed their recycling services to comply with the Waste (Scotland) Regulations 2012, also broken down by how much they received from Zero Waste Scotland to roll out these changes.

**[S5W-03435 Angus MacDonald](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the findings of the consultation paper, *Developments in environmental justice in Scotland*; what analysis it is carrying out of the responses, and whether it will publish this analysis.

**[S5W-03436 James Kelly](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-02892 by Annabelle Ewing on 27 September 2016, how many arrests were made in relation to the Aberdeen v Rangers match of 25 September 2016, and how many of these were in relation to (a) the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012 and (b) various offences directly related to the match.

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## New Subordinate Legislation

### Laid only instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 3 October 2016 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015 (Commencement No. 5 and Saving Provisions) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/307 (C.29))  
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

## Progress of Legislation

### Bills

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the Scottish Parliament website at:

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/576.aspx>

For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Thursday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

### Legislative Consent Memorandums

A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:

<http://external.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/31313.aspx>

**Cultural Property (Armed Conflicts) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-1**  
European and External Relations Committee, 22 September 2016

**Investigatory Powers Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-2**  
Justice Committee, 27 September 2016

**Policing and Crime Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-3**  
Justice Committee, 28 June 2016



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## Higher Education and Research Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-4

Lodged 20 September 2016

**Subordinate Legislation** (*date of laying*) (lead committee)

### Affirmative instruments

#### Lead committee to report by 30 October 2016

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Composition\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*19 August 2016*) (Justice)

[Scottish Tribunals \(Offences in Relation to Proceedings\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*19 August 2016*) (Justice)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Chambers\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*19 August 2016*) (Justice)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of the Homeowner Housing Panel\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*19 August 2016*) (Justice) (*withdrawn and re-laid on 8 September 2016*)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of the Private Rented Housing Panel\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*19 August 2016*) (Justice) (*withdrawn and re-laid on 8 September 2016*)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of the Homeowner Housing Committees\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*19 August 2016*) (Justice)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of the Private Rented Housing Committees\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*19 August 2016*) (Justice) (*withdrawn and re-laid on 8 September 2016*)

[Freedom of Information \(Scotland\) Act 2002 \(Time for Compliance\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*5 September 2016*) (Education and Skills)

#### Lead committee to report by 1 November 2016

[Council Tax \(Substitution of Proportion\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (*7 September 2016*) (Local Government and Communities)

[Climate Change \(Annual Targets\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (*7 September 2016*) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Climate Change \(Limit on Use of Carbon Units\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (*7 September 2016*) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

#### Lead committee to report by 2 November 2016

[Legal Aid \(Scotland\) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*8 September 2016*) (Justice)

#### Lead committee to report by 3 November 2016

[Smoking Prohibition \(Children in Motor Vehicles\) \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Fixed Penalty Notices\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (*9 September 2016*) (Health and Sport)

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**Lead committee to report by 6 November 2016**

[Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Treatment of Scottish Fiscal Commission as Specified Authority\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (12 September 2016) (Finance)

[Council Tax \(Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (12 September 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

**Lead committee to report by 8 November 2016**

[Representation of the People \(Postal Voting for Local Government Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (14 September 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

**Lead committee to report by 9 November 2016**

[Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment \(No. 2\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (15 September 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

**Lead committee to report by 10 November 2016**

[Maximum Number of Judges \(Scotland\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (16 September 2016) (Justice)

[Sheriff Court Simple Procedure \(Limits on Award of Expenses\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (16 September 2016) (Justice)

[Courts Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Relevant Officer and Consequential Provisions\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (16 September 2016) (Justice)

**Lead committee to report by 15 November 2016**

[Protected Trust Deeds \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (21 September 2016) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)

[Protected Trust Deeds \(Forms\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (21 September 2016) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)

[Bankruptcy \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (21 September 2016) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)

**Lead committee to report by 16 November 2016**

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2016 Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (22 September 2016) (Finance)

**Negative instruments**

**Subject to annulment by 29 October 2016**

**Lead committee to report by 24 October 2016**

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Rules Order of Council 2016 \(SI 2016/693\)](#) (1 July 2016) (Health and Sport)

**Subject to annulment by 30 October 2016**

**Lead committee to report by 24 October 2016**

[Scottish Tribunals \(Time Limits\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/231\)](#) (19 August 2016) (Justice)

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[Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Rules of Procedure\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/232\)](#) (19 August 2016) (Justice)

[Named Persons \(Training, Qualifications, Experience and Position\) and the Child's Plan \(Scotland\) Revocation Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/234\)](#) (24 August 2016) (Education and Skills)

[Road Traffic \(Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area\) \(Highland Council\) Designation Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/245\)](#) (2 September 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

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[Additional Support for Learning \(Sources of Information\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/299\)](#) (29 September 2016) (Education and Skills)

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### Other Documents

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**Fife Health Board Annual Report and Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2016: SG/2016/172** laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**Forth Valley NHS Board Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016: SG/2016/173** laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Strategic Plan 2016-19: SG/2016/161** laid under section 41B(11) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

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