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# Business Bulletin



# **Today's Business**

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2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2:30 pm Scottish Government Debate:
Domestic Abuse Law
followed by Business Motions
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5:00 pm Decision Time

# **Committee Meetings**

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# **Meeting of the Parliament**

#### 11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

#### 11:40 am General Questions

**1. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to boost the economy in north Glasgow. (S5O-00141)

**2. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent survey suggesting that 61% of people in Scotland would like to see the country generate all of its electricity from renewables. (S5O-00142)

**3. Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will carry out an assessment of the impact of the affordability of feminine hygiene products on the health of women and girls. (S5O-00143)

**4. Alison Harris:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the status of each of the city deals. (S5O-00144)

**5. Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take in response to the Audit Scotland report, *Supporting Scotland's Economic Growth, The role of the Scottish Government and its economic development agencies.* (S5O-00145)

**6.** Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government how the Enterprise and Skills Review will deliver its commitment to regional cohesion. (S5O-00146)

**7. Andy Wightman:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making in meeting the target it set in 2007 of raising the rate of new housing supply to 35,000 per year by the middle of the current decade. (S5O-00147)

**8. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to address concerns regarding the recruitment and retention of crew members in retained fire stations in rural and island areas. (S5O-00148)

**9. John Mason:** To ask Scottish Government what consideration it has given to the feasibility of a universal basic income. (S5O-00149)

10. Anas Sarwar: [Not Lodged]

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

**1. Ruth Davidson:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the day. (S5F-00202)

**2. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the First Minister when she will next meet the Scottish Association for Mental Health. (S5F-00226)

**3. Willie Rennie:** To ask the First Minister what issues will be discussed at the next meeting of the Cabinet. (S5F-00205)

**4. Angus MacDonald:** To ask the First Minister how the Scottish Government will seek to make land ownership transparent. (S5F-00228)

**5. Douglas Ross:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the Faculty of Advocates' reported concerns that the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service is under resourced. (S5F-00218)

**6. Claudia Beamish:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the UK Climate Change Committee's *Reducing emissions in Scotland 2016 progress report*. (S5F-00216)

**7. Kate Forbes:** To ask the First Minister how the Scottish Government will achieve 100% broadband rollout across Scotland. (S5F-00232)

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

**S5M-00860 Jeremy Balfour: Glow Gold September**—That the Parliament recognises the work of the childhood cancer awareness raising campaign, Glow Gold September, which has been established by the parents of children with the condition; notes that it aims to ensure that the colour gold becomes synonymous with childhood cancer and that its awareness month is September; understands that it is asking for national and international buildings and landmarks to be illuminated in that colour for either the evening of 1 September 2016 or, if possible, for the whole month from dusk till dawn; believes that Edinburgh Castle, St Andrew's House and the Kelpies will take part in this and that the campaign is encouraging others to do likewise, and further understands that the campaign is also urging people to wear a gold pin throughout September to raise awareness and to show their support for the children.

#### 2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

#### 2:30 pm Scottish Government Debate: Domestic Abuse Law

S5M-01434 Michael Matheson: Domestic Abuse Law—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement by the First Minister when delivering the 2016-17 Programme for Government that the Scottish Government will introduce legislation to create a specific criminal offence of domestic abuse; recognises that, in Scotland, there are approximately 60,000 incidents of domestic abuse reported each year, with the 2014-15 figures showing that 79% of such incidents having a male perpetrator and a female victim; recognises that, while physical abuse can be prosecuted under existing laws, it is challenging to prosecute psychological abuse and coercive and controlling behaviour under these; agrees that a new offence will both help the criminal justice system to deal more effectively with domestic abusers and, alongside access to appropriate advocacy services, allow better access to justice for victims, and notes that the Scottish Government is continuing to consider the exact terms of such an offence in the light of feedback to the recent consultation on a draft offence with the aim of ensuring that it appropriately and effectively criminalises the type of pernicious coercive and controlling behaviour that can constitute domestic abuse and that such an offence will have a significant impact on how society views domestic abuse by ensuring that there is clarity that psychological, as well as physical abuse, of a partner or ex-partner is a criminal offence.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**S5M-01434.1 Douglas Ross: Domestic Abuse Law**—As an amendment to motion S5M-01434 in the name of Michael Matheson (Domestic Abuse Law), leave out "victims" and insert "both male and female victims who have been in a heterosexual or same-sex relationship; urges the Scottish Government to continue to raise awareness of Clare's Law".

**S5M-01434.2 Claire Baker: Domestic Abuse Law**—As an amendment to motion S5M-01434 in the name of Michael Matheson (Domestic Abuse Law), insert at end "; recognises the important role of domestic abuse courts in dealing with the offence, and looks to extend the provision of these as part of proposals for tackling domestic abuse in Scotland."

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

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### **Committee Meetings**

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

#### Public Audit Committee 3rd Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- 1. **Declaration of interests:** Gail Ross will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
- 2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
- 3. Section 23 report Changing models of health and social care: The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland report entitled "Changing models of health and social care" from—

Paul Gray, Director-General Health & Social Care and Chief Executive NHS Scotland, Dr Jason Leitch, Clinical Director, and Geoff Huggins, Director for Health and Social Care Integration, Scottish Government;

and then from—

Julie Murray, Chief Officer, East Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership; Shiona Strachan, Chief Officer, Health and Social Care, Clackmannanshire and Stirling Integration Joint Board.

4. Section 23 report - Changing models of health and social care: The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 3 and take evidence from—

Fraser McKinlay, Director of Performance Audit and Best Value, and Carol Calder, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.

# Public Petitions Committee 3rd Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. Consideration of new petitions: The Committee will consider the following new petitions—

PE1606 by Peter Gregson, on behalf of Kids not Suits, on Forcing Scottish councils to collaborate regionally on schools and roads; PE1607 by Peter Gregson, on behalf of Kids not Suits, on Congestion charging in major Scottish cities; PE1608 by Martin Keatings on Wholly Owned National Private Pharmaceuticals; PE1609 by Robert Marks on NHS Scotland Treatments; PE1610 by Matt Halliday on Upgrade the A75; PE1614 by Richard Morris on Adult Consensual Incest (ACI); and will then consider- PE1605 by Peter Gregson, on behalf of Kids not Suits, on Whistleblowing in the NHS - a safer way to report mismanagement and bullying and take evidence from- Peter Gregson; and will then consider—

<u>PE1603</u> by Mairi Campbell-Jack and Douglas Beattie, on behalf of Quaker in Scotland & Forces Watch, on Ensuring greater scrutiny, guidance and consultation on armed forces visits to schools in Scotland

and take evidence from-

Mairi Campbell-Jack, Emma Sangster and Rhianna Louise;

and will then consider-

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PE1604 by Catherine Matheson on Inquests for all deaths by suicide in Scotland

and take evidence from-

Catherine Matheson and Karen Gordon.

# Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 4th Meeting, 2016

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

1. **Mandatory Committees' remits (in private):** The Committee will consider draft Standing Order rule changes.

# **Future Meetings of the Parliament**

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 14 September 2016

#### **Tuesday 20 September 2016**

2:00 pm Time for Reflection followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions followed by Topical Questions (if selected) followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Economy, Responding to the EU Referendum followed by Business Motions followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions 5:00 pm Decision Time followed by Members' Business — S5M-00578 Stuart McMillan: Eye Health Week

#### Wednesday 21 September 2016

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions 2:00 pm Portfolio Questions Justice Culture, Tourism and External Affairs followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business followed by Business Motions followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions 5:00 pm Decision Time followed by Members' Business — S5M-00302 Graeme Dey: Promoting Good Food from Angus

#### Thursday 22 September 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-01290 Margaret Mitchell: The Standing Safe Campaign 2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions 2:00 pm Scottish Government Debate: Reforming Local Taxation followed by Scottish Government Debate: Securing Scotland's Position as the Perfect Stage for **Events** followed by Business Motions followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

#### Tuesday 27 September 2016

2:00 pm Time for Reflection followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions followed by Topical Questions (if selected) followed by Scottish Government Business followed by Business Motions followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions 5:00 pm Decision Time followed by Members' Business

#### Wednesday 28 September 2016

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Education and Skills
followed by Scottish Government Business
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5:00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

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11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
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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.

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

#### **Motions for Debate**

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#### Supported by: Annabelle Ewing

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#### Other new and altered motions and amendments

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### \*S5M-01457 Miles Briggs: Retiral of Castle Rock Edinvar's Managing Director, Alister Steele

**MBE**—That the Parliament notes that the Managing Director of Castle Rock Edinvar Housing Association, Alister Steele, has announced that he will retire at the end of March 2017; understands that Alister's first association with Castle Rock was a postgraduate student placement in 1984, that he joined the organisation as Assistant Development Manager in 1990 and has been Managing Director for over 15 years; considers that he has provided strong and dynamic leadership for Castle Rock Edinvar, which is one of Scotland's leading housing associations and an important provider of housing for residents in Edinburgh, West Lothian, Midlothian, East Lothian and four other local authorities; thanks Alister for his work and significant contribution to the housing association sector; notes that he was appointed an MBE in 2014 for services to housing and regeneration in Edinburgh, and wishes him well in his retirement and his continuing role as Chair of Our Power, which is an affordable and sustainable energy supplier.

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\*S5M-01456 John Lamont: Nick Clegg's Comments Regarding a Second Independence Referendum—That the Parliament notes the comments that were made recently by the former Liberal Democrats' leader, Nick Clegg, in which he said that it would be "incredibly difficult" to convince Scots to remain in the UK; understands that a motion will be debated at the Scottish Liberal Democrats' conference stating the party should be "exploring all options" and "ruling nothing out" on Scotland's constitutional future; further understands that the motion includes the possibility of the party supporting independence; believes that the last thing Scotland needs at a time of uncertainty is the threat of a second vote on its place in the UK, and calls on all who campaigned for the UK in 2014 to reiterate their respect for the democratic will of the people of Scotland, to uphold the promise that the vote was a once-in-a-generation event and to reject the call for a re-run of the vote.

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\*S5M-01455 Edward Mountain: The ARCHIE Foundation (Highlands & Western Isles)—That the Parliament congratulates all those involved in fundraising for The ARCHIE Foundation (Highlands & Western Isles) through its Virtual Challenge; notes that the recently-opened Highland Children's Unit at Raigmore Hospital in Inverness was built following a fundraising campaign involving ARCHIE, and wishes them every success in the future.

\*S5M-01454 Ruth Maguire: Congratulating the Kilwinning Early Years Centre—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at the Kilwinning Early Years Centre on it winning the Raising Attainment in Numeracy category at the Scottish Education Awards 2016; appreciates the hard work of the parents and staff at the centre; understands that it has incorporated numeracy into meaningful contexts throughout the playroom to assist in learning; anticipates its continued success, and sends its best wishes to everyone involved.

Supported by: Ash Denham\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**\*S5M-01453 Edward Mountain: Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**—That the Parliament congratulates all of the Highland groups and individuals involved in supporting Childhood Cancer Awareness Month; notes that Inverness Castle and Ness Bridge will be lit up in gold for the month of September, and congratulates The Highland Council for its support of this.

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#### \*S5M-01452 Alexander Stewart: Perth Fundraiser for Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus

**Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates Anne Rowney from Perth who raised money for Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Scotland (SBH Scotland) by zip wiring at a height of 150 feet over the River Clyde; recognises that Anne was born with this disease and managed to overcome her mobility challenges to raise over £15,000 for the charity, and welcomes the work done by the SBH Scotland charity nationally to support and improve the lives of people living with this condition.

\*S5M-01451 Edward Mountain: Skye Mountain Rescue Team—That the Parliament wishes Blaze, the four-year-old mountain rescue collie who works with the Skye Mountain Rescue team, every success in the launch of his new fund raising calendar, which is hoped will raise £3,000 for the team, and recognises the very important work of all the mountain rescue teams throughout the UK.

\*S5M-01450 Edward Mountain: British Army Bomb Squad—That the Parliament congratulates the British Army bomb squad for all the work that it does in diffusing unstable and dangerous explosive ordnance around the UK; notes that between 2001 and 2015 the squad safely removed 85 explosives in Aberdeen, Peterhead, Forres, Inverness and Orkney, and wishes the squad well with this dangerous and important work.

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\*S5M-01449 Fulton MacGregor: Prison Officer Retirement Age—That the Parliament recognises the important role fulfilled by prison officers in the criminal justice system and the physical and often dangerous nature of their work; considers that prison officers perform a vital frontline role akin to other first response and emergency services; notes with concern that the retirement age for prison officers remains in line with the state pension age; supports the "68 is too late" campaign, and calls on the UK Government to lower the retirement age for prison officers to 60, bringing it into line with that of their colleagues in the police force, fire service and armed forces.

Supported by: Jenny Gilruth\*, Colin Beattie\*, Rona Mackay\*, Ash Denham\*, Graeme Dey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tom Arthur\*, Stuart McMillan\*, James Dornan\*, Emma Harper\*, John Mason\*, Richard Lyle\*, Clare Haughey\*

\*S5M-01448 Fulton MacGregor: Coatbridge Cenotaph—That the Parliament condemns the attack on the First World War memorial in Coatbridge and all other acts of vandalism; recognises that those who fought and died in the First World War came from all faiths, beliefs and backgrounds; urges anyone who has information on any attack on a war memorial in Scotland to contact the police, and expects that those who are guilty of vandalism of war memorials are brought to justice.

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**\*S5M-01448.1 Elaine Smith: Coatbridge Cenotaph**—As an amendment to motion S5M-01448 (Coatbridge Cenotaph) in the name of Fulton MacGregor, after first "vandalism;" insert "commends North Lanarkshire Council for its swift action to rectify the damage;'.

\*S5M-01447 James Kelly: Glasgow Seeks Volunteers to Join Community Councils—That the Parliament notes that nominations are being sought for community councillors in 16 areas across the city of Glasgow; welcomes the opportunity for ordinary citizens to engage in the democratic process and ensure the voices of local neighbourhoods are listened too; understands that Glasgow City Council will host development, training and capacity building sessions to build and ensure community councils' sustainability and longevity as a thriving community organisation; values the excellent contribution that community councillors make in bridging the gap between local authorities and communities; understands that anyone over the age of 16 who resides in their community council boundary area can stand for election and have the opportunity to make their area a better place to live; applauds the efforts of Glasgow City Council in ensuring a participatory democracy, and encourages residents to submit valid nominations before the deadline of 16 September 2016.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie\*, Colin Beattie\*, John Mason\*, Richard Lyle\*, Alexander Burnett\*

\*S5M-01446 Fergus Ewing: Prohibited Procedures on Protected Animals (Exemptions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 [draft]—That the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee recommends that the Prohibited Procedures on Protected Animals (Exemptions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Humza Yousaf\*

\*S5M-01445 David Stewart: Blue Economy Business of the Year—That the Parliament congratulates the Stromness-based, European Marine Energy Centre (EMEC), on being named Blue Economy Business of the Year at the European Commission's Blue Economy Business Awards 2016; acknowledges the commitment of the team in Orkney and the supporting supply chain in developing a new energy source; notes that EMEC was set up to kick-start a new sustainable industry in Europe and that it has done this through looking at wave and tidal resources; considers that Orkney will now stand as an ideal case study for the economic benefits that can be achieved through the activities taking place in and around a test facility, and acknowledges the economic benefits that winning such a high-profile award will bring to EMEC and the rest of Orkney.

Supported by: Douglas Ross\*, Neil Findlay\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Colin Beattie\*, Richard Lyle\*

\*S5M-01444 Oliver Mundell: Jane Haining: A Scot Honoured for Giving Up Her Life to Help Jews in the Holocaust—That the Parliament recognises and praises the life of Jane Haining, a Dumfriesshire-born nurse who became the only Scot to be officially honoured for giving her life to help Jews in the Holocaust; notes that Jane died in Auschwitz in 1944 at the age of 47 as a Church of Scotland Christian missionary who refused to return home on orders from her superiors, and who was arrested for working among Jews, listening to the BBC and allegedly sending parcels to British prisoners of war, and further notes that newly-found documents have shed further light on her life and the sense of duty she felt for supporting and protecting Jewish people during this time.

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Liz Smith\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Iain Gray\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Richard Lyle\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Bill Kidd\*, John Lamont\*, Annie Wells\*, Murdo Fraser\*, John Mason\*

\*S5M-01443 Ross Thomson: Pamela Macrae Voted Aberdeen's Unsung Hero—That the Parliament congratulates Pamela Macrae, pupil support assistant at Aberdeen School for the Deaf, on being voted Unsung Hero at the Children and Young People' Services Awards; notes that, for the first time, nominees were voted for by the public, and commends Pamela for her nine years' of tireless work supporting a profoundly deaf pupil with additional learning difficulties and for her volunteer work in the local community.

\*S5M-01442 Alex Johnstone: Sue Ryder – Dee View Court—That the Parliament congratulates the management and staff of Sue Ryder – Dee View Court on achieving an "excellent" rating from the Care Inspectorate in its most recent unannounced inspection; notes that Dee View Court is a residential centre for people with neurological conditions in Aberdeen; further notes that Sue Ryder not only provides specialist, personalised care for people with neurological conditions such as multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease and motor neurone disease, but also campaigns for people with the conditions to get the care and support they need to lead fulfilling lives; acknowledges the hard work and dedication of those at Sue Ryder – Dee View Court, and wishes everyone involved the very best for the future.

\*S5M-01441 Stuart McMillan: Invercive Council Teacher Recruitment—That the Parliament notes with concern a report by education officers at Inverclyde Council that suggests that they are struggling to recruit teachers; acknowledges that the report states that this has been a long-term problem in Inverclyde and is not a new phenomenon; proposes that more proactive effort must be taken by the council to ensure that the proper employment conditions are in place to provide the best possible outcomes for school students; urges all local authorities and the General Teaching Council for Scotland to develop and implement innovative recruitment programmes that address particular geographical and subject shortages; notes that local authorities have received a share of £51 million of funding from the Scottish Government to maintain teacher numbers, and that the number of teachers and the pupil-teacher ratio have been maintained at last year's levels despite an increase in the number of pupils, as well as teaching induction places being secured for all probationers requiring one; recognises that, in 2016-17, £88 million is being invested to maintain teacher numbers and keep class sizes low; understands that the number of probationer teachers has increased year-on-year since 2010 and, for five consecutive years, the intake of students for teacher training has increased; notes that Scottish Government revenue spending on schools has risen by at least £220 million (4.8%) since 2006-07, and encourages Invercive Council to review its recruitment practises and ensure that teacher numbers in schools are maintained to ensure a consistent and high level of educational experience for pupils.

\*S5M-01440 Ben Macpherson: Hibs Strip off for We Need Everybody Campaign—That the Parliament welcomes the backing from Hibernian FC for Organ Donation Scotland's campaign, We Need Everybody, which launched in July 2016; thanks the four Hibs' players, David Gray, Jordan Forster, Liam Fontaine and Sam Stanton, who stood naked holding cards across their bodies after having signed the organ donor register; notes that the campaign aims to increase the number of people in Scotland on the organ donor register by raising awareness that anyone can be an organ donor, regardless of age or shape; notes with concern that one person in the UK dies every day waiting for an organ transplant and that 540 people are on the transplant waiting list in Scotland; understands that, on 3 August 2016, 43% of people in Scotland were registered as an organ donor, and encourages everyone who has not yet registered, to do so with Organ Donation Scotland.

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#### \*S5M-01439 Lewis Macdonald: Dolphinwatch Enjoys Successful Summer in

**Aberdeen**—That the Parliament congratulates RSPB Scotland's Dolphinwatch on a successful summer at Aberdeen Harbour, which has seen over 4,700 tourists and locals visiting Torry Battery to enjoy the local marine wildlife; understands that Dolphinwatch, which has been running for the last four summers in Aberdeen, is a partnership between RSPB Scotland, VisitAberdeenshire, Aberdeen City Council, Aberdeen Harbour Board and Whale and Dolphin Conservation; recognises that, in 2016, dolphins made an appearance on 82% of the days that the attraction was in operation and that half the Dolphinwatch visitors this summer were visitors to the region; commends RSPB Scotland staff on their hard work to make Dolphinwatch a success, and looks forward to many more Aberdeen locals and visitors enjoying the attraction in summers to come.

Supported by: Liam Kerr\*, Richard Lyle\*, Colin Beattie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Sandra White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

#### \*S5M-01438 Lewis Macdonald: Excellent Inspection Result for Sue Ryder - Dee View

**Court**—That the Parliament commends Sue Ryder – Dee View Court in Aberdeen on achieving "excellent" grades in all aspects during a recent unannounced inspection by the Care Inspectorate; understands that the facility, which looks after 22 adults with neurological conditions affecting the brain and nervous system, was graded as excellent in Quality of Care and Support and Quality of Staffing; recognises that the Dee View Court facility was praised for the way that staff organised transfers for recent new arrivals and how welcome they and their families had been made to feel; understands that the centre provides a range of support, such as long-term residential care, supported living, short-term respite care and rehabilitation; notes also that Sue Ryder staff currently run the 5Rs self-management programme for people with MS from Dee View Court and will be launching a new self-management programme for people will all neurological conditions in October 2016; congratulates all the staff and management at Sue Ruder – Dee View Court on their excellent inspection result, and commends them on their work in supporting people with complex neurological conditions.

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\*S5M-01437 Lewis Macdonald: Robbie Shepherd Steps Down from Take The Floor—That the Parliament recognises the contribution made by Robbie Shepherd to Scottish dance music and Scottish broadcasting, and to the cultural life of North East Scotland in particular, as he hosts his last regular broadcast of the BBC Radio Scotland programme, *Take the Floor*, on 17 and 18 September 2016 after 35 years in the role; understands that Robbie, who was appointed an MBE in 2001 for services to Scottish dance music and culture and the degree of Master of the University by the University of Aberdeen for services to national and regional culture, will continue to make guest appearances on Radio Scotland after his last regular broadcast; recognises his contribution to north east culture, including his expertise in the Doric language and his involvement in Highland Games across the region over the last 40 years, and congratulates Robbie on the success of *Take the Floor* during his 35 years as presenter, and the positive impact that he has had on Scottish dance music and culture during that time and throughout his long and distinguished career.

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Colin Beattie\*, Neil Findlay\*, Bruce Crawford\*, Ivan McKee\*, Andy Wightman\*, Richard Lochhead\*, Johann Lamont\*, Bill Kidd\*

\*S5M-01436 Alex Cole-Hamilton: World Sepsis Awareness Day 2016—That the Parliament notes that 13 September 2016 marked World Sepsis Awareness Day; understands that Sepsis is a life-threatening condition that arises when the body's response to an infection injures its own tissues and organs, which can result from large infections, as well as small injuries such as cuts and bites; further understands that Sepsis leads to 44,000 deaths in the UK each year with around 2,000 of those in Scotland; considers that it is unacceptable that Sepsis is the biggest direct cause of death in UK pregnancies; acknowledges the importance of raising awareness of this illness as the UK Sepsis Trust recently revealed that one-in-three Britons have not heard about the condition and 45% of those polled could not offer an opinion on what Sepsis is, and calls for more attention and education on this condition.

Supported by: Alex Neil\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Miles Briggs\*, Colin Beattie\*, Ivan McKee\*, Neil Findlay\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Ash Denham\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Donald Cameron\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*, John Mason\*

\*S5M-01435 Liam McArthur: EMEC Named European Blue Economy Business of the

**Year**—That the Parliament congratulates the Stromness-based European Marine Energy Centre (EMEC) on being named Blue Economy Business of the Year at the European Commission's Blue Economy Business Awards 2016, which took place in Hamburg on 13 September 2016; notes that the awards are organised by the Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries and aim to showcase excellent practices from industry, honouring those who have made a specific contribution to bringing and developing innovation in the blue economy; further notes that EMEC, which was set up in 2003, is the world's leading facility for testing wave and tidal energy converters in real sea conditions and more marine energy converters have been deployed in Orkney than at any other single site in the world, with 16 wave and tidal energy clients spanning nine countries having tested 25 marine energy devices; agrees with EMEC's Commercial Director, Oliver Wragg, that "the commitment of the team in Orkney, of the technology developers and the supporting supply chain to developing a new energy source is exceptional"; believes that Orkney acts as a fantastic case study for the economic benefits that can be achieved through the activities taking place in and around a test facility, and wishes the team at EMEC well as they continue to break new ground by testing new marine energy devices.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Graeme Dey\*, Mike Rumbles\*, Richard Lyle\*, Colin Beattie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Alexander Burnett\*, David Torrance\*

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

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

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Brian Whittle\*, Alison Harris\*, Annie Wells\*

**S5M-01427 Clare Adamson: World Alzheimer's and Dementia Awareness Month** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Ben Macpherson\*, Monica Lennon\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Bob Doris\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, James Dornan\*

**S5M-01426 Edward Mountain: Highland Business Women Receive National Business Award** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

# **S5M-01425 Jackson Carlaw: Paralympic Bronze for Andrew Mullen of Newton Mearns** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Ross Greer\*, Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*, John Scott\*

# **S5M-01424 Ross Thomson: Celebrating 60 Years of Northfield Academy** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*

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

New Support: Liz Smith\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Liam Kerr\*, Miles Briggs\*, Peter Chapman\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Donald Cameron\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Alison Harris\*, Murdo Fraser\*, John Lamont\*, Colin Beattie\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*

**S5M-01421 Douglas Ross: Copernicus Technology Wins Excellence in Research and Innovation Award** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*

S5M-01420 Douglas Ross: Parklands Group wins SCDI Highlands and Islands Award for People Development (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*

S5M-01419 Douglas Ross: Robertson Group Wins SCDI Highlands and Islands Chairman's Award (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*

**S5M-01418 Douglas Ross: Fochabers Fiddler Wins Inaugural Baxter Foundation Award** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Liz Smith\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Bill Kidd\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Liam Kerr\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Peter Chapman\*, David Stewart\*, Donald Cameron\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Alison Harris\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Murdo Fraser\*, John Lamont\*, Annie Wells\*, Colin Beattie\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*

**S5M-01417 Ivan McKee: Glasgow Fort Staff's Ben Lomond Climb For Alzheimer Scotland** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Adam Tomkins\*

**S5M-01416 Margaret Mitchell: Best Bar None Launches National Campaign to Highlight Vulnerability** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Sandra White\*, John Mason\*, Annie Wells\*

#### S5M-01415 Gail Ross: MeyGen Milestone (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Douglas Ross\*, Ross Greer\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

#### **S5M-01414 Daniel Johnson: Ensure a Firm Footing for the Mountain Weather Information Service** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Liz Smith\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Andy Wightman\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Lewis Macdonald\*, Neil Findlay\*, Iain Gray\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Alex Rowley\*, Donald Cameron\*

# **S5M-01411 David Stewart: Scottish Islands Named as Best Places To Raise Children** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Ross Greer\*

#### S5M-01409 Ash Denham: Barracuda (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst\*

**S5M-01408 Claire Baker: Dysart's Harbourmasters House Celebrates its Tenth Anniversary** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**S5M-01407** Alison Harris: Congratulations to the Friends of Kinneil in Bo'ness (lodged on 13 September 2016)

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

**S5M-01406 Ben Macpherson: 200th Anniversary of North Leith Parish Church** (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst\*, Jackie Baillie\*

S5M-01405 Monica Lennon: Commending Time for Inclusive Education Survey of Teachers and Pupils (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Ross Greer\*

**S5M-01404 Fulton MacGregor: Walk This Way at Dunbeth Park for Walk to School Month** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Liam McArthur\*

**S5M-01403 Pauline McNeill: Control and Censorship of Information** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Ross Greer\*, John Mason\*

# S5M-01402 Gail Ross: Congratulations to Wick High School Students on More Computing Success (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**S5M-01401 Adam Tomkins: Improving Cancer Journey in Glasgow** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Mason\*, Annie Wells\*

**S5M-01399 Patrick Harvie: Congratulations to the Woodlands Community Garden** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Ben Macpherson\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*

**S5M-01398 Edward Mountain: Highland Hospice** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Peter Chapman\*, Liz Smith\*, Alison Harris\*, Colin Beattie\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Miles Briggs\*, John Lamont\*, Bill Kidd\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Donald Cameron\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Annie Wells\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Richard Lyle\*

S5M-01397.1 lain Gray: Five Awards for East Coast FM (lodged on 13 September 2016)

New Support: Ross Greer\*

**S5M-01397 Rachael Hamilton: Five Awards for East Coast FM** (lodged on 12 September 2016) New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*

**S5M-01395 Jeremy Balfour: Congratulations to North Edinburgh Arts** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**S5M-01394 Kate Forbes: Funding Arrangements for BBC Alba** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Ross Greer\*, John Mason\*

**S5M-01393 Jeremy Balfour: Paralympic Gold for Libby Clegg** (lodged on 12 September 2016) New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*, John Scott\*

**S5M-01391 Miles Briggs: Edinburgh's Mademoiselle Macaron's Expansion Plans** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*

**S5M-01387 Jackson Carlaw: Rouken Glen Park Deserves People's Choice Award** (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*

S5M-01386 Gordon Lindhurst: Recognition of the Sacrifice of Private Archibald Buchanan Clark (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*, John Scott\*

S5M-01384 Oliver Mundell: World Alzheimer's Month (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Monica Lennon\*, Alison Harris\*

S5M-01382 Oliver Mundell: Congratulations to Reuben Boyes on Raising £1,350 for the Brain and Spine Foundation (lodged on 12 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**S5M-01367 lain Gray: Fifth Anniversary of Leuchie House** (lodged on 09 September 2016) New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Rachael Hamilton\*

**S5M-01364** Jackson Carlaw: Royal Academy of Dance Award for Isobel Mair School Pupil (lodged on 09 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

S5M-01363 Clare Haughey: World Suicide Prevention Day (lodged on 09 September 2016)

New Support: John Mason\*

S5M-01362 Peter Chapman: Congratulations to Peterhead Projects on Big Lottery Funding (lodged on 09 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**S5M-01360.1 Alison Johnstone: Welfare Conditionality Study** (lodged on 09 September 2016) New Support: Ross Greer\*

S5M-01360 Sandra White: Welfare Conditionality Study (lodged on 09 September 2016)

New Support: John Mason\*

S5M-01359 Oliver Mundell: Citizens Advice Scotland Report, Bailed Out, on Flooding and Affordable Insurance (lodged on 09 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*

**S5M-01356 Dean Lockhart: Worrying NHS Forth Valley CAMHS Waiting Times** (lodged on 09 September 2016)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*, Brian Whittle\*

**S5M-01353 Edward Mountain: Alness Community Association** (lodged on 08 September 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Annie Wells\*

**S5M-01290 Margaret Mitchell: The Standing Safe Campaign** (lodged on 05 September 2016) New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*, Maurice Corry\*, Alex Johnstone\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Liam Kerr\*

# **Oral Questions**

#### Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 21 September 2016

#### Justice

**1. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Cabinet Secretary for Justice last met Police Scotland. **(S5O-00151)** 

**2. Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to detect, prevent and prosecute dog fighting offences. **(S5O-00152)** 

**3. Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will fill the reported £21 million cash shortfall faced by Police Scotland. **(S50-00153)** 

**4. Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it considers that the proposed location for the new Highland prison is the most appropriate site. **(S5O-00154)** 

**5. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that people given community payback orders complete the hours they are sentenced to. **(S5O-00155)** 

**6. Alex Johnstone:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will reconsider the decision to move jury trials from Forfar to Dundee. **(S50-00156)** 

**7. Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Cabinet Secretary for Justice last met the chief constable to discuss Police Scotland staffing and resources in East Lothian. **(S50-00157)** 

**8. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how the programme of closures of emergency call centres in Aberdeen and Inverness is progressing. **(S5O-00158)** 

**9. Graeme Dey:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment the Cabinet Secretary for Justice has made of the potential impact of Brexit on the justice system. **(S5O-00159)** 

**10. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what assistance it offers Police Scotland to deal with online and cybercrime. **(S5O-00160)** 

#### **Culture, Tourism and External Affairs**

**1. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its participation in the Brexit negotiations. **(S5O-00161)** 

**2. Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it is having with the cultural sector regarding the impact of Brexit on the arts. **(S50-00162)** 

**3. John Lamont:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Visit Northumberland, Visit Cumbria and local authorities regarding promoting cross-border tourism. **(S50-00163)** 

**4. Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the Standing Council on Europe plans to publish a report on Scotland's relationship with the EU and, if so, when. **(S5O-00164)** 

**5. Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to develop tourism facilities on the North Coast 500 tourist route. **(S5O-00165)** 

**6. Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent assessment it has made of the impact of Brexit on Scotland's tourism industry. **(S50-00166)** 

**7. John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the Maeshowe cairn at the Orkney UNESCO World Heritage Site has been closed without consultation. **(S5O-00167)** 

**8. Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports museums in Lothian. **(S50-00168)** 

**9. Gail Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact the creation and promotion of the North Coast 500 has had on tourism in the North Highlands. **(S50-00169)** 

**10. George Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government how culture can be used as a means to promote towns and provide a sense of community. **(S50-00170)** 

#### General Questions selected for answer on 22 September 2016

**1. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what type of digital mapping system it uses for making rural payments. **(S50-00171)** 

**2. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government how it encourages investment in and the development of energy storage systems, and what further support it will offer over the next five years. **(S50-00172)** 

**3. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government how much paying at least the living wage to social care workers from October 2016 will cost health and social care partnerships. **(S50-00173)** 

**4. Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact changes to the structure of NHS boards will have on the recruitment of GPs. **(S5O-00174)** 

**5. Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve performance on Scotland's railways. **(S5O-00175)** 

**6. Alison Harris:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the reported views of businesses regarding slow broadband speeds in the Grangemouth area. **(S50-00176)** 

**7. Tom Arthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to empower communities. **(S50-00177)** 

**8. Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on CAP subsidy payments to farmers in Perthshire. **(S5O-00178)** 

**9. Peter Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on funding for NHS Grampian. **(S50-00179)** 

**10. Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether all of its and its agencies' employees receive at least the Scottish living wage. **(S50-00180)** 

### **Written Questions**

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

Inspired Questions are initiated by the Scottish Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

#### Inspired questions lodged on 14 September 2016

**S5W-02762 Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made on the development of the next mental health strategy.

#### Written questions lodged on 14 September 2016

**S5W-02709 Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Scotland Can Do Scale Programme will be launched; what its budget will be, and how it will be delivered.

**S5W-02710 Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what the labour productivity figure has been in each year since 2007, expressed in output per hour.

**S5W-02711 Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government how many registered businesses there have been in each year since 2007.

**S5W-02712 Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government by what date Skills Development Scotland will publish its regional (a) skills assessments and (b) outcome agreements.

**S5W-02714 Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish details of what assessment it has carried out of skills (a) shortages and (b) underuse.

**S5W-02715 Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what the budget is for the Workplace Innovation Service, and how many businesses will receive assistance.

**S5W-02717 Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to provide for the administration and audit of its proposed Scottish Growth Fund and whether independent audit checks will be undertaken.

**S5W-02718 Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Scottish banks regarding the delivery of its proposed Scottish Growth Fund.

**S5W-02719 Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what size of business will be able to apply for a loan or guarantee from its proposed Scottish Growth Fund.

**S5W-02720 Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the annual default rate of businesses receiving a loan or guarantee under its proposed Scottish Growth Fund scheme, and how much it expects to pay out due to defaults in each of the three years of the scheme.

**S5W-02721 Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what level of security will be provided by businesses that apply for a loan or guarantee from its proposed Scottish Growth Fund.

**S5W-02722 Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government whether, in relation to its proposed Scottish Growth Fund, businesses in receipt of a loan or guarantee will pay an annual premium to the bank in charge of these.

**S5W-02723 Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government whether, in relation to its proposed Scottish Growth Fund, it will be providing a guarantee of 100% of the loans and guarantees provided.

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**S5W-02724 Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government, with regard to its proposed Scottish Growth Fund, whether banks will be taking the lead in funding decisions, and what action it will take to guard against risk to the taxpayer.

**S5W-02731 Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4W-29137 by Michael Matheson on 13 January 2016, what progress has been made on its commitment to amend legislation to extend planning controls on changing premises into betting shops. **R** 

**S5W-02732 Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will set out its response to each of the 11 recommendations for improving young people's mental health information, support and services that was put forward by the Scottish Youth Parliament as part of it's "Speak Your Mind" campaign and "Our Generation's Epidemic" report.

**S5W-02733 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the survey carried out by Leuchie House National Respite Centre suggesting that 71% of wheelchair users spend seven hours or more per day in their chair, 45% spend more than 10, and 43% do not leave their chair.

**S5W-02734 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it offers to wheelchair users to help them spend part of the day out of their chairs.

**S5W-02735 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to increase the availability of adjustable, tilt-in-space, wheelchairs.

**S5W-02736 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to implement the Health Improvement Scotland recommendation that wheelchair users who are at high risk of developing pressure ulcers should not be seated for more than two hours without a change of position.

**S5W-02738 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it offers to the carers of wheelchair users to help the people that they care for spend part of the day out of their chairs.

**S5W-02739 Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what its assessment is of the impact of musculoskeletal conditions and what activities it is undertaking to raise awareness of these.

**S5W-02748 lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government how many non-licensed weirs there are on the River Tyne in East Lothian; what action the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) is taking to ensure that that these become licensed in accordance with the Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011; when it expects this task to be completed, and what information it has regarding other man-made obstructions on the river.

**S5W-02749 lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what action the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) is taking to address the reported problem with the passage of fish at the Knowes Weir on the River Tyne in East Lothian.

**S5W-02750 lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government which (a) weirs and (b) other man-made obstructions on the River Tyne in East Lothian are licensed in accordance with the Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011.

**S5W-02751 Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-02163 by Fergus Ewing on 8 September 2016, for what reason BT is not required to make cabinet locations public in its quarterly reports.

**S5W-02752 Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-02163 by Fergus Ewing on 8 September 2016, on what dates BT is required to submit its quarterly contractual reports.

**S5W-02753 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government how many public sector social care staff have received palliative care training, and what information it has regarding social care staff in the voluntary and private sectors.

**S5W-02754 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government how many GPs have undergone palliative care training and to what level.

**S5W-02755 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to improve palliative training for (a) public sector social care staff, (b) GPs and (c) other NHS staff.

**S5W-02756 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government how many public sector social care staff there are, and what information it has regarding social care staff in the voluntary and private sectors.

**S5W-02757 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what the median (a) annual wage and (b) hourly pay rate is for public sector social care staff, and what information it has regarding social care staff in the private sector.

**S5W-02758 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve the work/life balance of public sector social care staff, and what support it can provide to social care staff in the voluntary and private sectors.

**S5W-02759 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to end the use of zero- and minimal-hours contracts for public sector social care staff; how it monitors and ensures that all travel time is paid; what its position it is on staff having to purchase their own uniforms or equipment, and what support it can provide to social care staff in the voluntary and private sectors regarding these matters.

**S5W-02760 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of public sector social care staff are trade union members, and what information it has regarding social care staff in the voluntary and private sectors.

**S5W-02761 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government which local authorities have implemented the Unison Ethical Care Charter.

**S5W-02766 Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government who will lead the review of student support in Scotland, what the terms of reference will be, and when it will (a) start and (b) report.

**S5W-02767 Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many additional qualified teachers or childcare graduates it expects to be in place in nurseries in the most deprived areas by 2018.

**S5W-02768 lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what level of funding it will provide for the introduction of standardised assessments for (a) primary and (b) secondary schools in (i) real and (ii) cash terms in each year of the current parliamentary session.

**S5W-02771 Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government when a Commissioner for Fair Access will be appointed and what the salary will be.

**S5W-02772 lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what level of funding will be provided to the Commissioner for Fair Access in (a) real and (b) cash terms in each year of the current parliamentary session.

**S5W-02775 Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it will provide for the targeted marketing campaign to recruit additional Early Learning and Childcare workers referred to in the 2016-17 Programme for Government, when it will begin and what form it will take.

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# **New Subordinate Legislation**

#### Affirmative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 14 September 2016 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Representation of the People (Postal Voting for Local Government Elections) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 [draft] laid under section 201(2) of the Representation of the People Act 1983

#### **Negative instruments**

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 14 September 2016 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Representation of the People (Variation of Limit of Candidates' Local Government Election Expenses) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/263) laid under section 76A(3) of the Representation of the People Act 1983

Representation of the People (Absent Voting at Local Government Elections) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/264) laid under section 61(3) of the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Act 2006

#### Laid only instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 14 September 2016 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Aberdeen City (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/265) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Aberdeenshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/266) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Angus (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/267) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Clackmannanshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/268) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Dumfries and Galloway (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/269) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

City of Edinburgh (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/270) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

East Ayrshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/271) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 New Subordinate Legislation | Adhartas Reachdais

East Dunbartonshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/272) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

East Lothian (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/273) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

East Renfrewshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/274) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Falkirk (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/275) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Fife (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/276) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Glasgow City (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/277) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Highland (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/278) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Inverclyde (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/279) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Midlothian (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/280) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Moray (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/281) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

North Ayrshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/282) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

North Lanarkshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/283) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Perth and Kinross (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/284) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Renfrewshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/285) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

South Ayrshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/286) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

South Lanarkshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/287) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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Stirling (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/288) laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

West Dunbartonshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/289) 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 Lodged 23 June 2016

Investigatory Powers Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-2 Lodged 23 June 2016

Policing and Crime Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-3 Lodged 23 June 2016

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

#### Affirmative instruments

#### Lead committee to report by 28 October 2016

Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Crown Estate Scotland (Interim Management) as Specified Authority) Order 2016 [draft] (30 June 2016) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

#### 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)

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<u>Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 (Part 4 and Part 5 Complaints) Revocation Order</u> 2016 [draft] (24 August 2016) (Education and Skills)

Prohibited Procedures on Protected Animals (Exemptions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 [draft] (31 August 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

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<u>Council Tax (Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016</u> [draft] (12 September 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

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

#### **Negative instruments**

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

#### Subject to annulment by 29 October 2016

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

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<u>Upper Tribunal for Scotland (Rules of Procedure) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/232)</u> (19 August 2016) (Justice)

<u>Named Persons (Training, Qualifications, Experience and Position) and the Child's Plan</u> (Scotland) Revocation Order 2016 (SSI 2016/234) (24 August 2016) (Education and Skills)

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Water Environment (Shellfish Water Protected Areas: Designation) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/251) (5 September 2016) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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**Revenue Scotland Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2016: Resource Accounts (RS/2016/01)** laid under the Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act 2014 and section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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**Crofting Commission Annual Report & Accounts 2015-2016 (SG/2016/113)** laid under Section 2B and paragraph 19 of section 1 to the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993 as amended by the Crofters Reform (Scotland) Act 2007 and the Crofting Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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