# Tuesday 25 April 2017 **Business Bulletin** *Iris Ghnothaichean*



# **Today's Business**

Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection - Reverend Derek Lamont, Senior Minister, St Columba's Free Church of Scotland, Edinburgh

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Child Tax Credit Cuts

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Financial Resolution: Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Legislative Consent Motion: Criminal Finances Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6:20 pm Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-04248 Maurice Golden: WWF Earth Hour 2017

# **Committee Meetings**

**9:30am** Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

9:30am Health and Sport Committee

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

10:00am Justice Committee

**1:00pm** Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee

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**2. George Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to a Poverty Alliance survey, which suggests that one-in-three people in Scotland on a low income are struggling to afford food. (<u>S5T-00524</u>)

# followed by Scottish Government Debate: Child Tax Credit Cuts

**S5M-05282** Nicola Sturgeon: Child Tax Credit Cuts—That the Parliament is fundamentally opposed to the UK Government's imposition of the two-child limit on child tax credits and universal credit, which will push families into poverty; notes that the Institute of Fiscal Studies states that, across the UK, these cuts will lead to around 600,000 three-child families being £2,500-a-year worse off, and 300,000 families with four or more children being £7,000-a-year worse off, with on average two thirds of the families affected having at least one adult in paid work; utterly condemns the disgraceful and repugnant "rape clause", which will force victims of rape seeking to claim child tax credits to prove to the UK Government that their third child was born as a result of non-consensual sex; believes this policy to be unfair, unequal, morally unacceptable and deeply harmful to women and their children and a fundamental violation of women's human rights; supports those third sector and healthcare organisations that will not be third party assessors on behalf of the Department for Work and Pensions, and calls on the UK Government to urgently change its position and remove the two-child cap and therefore scrap the "rape clause".

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

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# followed by Stage 1 Debate: Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill

<u>S5M-05283</u> Derek Mackay: Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill.

# followed by Financial Resolution: Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill

<u>S5M-04995</u> Derek Mackay: Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill, agrees to—

(a) any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act, and

(b) any charge or payment in relation to which Rule 9.12.4 of the Standing Orders applies arising in consequence of the Act.

# followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Criminal Finances Bill – UK Legislation

<u>S5M-05286</u> Michael Matheson: Criminal Finances Bill - UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that provisions of the Criminal Finances Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 13 October 2016, relating to Unexplained Wealth Orders, the seizure and forfeiture of cash in the form of betting receipts, discharged confiscation orders, the Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments Act 1982 and powers to make consequential provision, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament or alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

# followed by Business Motions

# followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6:20 pm Decision Time

# followed by Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

<u>S5M-04248</u> Maurice Golden: WWF Earth Hour 2017—That the Parliament welcomes the World Wide Fund for Nature's (WWF) Earth Hour 2017, which will start at 8.30 pm on 25 March; recognises that Earth Hour is a global effort and that Scotland and the rest of the UK will join more than 175 countries taking part; further welcomes the continued cross-party support for tackling climate change; notes that all of the country's local authorities will participate, including those in the West Scotland region; welcomes the action that is being planned nationwide by people and groups across a diverse range of communities, faiths and organisations; notes the view that everyone should take part to help raise awareness of climate change and the need to tackle it and the hope that as many landmarks as possible join in by switching off their lights for the hour, and wishes everyone participating in it every success.

# **Committee Meetings**

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

# Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee 13th Meeting, 2017

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 4 in private.
- 2. Gender Pay Gap: The Committee will take evidence from-

Professor David Bell, Professor of Economics, and Dr Tanya Wilson, Early Career Fellow, University of Stirling;

Emma Gibbs, Partner, McKinsey & Company;

and then from—

Charles Cotton, Policy Adviser, Pay and Reward, CIPD (Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development);

Maggie Morrison, Vice President, Public Sector, CGI Scotland, Board Member, Scottish Chambers of Commerce.

- 3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument— Bankruptcy Fees (Scotland) Revocation Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/97)
- 4. Gender Pay Gap: The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.

# Health and Sport Committee

# 11th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Public petitions:** The Committee will consider its approach to the following petitions— PE1628: Consultation on service delivery for the elderly or vulnerable; and

PE1605: Whistleblowing in the NHS - a safer way to report mismanagement and bullying.

2. Integration Authorities Engagement with Stakeholders: The Committee will take evidence from—

Claire Cairns, Coordinator, The Coalition of Carers in Scotland, representing The National Carer Organisations;

Heather Petrie, Future & Specialist Delivery Team Leader, Voluntary Action South Lanarkshire;

Linda McGlynn, Regional Engagement Manager Scotland, Diabetes Scotland; Sonia Cottom, Director, Pain Association Scotland;

and then from—

Christina West, Chief Officer, Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership; Michael Kellet, Chief Officer, Fife Health and Social Care Partnership;

Amy Dalrymple, Head of Policy, Alzheimer Scotland;

Margaret McKeith, National Lead, Partners for Integration, Scottish Care;

Corinne Curtis, Service User Representative (Orkney Integration Authority Strategic Planning Group;

Dr Marion Slater, Consultant Geriatrician and elected member of the Council, Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh;

Jo Gibson, Principle Manager, North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership;

Andrew Strong, Assistant Director (Policy and Communications), Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland (the ALLIANCE);

David Small, Chief Officer, East Lothian Health and Social Care Partnership.

- 3. **NHS Governance:** The Committee will discuss last week's informal evidence session with NHS senior managers.
- 4. Healthcare in Prisons (in private): The Committee will consider a draft report.
- 5. **Sport for Everyone (in private):** The Committee will consider a revised draft report.
- 6. **Integration Authorities Engagement with Stakeholders (in private):** The Committee will consider the main themes arising from the oral evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

# Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 13th Meeting, 2017

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 9 in private.
- 2. Criminal Finances Bill (UK Parliament legislation): The Committee will consider the powers to make subordinate legislation conferred on Scottish Ministers in the <u>Criminal Finances Bill as amended</u> (UK Parliament legislation).
- 3. Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Annabelle Ewing, Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs; Catriona Marshall, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate; Jill Clark, Bill Team Leader, Civil Law Reform Unit, Scottish Government.

- 4. Instruments subject to affirmative procedure: The Committee will consider the following— Apologies (Scotland) Act 2016 (Excepted Proceedings) Regulations 2017 [draft].
- Instruments subject to negative procedure: The Committee will consider the following— Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/101);

Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/102);

Flood Risk Management (Flood Protection Schemes, Potentially Vulnerable Areas and Local Plan Districts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/112).

6. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

Act of Sederunt (Fatal Accident Inquiry Rules) 2017 (SSI 2017/103).

- 7. **Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
- 8. **Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier in the meeting and reflect on the evidence received to date.
- 9. **Report on instruments considered during the third quarter of the parliamentary year 2016-17:** The Committee will consider a draft of its third quarterly report for the parliamentary year 2016-17.

# Justice Committee 15th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Criminal Finances Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM-S5-6a from—

Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Linda Hamilton, Deputy Director, Defence, Security and Cyber-Resilience, Alastair Crerar, Head of Organised Crime Policy, and Craig French, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.

- 2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument— Damages (Personal Injury) (Scotland) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/96).
- 3. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting on 20 April 2017.
- 4. Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill (in private): The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

# Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee 11th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 1.00 pm in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Scotland's future relationship with the EU:** The Committee will discuss Scotland's future relationship with the EU with representatives from youth organisations.

# **Future Meetings of the Parliament**

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 19 April 2017

# Wednesday 26 April 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Justice and the Law Officers
Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
followed by Scottish Green Party Debate: Carers and Social Care
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5:00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business — S5M-04021 George Adam: MS Awareness Week

# Thursday 27 April 2017

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
11:40 am General Questions
12:00 pm First Minister's Questions
followed by Members' Business — S5M-04708 Neil Findlay: Flawed Airport Consultation
2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2:30 pm Ministerial Statement: Social Security Agency
followed by Stage 1 Debate: Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill
followed by Financial Resolution: Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5:00 pm Decision Time
Tuesday 2 May 2017
2:00 pm Time for Reflection
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee Debate: Deer Management in Scotland

**followed by** Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee Debate: Review of Priorities for Crofting Law Reform

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

# Wednesday 3 May 2017

1:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:30 pm First Minister's Questions

2:15 pm General Questions

**2:35 pm** Portfolio Questions Education and Skills

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

3:15 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

#### Education and Skills Committee 26 April 2017 12th Meeting, 2017

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 3 in private.
- 2. Education Scotland The Committee will take evidence on Education Scotland'sresponse to the Committee's report on the Performance and Role of Key Educationand Skills Bodies from—

Dr Bill Maxwell, Chief Executive, Alan Armstrong, Strategic Director, and Alastair Delaney, Chief Operating Officer, Education Scotland.

3. Work programme: The Committee will consider its work programme

# Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 3 May, the Committee expects to consider draft reports on Additional Support Needs and Personal and Social Education.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Roz Thomson, on es.committee@parliament.scot or 0131 348 5222.

#### Local Government and Communities Committee 26 April 2017 12th Meeting, 2017

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

1. Non-domestic rates: The Committee will take evidence from-

Jonathan Sharma, Policy Manager, COSLA; Stuart Mackinnon, External Affairs Manager - Scotland, Federation of Small Businesses; David Lonsdale, Director, Scottish Retail Consortium; Alasdair MacTaggart, President, and Ian Milton, Vice-President, Scottish Assessors' Association:

Graeme Jones, Chief Executive, Scottish Financial Enterprise;

#### and then from—

Ken Barclay, Chair, and Marianne Barker, Secretary, Barclay Review of Business Rates.

- 2. **Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 1.
- 3. Work programme (in private): The Committee will consider its work programme.

# Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 3 May, the Committee will take evidence from stakeholders on building regulations in Scotland.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Clare Hawthorne, on 0131-348-6037 or LGCCommittee@parliament.scot.

#### Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee 26 April 2017 13th Meeting, 2017

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.
- 2. Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Gillian Martin, Member in charge of the Bill;

Brendan Rooney, Road Safety Policy Officer, and Anne Cairns, Legal Adviser, Scottish Government.

3. Ofcom: The Committee will take evidence from-

Glenn Preston, Director, and Clive Carter, Director of Strategy, Ofcom Scotland.

- 4. **Public petitions:** The Committee will consider the following petition- PE1236 by Jill Fotheringham, on A90-A937 safety improvements.
- 5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument— The Little Loch Broom Scallops Several Fishery Order 2017 (SSI 2017/77)
- 6. Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will reflect on the evidence it has heard on the Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill.

# Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 3 May, the Committee will take oral evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for Rural Economy and Connectivity on the Scottish Government's Digital Strategy and consider subordinate legislation.

The Committee will also consider a draft report on the Seat belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5211 or at rec.committee@parliament.scot.

# Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

# 27 April 2017

# 11th Meeting, 2017

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
- Section 23 report Managing new financial powers: an update: The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "Managing new financial powers: an update" from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Mark Taylor, Assistant Director, and Gordon Smail, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.

- 3. Section 23 report Managing new financial powers: an update: The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from— Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;
  - Mark Taylor, Assistant Director, and Gordon Smail, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.
- 4. Work programme: The Committee will consider its work programme.

# Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 11 May 2017, the Committee will take oral evidence on the Scottish Police Authority audit and from Audit Scotland on three Section 22 reports on individual colleges.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5390 or via email at papls.committee@parliament.scot

#### Equalities and Human Rights Committee 27 April 2017 11th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
- 2. Departure of the UK from the European Union implications for equalities and human rights: The Committee will take evidence from—

Craig Wilson, Public Affairs and Parliamentary Officer, Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations;

Professor Ali Watson, Executive Director, Third Generation Project, University of St Andrews.

- 3. Departure of the UK from the European Union implications for equalities and human rights (in private): The Committee will consider the evidence received.
- 4. **Budget Process Review Group** The Committee will agree correspondence from the Finance and Constitution Committee on the Budget Process Review Group.
- 5. Bullying and harassment of children and young people in schools (in private): The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.
- 6. Work programme (in private): The Committee will review its work programme.

# Proposed future business

The agenda for the next meeting of the Committee, on 11 May, has yet to be agreed.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5217 or via email to equalities.humnarights@parlaiment.scot

# Public Petitions Committee 27 April 2017 8th Meeting, 2017

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The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

**Consideration of a new petition:** The Committee will consider a new petition— <u>PE1643</u> by Jack Douglas, LGBT+ Officer on behalf of NUS Scotland on Introduce individual risk-based blood donation in Scotland; and will take evidence from—

Philip Whyte; Leo Siebert, LGBT+ Officer, NUS Scotland.

- **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions— <u>PE1638</u> by Sean Clerkin on Local Housing Allowance (Bedroom tax 2); <u>PE1641</u> by David Robertson on Future Independence Referendum.
- 3. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—

<u>PE1592</u> by Shaheen McQuade on Group B Strep Information and Testing; <u>PE1618</u> by Carl Grundy on behalf of Riders Club Edinburgh on More powers to the police to combat motorcycle theft;

PE1621 by James Robertson on Sepsis Awareness, Diagnosis and Treatment;

<u>PE1623</u> by Spencer Fildes on behalf of Scottish Secular Society on Unelected church appointees on Local Authority Education Committees;

PE1626 by Pat Rafferty on behalf of Unite on Regulation of Bus Services;

<u>PE1629</u> by Jennifer Lewis on MRI scans for Ocular Melanoma sufferers in Scotland; <u>PE1630</u> by Fiona Webb on Nursery funding for 3 year olds.

# Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at <u>petitions@parliament.scot</u> or call 0131 348 5254.

# Social Security Committee 27 April 2017 9th Meeting, 2017

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

- 1. **Declaration of interests:** Richard Leonard will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
- 2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.
- Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Angela Constance, Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities, Gillian Cross, Bill Team Leader, Paul Tyrer, Head of Social Justice Strategy, and Liz Hawkins, Senior Principal Research Officer, Communities Analysis Division, Scottish Government.

4. **Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting and consider an issues paper.

- 5. **Budget process consultation (in private):** The Committee will consider whether it wishes to respond to the Budget Process Review Group's consultation.
- 6. **Social Security Bill and work programme:** The Committee will consider its approach to its timetable for the Social Security Bill and work programme.

#### Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 11 May, the Committee expects to consider a draft Stage 1 report on the Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Simon Watkins, on 0131 348 5228 or by email at: <u>SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot</u>.

# **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**

\*S5M-05312 Alison Johnstone: Carers and Social Care—That the Parliament believes that there remains a vast gap between the value of care and the support or pay that carers receive; further believes that nobody should face poverty because of the care they give; supports calls for the Scottish Government to provide more practical support to young carers, greater financial support to young adult carers in education and a carers allowance for unpaid carers that is increased in value, available more widely and does not count as income when assessing benefits and care charges; believes that quality social care is essential to many people's health, dignity and control; agrees to ensure that all who work in social care, including people working with children, are paid at least a "Living Wage Plus"; considers that better conditions and career opportunities are essential to recruiting and retaining experienced staff, particularly in light of Brexit, and commits to funding high-quality social care that is ultimately free at the point of use, and paid for by local tax reform and progressive national taxation, and not by care charges.

\*<u>S5M-05290</u> Annabelle Ewing: Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill. Supported by: Michael Matheson\*

\*<u>S5M-05286</u> Michael Matheson: Criminal Finances Bill - UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that provisions of the Criminal Finances Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 13 October 2016, relating to Unexplained Wealth Orders, the seizure and forfeiture of cash in the form of betting receipts, discharged confiscation orders, the Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments Act 1982 and powers to make consequential provision, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament or alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing\*

\*<u>S5M-05283</u> Derek Mackay: Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill.

Supported by: Joe FitzPatrick\*

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Supported by: Angela Constance\*

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\*<u>S5M-05282.3</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: Child Tax Credit Cuts—As an amendment to motion S5M-05282 in the name of Nicola Sturgeon (Child Tax Credit Cuts), insert at end ", given the strong and widespread opposition to this damaging policy from organisations, political parties and people across the UK."

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# Other new and altered motions and amendments

\*<u>S5M-05313</u> George Adam: 30 Years of the Paisley Beer and Food Festival—That the Parliament celebrates the Paisley Beer and Food Festival; notes that 2017 is the 30th anniversary of both the festival and the town's football team, St Mirren, winning the Scottish Cup; understands that, in light of this, an emblem for the festival was created that artistically acknowledged both occasions, and congratulates the organisers, the Renfrewshire branch of Campaign for Real Ale, on the successful event.

Supported by: James Dornan\*, Clare Haughey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Neil Bibby\*, Patrick Harvie\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

\*<u>S5M-05311</u> Neil Findlay: West Lothian Children's Charity, River Kids, Celebrates Tesco Donation—That the Parliament congratulates the West Lothian children's charity, River Kids, on receiving a £50,000 donation from Tesco to assist in its work helping children who experience social and economic disadvantage.

\*<u>S5M-05310</u> Neil Findlay: Linlithgow Couple Celebrates 70 Years of Happy Marriage—That the Parliament congratulates Tom and Pearl Watson of Linlithgow on 70 years of happy marriage; believes that this is a great achievement and example to other couples, and wishes Tom and Pearl many more happy years of married life together.

\*<u>S5M-05309</u> Neil Findlay: Ecuador's Progressive Candidate, Lenin Moreno, Wins General Election—That the Parliament congratulates the new President of Ecuador, Lenin Moreno, on winning the Presidential election, and hopes that President Moreno will continue the work of his predecessor, Rafael Correa, by pursuing a progressive agenda to reduce poverty and inequality, working alongside other socialist governments across the continent.

\*<u>S5M-05307</u> Gail Ross: Coigach Community Development Company—That the Parliament congratulates the Coigach Community Development Company (CCDC) on its hard work and determination to install a community wind turbine; understands that the turbine was procured by CCDC, which is a group supported by Highlands and Islands Enterprise; notes that the turbine is owned and managed by Coigach Community CiC, which is a subsidiary set up by CCDC, and is believed to be the first large community-owned turbine in mainland Highlands; welcomes the news that the turbine is now producing power, which is supplied to the National Grid and is forecast to bring over £2 million of community benefit funds over its 20-year life, and understands that the income generated will be used to improve local services and infrastructure, help establish new businesses, provide bursaries and fund training for people of all ages.

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\*<u>S5M-05306</u> Gail Ross: Women in Agriculture Mentoring Scheme—That the Parliament welcomes the formation of a mentoring scheme in the Women in Agriculture Group, which is being sponsored by Savills and the Royal Bank of Scotland and aims to inspire women in the sector by allowing them to share experiences and best practice, and further wishes all involved every success with their event in Perth that is planned for 3 May 2017.

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\*<u>S5M-05305</u> Gail Ross: Beth Osbourne, Land's End to John O'Groats—That the Parliament wishes Beth Osbourne, who is from Lairg in Sutherland, all the best with her upcoming cycle from

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Land's End to John O'Groats, which aims to raise money for the Scottish SPCA; notes that the journey of over 1,400 km will pass through some of the most picturesque landscapes in Scotland, and wishes Beth a safe and enjoyable journey through the country.

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\*<u>S5M-05304</u> Tom Arthur: Barrhead Youth FC—That the Parliament congratulates Barrhead Youth FC's under-21 and 2003 sides on their historic achievement of making it to the final of their respective Scottish Youth FA Cup tournaments; notes that this is the first time that the club has achieved this in the same season; understands that the under-21 team reached the final following a 3-0 win against Antonine FC at Brig O'Lea Stadium in Neilston; notes the importance of encouraging young people to participate in football, and wishes both of the Barrhead teams the best of luck in their finals.

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\*<u>S5M-05303</u> Gail Ross: Dunbar Hospital's Vintage Tea Party—That the Parliament congratulates the staff of the Dunbar Hospital in Thurso, who held a very successful vintage tea party in order to raise funds for research into bowel cancer and to raise awareness of the disease; notes that the innovative and lively event included competitions such as "where did the coo poo?"; commends the staff for having a light hearted and proactive approach to a very serious issue, and encourages them to continue their positive engagement and commitment to public health communication.

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\*<u>S5M-05302</u> Angus MacDonald: Sacred Heart Primary School Lenten Fundraising—That the Parliament congratulates the pupils, staff and parents of Sacred Heart RC Primary School in Grangemouth on raising £534.82 for the Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF), which works in over 16 countries across Africa, Asia and Latin America and helps some of the world's poorest people in areas such as farming and developing their livelihoods; notes what it sees as SCIAF's role in peacebuilding, education and emergency work and its efforts to raise awareness of, and tackle at root, the causes of global poverty, and commends the efforts of all involved with the school's Lenten fundraising activity.

\*<u>S5M-05301</u> Alexander Stewart: Dunfermline Mother, Louise Mackenzie, Boxing for Charity—That the Parliament congratulates Louise Mackenzie, who is from Dunfermline, on climbing into the ring for a charity boxing match in aid of Cancer Research UK; understands that Louise, who is a nursing auxiliary at the urology department in Victoria Hospital, entered the Ultra White Collar Boxing event at the Glen Pavilion in the town and raised £350 in memory of her mum, Sheila Jones, who passed away in 2004 aged 49, when Louise was expecting her first child; believes that these events are growing in popularity and provide people with no boxing experience with the opportunity to train for a bout in a safe and enjoyable environment as well as raise money for charity, and wishes Louise the very best of luck.

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\*<u>S5M-05300</u> Jackie Baillie: Theresa Shearer, Director of the Year—That the Parliament congratulates the chief executive of Enable Scotland, Theresa Shearer, on being named both Director of the Year and the Glasgow and the West of Scotland Regional Director of the Year by the Institute of Directors Scotland; understands that Theresa was recognised for her commitment

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to employee engagement and her focus on the quality and finances of Enable services; believes that this approach has had a positive impact on the charity's staff and the people and families throughout the country that it supports; thanks Theresa for her continued commitment to improving lives, and wishes her, and all at Enable Scotland, all the best.

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\*<u>S5M-05299</u> Emma Harper: S&A Homes—That the Parliament congratulates Stranraer-based S&A Homes on its latest Care Inspectorate inspection; understands that the unannounced visit in March 2017 assessed the quality of care and support provided by its housing support service at Hampton Court and Annanbank in Stranraer as Very Good and did not find it necessary to make any recommendations or requirements of the service; notes that it has provided temporary homeless accommodation since 1992 and that it was awarded the Dumfries and Galloway Council contract for provision of supported accommodation in Wigtownshire in 2013, and wishes it all the best as it continues to provide these important services.

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\*<u>S5M-05298</u> Peter Chapman: Inverurie Pupils Run Mini London Marathon—That the Parliament congratulates the pupils of St Andrews School in Inverurie who participated in a London Marathon-themed sponsored walk; understands that it was held in Kellands Park to help raise money for Bryan Mills, who was running the London Marathon the following day; recognises that the mini marathon route was decked out in red, white and blue to also celebrate the Queen's 91st birthday, and that each checkpoint on the walk was a London landmark, including the Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace; acknowledges that Bryan entered the marathon to raise money for the school's playground, and that he handed all the pupils their own medals when they finished the walk, and further congratulates him on finishing the marathon in under five hours.

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\*<u>S5M-05297</u> Edward Mountain: Speyside Whisky Festival—That the Parliament notes that the Speyside Whisky Festival, which showcases Scottish whisky and local produce and products, runs from 27 April to 1 May 2017, and wishes everyone taking part and visitors to the area an enjoyable time during the course of the festival.

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\*<u>S5M-05296</u> Clare Haughey: Crossbasket Castle, 2017 Castle Hotel of the Year—That the Parliament congratulates the management team and staff at Crossbasket Castle hotel on it winning the 2017 Castle Hotel of the Year title at the Scottish Hotel Awards 2017; commends its delivery of an award-winning hotel experience in High Blantyre, and thanks everyone who nominated the hotel for drawing attention to what is a beautiful addition to the tourist industry in South Lanarkshire.

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\*<u>S5M-05295</u> Emma Harper: Congratulating the Millennium Centre Community Trust—That the Parliament congratulates the Millennium Centre Community Trust and Eileen Bryant in Stranraer on obtaining £1.1 million from the Big Lottery Fund, over £900,000 from the Scottish

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Government's Regeneration Capital Grant Fund and £144,000 from the Leader Fund to transform the current community centre; understands that the revamped centre will host community radio, theatre classes and training programmes; notes that the funding will also be used to employ more staff members, and considers that the funding and work of the trust will be of significant economic and social benefit to the community of Stranraer.

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\*<u>S5M-05294</u> Alexander Stewart: Alva Academy Pupil Fundraises for Nicaragua—That the Parliament recognises the student from Dollar who has been raising money to fund a charity trip to Nicaragua; notes that Rhiannon Chassels and her family held a mystery hunt around her hometown on 16 April 2017; believes that the Alva Academy pupil will travel to Central America in June 2018 with 15 others and will be given the opportunity to teach English and help a community build a school or classroom; understands that, in order to make this possible, she will need to raise around £3,295; believes that the Easter-themed event received a great response and that plans are already underway for the next event; notes that many local businesses have already come forward with raffle prize donations, and that a vintage tea and mocktails party and 80s-themed summer party are planned, and wishes Rhiannon, her family and friends the very best of luck in their endeavours.

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\*<u>S5M-05293</u> Graeme Dey: Greenhillock Glamping Secures LEADER Funding—That the Parliament congratulates Greenhillock Glamping on being awarded a grant of £20,754 from the Angus LEADER Local Action Group; understands that this funding will be used to make further site improvements, enhance staffing and develop an all-weather education suite; believes that Greenhillock Glamping is the first eco-campsite in Angus; acknowledges that the owners believe that children and families need more opportunities to play in and explore wild places and they therefore encourage guests to build dens and light campfires and get away from screens and technology, and welcomes the contribution of LEADER funding, which is financed by the Scottish Government and the EU, to Scotland's rural communities.

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\*<u>S5M-05292</u> Dean Lockhart: Artline Open Doors Weekend—That the Parliament welcomes Artline Open Doors Weekend, which will run from 29 to 30 April 2017; understands that seven Fife railway stations, North Queensferry, Inverkeithing, Burntisland, Kinghorn, Kirkcaldy, Ladybank and Cupar, will be the focus of event, which will showcase the painters, makers and poets who use the historic station buildings, and congratulates Lynette Gray, who owns the station gallery at Kinghorn, on coming up with the idea.

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\*<u>S5M-05291</u> Richard Lochhead: Keith Grammar School ROV Success—That the Parliament congratulates the Keith Grammar School's (KGS) remotely-operated vehicle (ROV) group, impROVise, on being named overall winners and scooping the Safety Award at the regional finals of the Marine Advanced Technology Education (MATE) competition, which were held at Robert

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Gordon University; understands that the KGS team took part in four challenges on the day that simulated real life jobs expected of an ROV and its pilot, with the aim to test various features of its vehicle such as durability, speed and capability, and also gave a presentation of its project; notes that the group is run by Steven Tubbs, who is the Principal Teacher of Technical Education at the school, and meets every Wednesday after school where it works on its vehicle; commends the group's professional and enthusiastic approach, having styled itself as a business and designing business cards, a pull-up banner and modelling its own unique uniforms; understands that the KGS team will now represent Scotland at the MATE worldwide finals in June 2017, travelling to Long Beach City College in California with funding provided for six members; wishes the group success with fundraising to ensure that all 12 members of the group can attend, and further wishes the team every success when it gets there.

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\*<u>S5M-05289</u> Finlay Carson: Stewartry Sirens Lift the 2017 BT Women's Plate—That the Parliament congratulates the Stewartry Sirens on winning the 2017 BT Women's Plate at Murrayfield on 23 April after defeating Stirling County 29-17, and congratulates the player-of-the-match, Lisa Ritchie, the captain, Chloe Johnstone, and the entire team, on this fantastic cup final success in what has been the Sirens' first season in the BT Women's Premier League.

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\*<u>S5M-05288</u> Alexander Burnett: Robbie Simpson's London Marathon—That the Parliament congratulates the organisers of the 2017 London Marathon on another successful event; commends everyone who took part, particularly Robbie Simpson from Banchory, who was the first Scot to cross the line and 15th overall, and thanks all who supported the runners and helped raise money for a wide variety of charities.

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\*<u>S5M-05287</u> Gordon Lindhurst: Responsible Business Week 2017—That the Parliament welcomes Responsible Business Week 2017, which runs from 24 to 28 April; understands that it is an opportunity to foster the sharing of best practice in order to raise awareness of the role that responsible businesses play in creating a fairer society; commends the work of Business in the Community Scotland in running this initiative, which encourages bigger businesses to adopt best practices while creating a space for SMEs to play a meaningful role in wider society; notes that the week will be filled with a number of events encouraging knowledge transfer and skill sharing and aims to inspire businesses to address the most pressing social and environmental issues, and calls on businesses large and small across Scotland to embrace the responsible business agenda.

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\*<u>S5M-05285</u> Liam Kerr: Jet2 Services from Edinburgh and Glasgow—That the Parliament commends Jet2 on securing seven new routes from Edinburgh and Glasgow airports for summer 2018; believes that these routes, which will be the airline's biggest ever flight and holidays programme from Scotland, will provide holidaymakers with easier access to popular destinations

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such as Turkey, Greece and Madeira; understands that there will be more than 50,000 extra seats from Edinburgh and 25,000 additional seats from Glasgow; notes that five of the routes will be exclusive to Jet2.com and Jet2holidays; understands that a new Boeing 737-800 aircraft will come into operation at Edinburgh Airport to cope with the increase in demand, and celebrates the long-term economic benefits that it believes developments such as these will bring.

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\*<u>S5M-05284</u> Joan McAlpine: Honour for Dumfriesshire's Maggie Jencks—That the Parliament welcomes the admission of Maggie Jencks from Dumfriesshire to the Hall of Heroes at the Wallace Monument in Stirling; notes that she drew up the plans for Maggie's Centres while she had cancer, before sadly passing away because of the condition; understands that the first centre opened in Edinburgh in 1996 and that they provide practical, emotional and social support for people with cancer and their loved ones; recognises that Maggie's admission to the Hall of Heroes follows a four-month project in which 14 remarkable Scottish women were shortlisted, which culminated in a public vote; pays special tribute to her as she takes her place alongside Robert Burns and Sir Walter Scott, and notes that Maggie is survived by husband, Charles, with whom she shared her home in Holywood, Dumfriesshire.

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\*<u>S5M-05281</u> Stewart Stevenson: Congratulations to Buckie Thistle—That the Parliament congratulates Buckie Thistle on winning the Highland League, and congratulates the league on its continuing engagement with communities in the area.

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\*<u>S5M-05280</u> Emma Harper: The Oor Wee Book Hoose Initiative in Crossmichael—That the Parliament congratulates Crossmichael Community Council on purchasing a disused telephone box in the village and converting it into a community library; notes that it will be open 24/7 for all to use and enjoy and will allow families and locals to trade, borrow and donate books; commends the initiative; hopes that everyone in the area will drop off and pick up a book, and encourages all, whether auld or young yins, to use the library.

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\*<u>S5M-05279</u> Willie Rennie: Preventing Drug-related Harm and Deaths—That the Parliament understands that a record 706 drug-related deaths were registered in 2015, which represents a 15% increase on the 2014 figure and is part of a steady rise in drug-related deaths over the last two decades; notes the increase in the number of people admitted to hospital as a result of drug misuse; considers that these appalling figures demand a new approach rooted in the evidence of what works around Scotland and elsewhere; understands that this call was backed by many responding to a recent Bauer radio phone-in; believes that drug-related deaths are preventable and that everyone should be able to get the support that they need; supports for the steps taken towards establishing a new safe-injecting and heroin-assisted treatment facility in Glasgow and believes that this could be replicated elsewhere; considers that additional steps are needed to

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bring Scotland in line with best practice, reduce harm, alleviate the burden on the NHS and free up the justice system to tackle the people and groups producing and dealing drugs, and believes that these should include treating drug use as a health issue, public health campaigns, local authorities being able to make licensing decisions based on venues efforts' to keep their customers safe and the de-facto decriminalisation of the possession of drugs for personal use and diverting people into education and treatment instead.

\*S5M-05278 Miles Briggs: BBC's Minds Matter Season—That the Parliament welcomes the BBC's Minds Matter, which is a season of films and programmes on mental health on TV, radio and online; is aware that the series of thought provoking programmes aims to bring about conversations on mental health; is further aware that the season began with the first episode of the two-part documentary, *Mind Over Marathon*, which aired on BBC One, about a group of runners living with, or affected by, mental health conditions as they train for the London Marathon, and which includes a candid interview with HRH Prince William, who talks openly about how his mother's death has affected him; hopes that the season, which it considers is important and informative, will encourage more people of all ages to talk about mental health, and considers that the media has an important role to play in raising awareness of mental health issues, reducing stigma and highlighting the services and support available for people experiencing mental ill health.

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\*<u>S5M-05277</u> Graeme Dey: Co-op Grants for Carnoustie Community Groups—That the Parliament congratulates three Carnoustie-based community groups that have been awarded a total of £10,940 by the Co-op through its membership scheme; notes that Carnoustie Befrienders was awarded £3,647, Carnoustie Panmure FC was given £3,654 and Carnoustie Helpline, £3,639, and welcomes this funding.

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\*<u>S5M-05276</u> Graeme Dey: Sandra Ireland Wins the Dorothy Dunbar Rose Bowl for Poetry—That the Parliament congratulates Sandra Ireland of the Angus Writers' Circle on winning the Dorothy Dunbar Rose Bowl for Poetry at the Scottish Association of Writers' Conference; understands that Sandra published her debut novel, *Beneath the Skin*, in 2016, and wishes everyone associated with the Angus Writers' Circle further success.

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# Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

<u>S5M-05275</u> David Stewart: Professor Crichton Lang Lecture, "The Front Leg of a Dinosaur" (lodged on 21 April 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*, Gail Ross\*

<u>S5M-05272</u> Clare Haughey: Cambuslang Nurse Pauline Cafferkey's Charity Run (lodged on 21 April 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Emma Harper\* **R**, Fulton MacGregor\*, Gail Ross\*

<u>S5M-05270</u> Alexander Stewart: Young Alva Kart Racer is European Champion (lodged on 21 April 2017)

New Support: Peter Chapman\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Douglas Ross\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Gail Ross\*, Finlay Carson\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Bill Bowman\*, Ross Thomson\*

<u>S5M-05269</u> Emma Harper: South West Tourist Route (lodged on 21 April 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

<u>S5M-05262</u> Maree Todd: Stroke Association's Make May Purple (lodged on 20 April 2017) New Support: Christine Grahame\*

<u>S5M-05258</u> Tom Arthur: Electric Car Charging Facilities at Johnstone Station (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

<u>S5M-05257</u> Tom Arthur: Johnstone Scouts' Coffee Morning (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

S5M-05256 Ross Thomson: Nuart Street Art Festival (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*, Oliver Mundell\*

S5M-05255 Liam McArthur: Ortak's 50th Anniversary (lodged on 21 April 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan\*, Richard Lochhead\*, Andy Wightman\*, Gail Ross\*

<u>S5M-05254</u> Jeremy Balfour: Fauldhouse Community Development Trust Awarded Grant (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05248</u> Brian Whittle: National Care Framework for Huntington's Disease (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Alison Harris\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Edward Mountain\*, Andy Wightman\*, Douglas Ross\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Gail Ross\*, John Lamont\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Liam Kerr\*

<u>S5M-05245</u> Edward Mountain on behalf of the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee: Report on a Review of Priorities for Crofting Law Reform (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

<u>S5M-05243</u> Angus MacDonald: Bo'ness Networking Group Funding Award (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan\*

S5M-05242 Lewis Macdonald: Curlew in Crisis Week (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst\*, Gail Ross\*, Alison Johnstone\*

<u>S5M-05241</u> Margaret Mitchell: Barnshaw Steel Reaches 23 Years in Hamilton (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Oliver Mundell\*

# <u>S5M-05240</u> Stuart McMillan: Scouting in Scotland (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

<u>S5M-05238</u> Miles Briggs: Edinburgh Research on Diabetic Kidney Disease (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Finlay Carson\*, Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05237</u> Gillian Martin: Youth Engagement in Politics (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Christine Grahame\*

<u>S5M-05235</u> Jackie Baillie: Macmillan Cancer Drop-in Service at Balloch Library (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

<u>S5M-05234</u> Maurice Corry: AICO Donates Fire Alarms to Scottish Veterans' Garden City Association (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05233</u> George Adam: West College Scotland Lecturer Nominated as an Outstanding Woman of the Year (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

<u>S5M-05232</u> Liam Kerr: Scouts Scotland Membership Increase (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*, Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05230</u> Jackie Baillie: Women's Enterprise Scotland's Gender Equality Standard (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Pauline McNeill\*, Christine Grahame\*

<u>S5M-05225</u> Douglas Ross: Forres Man Awarded Queen's Commendation for Bravery (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*, Oliver Mundell\*

**<u>S5M-05224</u>** Alexander Stewart: Fundraising Event in Aid of Strathcarron Hospice (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*, Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05223</u> Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Women into Business Event (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*, Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05222</u> Miles Briggs: Maggie Keswick Jencks Becomes a Hall of Heroes Heroine (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Finlay Carson\*, Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05221</u> David Torrance: Scouts Scotland (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Christine Grahame\*

<u>S5M-05217</u> Kenneth Gibson: BT to Remove One-in-five Phone Boxes in Scotland (lodged on 20 April 2017)

New Support: Christine Grahame\*

<u>S5M-05212.1</u> Kenneth Gibson: Lowering the Voting Age to 16 for the 2017 General Election (lodged on 21 April 2017) New Support: Gail Ross\*

<u>S5M-05212</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: Lowering the Voting Age to 16 for the 2017 General Election (lodged on 19 April 2017) New Support: James Kelly\*, Bob Doris\*, Emma Harper\*

<u>S5M-05211</u> Miles Briggs: Research on Mental Health in Rural Areas (lodged on 19 April 2017) New Support: Andy Wightman\*, Alison Johnstone\*, Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05209</u> John Lamont: Congratulations to Hawick's Stuart Hogg, 2017 Lions Squad (lodged on 19 April 2017) New Support: Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05207</u> Gordon Lindhurst: Heriot-Watt University Announces New PhD Scholarships (lodged on 19 April 2017) New Support: Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05204</u> Alexander Stewart: Free Blood Pressure Check in Alloa to Raise Stroke Awareness (lodged on 19 April 2017) New Support: Pauline McNeill\*, Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05203</u> Jeremy Balfour: The School of Hard Knocks Charity and Heineken (lodged on 19 April 2017) New Support: Oliver Mundell\*

<u>S5M-05187</u> Liam Kerr: Loganair Service from Glasgow to Norway (lodged on 18 April 2017) New Support: Ivan McKee\*

<u>S5M-05186</u> Annie Wells: Glasgow Fort to Open Eight New Units (lodged on 18 April 2017) New Support: Ivan McKee\*

<u>S5M-05183</u> Miles Briggs: Standard Life's 2016 Sustainability Report (lodged on 18 April 2017) New Support: Ivan McKee\*

<u>S5M-05180</u> Bruce Crawford: Blooming Great Tea Party for Marie Curie (lodged on 18 April 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron\*

<u>S5M-05165</u> Emma Harper: Celebrating International Nurses Day on 12 May 2017 (lodged on 18 April 2017)

New Support: Christine Grahame\*

<u>S5M-05106</u> Liam Kerr: Cycle Capacity on Scotland's Railways (lodged on 10 April 2017)

New Support: Claudia Beamish\*

<u>S5M-04975</u> Anas Sarwar: Closure of the NHS Centre for Integrative Care (lodged on 30 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells\*

<u>S5M-04956</u> Alexander Stewart: Action on Elder Abuse Scotland (lodged on 29 March 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

<u>S5M-04954</u> Miles Briggs: FloWave Integrates with the University of Edinburgh (lodged on 29 March 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

S5M-04837 Brian Whittle: Ayrshire College Participates in DataFest 2017 (lodged on 22 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04826</u> Edward Mountain: Knockhill Racing Circuit Armed Forces Appreciation Day (lodged on 22 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04825</u> Alexander Burnett: Lyme Disease, The Need To Do More (lodged on 22 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04824</u> Liam Kerr: Dundee Women's Aid Awarded Grant (lodged on 22 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04823</u> Liam Kerr: Creation of Forfar Sensory Room for Families Affected by Autism Spectrum Disorder (lodged on 22 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04821</u> Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Development Group (Scotland) (lodged on 22 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

# <u>S5M-04820</u> Jeremy Balfour: Brock Garden Centre SCIO (lodged on 22 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04808</u> Alexander Stewart: Perth Charity Receives Big Lottery Funding (lodged on 22 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04807</u> Finlay Carson: New Galloway's Big Lottery Award (lodged on 22 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04804</u> Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Charity Receives Big Lottery Fund Grant (lodged on 22 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04801</u> Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Pupil is Young Citizen of the Year (lodged on 22 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04800</u> Alexander Stewart: Perth Resident Sue Hendry Recognised by the Rotary Club of Perth (lodged on 22 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

S5M-04787 Margaret Mitchell: The Manda Centre (lodged on 21 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04785</u> Bill Bowman: Shona Leckie's Champion Marmalade (lodged on 21 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04775</u> Bill Bowman: The Dundee Mental Health Cairn Fowk (lodged on 21 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04766</u> Murdo Fraser: Request to Return the Stone of Destiny to Perth (lodged on 21 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

S5M-04762 Finlay Carson: Earth's Crust Bakery Shortlisted for BBC Food and Farming Award (lodged on 21 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04760</u> Jeremy Balfour: Girlguiding Scotland's Young Advocates Campaign to End Sexual Harassment in Schools (lodged on 21 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04759</u> Alexander Stewart: New Maggies Centre Opens in Larbert (lodged on 21 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04754</u> Edward Mountain: Mikeysline (lodged on 21 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04751</u> Miles Briggs: New Minister for Willowbrae Parish Church (lodged on 21 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

# <u>S5M-04746</u> Miles Briggs: Lothian's New MSYPs (lodged on 21 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04744</u> Alexander Stewart: Tenci Earnshaw, Young Writer of the Year (lodged on 21 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04740</u> Alexander Stewart: 1st Inverkeithing Company of the Boys' Brigade 125th Anniversary (lodged on 20 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04731</u> Alexander Burnett: Banchory, One of Best Places to Live in Scotland (lodged on 20 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04730</u> Alexander Stewart: Owen Johnstone and Dionne Milne, Raising Funds at the Alloa Half Marathon (lodged on 20 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04728</u> Alexander Stewart: Perth Couple Raise £5,100 for Brain Tumour Charity (lodged on 20 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

S5M-04727 Alexander Stewart: New Nursery for Alloa (lodged on 20 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04726</u> Dean Lockhart: Trossachs Mobility Wins Business Start-up Award (lodged on 20 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04725</u> Dean Lockhart: Stirling Gin, SME Award Winner (lodged on 20 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

# <u>S5M-04719</u> Finlay Carson: Galloway Activity Centre Wins Scottish Thistle Award (lodged on 20 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

# <u>S5M-04718</u> Finlay Carson: The Clachan Inn Wins Scottish Thistle Award (lodged on 20 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04717</u> Finlay Carson: Dundream in Stranraer Wins Scottish Thistle Award (lodged on 20 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04716</u> Finlay Carson: Loch Arthur Creamery and Farm Shop Wins Scottish Rural Award (lodged on 20 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04714</u> Finlay Carson: Brookford B&B Wins Thistle Award (lodged on 20 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04713</u> Finlay Carson: Laggan Outdoor Activity Centre Wins Thistle Award (lodged on 20 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

S5M-04712 Finlay Carson: Katie Russell from Castle Douglas takes on 22-mile Swim Challenge for Charity (lodged on 20 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04696</u> Jamie Greene: Congratulating Dave Hewitt (lodged on 17 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04694</u> Jamie Greene: Congratulating Stewart Griffiths (lodged on 17 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04691</u> Peter Chapman: Barefoot Computing Project (lodged on 17 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04690</u> Peter Chapman: North East Food and Drink Awards (lodged on 17 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04689</u> Edward Mountain: Inverness Courier Appeal for More Highland Firefighters (lodged on 17 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04685</u> Miles Briggs: Edinburgh Results Group to Mark World TB Day (lodged on 17 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04684</u> Alexander Stewart: Bridge of Allan Pupil Skating to First Prize (lodged on 17 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04682</u> Annie Wells: Scottish LGBTQI Voices (lodged on 21 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04681</u> Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Mother Raises £1,400 for Disabled Son's Nursery (lodged on 16 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04674</u> Miles Briggs: Lynch Syndrome Awareness Day (lodged on 16 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04671</u> Finlay Carson: Castle Douglas Charity Helps Buy New Racing Wheelchair (lodged on 16 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04670</u> Brian Whittle: Ayrshire Food for Ayrshire Folk Secures Regeneration Grant Funding (lodged on 16 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04662</u> Alexander Stewart: Jock McInnes from Dunfermline to Tackle Mount Etna (lodged on 16 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

S5M-04653 Alexander Stewart: Fife Scouts Receive £1,000 Donation (lodged on 16 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04648</u> Brian Whittle: Scouts Scotland Youth Advocacy Award (lodged on 16 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04647</u> Miles Briggs: Leith Academy Wins National Award from The Prince's Trust (lodged on 16 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04644</u> Alexander Stewart: Alloa FC's Jim Goodwin, Ladbrokes Manager of the Month (lodged on 15 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04642</u> Jackson Carlaw: Scottish Tourism Week 2017 (lodged on 15 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04641</u> Alexander Stewart: £1 Million Specialist Residency for Adults with Autism in Clackmannanshire (lodged on 15 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04640</u> Alison Harris: Forth Valley Sensory Centre Café Tiki (lodged on 15 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04633</u> Maurice Golden: JC PomPoms, World Cheerleading Championships Contenders (lodged on 21 March 2017)

New Support: James Dornan\*, Peter Chapman\*, Douglas Ross\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Liz Smith\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Richard Lyle\*, Oliver Mundell\*, John Lamont\*, Bill Kidd\*

<u>S5M-04626</u> Liam Kerr: Retirement of the Bishop of Brechin (lodged on 15 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04623</u> Dean Lockhart: Congratulating the Curly Coo (lodged on 15 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04620</u> Margaret Mitchell: The Bellshill She-Shed (lodged on 15 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04619</u> Jeremy Balfour: Marie Curie Garden of Light (lodged on 14 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04616</u> Annie Wells: These Streets Were Made For Walking (lodged on 14 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04614</u> Gordon Lindhurst: Holy Trinity Church Installs Fresh Water Wells in West Africa (lodged on 14 March 2017) New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04613</u> Annie Wells: Young Start Funding for Glasgow Groups (lodged on 14 March 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

<u>S5M-04021</u> George Adam: MS Awareness Week (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Ben Macpherson\*

# **Oral Questions**

**Topical Questions selected for answer on 25 April 2017** 

**1. Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to claims that staff at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital are "incredibly stressed" and that the hospital is "very short staffed". (S5T-00525)

**2. George Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to a Poverty Alliance survey, which suggests that one-in-three people in Scotland on a low income are struggling to afford food. (<u>S5T-00524</u>)

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 27 April 2017

**1. Ruth Davidson:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the day. (S5F-01184)

2. Kezia Dugdale: To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the week. (<u>S5F-01180</u>)

3. Patrick Harvie: To ask the First Minister when the Cabinet will next meet. (S5F-01188)

**4. Willie Rennie:** To ask the First Minister what issues will be discussed at the next meeting of the Cabinet. (<u>S5F-01181</u>)

**5. Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to protect children and young people online. (<u>S5F-01206</u>)

6. Liam Kerr: To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's position is on the accuracy of the GERS figures. (<u>S5F-01182</u>)

**7. Alex Rowley:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government will take to ensure that older people receive the free personal care payments that they are entitled to, in light of research by Age Scotland, which suggests that thousands are missing out due to delays in assessing and arranging care. (<u>S5F-01192</u>)

# Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 03 May 2017

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 26 April 2017. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 27 April 2017.

# **Education and Skills**

- 1. Liam McArthur
- 2. Linda Fabiani
- 3. Rhoda Grant
- 4. Richard Leonard
- 5. Kate Forbes
- 6. Monica Lennon
- 7. Brian Whittle

- 8. Murdo Fraser
- 9. Ruth Maguire
- 10. Jenny Gilruth
- **11.** Margaret Mitchell
- 12. John Mason
- 13. Elaine Smith
- 14. Emma Harper
- 15. David Stewart
- 16. Peter Chapman
- 17. Colin Beattie
- 18. Ross Greer
- 19. Claudia Beamish
- 20. Maurice Golden

# Members selected for General Questions on 03 May 2017

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 26 April 2017. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 27 April 2017.

- 1. Daniel Johnson
- 2. Alison Harris
- 3. Mike Rumbles
- 4. Mary Fee
- 5. Patrick Harvie
- 6. Gordon MacDonald
- 7. Willie Coffey
- 8. Maurice Corry
- 9. Bob Doris
- 10. Ivan McKee

# **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 24 April 2017

<u>S5W-08961</u> Stewart Stevenson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its implementation of the SNP manifesto commitment to take forward a consultation to review the regulation of the legal profession and to support a modern and effective legal sector, including new forms of business model.

#### Written questions lodged on 24 April 2017

<u>S5W-08946</u> Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on the chemicals that are used to treat for sea lice in salmon farms, and what quantities of these are used. **R** 

<u>S5W-08948</u> Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) sea-going and (b) land-based staff are (i) directly and (ii) indirectly employed by CalMac Ferries Limited to deliver Clyde and Hebrides ferry services, and what information it has on the percentage of these that reside on the islands served by CalMac.

<u>S5W-08949</u> Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) sea-going and (b) land-based staff on the Gourock - Dunoon ferry service are (i) directly and (ii) indirectly employed by Argyll Ferries, also broken down by what information it has regarding what percentage live in Cowal.

<u>S5W-08952</u> Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5O-00367 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 23 November 2016, when the University of the Highlands and Islands will provide an equitable funding settlement to Moray College.

<u>S5W-08953</u> Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take in light of analysis from Ernst and Young, which suggests that company profit warnings have increased since the previous quarter.

<u>S5W-08954</u> Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to mitigate the impact of a possible recession in Scotland.

<u>S5W-08955</u> Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to increase transparency in its handling of freedom of information requests in light of recent concerns raised by the Scottish Information Commissioner.

<u>S5W-08956</u> Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government when it will release the next set of the Government Expenditure and Revenue Figures (Scotland) (GERS).

<u>S5W-08957</u> Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to increase levels of bilingualism.

<u>S5W-08958</u> Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will confirm how much it has committed to spend through the Beef Efficiency Scheme in light of a freedom of information request in March 2017 suggesting that the figure was £8.2 million and an article in the *Scottish Farmer* in February 2017, which reported that it was £32 million.

<u>S5W-08959</u> Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in light of Marine Scotland seafarers' recent vote in favour of industrial action over pay.

<u>S5W-08962</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-08565 by Roseanna Cunningham on 13 April 2017, what stakeholders it has met regarding the issues raised by the research; who attended the meetings, and whether it will publish the minutes or notes.

<u>S5W-08963</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-08565 by Roseanna Cunningham on 13 April 2017, how it plans to consider the issues raised by the research and when it will report on the findings of this.

<u>S5W-08964</u> Maree Todd: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports of damage to the Loch Carron flame shell reef by a scallop dredger, and what protections are in place for marine habitats.

<u>S5W-08965</u> Stewart Stevenson: To ask the Scottish Government what impact the early General Election could have on the agreement of a new UK fisheries concordat.

<u>S5W-08975</u> Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of the money that it has committed to spend through the Beef Efficiency Scheme will go directly to farmers.

New Subordinate Legislation | Adhartas Reachdais

# **New Subordinate Legislation**

#### Affirmative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 24 April 2017 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Prescribed Local Authority Functions etc.) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft] laid under section 69(2) of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 Members' Bills Proposals | Molaidhean airson Bilean Buill

## **Members' Bills Proposals**

#### **Proposals for Members' Bills**

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no indication is given that the Scottish Government or UK Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at Proposals for Members' Bills/Session 5 Proposals:

http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/12419.aspx

### **Final Proposal for Member's Bills**

**Claudia Beamish: Proposed Prohibition of Fracking etc. (Scotland) Bill**—Proposal for a Bill to ban unconventional oil and gas extraction, including by means of hydraulic fracturing. (lodged 18 April 2017)

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

# **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. Wednesday 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.

#### Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 25 April 2017 <u>Stage 1 Report</u> - Finance and Constitution Committee (5th Report, 2017)

#### Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Social Security)), 27 April 2017

#### Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 25 April 2017

#### Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 25 April 2017 Lead committee - Justice

## Edinburgh Bakers' Widows' Fund Bill (P)

Introduced 20 March 2017 Objections may be lodged up to 5pm on Friday 19 May with the Non-Government Bills Unit (<u>Private.Bills@parliament.scot</u>)

### Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 27 April 2017 <u>Stage 1 Report</u> - Justice Committee (7th Report, 2017)

## Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill (P)

Introduced 17 March 2017 Objections may be lodged up to 5pm on Tuesday 16 May with the Non-Government Bills Unit (<u>Private.Bills@parliament.scot</u>)

### Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 25 April 2017

#### Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 26 April 2017

### 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

Children and Social Work Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-7 Agreed by the Parliament on 26 January 2017

#### Criminal Finances Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-6

Agreed by the Parliament on 2 March 2017 Supplementary (evidence, Justice Committee), 25 April 2017 Supplementary (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 25 April 2017 Supplementary to be considered by Parliament on 25 April 2017

Digital Economy Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-8

Agreed by the Parliament on 22 February 2017

**Farriers (Registration) Bill (UK Parliament legislations) LCM-S5-9** Agreed by the Parliament on 16 March 2017

Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-5 Agreed by the Parliament on 7 February 2017

**Higher Education and Research Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-4** Agreed by the Parliament on 20 December 2016

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

## Affirmative instruments

## Lead committee to report by 23 April 2017

International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 [draft] (27 February 2017) (Justice)

## Lead committee to report by 18 May 2017

Registration of Social Workers and Social Service Workers in Care Services (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft] (24 March 2017) (Health and Sport)

## Lead committee to report by 27 May 2017

<u>Apologies (Scotland) Act 2016 (Excepted Proceedings) Regulations 2017 [draft]</u> (18 April 2017) (Justice)

## Lead committee to report by 2 June 2017

Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Prescribed Local Authority Functions etc.) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft] (24 April 2017) (Health and Sport)

## **Negative instruments**

Subject to annulment by 26 April 2017 Lead committee to report by 24 April 2017 Act of Sederunt (Fees of Solicitors in the Court of Session and Sheriff Court Amendment)

(Pursuers' Offers) 2017 (SSI 2017/53) (2 March 2017) (Justice)

Shellfish (Restrictions on Taking by Unlicensed Fishing Boats) (Scotland) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/57) (2 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

#### Subject to annulment by 27 April 2017 Lead committee to report by 24 April 2017

Personal Injuries (NHS Charges) (Amounts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/58) (3 March 2017) (Health and Sport)

National Health Service (Payments and Remission of Charges) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/59) (3 March 2017) (Health and Sport)

Non-Domestic Rates (Renewable Energy Generation Relief) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/60) (3 March 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Non-Domestic Rates (District Heating Relief) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/61) (3 March 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

### Subject to annulment by 3 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 1 May 2017

Protection of Seals (Designation of Haul-Out Sites) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 (SSI 2017/63) (9 March 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Representation of the People (Absent Voting at Local Government Elections) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/64) (9 March 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004 (Remuneration) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/66) (9 March 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

#### Subject to annulment by 4 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 1 May 2017

First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber (Procedure) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/68) (10 March 2017) (Justice)

First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Tax Chamber (Procedure) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/69) (10 March 2017) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 9 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 8 May 2017

<u>Transport and Works (Scotland) Act 2007 (Applications and Objections Procedure) Amendment</u> <u>Rules 2017 (SSI 2017/74)</u> (15 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

# Subject to annulment by 10 May 2017

Lead committee to report by 8 May 2017 Little Loch Broom Scallops Several Fishery Order 2017 (SSI 2017/77) (16 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Valuation Appeal Committee (Procedure in Appeals under the Valuation Acts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/78) (16 March 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Non-Domestic Rates (Transitional Relief) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/85) (16 March 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 11 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 8 May 2017

Road Traffic (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (Angus Council) Designation Order 2017 (SSI 2017/79) (17 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Parking Attendants (Wearing of Uniforms) (Angus Council Parking Area) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/80) (17 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (Angus Council) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/81) (17 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Road Traffic (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (Stirling Council) Designation Order 2017 (SSI 2017/82) (17 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Parking Attendants (Wearing of Uniforms) (Stirling Council Parking Area) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/83) (17 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (Stirling Council) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/84) (17 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

### Subject to annulment by 18 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 15 May 2017

Regulation of Care (Social Service Workers) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 (SSI 2017/95) (24 March 2017) (Health and Sport)

## Subject to annulment by 21 May 2017

Lead committee to report by 15 May 2017 Damages (Personal Injury) (Scotland) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/96) (27 March 2017) (Justice)

Bankruptcy Fees (Scotland) Revocation Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/97) (27 March 2017) (Economy, Jobs and Fair Work)

Subject to annulment by 24 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 22 May 2017 Common Agricultural Policy (Direct Payments etc.) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/98) (30 March 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

## Subject to annulment by 25 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 22 May 2017

Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/101) (31 March 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/102) (31 March 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

#### Subject to annulment by 26 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 22 May 2017

Flood Risk Management (Flood Protection Schemes, Potentially Vulnerable Areas and Local Plan Districts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/112) (13 April 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Forestry (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/113) (13 April 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Agriculture, Land Drainage and Irrigation Projects (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) <u>Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/114)</u> (13 April 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/115) (13 April 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 29 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 22 May 2017 Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/118) (20 April 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

#### Subject to annulment by 30 May 2017 Lead committee to report by 29 May 2017

Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/120) (21 April 2017) (Local Government and Communities) Petitions | Athchuingean

## Petitions

The following petition was lodged with the Parliament on 24 April 2017.

**PE1650** Petition by Rebecca Jeynes on Student Awards Agency for Scotland's post-graduate eligibility criteria

A full list of petitions can be viewed on the Scottish Parliament website at: http://www.parliament.scot/gettinginvolved/petitions/ViewPetitions.aspx Documents | Sgrìobhainnean

## **New Documents**

### **Committee Reports**

The following reports was published on 25 April 2017

Justice Committee, 9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2017 (Session 5): Role and Purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (SP Paper 123)

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee, 5th Report, 2017 (Session 5): Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 - Standing Order rule changes (SP Paper 125)

Education and Skills Committee, 5th Report, 2017 (Session 5): The Children's Hearings System – Taking Stock of Recent Reforms (SP Paper 126)

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#### **Other Documents**

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## **Corrections**

**Members' Corrections** 

Official Report, meeting of the Parliament, 20 April 2017

### Correction

Maree Todd has identified an error in her contribution and provided the following correction.

#### Maree Todd:

At col 72, paragraph 6—

Original text—

Before the announcement was made, Drew Hendry MP, in whose constituency Fort George lies—I assure members that he is another Highland MP with a very safe seat—organised a meeting at which Margaret Davidson, the leader of Highland Council, and I met with Sir Michael Fallon at the Ministry of Defence to outline the impact that the loss of the barracks would have on the local economy.

Corrected text—

Before the announcement was made, Drew Hendry MP, in whose constituency Fort George lies—I assure members that he is another Highland MP with a very safe seat—organised a meeting at which Margaret Davidson, the leader of Highland Council, and I met with Mark Lancaster at the Ministry of Defence to outline the impact that the loss of the barracks would have on the local economy.

#### At col 73, paragraph 6-

#### Original text-

That is yet another example of the Highland people's voices being ignored by Westminster. I told Sir Michael Fallon exactly that when I met him in London.

#### Corrected text—

That is yet another example of the Highland people's voices being ignored by Westminster. I told Mark Lancaster exactly that when I met him in London.

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