

Monday 18 December 2017

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
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## **Chamber Desk Arrangements during the Christmas Recess**

The Chamber Desk will close at 12.30 pm on Friday

22 December 2017. The deadline for receipt of written questions, motions and amendments to appear in the Business Bulletin is 11.30 am on that day. The Chamber Desk will reopen at 10.00 am on Wednesday 3 January 2018.

## **Topical Questions 9 January and First Minister's Questions 11 January 2018**

Members are advised that the deadline for submitting questions for Topical

Questions on 9 January and First Minister's Questions on 11 January 2018 is 12 noon on Monday 8 January 2018 (this is the usual arrangement).

## **Portfolio Questions 10 January and General Questions 11 January 2018**

For Portfolio Questions on 10 January 2018 and General Questions on 11 January 2018, names to be entered into the draw should be submitted no later than noon on Monday 18 December 2017, with questions being submitted **no later than noon on Wednesday 20 December 2017**. This follows the pattern in previous sessions.

The Portfolio for these questions will be Justice and the Law Officers and Culture, Tourism and External Affairs.

## **Portfolio Questions – Wednesday 17 January 2018 and General Questions – Thursday 18 January 2018**

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Portfolio Questions on 17 January 2018 and General Questions on 18 January 2018, names to be entered into the draw should be submitted no later than noon on Monday 8 January 2018, with questions being submitted no later than noon on

Wednesday 10 January 2018.

### **Motions/amendments and written questions – 3 and**

#### **4 January 2018**

Motions/amendments and written questions to be received by Chamber Desk no later than 3.00pm on 3 and 4 January respectively.

### **Motions/amendments and written questions – 5 January 2018**

Motions/amendments and written questions to be received by Chamber Desk no later than 2.30pm on 5 January.

### **Today's Business**

#### **Meeting of the Parliament**

There are no meetings today.

#### **Committee Meetings**

There are no meetings today.

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There are no meetings today.

## Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 13 December 2017

### Tuesday 19 December 2017

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection - Reverend Basil Clark, Parish Priest, Our Lady Of Loretto & St Michael Catholic Church, Musselburgh

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Programme to reach 100% access to superfast broadband in Scotland

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Social Security (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Financial Resolution: Social Security (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-08404 Murdo Fraser: Street Pastors Scotland, 10th Anniversary

### Wednesday 20 December 2017

**1:15 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:15 pm** Members' Business — S5M-09389 Monica Lennon: Alcohol and Drug-related Deaths

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform;

Rural Economy and Connectivity

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**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Publication of the Scottish Energy Strategy

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: The Ferry Services Procurement Policy Review

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-09167 Emma Harper: Adopt Don't Shop

### Thursday 21 December 2017

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

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

**12:45 pm** Decision Time

**Tuesday 9 January 2018**

**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

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**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Justice and the Law Officers;

Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

**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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## 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>

### Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

19 December 2017

33rd 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 items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19 from—  
Keith Brown, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work, Chris Stark, Director of Energy and Climate Change, Mary McAllan, Director for Economic Development, and Hugh McAloon, Deputy Director, Fair Work and Skills, Scottish Government.
3. **Economic Data (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
4. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 19 December, the Committee expects to consider its draft report on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19.

For further information, contact Alison Walker the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are [economyjobsandfairwork@parliament.scot](mailto:economyjobsandfairwork@parliament.scot) on extension 85403.

### Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

19 December 2017

33rd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether item 3, and its consideration of the Draft Budget 2018-19 report at any future meetings, should be taken in private.
2. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19 from—  
Roseanna Cunningham, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform, Keith Connal, Deputy Director, Natural Resources, Linda Pooley, Deputy Director Rural and Environment Sciences and Analytical Services Division, and Neil Ritchie, Branch Head of Environmental Quality Division, Scottish Government; Graham Black, Director, Marine Scotland.
3. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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4. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 9 January, the Committee will consider its report on the Draft Budget 2018-19.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Tullis, on 0131348 5240 or <mailto:ecclr.committee@parliament.scot>.

### **Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee**

**19 December 2017**

**36th Meeting, 2017**

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

- Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Covert Surveillance and Property Interference – Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\];](#)  
[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Equipment Interference – Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\];](#)  
[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Covert Human Intelligence Sources - Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\].](#)
- Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Letting Agent \(Registration and Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/428\);](#)  
[Fife Council Area and Perth and Kinross Council Area \(Keltybridge and Fife Environmental Energy Park at Westfield\) Boundaries Amendment Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/430\).](#)
- Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Act of Adjournal \(Criminal Procedure Rules 1996 Amendment\) \(No.5\) \(Proceeds of Crime etc.\) 2017 \(SSI 2017/429\).](#)
- Historical Sexual Offences (Pardons and Disregards) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

### **Proposed future business**

The expectation is that the Committee will next meet on Tuesday 16 January 2018. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at [dplr.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:dplr.committee@parliament.scot) or on 0131 348 5212.

### **Health and Sport Committee**

**19 December 2017**

**31st Meeting, 2017**

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

- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
The Novel Foods (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/415)



Sale of Nicotine Vapour Products (Vending Machines) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/422)

2. **Preventative Agenda:** The Committee will take evidence on type 2 diabetes from—  
Brian Kennon, Chair of Scottish Diabetes Group and of National Managed Clinical Network, and Consultant Diabetologist;  
Andrew Job, Secretary, Edinburgh Local Support Group, and Linda McGlynn, Regional Engagement Manager, Diabetes Scotland;  
Alison Cockburn, Lead Diabetes Cardiovascular Risk/Lead Antimicrobial Pharmacist, NHS Lothian;  
and then from—  
Dr Lynne Douglas, Steering Group member, Obesity Action Scotland, and Director of Allied Health Professionals, NHS Lothian;  
Pete Ritchie, Co-Convener, Scottish Food Coalition, and Director, Nourish Scotland;  
Heather Peace, Head of Public Health Nutrition, Food Standards Scotland;  
Professor Falko Sniehotta, Professor Behavioural Medicine and Health Psychology, Newcastle University;  
Alison Diamond, Chair of Prevention sub-group, Scottish Diabetes Group, and Lead: Lothian Weight Management Service, Diabetes and Metabolic Dietician, NHS Lothian.
3. **Preventative Agenda (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the session.
4. **NHS Governance (in private):** The Committee will consider a further approach to its inquiry work on corporate governance.

**Proposed future business**

For further information, contact David Cullum, the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5210 or by email [david.cullum@parliament.scot](mailto:david.cullum@parliament.scot)

**Justice Committee  
19 December 2017  
37th Meeting, 2017**

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

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private. The Committee will also decide whether consideration of a draft Stage 1 report on the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Repeal) (Scotland) Bill and a draft report on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19 should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19 from—  
Rt Hon James Wolffe QC, Lord Advocate, and David Harvie, Crown Agent and Chief Executive, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.
3. **Public petitions:** The Committee will consider the following petitions—  
PE1370 by Dr Jim Swire, Professor Robert Black QC, Robert Forrester, Father Patrick Keegans and Iain McKie on Justice for Megrahi;  
PE1510 by Jody Curtis on the closure of police, fire and non-emergency service centres north of Dundee;  
  
PE1511 by Laura Ross on the decision made by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to close Inverness control room;

PE1633 by Bill Alexander on private criminal prosecution in Scotland.

4. **Civil Litigation (Expenses and Group Proceedings) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will continue consideration of a draft Stage 1 report.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 9 January, the Committee expects to consider a draft Stage 1 report on the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Repeal) (Scotland) Bill and a draft report on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19. For further information, contact Peter McGrath, the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email [peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot](mailto:peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot)

### **Local Government and Communities Committee 20 December 2017 32nd Meeting, 2017**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether consideration of its response to the Finance and Constitution Committee on the draft Budget 2018-19 should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19 from—  
Derek Mackay, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution, Kevin Stewart, Minister for Local Government and Housing, Bill Stitt, Team Leader - Revenue and Capital, Marianne Barker, Non-Domestic Rates Group Secretary, Caroline Dicks, Head of Affordable Housing Investment, and Valerie Sneddon, Team Leader - Scotland's Energy Efficiency Programme, Scottish Government.
3. **Common good property and funds:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Craig Veitch, Aberdeen City Council;  
Andrew Ferguson, Fife Council and the Society of Local Authority Lawyers and Administrators in Scotland;  
Dr Lindsay Neil, Former Chair, Selkirk and District Community Council;  
Paul Nevin.
4. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Common good property and funds (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
6. **City region deals (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

### **Proposed future business**

The Committee's next meeting is on 10 January 2018.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jane Williams, on 0131-348-5232 or [LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot](mailto:LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot).

## Education and Skills Committee 20 December 2017 33rd Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking agenda items in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Draft Budget 2018-2019:** The Committee will take evidence from:  
John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, Fiona Robertson, Director of Learning, Aileen McKechnie, Director, Advanced Learning and Science, and Michael Chalmers, Director of Children and families, Scottish Government.
3. **Review of evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 10th January 2018, the Committee expects to consider; a draft report on the budget.

For further information please contact Roz Thomson, the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are [roz.thomson@parliament.scot](mailto:roz.thomson@parliament.scot) on extension 85222.

## Finance and Constitution Committee 20 December 2017 31st Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Draft Budget 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19 from—  
Lady Susan Rice, Chair, John Ireland, Chief Executive, Professor Alasdair Smith, Commissioner, and David Wilson, Commissioner, Scottish Fiscal Commission.
2. **Draft Budget 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19 from—  
Neil Amner, Director and Chair of Economic Advisory Group, Scottish Chambers of Commerce;  
Russell Gunson, Director, IPPR Scotland;  
Dave Moxham, Deputy General Secretary, STUC.
3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Bill (UK Parliament Legislation) (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft interim report on the legislative consent memorandum LCM (S5) 10.

### Proposed future business

For more information, please contact the Clerks on 0131 348 5451 or [Finance.Constitution@parliament.scot](mailto:Finance.Constitution@parliament.scot)

## Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee 20 December 2017

### 37th 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 4 in private and whether its consideration of reports on the Draft Budget 2018-19 and the Islands (Scotland) Bill should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19 from—  
Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy and Connectivity, Humza Yousaf, Minister for Transport and the Islands, Lee Shedden, Financial Controller, Transport Scotland, George Burgess, Deputy Director, Food, Drink & Trade, and Robbie McGhee, Head of Digital Connectivity Policy, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
The Razor Clams (Prohibition on Fishing and Landing) (Scotland) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/419)
4. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will review the evidence it has heard on the Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19.

#### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 10 January, the Committee expects to consider a report on the draft budget 2018-19 and Islands (Scotland) Bill in private.

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

### **Equalities and Human Rights Committee**

**21 December 2017**

**31st 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 item 4 in private.
2. **Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).
3. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19 from—  
Angela Constance, Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities, Lesley Irving, Head of Equality Policy, and Liz Hawkins, Head of Equality, Poverty and Social Justice Analysis, Scottish Government.
4. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will consider the evidence received.
5. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

#### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 18 January 2018, the Committee intends to take evidence on the Universal Periodic Review.

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

## Scottish Commission for Public Audit

20 December 2017

2nd Meeting, 2017

The Commission will meet at 10:30 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Commission will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Audit Scotland's Spring Budget Revision 2017-18:** The Commission will take evidence from—  
Ian Leitch, Chair of the Board, Audit Scotland;  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Russell Frith, Assistant Auditor General, and Diane McGiffen, Chief Operating Officer, Audit Scotland.
3. **Audit Scotland's Budget Proposal 2018-19:** The Commission will take evidence from—  
Ian Leitch, Chair of the Board, Audit Scotland;  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Russell Frith, Assistant Auditor General, and Diane McGiffen, Chief Operating Officer, Audit Scotland.
4. **Consideration of evidence heard:** The Commission will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3.

### **Proposed future business**

For more information, please contact the Clerks on 0131 348 52050 or [scpa@parliament.scot](mailto:scpa@parliament.scot)

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## Motions

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

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

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

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

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

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

**\*S5M-09621 Tom Arthur: Carer Positive Employer Initiative**—That the Parliament supports the Carer Positive employer recognition scheme and its aim of making life better for carers; notes the vital job that carers do, which Carers Scotland estimates contributes the equivalent of around £10.8 billion per year to the economy and will likely increase as the population continues to age; welcomes the large number of employers of differing sizes from a wide range of sectors who have signed up to support carers in their workplace through the Carer Positive initiative; understands that Carer Positive is funded by the Scottish Government and was developed in partnership with public, private and voluntary sector organisations in Scotland; further understands that Carer Positive employers can progress through three accreditation levels of engaged, established and exemplary; notes that around 270,000 people in Scotland combine work with care and that, without support and understanding at work, carers can experience high levels of stress and exhaustion; recognises the importance of this scheme in supporting carers and employers; further recognises that this scheme can lead to benefits for employers, such as reduced absences, lower levels of staff turnover and savings on recruitment costs, and notes that employers across the Renfrewshire South constituency and Scotland are being encouraged to take steps to become Carer Positive employers and discover the benefits of supporting their workforce and those who rely on them.

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*S5M-09625 Angus MacDonald: Zetland Park Given Heritage Lottery Funding**—That the Parliament welcomes funding of £127,300 from the Heritage Lottery Fund towards the enhancement of Zetland Park in Grangemouth; understands that this has been granted to Falkirk Council in the first stage of a bid to attract nearly £1 million in funding to regenerate Zetland Park, including the restoration of the park's historic fountain and creation of a wildlife pond and heritage wall for the benefit of the communities surrounding the park; recognises the efforts of the community group, Friends of Zetland Park, in campaigning for change to the area, which is important in remembering Grangemouth's rich history; understands that the success of this bid has only been possible through the people of Grangemouth raising £60,000 to contribute, over double the original target of £25,000, which was led by the Rotary Club of Grangemouth, which



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donated £12,000 to the fundraising efforts; congratulates Falkirk Council and everyone involved with the Zetland Park bid, and looks forward to the project being taken forward for the benefit of the community.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart\*

**\*S5M-09624 Alexander Stewart: Dunfermline Safe Zone**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Dunfermline will operate a safe zone for Christmas party-goers to head to over the festive period; understands that the area will be in operation every Friday and Saturday night until 23 December 2017; believes that the safe zone will be based at Dunfermline Advice Hub on Douglas Street and will provide a drop-in venue for people on a night out in the town centre if they are separated from friends, experiencing ill-effects of alcohol consumption or requiring minor medical assistance; notes that it will be open from 10pm to 5am, with the last admission at 4.30am; understands that the idea is a direct response to the risks of over-consumption of alcohol, which can increase people's vulnerability and their chance of becoming a victim of crime, and acknowledges that the Scottish Ambulance Service, Fife Council, Fife Alcohol Support Services, British Red Cross, Dunfermline Delivers, Dunfermline Street Pastors and West Fife Neighbourhood Watch have joined up with Police Scotland to provide this safe area for party-goers.

**\*S5M-09623 Alexander Stewart: Dalgety Bay Family Collects Over 700 Gifts for Children in Hospital this Christmas**—That the Parliament commends a Dalgety Bay family that has filled the whole of its grandparents' living room with goodies to surprise children who are in hospital this Christmas; acknowledges that Nichola Fyfe, her husband, David, and their three children, Alex, Jorgie and Derryn, have collected more than 700 selection boxes and pocket toys to give to patients at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children in Edinburgh; understands that businesses across west Fife have been collecting for the family's appeal, including Dalgety Bay's Tesco; believes that the appeal has been so successful that a transit-sized van is now needed to deliver the gifts to Edinburgh; notes that the Fyfe family members marked the 10th anniversary of their twin son, Callan's, death, and commends the £25,000 that they have raised in his memory since then.

Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**\*S5M-09622 Clare Adamson: Fair Internet Access**—That the Parliament condemns the recently reported decision by the Federal Communications Commission to lift internet regulations that protect net neutrality; understands that net neutrality is the principle that internet service providers should enable access to all online content and applications regardless of the source, without favouring or blocking particular products or websites; notes with concern the unfair advantage that it considers lack of regulation will give to well-established providers, which could now favour their own content and slow the content of other providers; recognises the concern of many experts that this will increase the cost of fair internet access for small companies and members of the public; further recognises the calls for this decision to be revisited by the US Congress; reiterates the importance of fair internet access and digital participation in an increasingly online world, and hopes that net neutrality remains a fundamental principle of internet access worldwide.

**\*S5M-09620 Gillian Martin: Nine-year-old Rebecca Morrice Raises £1,284 for Cancer Research UK**—That the Parliament congratulates nine-year-old Rebecca Morrice from Oldmeldrum on raising £1,284 for Cancer Research UK by swimming a mile; acknowledges that Rebecca took on the challenge because, in her words, "we have to do something"; understands

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that Cancer Research UK fundraising manager for the north east, Fiona Harvey, said that Rebecca was an inspiration; commends Rebecca on her effort, and wishes her well.

Supported by: Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*, Clare Haughey\*

**\*S5M-09619 Alexander Stewart: Cowdenbeath-based Entrepreneur's Company Launches UK's First Sleeper Mini-coach**—That the Parliament wishes the best of luck to a Cowdenbeath-based entrepreneur whose company has launched the UK's first sleeper mini-coach; understands that the trial could transform overnight travel for groups of holidaymakers, as well as tour bands and university and school trips; notes that Alan Aim, a former tour guide who runs the coach hire company, Travel by Knight, has had the vehicle custom-built to include 12 sleeping berths for long-distance journeys and took the Mercedes-Benz Sprinter 516 conversion on its debut journey on 9 December 2017 from Aberdeen to Edinburgh's Sleep in the Park; understands that the new, state-of-the-art vehicle represents part of a £100k+ investment in the Travel by Knight fleet, and believes that the company's ultimate goal is to have a network of sleeper buses connecting Glasgow all the way to Beijing.

Supported by: Michelle Ballantyne\*, Miles Briggs\*, Tom Mason\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Peter Chapman\*, Bill Bowman\*, Alison Harris\*

**\*S5M-09618 Graeme Dey: Success for Arbroath Performer at Scottish Youth Theatre's National Ensemble**—That the Parliament congratulates the Arbroath performer, Ramon Camerilleri Mortimer, on his selection for the Scottish Youth Theatre's National Ensemble; understands that auditions were held across Scotland and over 80 applications from young hopefuls were whittled down to a final line-up of 20; notes that membership to the ensemble lasts a year and participants are given the opportunity to collaborate with acclaimed theatre practitioners and companies on a monthly basis; acknowledges that Ramon was born in Malta but now stays in Angus, having moved to the area to study, and supports and celebrates EU students who choose to make Scotland their home.

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

**\*S5M-09617 Gillian Martin: Audrey and Lindsay Cameron Raise over £2,400 for Charity**—That the Parliament congratulates mother and daughter, Audrey and Lindsay Cameron, on raising over £2,400 for charity by hosting a Scottish Variety Night at the Station Hotel in Ellon; understands that the money raised will be split between five organisations that provided all aspects of Audrey's recent liver transplant and aftercare, namely the Cruden Medical Nurse Fund, the Scottish Liver Transplant Unit in Edinburgh, Aberdeen Royal Infirmary Ward 105 Liver Care, the Scottish Air Ambulance and the Aberdeen Ambulance Patient Transport Memorial Garden Fund; recognises the fine work of all those involved throughout the process that Audrey has gone through; commends Audrey and Lindsay on their efforts, and wishes them well.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine\*, Graeme Dey\*, Clare Haughey\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*S5M-09616 Peter Chapman: Bounce Against Cancer**—That the Parliament commends the Ellon resident, Naomi Robertson-Murray, for organising the second annual Bounce Against Cancer event at The Meadows in Ellon, helping to raise over £1,600 towards the University of Aberdeen Development Trust's new cancer research unit; recognises that Naomi started Bounce Against Cancer after being diagnosed with breast cancer at the age of 32 in 2016; notes that 2016's event raised £9,000 for Stand Up to Cancer; commends Naomi's positive attitude towards her illness, and welcomes the positive impact that her fundraising efforts have on research that can help future generations affected by cancer.



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**\*S5M-09615 Annie Wells: Govan Community Project Receives Young Start Funding**

**Boost**—That the Parliament congratulates Govan Community Project on receiving £147,454 from the Young Start fund, which will be used to bring together the community in Govan, Craigton and Cardonald through a range of community activities, including male only, female only and mixed social groups, and notes that other activities will include an asylum advice and advocacy service, English language classes, food distribution and a homework club.

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**\*S5M-09614 Annie Wells: St Matthew's Centre Receives Young Start Funding Boost**—That the Parliament congratulates St Matthew's Centre on receiving £146,712 from the Big Lottery Fund's Young Start programme, which will be used to expand its operations and employ a full-time Centre Manager to support it to become a more vibrant, user-led, inclusive hub and a strongly connected community asset; notes that the project will focus on a range of themes around getting active; getting well; being connected; and being informed, and further notes that there will also be minor improvements to existing spaces within the centre and a kitchen upgrade to encourage family-focussed activities in cooking and eating well.

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**\*S5M-09613 Alexander Stewart: Fife Gingerbread Nominated for £2,000 Starbucks**

**Award**—That the Parliament wishes the very best of luck to Fife Gingerbread, which has been nominated to take part in Starbucks Cheer for Good by customers and employees at Starbucks Dunfermline in the Kingsgate shopping centre; believes that there is an opportunity for the charity to be awarded up to £2,000; acknowledges that Fife Gingerbread supports lone parent, vulnerable and disadvantaged families across Fife; notes that its staff, volunteers and mascot gathered for a fundraising event in the shopping centre on 14 December 2017, and believes that supporters can "cheer" for the charity on social media up to midnight on 20 December 2017, and that the winner will be the organisation with the most cheers.

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**\*S5M-09612 Annie Wells: Samba Ya Bamba Receives Young Start Funding Boost**—That the Parliament congratulates Samba Ya Bamba on receiving a £47,330 Young Start grant from the Big Lottery Fund, which will be used to build upon the success of its existing project, which delivered a city-wide programme of street music taster sessions and which subsequently led to the formation of a new youth street band, and notes that the sessions will be targeted at young people aged over 11 who have not previously been involved in the arts and will be held over a 15-month period, culminating in a street band festival featuring youth street band musicians from all over Scotland.

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**\*S5M-09611 Margaret Mitchell: Dr Jackie Taylor**—That the Parliament congratulates Dr Jackie Taylor, from Hamilton, on being elected as the President Elect of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow; understands that it is the first time in its 418-year history that a woman has been elected to what is one of Scotland's oldest and most respected medical institutions, and

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appreciates that the institution is the UK's only multidisciplinary Royal College and supports 14,000 members across the world in upholding the highest medical standards and professionalism.

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**\*S5M-09610 Annie Wells: Scottish Sports Futures Receives Young Start Funding**

**Boost**—That the Parliament congratulates Scottish Sports Futures on receiving a £45,876 Young Start grant from the Big Lottery Fund to be used to upskill and empower local youth leaders from north east Glasgow so that they can engage with 75 children and their families with the aim of increasing their understanding of what a healthy lifestyle can be for them; notes that the training will be based on the Mind, Exercise, Nutrition, Do it! (MEND) programme, which is aimed at tackling childhood obesity, and further notes that the 10-week programme not only focuses on the child but aims to benefit the entire family by changing unhealthy attitudes to food and activity.

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**\*S5M-09609 Peter Chapman: Simpson Services Helping Turriff**—That the Parliament praises local Turriff resident, Shaun Simpson, who has offered his service to clear all paths of snow in the area; notes that Simpson Services has made their services available for free for all people of pension age; recognises that only the route from Turriff high Street to the town's hospital received initial clearance with all other pavements being classified as non-essential; commends Shaun and his team for their assistance in helping to make the roads and sidewalks safer for pedestrians, and hopes that Simpson Services continues to offer its help in the upcoming weeks when weather conditions are likely to make the roads unsafe.

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**\*S5M-09608 Margaret Mitchell: Hamilton Park Racecourse**—That the Parliament congratulates Hamilton Park Racecourse on being awarded Gold Standard status by the Racehorse Owners Association for the next 12 months; understands that it has also been named one of the best UK venues for racehorse owners; further understands that the racecourse was awarded with the Owners' Experience title; recognises that its chief executive, Vivien Currie, was also announced as the only UK winner in the Best in Hospitality category at the CEO of the Year Awards 2017; acknowledges its nomination for the Operational Excellence Award and the #TopSpot Award, and recognises that its success is down to best practice and excellence in the industry.

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**\*S5M-09607 Margaret Mitchell: Kirsty Gilmour**—That the Parliament congratulates Bothwell's Kirsty Gilmour on winning the badminton Scottish Open Grand Prix; acknowledges Kirsty's determination to succeed after twice finishing runner-up; appreciates that Kirsty is the first Scottish women's singles champion since 2009, and wishes her future sporting success.

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**\*S5M-09606 Margaret Mitchell: Rainbow Room International, Uddingston**—That the Parliament congratulates Rainbow Room International in Uddingston on being announced as Scottish Hairdresser of the Year at the British Hairdressing Awards 2017; understands that the salon's Suzie McGill, along with Rainbow Room International George Square's Dylan Brittain, took the title of Scottish Hairdresser of the Year for the second time in a row; acknowledges that this was after having created their Generation Y collection, and wishes the salon success in the future.

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**\*S5M-09605 Bill Bowman: Shaper Caper Limited**—That the Parliament congratulates Shaper Caper Limited on being awarded £46,736 through the Big Lottery Fund's Young Start programme, which aims to create opportunities for children and young people aged 8 to 24; notes that the funding will be used by the Dundee-based group to deliver a project where young people can explore dance, digital and creative skills while engaging in physical theatre, film, photography and animation skills; welcomes the benefits that this project will bring to the north east of Scotland, and wishes the group every success in delivering it.

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**\*S5M-09604 Fulton MacGregor: High School Students Sleep in the Park**—That the Parliament commends students and staff from Chryston High School on their participation in Social Bite's Sleep in the Park, which took place in Edinburgh on 9 December 2017; notes that this event, the largest of its kind, seeks to raise the plight of homelessness and human suffering on the streets; welcomes that the social enterprise will work with the Scottish Government and other charities to create a five-year plan to eradicate core homelessness in Scotland; notes that this plan seeks to end homelessness by providing housing solutions to end rough sleeping and temporary accommodation, providing rehabilitation facilities, employment opportunities and other support to enable homeless people to get off the streets and turn their lives around; gives thanks to the 15 students and three members of staff who joined with 9,000 others to sleep rough for one night to raise awareness of the issue of homelessness in communities, and welcomes the plan to put an end to homelessness in Scotland.

**\*S5M-09603 Peter Chapman: 44th WorldSkills Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates Angus Bruce-Gardner, who currently studies furniture-making in the Lake District, on winning a bronze medal for Team UK in the 44th WorldSkills competition in Abi Dhabi; recognises that this competition aims to showcase up-and-coming skilled individuals and highlight the importance of vocational skills; notes that, despite facing several equipment challenges, Angus completed his cabinet with skill and determination to secure bronze; commends Team UK for coming 10th out of 75 participating countries, and wishes the team the best of luck in the WorldSkills 2019 competition in Russia.

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**\*S5M-09602 Fulton MacGregor: Hat-trick Win at Media Scotland's Regionals Editorial Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates *The Airdrie and Coatbridge Advertiser*, as well as its writers, Mark Pirie, Jean Ward and Graham Miller, on winning distinctive awards at Media Scotland's fourth annual Regionals Editorial Awards ceremony; notes that 25-year-old Mark earned the Sportswriter of the Year Award for his outstanding coverage on a wide range of sports,

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professional and amateur, across Monklands; acknowledges Jean for being named the Unsung Hero for her endeavours across a range of Media Scotland titles; recognises Graham for winning Scoop of the Year thanks to his story about an Airdrie paedophile who escaped to Albania before resurfacing as a monk in Mexico; applauds the three winners on their successes, and wishes them all the best for the future.

**\*S5M-09601 Alexander Stewart: Ochil Youths Community Improvement CIC Receives Young Start Funding**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that the Ochil Youths Community Improvement CIC has received £44,964 following its successful application to the Young Start programme; acknowledges that this group will establish a young person-led Friday night drama club for people aged between 11 and 18 in Hillfoots, Clackmannanshire; understands that the club will use professional drama artists from the Macroberts Arts Centre to introduce young people to drama and then, over the course of the project, develop their confidence and ability; believes that an annual performance will be produced involving a wider group of invited young people, and notes that Young Start is a grants programme run by the Big Lottery Fund to distribute money from dormant accounts and aims to create opportunities for children and young people aged between 8 and 24 to help realise their potential.

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**\*S5M-09600 Alexander Stewart: Bannockburn House Trust Receives £150,000 National Lottery Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Bannockburn House Trust on receiving £150,000 from the National Lottery; understands that it will use the funding to establish a new post of volunteer co-ordinator in the organisation; notes this will enable the Trust to build capacity as it works to develop the grade A-listed 17th century mansion house along with the 25 acres of surrounding land that it has recently acquired, and considers that this will be done to benefit the community of Bannockburn who will be able to use the site as a base or a broad range of community activities, projects and events.

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**\*S5M-09599 Alexander Stewart: Rosyth Community Projects Limited / EATSRosyth Receive £90,000 National Lottery Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Rosyth Community Projects Limited / EATSRosyth on receiving £90,000 from the National Lottery; understands that they will use the funding to consolidate the food and gardening-themed community base that they have established in their initial year-and-a-half of operation; acknowledges that this will enable them to continue to maintain their community garden, a large community orchard, public floral displays and small and scattered plots, and believes that they will also be able to continue producing and freely distributing a large amount of their own crops in partnership with local food retailers.

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**\*S5M-09597 Colin Beattie: Queen Margaret University Helps Ease Students' Mental Illness**—That the Parliament congratulates Queen Margaret University on receiving a £26,040 grant from Young Start; notes that the university will use the funding to perform Scottish Mental Health First Aid (SMHFA) instructor training; recognises that the training of students in SMHFA will give them confidence in offering support and advice, and supports the use of SMHFA to increase awareness of mental health issues and take steps to deliver help to students when needed.



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**\*S5M-09596 Colin Beattie: Midlothian Young People's Advice Service Receives Grant to Aid LGBTQ Youth**—That the Parliament congratulates Midlothian Young People's Advice Service on receiving a £49,932 grant from Young Start; understands that the funding will be used towards the youth project, Midyouth; recognises Midyouth as an established youth group for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) young people aged between 12 and 21 based in Midlothian, and supports the group's use of funding to provide emotional support to its many members.

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**\*S5M-09595 Alison Johnstone: Comments by the Chancellor of the Exchequer Regarding the Employment of Disabled People**—That the Parliament notes with regret reported comments by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that greater employment of disabled people may have led to reduced labour force productivity; agrees with the chief executive of Scope, who said, "It has never been the case that increasing the number of disabled people in employment has had a harmful effect on productivity levels. In no study, projection or analysis released by the Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR), who have looked at the issue of productivity extensively, has disability employment been referenced as key driver of low productivity"; considers that the comments are in direct contradiction to the UK Government's Industrial Strategy, published on 27 November 2017, which states that "businesses that have diverse, inclusive workplaces recognise this brings improved productivity. For example, offering flexible working can enable employers to reach a wider talent pool, both male and female, including returners, older workers and people with disabilities. Creating a workplace which is truly flexible can improve productivity"; believes that disabled people, who represent one in five of the Scottish population, play a vital role in the economy and society, in both paid and unpaid roles in the public, private and third sectors; supports ongoing efforts to improve the participation of disabled people in Scottish social, economic and cultural life, and calls on the Chancellor of the Exchequer to apologise for these comments.

**\*S5M-09594 Andy Wightman: The Scottish Law Commission's Report on Defamation**—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Law

Commission on the publication of its report and draft bill on defamation, which recommend significant reform of the law; welcomes the comments of Lord Pentland, who is chair of the commission, regarding human rights in a democracy, particularly where there needs to be a balance struck between "the principles of freedom of expression and protection of reputation"; acknowledges that the draft bill makes 49 recommendations to modernise the Defamation Act 1996 in response to, among other things, the growth of online communications and social media; supports the report's calls for changes to the existing legal framework; believes that the law should incorporate a defence of publication on a matter of public interest; considers that the current limitation for taking defamation action should be reduced from three years to one year to reflect international best

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practice; notes what it believes are the long-standing calls for reform from people and organisations throughout society, and calls on the Scottish Government to bring forward legislation at the earliest opportunity to implement defamation law reform.

Supported by: Ross Greer\*, Alison Johnstone\*, John Finnie\*, Neil Findlay\*

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S5M-09591](#) Ivan McKee: Congratulating Toonspeak Young People's Theatre in Barmulloch, Glasgow** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan\*

**[S5M-09590](#) John Finnie: Taking Stock: Views and Experiences of Alcohol Licensing in Scotland in 2016/17** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Andy Wightman\*, Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-09589](#) Gail Ross: Campaign Work of WWF Scotland** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S5M-09588](#) Ross Greer: Democratic Elections in Northern Syria** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Clare Haughey\*

**[S5M-09587](#) Gail Ross: Caithness Teenagers among the Top under-18 Darts Players in Scotland** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S5M-09586](#) Alison Harris: Last Remaining Bank in Denny to Close** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Annie Wells\*, Rachael Hamilton\*, Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-09585](#) Emma Harper: Commending the Beginning of Intergenerational Friendships in Dumfries** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09584](#) Jeremy Balfour: Serve Scotland Coalition** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09583](#) Jeremy Balfour: Queen Margaret University** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Liz Smith\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Miles Briggs\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Alison Harris\*, Michelle Ballantyne\*, Bill Bowman\*, Peter Chapman\*, Annie Wells\*, Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09582](#) Jeremy Balfour: Midlothian Young People's Advice Service** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

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New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*, Liz Smith\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Peter Chapman\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Alison Harris\*, Michelle Ballantyne\*, Bill Bowman\*, Annie Wells\*, Rachael Hamilton\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S5M-09580](#) Andy Wightman: The Scotland Declaration on Human Rights** (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan\*

**[S5M-09579](#) Neil Findlay: Ending Violence Against Girls and Women** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09576](#) Neil Findlay: Linlithgow Heritage Trust Gains Lottery Funding** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09575](#) Angus MacDonald: Lee Reid wins Children's Coach of the Year** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09573](#) Maurice Golden: Kustom Kruizers CIC, Bicycle Building Project in Renfrew** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-09572](#) Maurice Golden: SmartSTEMs Funding Success** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-09571](#) Maurice Golden: Scottish Huntington's Association Funding Success** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-09570](#) Richard Lochhead: Elgin Restaurant Qismat wins Scotland's Favourite Curry House at Spice Awards** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S5M-09568](#) Angus MacDonald: Elizabeth Laird Celebrates her 105th Birthday** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-09567](#) Neil Findlay: New Zealand Becomes First Country to Ban Vaginal Mesh** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-09566](#) Angus MacDonald: Riverside Riding and Communities Along the Carron Association win ASDA Foundation Funding** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

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**[S5M-09565](#) Monica Lennon: Write to End Violence Against Women Awards 2017** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-09562](#) Clare Adamson: Craigneuk Takeaway Named Scotland's Best** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Clare Haughey\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-09561](#) Brian Whittle: Girvan RNLI Station Welcomes New Lifeboat** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09560](#) Angus MacDonald: TSB Falkirk Present £10,000 to Cycling Without Age** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09558](#) Monica Lennon: Trussell Trust report on Non-food Provision** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-09557](#) Tom Mason: Historic Aberdeen Fountain Restoration** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09556](#) Angus MacDonald: Denny and Dunipace Citizens Advice Bureau Celebrates 40th Anniversary** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-09555](#) Stewart Stevenson: Alabama's New Senator** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**[S5M-09554](#) Adam Tomkins: Another Record Month for Glasgow Airport** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09553](#) Alison Johnstone: Inflation, the Benefits Freeze and Benefits Uprating** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-09552](#) Finlay Carson: Galloway National Park Development** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-09551](#) Brian Whittle: Ayr Action for Mental Health** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Rachael Hamilton\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-09550](#) Pauline McNeill: Congratulations BEMIS** (lodged on 13 December 2017)



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New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-09549](#) Neil Findlay: Primark and Sports Direct Named for Underpaying Staff** (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Iain Gray\*, Elaine Smith\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-09539](#) Alison Harris: Falkirk Herald Pub of the Year 2017** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09538](#) Bill Bowman: Fundraisers Keep it in the Family** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09537](#) Bill Bowman: School Nativity Show Raises Cash for Causes in Dundee and Abroad** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09535](#) Finlay Carson: Galloway Glens Funding Success** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-09534](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Balerno Ramblers Climb 14,000 metres in the Last Year** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09533](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Currie Playgroup Awarded Third Green Flag** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09532](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Currie Kirk Guild Hands over Hats for Syria** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09531](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Tuesday's Tea and Tunes** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09530](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Barclays Branch Staff Raise Money for RNIB** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09528](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa Academy Team's Royal Society of Chemistry Success** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Rachael Hamilton\*, Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-09527](#) Donald Cameron: Ulva Ferry Housing Project Wins Prestigious Award** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

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**[S5M-09525](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Earlston RFC Raises Money for Doddie's MND Trust**

(lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09524](#) Bob Doris: Commending Royston Youth Actions Fundraising Efforts** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09523](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Harry and Eilidh Newton Recognised for Bravery** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09522](#) Stuart McMillan: The Broomhill Project in Greenock wins Creative Regeneration Prize at SURF Awards** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09521](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Cash for Kids Gets a £500 Boost** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09520](#) Bob Doris: SafeDeposits Scotland and the Scottish Association of Landlords Launch Landlord Accreditation Academy** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-09519](#) Emma Harper: Launch of Defining Galloway Beef Project** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-09518](#) Brian Whittle: Recognising the Importance of NHS Rehab Programmes** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Rachael Hamilton\*, Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-09517](#) Angus MacDonald: Passing of Provost Tom Coleman** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09516](#) Dean Lockhart: University of Stirling Institute of Aquaculture Signs International Agreement** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09515](#) Dean Lockhart: Thistle Centre wins Major Environmental Awards** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09510](#) Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Girl set to be First Female Coppersmith Recruit in Scotland** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

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**[S5M-09509](#) Jackson Carlaw: Rouken Glen, Scotland's Best Park** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09508](#) Jackson Carlaw: Avera Mangistu and Hisham al-Sayed** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09507](#) Clare Haughey: South Lanarkshire Partnership Achieves National Recognition for Improving Young Lives** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09506](#) Clare Haughey: NHS Lanarkshire Nominated for Midwifery Service of the Year Award** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09505](#) Miles Briggs: CHAS's Intrapreneurship, Making a Difference** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09504](#) Ross Greer: Universities Superannuation Scheme** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-09502](#) Christina McKelvie: UN International Migrants Day** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09501](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Galashiels Film-makers Shortlisted for 2018 Margaret Tait Award** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09500](#) Gillian Martin: Ian Garden Donates £5,000 Worth of Equipment to Homeless People in Aberdeen** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09499](#) Emma Harper: SwiftKey Develop the World's First Scots-language App** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09497](#) Alexander Burnett: New Technology Accelerator** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09496](#) Liam Kerr: Glenesk Hotel Guinness World Record Success** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09495](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Award-winning Peebles Restaurant Celebrates 10 Years** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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Motions   Gluasadan				

New Support: Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-09494](#) Michelle Ballantyne: St Andrews Leckie Church Raises £6,747** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09493](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Sandra Brown Wins Volunteer of the Year** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09492](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Innerleithen Fundraisers Set Sights on Nepal** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09491](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Leslie Barrell Prepares for Running Challenge** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09490](#) Rachael Hamilton: A Great Year for Sammi** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Annie Wells\*

**[S5M-09489](#) Jackie Baillie: Helensburgh and Lomond Young Rugby Players Clinch the Title** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09487](#) Jeremy Balfour: Rock Trust Nightstop to Cover West Lothian** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09486](#) Brian Whittle: HALO in Kilmarnock** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

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

**[S5M-09485](#) Bruce Crawford: Stirling Tolbooth, Scot Trad Music Venue of the Year** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09484](#) Brian Whittle: Anna Manson Named Apprentice Ambassador of the Year** (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Annie Wells\*, Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09481](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Law Society of Scotland Launches Baublefest Charity Campaign** (lodged on 11 December 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09479](#) Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde Childminding Network Donates 258Kg of Food to Inverclyde Foodbank** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

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Motions   Gluasadan				

**[S5M-09478](#) Christina McKelvie: Newfield Primary Nursery Class** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09477](#) Alex Neil: City of Glasgow College Student Wins Gold at WorldSkills UK Competition** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09476](#) Stuart McMillan: The Ton Community Trust Kit and Boot Recycling Facility** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09475](#) Stuart McMillan: Riverside Inverclyde to Reveal Plans to Launch Taste Inverclyde Website** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09474](#) Jeremy Balfour: U16 Scottish Schools Rugby Cup Final** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09473](#) David Torrance: Fifers Named for the Commonwealth Games** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09472](#) Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Cheer** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09471](#) David Torrance: Fife Chef, Chris Niven** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09470](#) Angus MacDonald: Falkirk Junior Bike Club** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09467](#) Colin Beattie: Kitchin Group Cooks Up New Opportunities for Queen Margaret University Students** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09466](#) Fulton MacGregor: Irene McLaughlan, Head of Dunbeth Family Learning Centre, Coatbridge** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09465](#) Angus MacDonald: The 2017 Falkirk Herald Business Awards** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09464](#) Stewart Stevenson: John Bell, Portknockie Citizen of the Year** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

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Motions   Gluasadan				

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09463](#) Bill Bowman: Bowling for Charity** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09460](#) Liam McArthur: Kirkwall's "The Big Tree" Named Tree of the Year** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09458](#) Bob Doris: Care Inspectorate Recognised by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09457](#) Gillian Martin: Seven-year-old Mia McDonald Raises Over £450 for Children in Need** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09456](#) Christina McKelvie: Hamilton-based Equi's Ice Cream Secures Deal with ASDA** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09455](#) Graeme Dey: Arbroath Police Officers Honoured for their Bravery** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09454](#) David Torrance: Flying Sam Improves Care Home Residents Lives** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09452](#) Jeremy Balfour: Social Bite, Sleep in the Park** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*, Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09451](#) Alexander Stewart: Dunfermline Women Launch the Dapper Drinks Company** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09450](#) Angus MacDonald: Chest, Heart & Stroke Scotland Grangemouth** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09448](#) Alex Neil: RBS Airdrie** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09447](#) Stuart McMillan: Port Glasgow Women Knit to Help People with Dementia** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*



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Motions   Gluasadan				

**[S5M-09444](#) Angus MacDonald: Forth Ports to Build New Training Facility in Grangemouth** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09443](#) Angus MacDonald: Carronshore Primary School Receives Awards for All Funding** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09442](#) Alexander Burnett: Scottish Green Energy Awards** (lodged on 08 December 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09436](#) Kate Forbes: Sustainable Tourism Award for Cairngorms National Park** (lodged on 07 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09434](#) Gillian Martin: Cruden Bay Bowling Club Receives £12,000 from the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund** (lodged on 07 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09433](#) Bruce Crawford: Stirling Gin On Track for Success with ScotRail** (lodged on 07 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09429](#) Christine Grahame: Great Polish Map of Scotland** (lodged on 07 December 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S5M-09407](#) Monica Lennon: RBS Bank Closures in the Central Scotland Region** (lodged on 07 December 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-09384](#) Liam Kerr: Increasing Awareness of the Work of Veteran Charities in Scotland** (lodged on 06 December 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-09352](#) Peter Chapman: SRUC Queen's Anniversary Prize for Higher and Further Education** (lodged on 05 December 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton\*

**[S5M-09328](#) Joan McAlpine: The Economic Potential of Robert Burns** (lodged on 30 November 2017)

New Support: John Scott\*

**[S5M-08521](#) Mark Ruskell: Trade Justice Scotland, Principles for Just Trade Deals** (lodged on 31 October 2017)

New Support: Kate Forbes\*

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Questions   Ceistean				

## Written Questions

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

### Written questions lodged on 15 December 2017

**S5W-13460 Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the meeting with the A77 and A75 Action Group on 15 November 2017, during which the Minister for Transport and the Islands reportedly committed to commence an infrastructure review for these trunk roads as links to the port of Cairnryan within a month or two, when this review will commence; when the results are expected, and what the parameters of the review will be.

**S5W-13461 Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether compulsory cardiocography (CTG) training for all neonatal staff has been implemented across all NHS boards; whether time is allocated during working hours for this training, and whether it is compulsory at least twice a year.

**S5W-13462 Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport's inquiry into the legal right of still born babies to be eligible for the Crown Office to instigate an inquiry into an unexplained death where appropriate.

**S5W-13463 Margaret Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether funding for the Robert Burns World Federation has been reduced and, if so, for what reason.

**S5W-13464 Bill Bowman:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment has been carried out of the possible impact of severe winter weather on major transport infrastructure in the north east, and whether it will provide details of any extra measures and resources being made available to ensure that transport links remain available.

**S5W-13465 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to (a) maximise the efficiency and (b) keep the costs down of 2017's Health & Care Experience Survey.

**S5W-13466 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how much the Health & Care Experience Survey and its predecessor, the GP and Local NHS Services Patient Experience Survey, has cost and how many responses were received in each of the last ten years.

**S5W-13467 Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of the school building estate is fitted with fire alarms, broken down by local authority area.

**S5W-13468 Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government how the 95% superfast broadband connectivity target will be judged, and whether premises connected to an enabled cabinet, but too far from that cabinet to receive superfast connectivity, count as enabled within the 95%.

**S5W-13469 Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether commercial fishing for sand eel takes place within the Scottish zone, and whether it has made an assessment of the impact of any such fishing on sand eel-dependent predators, including breeding seabirds.

**S5W-13470 Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure that future farm subsidy support will deliver sustainable land management, and what advice and support will be given to farmers to ensure they can access funding.

**S5W-13471 Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made on the development of the detailed reporting framework for the Land Use Strategy that was reportedly due in December 2016; which policies and proposals due to be completed by the end of 2017 have not been achieved, and when the reporting framework will be published.



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Questions   Ceistean				

**[S5W-13472](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government when ministers last met to discuss the results of the SNH scoping exercise on an uplands vision, and when a decision will be made on when to develop an uplands vision.

**[S5W-13479](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made on the commitment in its published strategy, *Beating Cancer: Ambition and Action*, to increase NHS scope capacity by 2,000 scopes per annum on a sustainable basis.

## New Subordinate Legislation

### Affirmative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 15 December 2017 and are subject to the affirmative procedure—

Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2018 [draft]

laid under section 10(2) of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974

Police Act 1997 and the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 Remedial Order 2018 [draft]

laid under section 13(2) of the Convention Rights (Compliance) (Scotland) Act 2001

### Negative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 15 December 2017 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Universal Credit (Claims and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/436)  
laid under sections 29(8) and 30(7) of the Scotland Act 2016

Sea Fish (Prohibited Methods of Fishing) (Firth of Clyde) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/450)  
laid under section 20(5) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967

Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/451)

laid under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 and section 36C(2) of the Electricity Act 1989

### Laid only instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 15 December 2017 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 (Commencement No. 14 and Saving Provision) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/445 (C.33))

laid under section 201 of the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 and section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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New Subordinate Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

## 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 Members' Bills

**Mark Ruskell: Proposed Restricted Roads (20mph Limit) (Scotland) Bill**—Proposal for a Bill to replace the current 30mph default speed limit on restricted roads with a 20mph limit. (lodged 20 November 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).

Supported by: **Patrick Harvie, John Finnie, Clare Adamson, Andy Wightman, Ross Greer, Emma Harper, Graeme Dey, Gillian Martin, Angus MacDonald, Alison Johnstone, Stewart Stevenson, David Torrance, Neil Findlay, Gail Ross, Claudia Beamish, Kate Forbes, David Stewart, Ash Denham, Jenny Gilruth, Claire Baker, James Kelly, Bruce Crawford**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

## 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.

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

Passed, 8 November 2017

#### **Children and Young People (Information Sharing) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Education and Skills)), 6 December 2017

#### **Civil Litigation (Expenses and Group Proceedings) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 19 December 2017

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

Stage 2 completed, 12 December 2017

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))

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

Passed, 21 November 2017

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

### **Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 13 December 2017

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))

### **Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Equalities and Human Rights Committee), 21 December 2017

### **Historical Sexual Offences (Pardons and Disregards) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1, Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 19 December 2017

*Lead committee - Equalities and Human Rights*

### **Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 13 December 2017

### **Islands (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 8 November 2017

### **Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Relief from Additional Amount) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Finance and Constitution Committee, 6 December 2017

### **Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Repeal) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 12 December 2017

### **Planning (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 4 December 2017

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

Consideration Stage (evidence, lead committee (Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill Committee), 13 December 2017

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

Passed, 9 November 2017

### **Social Security (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 19 December 2017

*Stage 1 Report - Social Security Committee (3rd Report, 2017)*

### **Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 20 December 2017

### **Writers to the Signet Dependants' Annuity Fund Amendment (Scotland) Bill (P)**

Passed, 14 December 2017

## **Legislative Consent Memorandums**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

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>

**European Union (Withdrawal) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-10**

Lodged on 12 September 2017

(lead committee (Finance and Constitution)), 20 December 2017

**Financial Guidance and Claims Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-11**

Lodged on 13 December 2017

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

**Affirmative instruments**

**Lead committee to report by 18 December 2017**

[Criminal Legal Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (9 November 2017) (Justice)

**Lead committee to report by 9 January 2018**

[Police Investigations and Review Commissioner \(Application and Modification of the Criminal Justice \(Scotland\) Act 2016\) \(Scotland\) Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (15 November 2017) (Justice)  
[withdrawn and re-laid on 28 November 2017]

**Lead committee to report by 4 February 2018**

[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Covert Surveillance and Property Interference – Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\]](#) (11 December 2017) (Justice)

[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Equipment Interference – Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\]](#) (11 December 2017) (Justice)

[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Covert Human Intelligence Sources – Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\]](#) (11 December 2017) (Justice)

**Lead committee to report by 8 February 2018**

[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2018 \[draft\]](#) (15 December 2017) (Education and Skills)

[Police Act 1997 and the Protection of Vulnerable Groups \(Scotland\) Act 2007 Remedial Order 2018 \[draft\]](#) (15 December 2017) (Education and Skills)

**Negative instruments**

**Subject to annulment by 22 December 2017**

**Lead committee to report by 18 December 2017**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

[Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions \(Scotland\) Amendment Rules 2017 \(SSI 2017/393\)](#) (13 November 2017) (Justice)

**Subject to annulment by 10 January 2018**

**Lead committee to report by 8 January 2018**

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Health and Education Chamber and General Regulatory Chamber Charity Appeals \(Procedure\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/398\)](#) (16 November 2017) (Justice)

**Subject to annulment by 18 January 2018**

**Lead committee to report by 15 January 2018**

[Novel Foods \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/415\)](#) (24 November 2017) (Health and Sport)

**Subject to annulment by 24 January 2018**

**Lead committee to report by 22 January 2018**

[Razor Clams \(Prohibition on Fishing and Landing\) \(Scotland\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/419\)](#) (30 November 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Notice to Local Authorities \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/421\)](#) (30 November 2017) (Justice)

[Sale of Nicotine Vapour Products \(Vending Machines\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/422\)](#) (30 November 2017) (Health and Sport)

**Subject to annulment by 31 January 2018**

**Lead committee to report by 29 January 2018**

[Letting Agent \(Registration and Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/428\)](#) (7 December 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

[Fife Council Area and Perth and Kinross Council Area \(Keltybridge and Fife Environmental Energy Park at Westfield\) Boundaries Amendment Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/430\)](#) (7 December 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

**Subject to annulment by 6 February 2018**

**Lead committee to report by 5 February 2018**

[National Health Service Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/433\)](#) (13 December 2017) (Health and Sport)

[National Health Service Superannuation Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/434\)](#) (13 December 2017) (Health and Sport)

**Subject to annulment by 7 February 2018**

**Lead committee to report by 5 February 2018**

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Amendment and Transitional Provision\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/435\)](#) (14 December 2017) (Justice)

**Subject to annulment by 8 February 2018**

**Lead committee to report by 5 February 2018**



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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

[Universal Credit \(Claims and Payments\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/436\) \(15 December 2017\)](#) (Social Security)

[Sea Fish \(Prohibited Methods of Fishing\) \(Firth of Clyde\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/450\) \(15 December 2017\)](#) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Electricity Works \(Environmental Impact Assessment\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/451\) \(15 December 2017\)](#) (Economy, Jobs and Fair Work)

### Documents laid for consultation

#### Laid for consultation before 22 January 2018

[Public Services Reform \(Poverty and Inequality Commission\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\] \[Proposed Draft Order\] \(SG/2017/239\) \(8 November 2017\)](#) (Social Security)

[Public Services Reform \(Poverty and Inequality Commission\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\] \[Proposed Explanatory Document\] \(SG/2017/240\) \(8 November 2017\)](#) (Social Security)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

The following report was re-published on 15 December 2017—

Equalities and Human Rights Committee, 6th Report, 2017 (Session 5): Stage 1 report on the Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Bill (SP Paper 230.1)

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