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Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection - Reverend Jack Graham, Minister, Parkhead Congregational Church, Glasgow

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Article 50

followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Motion: Appointment of Scottish Public Services Ombudsman

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-03637 Mike Rumbles: Blackhillock to Kintore Transmission Line

Committee Meetings

9:30am Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

9:30am Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

9:30am Health and Sport Committee

10:30am Justice Committee

10:45am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

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- 1. Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that almost half of head teachers consider that there is a lack of teaching staff in schools. ([S5T-00381](#))
- 2. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to reduce the amount of time families are spending in emergency accommodation. ([S5T-00376](#))

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Article 50

[S5M-03858](#) Michael Russell: Article 50—That the Parliament agrees with all but one of Scotland's MPs that the UK Government's European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill should not proceed, as the UK Government has set out no provision for effective consultation with the devolved administrations on reaching an agreed UK approach to the negotiations on implementing Article 50, has refused to give a guarantee on the position of EU nationals in the UK, has left unanswered a range of detailed questions covering many policy areas regarding the full implications of withdrawal from the single market, and has provided no assurance that a future parliamentary vote on the outcome of the negotiations will be anything other than irrelevant, as withdrawal from the EU follows two years after the invoking of Article 50 if agreement is not reached in the forthcoming negotiations, unless they are prolonged by unanimity.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

[S5M-03858.3](#) John Lamont: Article 50—As an amendment to motion S5M-03858 in the name of Michael Russell (Article 50), leave out from "agrees" to end and insert "believes that the Scottish Government should respect the result of the UK-wide EU Referendum; recognises the formation of the Joint Ministerial Committee (EU Negotiations) as an effective way of engaging with devolved administrations on implementing Article 50; urges EU countries to give mutual assurances on UK nationals' right to remain, and calls on the Scottish Government to work with the UK Government to make the most of the opportunities that leaving the EU presents, to stop using the EU Referendum result as a means of creating division, and to rule out a second independence referendum."

[S5M-03858.1](#) Lewis Macdonald: Article 50—As an amendment to motion S5M-03858 in the name of Michael Russell (Article 50), leave out from "agrees" to end and insert "recognises that a majority in Scotland voted for the UK to remain in the EU, and that a majority also voted for Scotland to remain in the UK; agrees that the UK single market is more important to the Scottish economy than the European single market and therefore that there should be no move to put in place any barriers that would damage Scottish trade with the rest of the UK; believes that many people voted against leaving the EU for the same reasons that they voted to remain in the UK, in order to secure jobs, opportunities and social and civil rights; believes that the majority of the people of Scotland want to remain inside the UK, with as close a relationship with Europe as

possible; agrees there should not be a second Scottish independence referendum; respects the outcome of the EU referendum and accepts that, as a result, the UK will leave the EU; agrees that the UK Government's European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill should not proceed until it has set out detail on the full range of unanswered questions covering many policy areas where its proposals would have a detrimental effect on the jobs and opportunities of people across Scotland; further believes that the UK Government must consult the Scottish Government and other devolved administrations on the process of exiting the EU, and calls on the Scottish Government to work with other devolved administrations on the range of relevant issues, including to protect workers' rights, to ensure that the UK does not become a bargain-basement tax haven, to guarantee legal rights for EU citizens living in the UK and to seek to retain all existing EU tax avoidance and evasion measures post-Brexit."

[S5M-03858.2](#) Ross Greer: Article 50—As an amendment to motion S5M-03858 in the name of Michael Russell (Article 50), insert at end “; notes the widespread scepticism that an agreement on the future relationship of the UK and EU can be reached within two years; is concerned by the lack of any proposed transitional arrangements until such an agreement is in place, and believes that the decision to proceed with the bill does not respect the majority vote to remain part of the EU that was returned in every council area in Scotland.”

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followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Motion: Appointment of Scottish Public Services Ombudsman

[S5M-03830](#) Bob Doris on behalf of the Selection Panel: Appointment of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman—That the Parliament nominates Rosemary Agnew to Her Majesty The Queen for appointment as the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman under section 1 of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002.

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill – UK Legislation

[S5M-03631](#) Shona Robison: Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill – UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 15 September 2016, relating to the costs of health service medicines, medical supplies and other related products, and specifically those relating to information powers, 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

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

[S5M-03637](#) Mike Rumbles: Blackhillock to Kintore Transmission Line—That the Parliament notes the concern that has been expressed by communities in proximity to Scottish and Southern Electricity Network's proposed Blackhillock to Kintore transmission reinforcement regarding the development's potential visual impact; understands that the National Assembly for Wales unanimously passed a motion on 18 January 2017 endorsing the use of underground cables and alternatives to pylons where feasible, with a view to minimising the visual impact of such infrastructure; reiterates what it sees as the need for effective community consultation and the importance of incorporating feedback as a means for addressing such concerns; believes that the outstanding natural beauty of this countryside, for example the area around Bennachie, must be protected, and notes what it considers are the communities' urgent calls for the existing plans to be the subject of substantial change and mitigation action in order for this to be achieved.

Committee Meetings

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

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee 5th 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 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Climate Change Plan and Energy Strategy:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Christine MacKenzie, Public Affairs Manager for Scotland, SSE;
Jenny Hogan, Director of Policy, Scottish Renewables;
Lindsay McQuade, Policy and Innovation Director, ScottishPower Renewables;
Stuart Haszeldine, Professor of Carbon Capture and Storage, University of Edinburgh;
and then from—
Julian Leslie, Head of Electricity Network Development, and Nicola Pitts, Head of Commercial Frameworks - Gas, National Grid;
Kersti Berge, Partner, Networks and Head of Ofgem in Scotland, and Andy Burgess, Associate Partner, Energy Systems Integration, Ofgem.
3. **Climate Change Plan and Energy Strategy:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 5th 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 items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3):** The Committee will take evidence from—
Matthew Bell, Chief Executive, Committee on Climate Change;
and then from—
Jo Green, Chief Officer, Performance and Innovation Portfolio, Scottish Environment Protection Agency;
Iain Gulland, Chief Executive Officer, Zero Waste Scotland;
Simon Parsons, Director of Strategic Customer Service Planning, Scottish Water;
Jamie Pitcairn, Director, Scotland, Ricardo;
Bruce Reekie, Waste Services and Community Greenspace Manager, Perth and Kinross Council;
Chris Wood-Gee, Chair, Sustainable Scotland Network;
and then from—
Jim Densham, Senior Land Use Policy Officer (Climate), Royal Society for the Protection of Birds;
Anne Gray, Senior Policy Officer (Land Use & Environment), Scottish Land and Estates;
Dr Maggie Keegan, Head of Policy, Scottish Wildlife Trust;
Pete Smith, Professor of Soils & Global Change, University of Aberdeen;
Dr Emily Taylor, Land Management Project Co-ordinator, Crichton Carbon Centre.

3. **EU Engagement and Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider its draft response to the Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee in relation to its EU engagement and scrutiny work.
4. **Draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3) – Update to Approach to Engagement:** The Committee will consider its approach to engagement on the inquiry.
5. **Draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3) (in private):** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
6. **Committee for Parliamentary Reform (in private):** The Committee will consider its response to the Commission for Parliamentary Reform.

Health and Sport Committee 4th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **NHS Governance (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.
2. **Integration Authorities Consultation with Stakeholders (in private):** The Committee will consider an approach paper.
Not before 10.00 am
3. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda item 7, consideration of a draft letter to the Scottish Health Council in private at this meeting and any future meetings.
4. **Child Protection in Sport:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Fraser Wishart, Chief Executive, Professional Football Association Scotland;
Andrew McKinlay, Chief Operating Officer, and Donna Martin, Child Protection and Safeguarding Manager, Scottish Football Association;
David Little, Chief Executive, Scottish Youth Football Association;
and then from—
Mary Glasgow, Director of Children and Family Services and External Affairs, Children 1st;
Lauren Bruce, Policy Manager: Education, Children & Young People Team, COSLA;
Tam Baillie, Commissioner, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland;
Matt Forde, National Head of Service, National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) Scotland;
John Hawkins, Assistant Chief Constable, Police Scotland;
Kim Atkinson, Chief Executive Officer, Scottish Sports Association;
Forbes Dunlop, Chief Executive Officer, Scottish Swimming;
John Lunn, Head of Pathways, sportscotland;
George Thomson, Chief Executive Officer, Volunteer Scotland.
5. **Child protection in Sport (in private):** The Committee will consider the main themes arising from the oral evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
6. **The Implications to Scotland of Brexit (in private):** The Committee will consider a revised draft letter to the Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee.
7. **Scottish Health Council (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Scottish Health Council.

Justice Committee 5th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6 and 7 in private. The Committee will also decide whether its consideration of its draft report on its inquiry into the role and purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Stop and Search Code of Practice (Appointed Day) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 [draft] from—
Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Stephen Jones, Head of Police Powers, and Craig French, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Michael Matheson (Cabinet Secretary for Justice) to move—
S4M-03459—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Stop and Search Code of Practice (Appointed Day) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 [draft] be approved.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Rural Housing Bodies) Amendment Order 2017 (SSI 2017/7).
5. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting on 2 February 2017.
6. **Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider written evidence received and potential witnesses for its scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
7. **Inquiry into the role and purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service:** The Committee will consider a discussion paper on its inquiry.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 5th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 10:45 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 7 and 8 in private.
2. **Instrument subject to approval:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Scottish Landfill Tax \(Standard Rate and Lower Rate\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/23\)](#).
3. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Judiciary and Courts \(Scotland\) Act 2008 \(Scottish Land Court\) Order 2017 \[draft\]](#);
[Continuing Care \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#);
[National Health Service \(Scotland\) Act 1978 \(Independent Clinic\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#);
[Scottish Fiscal Commission \(Modification of Functions\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#).
4. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Non-Domestic Rates \(Rural Areas\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/22\)](#).
5. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Health \(Tobacco, Nicotine etc. and Care\) \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/12 \(C.2\)\)](#);
[Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session 1994 Amendment\) \(Temporary Exclusion Orders\) 2017 \(SSI 2017/26\)](#).
6. **Draft instruments/documents subject to approval:** The Committee will consider the following—
Public Services Reform (Corporate Insolvency and Bankruptcy) (Scotland) Order 2017 - [proposed draft Order](#) and [proposed Explanatory Document](#) (SG/2017/8 and SG/2017/9).

7. **Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider further the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
8. **Commission on Parliamentary Reform:** The Committee will further consider correspondence to the Commission.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 1 February 2017

Wednesday 8 February 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Finance and the Constitution

followed by Scottish Government Debate: The Future of the Jobcentre Plus Network in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-02776 Bill Kidd: The Jimmy Reid Foundation Report, Trident and its Successor Programme

Thursday 9 February 2017

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-03336 Stuart McMillan: Barnardo's Scotland, Nurture Week

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Social Enterprise Strategy: 2016-2026

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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Tuesday 21 February 2017

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 22 February 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Rural Economy and Connectivity;
Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 23 February 2017

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Government Business

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5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

Finance and Constitution Committee

8 February 2017

6th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Budget (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 2 from—
Derek Mackay, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution, Graham Owenson, Head of Local Government Finance, Jonathan Sewell, Head of Income Tax and Fiscal Adjustments Unit, and Gordon Wales, Director of Financial Management, Scottish Government.
2. **Budget (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.
3. **Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Garry Clark, Head of Policy and Research, Scottish Chambers of Commerce;
Gareth Williams, Head of Policy, Scottish Chambers of Development and Industry;
Stephen Leckie, Chair, Scottish Tourism Alliance.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 22 February 2017, the Committee expects to continue its consideration of the Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at finance.constitution@parliament.scot

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

8 February 2017

5th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Draft Climate Change Plan:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor Tom Rye, Director of TRI and Professor of Transport Policy, Edinburgh Napier University;
David Beeton, Managing Director, Urban Foresight;
Sally Hinchcliffe, Organiser, Pedal on Parliament;
Phil Matthews, Chair, Transform Scotland;
Dr Jason Monios, Associate Professor in Transport Planning and Geography, Edinburgh Napier University.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/6)

4. **Review of priorities for crofting law reform:** The Committee will consider a draft report.
5. **Commission for Parliamentary Reform:** The Committee will consider committee effectiveness.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 22 February, the Committee will take evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for Rural Economy and Connectivity and the Minister for Transport and the Islands on the Draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3). It will consider subordinate legislation on The National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Older and Disabled Persons (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017.

The Committee will also consider its approach to the Seat belts on School Transport Bill. .

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5211 or at

rec.committee@parliament.scot

Local Government and Communities Committee

8 February 2017

5th 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 6 in private.
2. **The draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3):** The Committee will take evidence from—
Michael Barton-Maynard, Policy Manager, Homes for Scotland;
Fabrice Leveque, Existing Homes Alliance;
David Stewart, Policy Lead, Scottish Federation of Housing Associations;
Liz Marquis, Director, Energy Agency.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
The Letting Agent Registration (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/432);

The Licensing of Relevant Permanent Sites (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/433);

The Non-Domestic Rate (Scotland) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/8);

The Non-Domestic Rates (Levying) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/9)

4. **Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2.
5. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.
6. **Implications for Scottish local government of the United Kingdom leaving the European Union:** The Committee will consider its report to the Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 22 February, the Committee expects to take evidence on the draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3) from the Minister for Local Government and Housing.

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

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

9 February 2017

5th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 8:45 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.
2. **Section 22 report - The 2015/16 audit of NHS Tayside:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland report entitled "The 2015/16 audit of NHS Tayside: Financial sustainability" from—
Paul Gray, Director-General Health & Social Care and Chief Executive NHS Scotland, Christine McLaughlin, Director of Health Finance, and Fiona McQueen, Chief Nursing Officer, Scottish Government.
3. **Section 23 report - Changing models of health and social care:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland report entitled "Changing models of health and social care" from—
Paul Gray, Director-General Health & Social Care and Chief Executive NHS Scotland, Shirley Rogers, Director of Health Workforce and Strategic Change, Geoff Huggins, Director for Health and Social Care Integration, Christine McLaughlin, Director of Health Finance, and Fiona McQueen, Chief Nursing Officer, Scottish Government.
4. **Consideration of evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda items 2 and 3 and take further evidence from—
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;
Carol Calder, Senior Manager, and Jillian Matthew, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 23 February, the Committee expects to take evidence on the administration of the Scottish Rate of Income Tax.

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

Public Petitions Committee

9 February 2017

3rd Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
PE1319 by William Smith and Scott Robertson on improving youth football in Scotland;
and will take evidence from—
Tam Baillie, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland;
and will then consider—
PE1605 by Peter Gregson, on behalf of Kids not Suits, on whistleblowing in the NHS - a safer way to report mismanagement and bullying;

and will take evidence from—

Laura Callender, Governance and Compliance Manager and Kirsty-Louise Campbell, Head of Strategy (interim), Strategy and Insight Division, City of Edinburgh Council;

Cathy James, Chief Executive and Andrew Pepper-Parsons, Head of Policy, Public Concern at Work;

Tam Hiddleston, Secretary, Scottish Healthcare Branch, UNISON Scotland.

3. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—

PE1595 by Alexander Taylor on moratorium on shared space schemes;

PE1610 by Matt Halliday on upgrade the A75.

4. **Proposed petitions:** The Committee will consider a note by the Clerk.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 2 March, the Committee expects to consider continued and new petitions. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Catherine Fergusson, on 0131 348 5186 or petitions@parliament.scot.

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee

9 February 2017

5th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **The EU referendum and its implications for Scotland: the impact of leaving the EU for the Scottish Budget:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor David Heald, Professor of Public Sector Accounting, University of Strathclyde;
Professor David Bell, Professor of Economics, University of Stirling.
2. **The EU referendum and its implications for Scotland: the impact of leaving the EU for the Scottish Budget (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katy Orr, on 0131 348 5234 or email europe@parliament.scot.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

9 February 2017

3rd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Cross-Party Groups:** The Committee will consider applications for recognition from three Cross-Party Groups, and take evidence from—
Rhoda Grant, Co-Convener of the proposed CPG on Commercial Sexual Exploitation;
George Adam, Convener of the proposed CPG on End of Life Choices;
Maree Todd, Convener of the proposed CPG on Heart Disease and Stroke.
2. **Cross-Party Group - approval:** The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to the proposed Cross-Party Groups on End of Life Choices, Heart Disease and Stroke, and Commercial Sexual Exploitation.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 23 February, the Committee expects to consider approval for recognition for one Cross-Party Group.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Dougie Wands, on 0131 348 6924 or at SPPA.committee@parliament.scot.

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Motions

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

Motions for Debate

***S5M-03873 Jamie Hepburn: The Future of the Jobcentre Plus Network in Scotland**—That the Parliament is concerned at the impact that the announced closure of up to 23 Jobcentre Plus sites across Scotland by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) will have on people and communities; recognises the negative outcomes on those who need to access Jobcentre Plus sites that these closures will bring; calls on the DWP to provide more detail on the timing, scope and rationale for these closures, alongside equality impact assessments; believes that the terms of paragraph 58 of the Smith Commission Agreement, which sets out that “the UK and Scottish Government will identify ways to further link services through methods such as co-location wherever possible and establish more formal mechanisms to govern the Jobcentre Plus network in Scotland” should have triggered more meaningful dialogue between the DWP and the Scottish Government on the future of Jobcentre Plus sites in Scotland, and calls on the DWP to halt the closures to allow the Scottish Government to bring forward substantive co-location proposals to save these jobcentres.

Supported by: Keith Brown*

***S5M-03858 Michael Russell: Article 50**—That the Parliament agrees with all but one of Scotland’s MPs that the UK Government’s European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill should not proceed, as the UK Government has set out no provision for effective consultation with the devolved administrations on reaching an agreed UK approach to the negotiations on implementing Article 50, has refused to give a guarantee on the position of EU nationals in the UK, has left unanswered a range of detailed questions covering many policy areas regarding the full implications of withdrawal from the single market, and has provided no assurance that a future parliamentary vote on the outcome of the negotiations will be anything other than irrelevant, as withdrawal from the EU follows two years after the invoking of Article 50 if agreement is not reached in the forthcoming negotiations, unless they are prolonged by unanimity.

Supported by: Fiona Hyslop*

***S5M-03858.4 Willie Rennie: Article 50**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03858 in the name of Michael Russell (Article 50), insert at end “; believes that a democratic decision cannot end with a 'blank cheque-Brexit' and a deal that nobody voted for being imposed by the UK Conservative

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Supported by: Jackson Carlaw*

***S5M-03858.2 Ross Greer: Article 50**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03858 in the name of Michael Russell (Article 50), insert at end “; notes the widespread scepticism that an agreement on the future relationship of the UK and EU can be reached within two years; is concerned by the lack of any proposed transitional arrangements until such an agreement is in place, and believes that the decision to proceed with the bill does not respect the majority vote to remain part of the EU that was returned in every council area in Scotland.”

***S5M-03858.1 Lewis Macdonald: Article 50**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03858 in the name of Michael Russell (Article 50), leave out from "agrees" to end and insert “recognises that a majority in Scotland voted for the UK to remain in the EU, and that a majority also voted for Scotland to remain in the UK; agrees that the UK single market is more important to the Scottish economy than the European single market and therefore that there should be no move to put in place any barriers that would damage Scottish trade with the rest of the UK; believes that many people voted against leaving the EU for the same reasons that they voted to remain in the UK, in order to secure jobs, opportunities and social and civil rights; believes that the majority of the people of Scotland want to remain inside the UK, with as close a relationship with Europe as possible; agrees there should not be a second Scottish independence referendum; respects the outcome of the EU referendum and accepts that, as a result, the UK will leave the EU; agrees that the UK Government's European Union (Notification of Withdrawal) Bill should not proceed until it has set out detail on the full range of unanswered questions covering many policy areas where its proposals would have a detrimental effect on the jobs and opportunities of people across Scotland; further believes that the UK Government must consult the Scottish Government and other devolved administrations on the process of exiting the EU, and calls on the Scottish Government to work with other devolved administrations on the range of relevant issues, including to protect workers' rights, to ensure that the UK does not become a bargain-basement tax haven, to guarantee legal rights for EU citizens living in the UK and to seek to retain all existing EU tax avoidance and evasion measures post-Brexit.”

Supported by: Kezia Dugdale*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-03872 Emma Harper: Scotland’s First Dark Skies Conference**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Europe’s first dark skies conference is to be held in Gatehouse of Fleet, in the South Scotland region from 20 to 23 September 2017; understands that it will bring together some of the world's top dark sky experts with the aim of promoting rural development, tourism and

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tackling light pollution issues; notes that astronomers, town planners, lighting specialists, environmentalists and academics will be attending, acknowledges that the Galloway Forest Park was the first area in Europe to achieve dark sky park status; congratulates Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere, the International Dark Sky Association and Forest Enterprise Scotland on organising the conference, and hopes that the event will help to put the south west of Scotland on the map as a major stargazing destination.

***S5M-03871 Finlay Carson: Dumfries and Galloway to Host Europe's First Dark Sky Park Conference**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Europe's first dark sky park conference is to be staged at Gatehouse of Fleet in the Galloway and West Dumfries constituency; understands that the conference will bring together some of the world's top dark sky experts and will aim to promote rural development, tourism and tackling light-pollution issues, and recognises that the conference is being organised by Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere, the International Dark Sky Association and Forest Enterprise Scotland, which manages the Galloway Forest Dark Sky Park.

Supported by: Maurice Corry*, Liz Smith*, Miles Briggs*, Donald Cameron*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alison Harris*, Liam McArthur*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, John Lamont*, Douglas Ross*, Graeme Dey*

***S5M-03869 Neil Findlay: New Programme for Almondell and Calderwood Country Park**—That the Parliament congratulates the friends of Almondell and Calderwood Country Park; notes that the friends have launched a new programme of work for 2017; welcomes what it sees as the invaluable work that they do to maintain the park and ensure that people have a relaxing place to go to enjoy the beautiful scenery of West Lothian, and recognises the health benefits that the park provides.

***S5M-03868 Joan McAlpine: Annan Rugby Club**—That the Parliament congratulates Annan Rugby Club on it being awarded £25,000 from the Aviva Community Fund; notes that the fund offers support and funding to communities whose applications go to a public vote before being judged by the Aviva panel; understands that the club's entry attracted more than 23,000 votes, which it believes demonstrates the strength of support that it receives from the community; believes that the money will help refurbish the floodlights at its ground, Violetbank; recognises that this good news is the latest success for the club, which has won local and national coaching and volunteering awards, been named a BT club of the season and took the top prize in the RBS RugbyForce initiative, and acknowledges the dedicated volunteers at the club who have worked hard to develop it in order to help it build for the future and become a cornerstone of community sport and life in Dumfriesshire.

***S5M-03867 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week 6 to 12 February 2017**—That the Parliament welcomes Children's Mental Health Week, which is organised by the school-based, children's mental health charity, Place2Be; notes that the aim of the week, which takes place from 6 to 12 February 2017, is to raise awareness of children's mental health and encourage everyone, adults and children alike, to spread a little kindness, as simple acts of kindness can help enormously when children are facing a difficult time, and understands that half of all mental health problems start before the age of 14 so early intervention to support children in schools is vital.

Supported by: Iain Gray*, Monica Lennon*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Jeremy Balfour*, Ruth Maguire*, Claudia Beamish*, Liam McArthur*, Fulton MacGregor*, John Mason*, Gail Ross*

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***S5M-03865 Graeme Dey: Dundee and Angus College**—That the Parliament congratulates Dundee and Angus College on being recognised by the Scottish Funding Council as being the best college in Scotland for student outcomes for full-time further education courses; welcomes the college continuing to surpass national averages in terms of student success in a range of categories, including full-time and part-time higher education courses, and that, in all age groups, students performed better than the national average; notes that the college has maintained above average results for students from deprived areas, and welcomes the hard work of all of the staff and students at the college in producing these excellent results.

Supported by: Ruth Maguire*, Richard Lyle*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Liam Kerr*, Joan McAlpine*, Clare Haughey*

***S5M-03863 Monica Lennon: Luxury: A Short Film, and its Contribution to Tackling Period Poverty in Scotland**—That the Parliament welcomes the campaign, *Luxury: A Short Film*, which aims to crowdfund the production of a short film to highlight the issues of period stigma and accessibility of sanitary products; congratulates the Glasgow-based filmmaker, Alison Piper, and producer, Anna Fraga McLucas, for creating the project and raising awareness of period poverty; recognises that access to sanitary products during menstruation is essential to the health and wellbeing of women and girls and is an issue of human dignity; notes that the campaign highlights in particular the importance of accessibility of sanitary products for young women in education; believes that stigma around periods has negative consequences for women and girls and constitutes a form of discrimination; commends South Lanarkshire College on making free sanitary products available throughout its campus, and supports efforts to address this gendered inequality, especially for young women and girls in education who are unlikely to have their own income.

Supported by: Iain Gray*, Richard Lyle*, Gail Ross*

***S5M-03861 Claire Baker: Young Traditional Musician of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Charlie Stewart of Glenfarg in Perthshire on winning BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician of the Year, which was hosted at City Halls in Glasgow during Celtic Collections; notes that, by winning the award, he has won a recording session with BBC Scotland and a one-year membership to the Musicians Union; understands that Charlie first played the fiddle aged nine and has performed all over Europe with his two bands, Dosca and Levack Stewart Irving; notes that, in 2016, Charlie won the Danny Kyle award with playing partner, Ross Miller, and reached the semi-finals of the BBC Radio 2 Young Folk Award with harpist, Becky Hill; believes that the BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician of the Year award is one of the premier accolades for young musicians in their field; congratulates all six finalists, who receive a one-year membership to the Traditional Music and Song Association of Scotland plus the opportunity to take part in their annual Young Trad Tour, and wishes Charlie well in the future, including with his studies towards a BMus (Jazz) where he is studying jazz bass with Mario Caribe and fiddle with Marie Fielding at the Royal Conservatoire.

Supported by: Liz Smith*, Jeremy Balfour*, Claudia Beamish*, Richard Lyle*, Iain Gray*, Liam McArthur*, Alison Harris*

***S5M-03860 Alison Johnstone: Congratulations to Scotland's Athletes and Scottish Athletics**—That the Parliament congratulates the athletes, coaches and staff at Scottish Athletics on their recent outstanding performances; recognises that success in 2016 included Laura Muir setting a British and Commonwealth 1,500m record and running the fastest time in the world in the calendar year, Eilidh Doyle winning Olympic Bronze in the 4x400m relay, Andy Butchart finishing sixth in the Olympic 5,000m and setting three Scottish records in 2016 and Callum Hawkins' ninth

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place in the Olympic marathon; further recognises that this success has carried on in 2017 with Andy Butchart's new Scottish 3,000m record, Laura Muir's British 5,000m indoor record and European 3,000m indoor record, Eilidh Doyle's world-leading time in the indoor 400m, Callum Hawkins' Scottish half-marathon record, and Heather Paton breaking the 25-year-old Scottish record in the 60m hurdles; believes that these are just some examples of the outstanding achievements of Scotland's athletes in recent times, setting an example that can inspire future generations to achieve success, and acknowledges the benefits that participation in athletics and other sports, as a coach, competitor or official, has to offer.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liam McArthur*, Alison Harris*, Mark Ruskell*

***S5M-03859 Jamie Greene: Congratulating Her Majesty on Her Sapphire Jubilee**—That the Parliament congratulates Her Majesty The Queen on becoming the first reigning British Monarch to reach their Sapphire Jubilee; recognises the great significance of this to the whole of the UK; is thankful to The Queen for her many decades of service to the British people, and wishes Her Majesty well on marking this occasion and many future anniversaries to come.

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***S5M-03857 Emma Harper: Scotland's Six Nations Success**—That the Parliament warmly congratulates the players of Scotland rugby team on winning the opening match in the Six Nations against Ireland, who offered strong opposition; believes that it was an exhilarating and exciting game, and wishes the national team the very best of luck for the next game, which is against France, and for the remainder of the tournament.

Supported by: Liz Smith*, David Stewart*, Clare Haughey*, Ruth Maguire*, Ash Denham*, Dean Lockhart*, Donald Cameron*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Maurice Corry*, Monica Lennon*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Joan McAlpine*, Richard Lyle*, Jeremy Balfour*, David Torrance*

***S5M-03856 Maurice Golden: Professor James Curran**—That the Parliament congratulates Professor James Curran on his appointment as the chair of the James Hutton Institute's board of directors; recognises his significant contributions to environmental sciences throughout his career, particularly in his role as chief executive of the Scottish Environment Protection Agency; wishes James continued success, and thanks the institute for its commitment to strengthening environmental research.

Supported by: Bill Bowman*, Ross Thomson*

***S5M-03855 Ross Thomson: Aberdeen Active Travel Plan**—That the Parliament commends the work of Aberdeen City Council in agreeing a final draft of the Aberdeen Active Travel Plan, which identifies a series of initiatives that the council will pursue over the next five years to encourage walking and cycling in the city; recognises what it sees as the benefits that new and improved cycle paths would bring to the area and the positive implications of cycling on health, and supports initiatives that encourage walking and cycling in the north east and across Scotland.
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***S5M-03854 Clare Haughey: Cambuslang Schoolchildren Get Together to Battle Bigotry**—That the Parliament congratulates Cairns and St Cadoc's primary schools in Cambuslang on receiving a £4,000 donation from Crerar Hotels Trust to fund their Nil by Mouth's Champions for Change programme, which aims to build bridges between children from different religious and cultural communities by challenging stereotypes and misconceptions; notes that the pupils have come together to take part in workshops and form a Champions for Change Choir, and wishes them well for the project's continuing success.

***S5M-03853 Clare Haughey: Arch to Arc Challenge Funding Boost for Charities**—That the Parliament congratulates Derek McEwan from Cambuslang and his friend, Barry Cook, on raising £100,000 for the Catherine Cook Foundation by taking part in the Arch to Arc challenge; notes that this challenge involves a gruelling 87 mile run, 29 mile row and 181 mile cycle from London's Marble Arch to the Arc de Triomphe in Paris; understands that the money raised will benefit Crohn's and Colitis UK, Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity and the MS Society Scotland, as well as funding a PhD studentship at the Edinburgh Centre for MS Research, and commends Derek and Barry's endurance and generosity.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-03852 Maree Todd: Your Space Music Lessons (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Clare Haughey*, Joan McAlpine*, Ruth Maguire*, Bill Kidd*, Gail Ross*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*

S5M-03851 Annie Wells: Good Luck to the Scottish Women's and Men's Six Nations Squads (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ross Thomson*, Liz Smith*, Douglas Ross*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*, John Lamont*, Finlay Carson*, Murdo Fraser*, Bill Bowman*

S5M-03850 Willie Coffey: Park School, Kilmarnock (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Alison Johnstone*

S5M-03849 Miles Briggs: SIX TIMES OPEN Campaign (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Liz Smith*, Ross Thomson*, Edward Mountain*, Douglas Ross*, Alison Johnstone*, Ash Denham*, Finlay Carson*, Jackie Baillie*, Murdo Fraser*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, David Torrance*, Bill Bowman*

S5M-03848 Gail Ross: Donation to Invergordon Junior FC (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Jeremy Balfour*, Clare Haughey*, Douglas Ross*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*, Joan McAlpine*, Fulton MacGregor*, Bill Kidd*

S5M-03847 Gail Ross: Beneficiaries of 2017's Highland Cross (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Kenneth Gibson*, Clare Haughey*, Douglas Ross*, Edward Mountain*, Alison Johnstone*, Richard Lyle*, Joan McAlpine*, Fulton MacGregor*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*

S5M-03846 Gail Ross: Highland Dentist to Help Syrian Refugees (lodged on 03 February 2017)

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New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Edward Mountain*, Douglas Ross*, Alison Johnstone*, Ash Denham*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, David Torrance*

[S5M-03845](#) Gail Ross: Dylan Bentley's Eight Peak Challenge in Aid of Highland Hospice (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*, Edward Mountain*, Douglas Ross*, Alison Johnstone*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*

[S5M-03844](#) Alison Harris: Lord Lieutenant for Stirling and Falkirk, Marjory McLachlan CVO, Retires (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Dean Lockhart*, Liz Smith*, Ross Thomson*, Edward Mountain*, Douglas Ross*, Finlay Carson*, Murdo Fraser*, Bill Bowman*

[S5M-03843](#) Alison Harris: Falkirk Ladies Circle Charity Fashion Show (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Liz Smith*, Ross Thomson*, Edward Mountain*, Douglas Ross*, Finlay Carson*, Murdo Fraser*, Bill Bowman*

[S5M-03842](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Welcoming the Opening of the Community Food Shop in Wester Hailes in Edinburgh (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Liz Smith*, Ross Thomson*, Douglas Ross*, Kenneth Gibson*, Finlay Carson*, Murdo Fraser*, Bill Bowman*

[S5M-03841](#) Miles Briggs: New Principal for the University of Edinburgh (lodged on 03 February 2017)

New Support: Liz Smith*, Ross Thomson*, Finlay Carson*, Murdo Fraser*, Bill Bowman*

[S5M-03838](#) Alexander Burnett: British Soldiers (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Bill Bowman*

[S5M-03836](#) Gillian Martin: Sandpiper Trust Wildcat Campaign (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03835](#) Alexander Stewart: Silver Award for ClacksFirst BID (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Bill Bowman*

[S5M-03834](#) Alexander Stewart: Linda Reid of Alloa Recognised for Her Work Raising Lung Disease Awareness (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Bill Bowman*

[S5M-03833](#) Alexander Stewart: Margaret Wilson Young from Sauchie Celebrates her 100th Birthday (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Bill Bowman*

[S5M-03831](#) Peter Chapman: Sandpiper Trust, Saving Lives (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*

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[S5M-03829](#) George Adam: Paisley City of Culture Video by Teenager, Morgan Spence
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New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Neil Bibby*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03828](#) Christina McKelvie: LGBT History Month (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

[S5M-03827](#) Graeme Dey: Margo Williamson Appointed New Chief Executive of Angus Council (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03822](#) Jamie Greene: Charitable Efforts of Billy Monkhouse (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

[S5M-03820](#) Douglas Ross: Moray Shared Lives Service (lodged on 02 February 2017)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*

[S5M-03814](#) Graeme Dey: Thornton's Solicitors Raise Record Sum for Charity (lodged on 01 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Ash Denham*

[S5M-03807](#) Bruce Crawford: Stirling Care Village (lodged on 01 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03806](#) Richard Lochhead: Moray Food Network's Eat Canny Project (lodged on 01 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03805](#) Graeme Dey: Sir Mark Jones, New Chair of the Governors of the Hospitalfield Trust (lodged on 01 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03804](#) Angus MacDonald: John Muir Way Recognised as one of Scotland's Great Trails (lodged on 01 February 2017)

New Support: John Mason*

[S5M-03801](#) Christina McKelvie: #scotswummin (lodged on 01 February 2017)

New Support: John Mason*, Graeme Dey*

[S5M-03793](#) Richard Leonard: Nationalisation of Britain's Coal Industry (lodged on 31 January 2017)

New Support: John Mason*

[S5M-03792](#) Christina McKelvie: Stonehouse Jubilee Club (lodged on 31 January 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

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[S5M-03785](#) Christina McKelvie: Transgender Inclusion within the Girl Guides (lodged on 31 January 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03782](#) Christina McKelvie: Hyzone Limited, Hamilton (lodged on 31 January 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03776](#) Richard Lochhead: Morna Young Appointed to the 2017 Dr Gavin Wallace Fellowship (lodged on 31 January 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03767](#) Ross Greer: COMPASS Failure to Support Asylum Seekers (lodged on 31 January 2017)

New Support: John Mason*

[S5M-03766](#) Rachael Hamilton: Borders Railway Brings Positive Impact (lodged on 31 January 2017)

New Support: John Mason*

[S5M-03755](#) Donald Cameron: Largest Sum Raised for Charity by Innellan Fundraisers (lodged on 30 January 2017)

New Support: Jamie Greene*

[S5M-03754](#) Alison Johnstone: Mel Young, Tackling Homelessness and Poverty through Sport (lodged on 30 January 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03751](#) Gil Paterson: Disused Landmark Transformed to Fair Trade Shop (lodged on 30 January 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03637](#) Mike Rumbles: Blackhillock to Kintore Transmission Line (lodged on 25 January 2017)

New Support: Lewis Macdonald*

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Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 07 February 2017

- 1. Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that almost half of head teachers consider that there is a lack of teaching staff in schools. ([S5T-00381](#))
- 2. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to reduce the amount of time families are spending in emergency accommodation. ([S5T-00376](#))

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 09 February 2017

- 1. Ruth Davidson:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the day. ([S5F-00866](#))
- 2. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the week. ([S5F-00872](#))
- 3. Patrick Harvie:** To ask the First Minister when the Cabinet will next meet. ([S5F-00869](#))
- 4. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the First Minister what legislation is in place to deal with drug-driving. ([S5F-00890](#))
- 5. Finlay Carson:** To ask the First Minister what steps the Scottish Government is taking to reduce the number of delayed discharges from hospitals. ([S5F-00874](#))
- 6. Monica Lennon:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to recent NSPCC figures, which show that thousands of children with serious mental health problems turned to Childline last year. ([S5F-00882](#))

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Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 06 February 2017

S5W-06824 Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what the quarterly figures were for (a) graduate and (b) foundation apprenticeship (i) starts, (ii) numbers in training, (iii) achievements and (iv) redundancies in each of the last five years.

S5W-06858 Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government, when the contract was formally agreed between it and the contractor for the Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route (AWPR); for how many years it was agreed that it would make unitary charge payments to the contractor, and what the value was of these payments in each year.

S5W-06859 Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government whether there have been any changes made to the (a) value of unitary charge payments and (b) number of years that they will be paid since these were formally agreed in its contract with the contractor for the Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route (AWPR) and, if so, what the (i) payment timetable now is and (ii) value is of the unitary charge payments that it will now make each year.

S5W-06881 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-06442 by Michael Matheson on 3 February 2017, when it will publish its response to the consultation.

S5W-06891 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government what assistance it is providing to schools to appoint a lead person to coordinate links with fair access programmes and provide direction to information regarding student support and the higher education admissions process, as set out at recommendation 17 of the final report of the Commission On Widening Access, *A Blueprint for Fairness*, and how many schools have made an appointment.

S5W-06892 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government how Skills Development Scotland is identifying learners from disadvantaged backgrounds in order to carry out recommendation 17 of the final report of the Commission On Widening Access, *A Blueprint for Fairness*.

S5W-06893 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5F-00825 by the First Minister on 2 February 2017 (*Official Report*, c. 14-15), whether the £150 million of extra investment for the mental health strategy is new money or has been reprofiled or reallocated from elsewhere and, if the latter, from where.

S5W-06894 Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports on the findings of a PISA worldwide education survey, which state that 45% of head teachers in Scotland fear pupils are being held back by a lack of resources, and a third say there are not enough support staff and materials.

S5W-06895 Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the reasons that it revised its financial projections for 2017-18 from those set out in the Draft Budget, and on what date the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Constitution was advised of the revision.

S5W-06897 Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that there has been a 50% increase in the number of violent assaults carried out by school pupils in the last 12 months, and that Glasgow has the highest number of violent incidents.

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[S5W-06898](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-06256 by Derek Mackay on 31 January 2017, how much tax revenue it expects will be generated from whisky distilleries by the large business supplement in 2017-18.

[S5W-06899](#) John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government what information it (a) had in advance and (b) has obtained since regarding a nuclear convoy reportedly travelling from Burghfield in England to Coulport using the M8 through Glasgow and crossing the Erskine Bridge despite reported warnings of high winds.

[S5W-06900](#) Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service would be able to achieve the priorities identified in the 2017-18 Draft Budget with a reducing workforce.

[S5W-06901](#) Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government when it was made aware of the contents of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service's Workforce Planning Strategy, which was reportedly published on 30 January 2017.

[S5W-06902](#) Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government whether it was alerted by the Lord Advocate prior to the 2017-18 Draft Budget that the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service would need to lose around 200 posts from its current workforce to deliver the required real terms savings over the next five years.

[S5W-06903](#) Ash Denham: To ask the Scottish Government what role life sciences play in its plans to grow the economy.

[S5W-06904](#) Ash Denham: To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides to the life sciences sector.

[S5W-06905](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-05422 by Mark McDonald on 15 December 2016, what its response is to the findings and recommendations on breastfeeding in the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health report, *State of Child Health*.

[S5W-06906](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recommendation in the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health report, *State of Child Health*, that it should develop a "child health in all policies" approach to decision-making to ensure that all public and economic policy is scrutinised in relation to its potential impact on child health.

[S5W-06907](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent in each year since 2011 on public information campaigns to encourage an increased take-up of social security entitlements, and how it has measured the effectiveness of these.

[S5W-06908](#) Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government what recent engagement it has had with oil and gas companies to encourage them to actively recruit young people.

[S5W-06909](#) Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will be taking part in the H2 Transport Summit that is scheduled to be held in Aberdeen from 15 to 17 March 2017.

[S5W-06910](#) Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the benefits of hydrogen-powered buses in reducing carbon emissions.

[S5W-06911](#) Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the comment by the UK Government's Special Representative for Climate Change, Sir David King, that "time is no longer on our side" in global efforts in reduce carbon emissions and tackling climate change.

[S5W-06912](#) Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with Oil and Gas UK regarding the subsea standardisation guidelines.

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[S5W-06913 Rachael Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how the £10 million in the Workforce Development Fund will be spent, broken down by (a) sector and (b) local authority to achieve its aim to help employers work in partnership with colleges to upskill and reskill their existing workforce and address skills gaps.

[S5W-06914 Mark Griffin:](#) To ask the Scottish Government when the social security experience panels will first meet.

[S5W-06915 Mark Griffin:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how people eligible to receive at least one of the devolved benefits will be able to apply to join a social security experience panel.

[S5W-06916 Mark Griffin:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many people had applied to join the social security experience panels as of 31 January 2017, and how many of these had been accepted.

[S5W-06917 Mark Griffin:](#) To ask the Scottish Government on what date the recruitment process for the social security experience panels opened.

[S5W-06918 Mark Griffin:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether the social security experience panels are being delivered by it or an external organisation.

[S5W-06919 Annie Wells:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on promoting a policy among local authorities of additional housing points for victims of domestic abuse.

Progress of Legislation

Bills

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

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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 (evidence, lead committee (Finance and Constitution), 8 February 2017

Budget (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Finance and Constitution Committee) 8 February 2017

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

Introduced 31 January 2017

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 24 January 2017

Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 7 February 2017

Stage 1, (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 7 February 2017

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

Justice Committee, 31 January 2017

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

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee, 1 February 2017

5th Report 2017, Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, Published 1 February 2017

Farriers (Registration) Bill (UK Parliament legislations) LCM-S5-9

Lodged 2 February 2017

Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-5

Health and Sport Committee, 24 January 2017

1st Report 2017, Health and Sport Committee, Published 25 January 2017

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

Instrument subject to approval

To be approved by resolution of the Parliament by 3 March 2017

[Scottish Landfill Tax \(Standard Rate and Lower Rate\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/23\)](#) (27 January 2017) (Finance and Constitution)

Affirmative instruments

Lead committee to report by 28 February 2017

[Stop and Search Code of Practice \(Appointed Day\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (11 January 2017) (Justice)

Lead committee to report by 6 March 2017

[Schools \(Consultation\) \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Modification\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (17 January 2017) (Education and Skills)

Lead committee to report by 12 March 2017

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Sale of Tobacco \(Registration of Moveable Structures and Fixed Penalty Notices\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (23 January 2017) (Health and Sport)

Lead committee to report by 15 March 2017

[National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Older and Disabled Persons \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (26 January 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Judiciary and Courts \(Scotland\) Act 2008 \(Scottish Land Court\) Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (26 January 2017) (Justice)

Lead committee to report by 16 March 2017

[Continuing Care \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (27 January 2017) (Education and Skills)

[National Health Service \(Scotland\) Act 1978 \(Independent Clinic\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (27 January 2017) (Health and Sport)

[Scottish Fiscal Commission \(Modification of Functions\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (27 January 2017) (Finance and Constitution)

Lead committee to report by 22 March 2017

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2016 Amendment Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (2 February 2017) (Finance and Constitution)

Lead committee to report by 23 March 2017

[Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of the Upper Tax Tribunal for Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (3 February 2017) (Justice)

[Scottish Tribunals \(Listed Tribunals\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (3 February 2017) (Justice)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of the First-tier Tax Tribunal for Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (3 February 2017) (Justice)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Tax Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Composition\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (3 February 2017) (Justice)

[Tribunals \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Ancillary Provisions\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (3 February 2017) (Justice)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 8 February 2017

Lead committee to report by 6 February 2017

[Police Service of Scotland \(Amendment\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/419\)](#) (15 December 2016) (Justice)

[Town and Country Planning \(Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional Saving Provision\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/421\)](#) (15 December 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Caseins and Caseinates \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/422\)](#) (15 December 2016)
(Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 9 February 2017

Lead committee to report by 6 February 2017

[Gaelic Medium Education \(Assessment Requests\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/425\)](#)
(16 December 2016) (Education and Skills)

Subject to annulment by 21 February 2017

Lead committee to report by 20 February 2017

[Civil Partnership, Marriage Between Persons of Different Sexes and Same Sex Marriage \(Prescribed Bodies\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/427\)](#) (19 December 2016) (Equalities and Human Rights)

Subject to annulment by 24 February 2017

Lead committee to report by 20 February 2017

[Firemen's Pension Scheme \(Amendment and Transitional Provisions\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/431\)](#) (22 December 2016) (Justice)

[Letting Agent Registration \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/432\)](#) (22 December 2016)
(Local Government and Communities)

[Licensing of Relevant Permanent Sites \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/433\)](#) (22 December 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

[Seed \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/434\)](#) (22 December 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 2 March 2017

Lead committee to report by 27 February 2017

[Plant Health \(Import Inspection Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/6\)](#) (13 January 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 7 March 2017

Lead committee to report by 6 March 2017

[Title Conditions \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Rural Housing Bodies\) Amendment Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/7\)](#)
(18 January 2017) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 8 March 2017

Lead committee to report by 6 March 2017

[Non-Domestic Rate \(Scotland\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/8\)](#) (19 January 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Levying\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/9\)](#) (19 January 2017)
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Subject to annulment by 12 March 2017

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Sale of Nicotine Vapour Products \(Prescribed Documents\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/13\)](#) (23 January 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 16 March 2017

Lead committee to report by 13 March 2017

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Rural Areas\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/22\)](#) (27 January 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 23 March 2017

Lead committee to report by 20 March 2017

[National Health Service Superannuation Scheme \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/27\)](#) (3 February 2017) (Health and Sport)

[National Health Service Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/28\)](#) (3 February 2017) (Health and Sport)

Other documents

Lead committee to report by 1 March 2017

Scottish Social Housing Charter (SG/2017/2) (12 January 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Lead committee to report by 21 March 2017

Public Services Reform (Corporate Insolvency and Bankruptcy) (Scotland) Order 2017 [draft] (SG/2017/8) (12 January 2017) (Economy, Jobs and Fair Work)

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