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- **1. Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what further consideration it has given to how it will address the affordability and accessibility of sanitary products. (S50-00539)
- **2. Gail Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it encourages the enterprise agencies to consider alternative routes to superfast broadband in rural areas. (S50-00540)
- **3. Maree Todd:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will take forward the recommendations of the *Review of Access to New Medicines*. (S50-00541)
- **4. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the implementation of its Equally Safe strategy. (\$50-00542)
- **5. Jenny Gilruth:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will next meet Fife Council. (S50-00543)
- **6. Gil Paterson:** To ask the Scottish Government what allocation of its budget has been given to local government for capital spending. (\$\frac{550-00544}{}\)
- **7. Colin Beattie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the steps that it is taking to tackle diabetes. (<u>\$50-00545</u>)
- **8. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports public transport in Glasgow. (S50-00546)
- **9. Ash Denham:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the potential impact on vulnerable people in Scotland, what its position is on the UK Government's decision to abolish the Child Poverty Unit. (\$50-00547)
- **10. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact the reported real-terms reduction in revenue allocations for local authorities in the draft budget will have on the provision of services. (S50-00548)

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- **1. Ruth Davidson:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the day. (S5F-00712)
- **2. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the week. (S5F-00732)
- 3. Patrick Harvie: To ask the First Minister when the Cabinet will next meet. (S5F-00736)
- **4. Willie Rennie:** To ask the First Minister what issues will be discussed at the next meeting of the Cabinet. (S5F-00725)
- **5. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's position is on reports that there has been a record number of drink drivers stopped over the festive period. (<u>S5F-00740</u>)

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- **6. Brian Whittle:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the recent BBC report suggesting that 90% of performance athletes supported by sportscotland come from a middle class background. (S5F-00718)
- **7. Monica Lennon:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that hundreds of children with mental health problems have waited more than a year for treatment. (S5F-00727)

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

S5M-02197 Colin Smyth: Marie Curie Report on Challenging Inequities in Palliative

Care—That the Parliament welcomes the Marie Curie report, Enough for everyone – Challenging inequities in palliative care, which highlights the findings of a seminar held on 15 September 2016; notes that the seminar focused on examining some of the barriers certain groups face in accessing palliative care: understands that 11,000 people who need palliative care in Scotland each year are not accessing it, meaning that one in four people who die in Scotland miss out on the palliative care they need; further understands that certain groups of people receive less palliative care than others with a comparable need and that this is now the responsibility of health and social care partnerships; considers that more effort should be made to identify triggers for palliative care in older people, particularly those with frailty; further considers the need for planning, developing and commissioning services to identify and reflect the palliative and end of life care needs of black and Asian people and other ethnic minorities; understands that there is still a lack of data on the level of need for palliative care for LGBT people in Scotland; further understands that people living in socially deprived areas are much less likely to access health and social care services; considers that more research must be done to understand the obstacles to palliative care in socially deprived areas; notes the report's finding of the need for greater recognition of the issues relating to isolation, loneliness and spiritual needs in the delivery of palliative and end of life care; notes the view that more research needs to be done around certain groups who are less likely to access palliative care, and further notes the vision set out in the Scottish Government's Strategic Framework for Action Palliative and End of Life Care that everyone who needs palliative care in the South Scotland region and across the country has access to it by 2021.

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Education and Skills Committee Debate: SQA, Education Scotland, SDS and SFC – performance and role

<u>S5M-03298</u> James Dornan on behalf of the Education and Skills Committee: SQA, Education Scotland, SDS and SFC – performance and role—That the Parliament notes the evidence received by the Education and Skills Committee in relation to the performance of the Scottish Qualifications Authority, Education Scotland, Skills Development Scotland and the Scottish Funding Council, and particularly concerns raised by teachers, the importance of parliamentary scrutiny of these organisations and of the Scottish Government's Enterprise and Skills Review and Education Governance Review which, combined, will impact on the role of all of these organisations.

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Committee Meetings

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

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee 1st Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

- 1. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
- 2. **The implications of the EU referendum for Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 1st Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Financial overview 2015-16:** The Committee will take evidence on the Accounts Commission's Report entitled "Financial overview 2015-16" from

Ronnie Hinds, Deputy Chair, Accounts Commission;

Fraser McKinlay, Controller of Audit, and Martin McLauchlan, Senior Auditor, Audit Scotland.

Equalities and Human Rights Committee 1st Meeting, 2017

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

- 1. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report to the Finance Committee on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18.
- 2. Commission on Parliamentary Reform (in private): The Committee will consider correspondence from the Chair of the Commission on Parliamentary Reform in terms of its remit and work programme.
- 3. Work programme (in private): The Committee will review its work programme.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 1st Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 10:00 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. **Cross-Party Groups:** The Committee will consider applications for recognition from three Cross-Party Groups, and take evidence from—

Tavish Scott, Deputy-Convener of the proposed CPG on Brexit;

Kenneth Gibson, Co-Convener of the proposed CPG on Improving Scotland's Health: 2021 and Beyond;

Bill Kidd, Convener of the proposed CPG on Nuclear Disarmament.

- 3. **Cross-Party Group approval:** The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to the proposed Cross-Party Group on Brexit, the proposed Cross-Party Group on Improving Scotland's Health: 2021 and Beyond and the proposed CPG on Nuclear Disarmament.
- 4. **Gender Balance:** The Committee will consider a draft report and draft Standing Order rule changes.

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Justice Sub-Committee on Policing 1st Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 1.00 pm in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Sub-Committee will decide whether to take item 2 in private.
- 2. **Work programme:** The Sub-Committee will consider its work programme.

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 11 January 2017

Tuesday 17 January 2017

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Scottish Government Debate: Protecting Scotland's Interests in Negotiating our Future Relationship with Europe

followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body: Appointment of Members of the Standards Commission for Scotland

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followed by Members' Business — S5M-02438 Stewart Stevenson: A Sea of Opportunity

Wednesday 18 January 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

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followed by Members' Business — S5M-02865 Richard Leonard: 30th Anniversary of Workers' Occupation of Caterpillar Plant in Tannochside

Thursday 19 January 2017

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-02971 Bob Doris: Closure of Glasgow Jobcentres

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Government Debate: The Future of Funding for Rural Development

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2:00 pm Time for Reflection

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

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Wednesday 25 January 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Health and Sport

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 26 January 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

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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

Finance and Constitution Committee 16 January 2017 2nd Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 4.00 pm in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private.** The Committee will decide whether to consider a draft of its Report on Draft Budget 2017-18 in private at future meetings.
- 2. **Draft Budget 2017-18:** The Committee will take evidence on the expenditure proposals in the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18 from —

Derek Mackay, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution, Graham Owenson, Head of Local Government Finance, Scott Mackay, Deputy Director for Financial Programme Management, and Andrew Watson, Deputy Director for Financial Strategy, Scottish Government.

3. **Draft Budget 2017-18:** The Committee will ask the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution questions on Draft Budget 2017-18 provided by members of the public via Twitter.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 16 January 2017, the Committee will take oral evidence and will ask the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution questions provided by members of the public via Twitter on Draft Budget 2017-18.

The Committee will continue to take evidence at subsequent meetings.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at <u>Finance.constitution@parliament.scot</u>

Public Petitions Committee 19 January 2017 1st Meeting, 2017

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

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- 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 achieved cross party support

*S5M-03336 Stuart McMillan: Barnardo's Scotland, Nurture Week—That the Parliament welcomes Barnardo's Scotland Nurture Week, which runs from 13 to 19 February 2017; understands that this is a week-long series of events and activities aimed at showcasing the importance of nurture and attachment in child development; notes that Barnardo's works in Inverclyde in partnership with schools and nurseries and takes a unique approach to health and wellbeing by working to embed nurture principles in early years settings and the classroom; further notes that this approach provides wrap-around support to families with the aim of using nurture principles to support the emotional wellbeing and mental health of children and young people as well as help raise attainment, and notes calls for all parties to come together to support this approach.

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Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

*S5M-03354 Kenneth Gibson: It's OK to Talk. Period.—That the Parliament notes that Endometriosis Awareness Week 2017 will run from 6 to 12 March and have the theme, It's OK to Talk. Period.; recognises that the aim of the week is to draw attention to the impact of the condition on the lives of the 10% of women of reproductive age who are living with it, including what it understands is a significant number in both Cunninghame North and across Scotland; believes that it can be exceptionally difficult to diagnose, with the average time for diagnosis after the first symptoms are experienced being 7.5 years; acknowledges that this year's theme was chosen to specifically encourage women and girls to seek medical help if they experience painful, heavy, difficult or irregular periods, as this can be a sign of the condition; appreciates that half of all women with it experience the first symptoms in their teenage years; is aware that it causes physical pain and can lead to infertility and depression; believes that, although endometriosis is the second most common gynaecological condition, there is not enough debate and awareness

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about it, and notes the view that urgent work is required to see what can be done to achieve both earlier diagnosis and better treatment options for the many women in Scotland and beyond with endometriosis.

*S5M-03351 Emma Harper: Celebrating Burns and the Scots Language—That the Parliament welcomes the annual celebration of Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns, which is held on 25 January each year to mark the Bard's birthday; considers that Burns was one of the greatest poets and that his work has influenced thinkers across the world; notes that Burns' first published collection, *Poems Chiefly in the Scottish Dialect*, also known as the "Kilmarnock Edition", published in 1786, did much to popularise and champion the Scots language, and considers that this is one of his most important legacies; believes that the celebration of Burns Night is an opportunity to raise awareness of the cultural significance of Scots and its status as one of the indigenous languages of Scotland, and further believes in the importance of the writing down of the Scots language to ensure its continuation through written documentation, as well as oral tradition.

The member has provided the following translation in Scots:

That the Pairlament walcomes the annual celebration o Scotland's national makar, Robert Burns, whilk is haudit oan January 25th ilka year tae mark the Bard's birthday; conseeders that Burns waes ane o the greatest makars, an that his wark haes influenced thinkers the warld o'er; notes that Burns' first setten furth collection, *Poems Chiefly in the Scottish Dialect*, kent tae as the "Kilmarnock Edition", setten furth in 1786, did muckle tae mak better kent an tae forder the Scots leid, an conseeders that this bides amang his maist important legacies; believes that the celebration o Burns Nicht is an opportunity tae heize fowk's kennin o the cultural significance o Scots an its status as ane o the indigenous leids o Scotland, an believes forby in the importance o the scrievin doon o the Scots leid fur tae mak siccar its bidin throu scrievit documentation, as weel as oral tradeetion.

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*S5M-03344 Sandra White: WASPI Campaign—That the Parliament acknowledges what it considers the injustice facing women affected by the acceleration of the increase in the state pension age; welcomes the Landman Economics report on the impact of the changes to pension arrangements for women born in the 1950s, which identifies an affordable solution that would slow down that increase in order to give adequate time for women in the Glasgow Kelvin constituency and across Scotland who are affected to make alternative arrangements, and notes the calls on the UK Government to work with Women Against State Pension Inequality (WASPI) to explore transitional protection for those affected.

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*S5M-03338 Daniel Johnson: Closure of Crown Post Offices in Scotland—That the Parliament notes with concern the announcement made by Post Office Ltd to close and franchise Falkirk, Brandon Motherwell, Dundee, Hecla Avenue Glasgow, and Morningside Edinburgh Crown Post Offices; understands that this is the latest in a series of significant cost-cutting measures

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undertaken by the Post Office following its split from Royal Mail by the UK Government; notes the impact that it considers these closures will have on jobs and the success of local high streets, and notes calls on the UK Government and Post Office Ltd to abandon the franchise proposals, invest in Crown Post Offices so that they remain at the heart of communities, and fulfil the promise it made in 2010 to make post offices the "front office of Government".

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

*S5M-03359 Neil Findlay: Angela McCrimmon, Local Hero—That the Parliament congratulates Angela McCrimmon on being named by the *West Lothian Courier* as a local hero; notes that Angela, who is bipolar, was nominated in recognition of her role as a mental health champion; understands that she dedicates her time to helping people with mental health problems and raising awareness of mental health issues; is encouraged by the example that Angela has set, and welcomes the support that she provides.

*S5M-03358 Neil Findlay: Kirk of Calder Fundraising for a New Children's Home in Tanzania—That the Parliament congratulates the parishioners of the Kirk of Calder on raising over £73,000 so far for a new children's home in Tanzania; notes that the parishioners aim to raise £85,000 and is encouraged that Livingston Old Church, West Kirk of Calder, Polbeth Harwood Parish Church, Strathbrock Parish Church Uphall, Harthill St Andrew's Parish Church, Blackridge Parish Church, Brucefield Church, Kirknewton and East Calder Parish Church of Scotland, Linlithgow St Michael's Parish Church Guild, the Presbytery of West Lothian Church's Society Committee, Bathgate High Church and Chalmers Church have all supported the parishioners in raising this money; wishes them every success with their fundraising, and is confident that they will soon meet their target.

- *S5M-03357 Neil Findlay: West Lothian's First Baby of 2017—That the Parliament congratulates Madison Finlay and Alex Gallagher on the birth of their baby daughter, Imogen; understands that Imogen was the first baby born in West Lothian in 2017, and wishes Madison, Alex and Imogen all the best for this and future years.
- *S5M-03356 Ruth Maguire: Congratulating Kilwinning Resident, Craig Potter—That the Parliament congratulates the Kilwinning resident, Craig Potter, on his recent award of £2,850 from the Social Entrepreneurs Fund; understands that the funding has been secured to set up Onside Ayrshire CIC, a social enterprise that will deliver structured health and physical activities, which will provide an educational and developmental context for acquiring life skills, and wishes Craig every success in his venture.

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*S5M-03355 Graeme Dey: Community First UK—That the Parliament congratulates the Carnoustie resident, Pauline Lockhart, on securing £4,000 from the Social Entrepreneurs Fund, which is administered by Firstport on behalf of the Scottish Government; understands that this grant will be used to set up Community First UK, a training provider and recruitment agent that will bridge the digital gap for people who are socially and economically disadvantaged; notes that Firstport also provides free business advice and financial support to individuals who want to start a

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business, which helps people and communities, and welcomes the work of social entrepreneurs who run businesses with a social or environmental purpose.

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*S5M-03353 Ross Thomson: Mannofield Church Awarded £5,000 for Community Cafe Project—That the Parliament welcomes the initiative by Mannofield Church to create a community café, targeting loneliness and isolation and providing short respite periods for a range of carers; congratulates the church on being awarded £5,000 by the Aviva Community Fund; supports the important benefits that the café can bring for older people, young parents and people with dementia, and wishes the church and its members every success with the project in the future.

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*S5M-03352 Alexander Stewart: Larbert Lady is Scotland's Oldest Nursing Assistant—That the Parliament congratulates Forth Valley Royal Hospital's Betty Wright, who is Scotland's oldest nursing assistant, on her 80th birthday, which she celebrated at work on her ward; recognises her amazing 54 years of caring for others; believes that Betty finished her shift in Ward A31 when colleagues threw her a surprise party; welcomes the fact that Betty, who is from Larbert, has dedicated her life to caring for tens of thousands of people from across Forth Valley; notes that, when she first started nursing, there were no hoists or stand aids to help nurses move patients and that they had to be moved and lifted manually; further notes that Betty attributes her long life to "hard work and neither smoking nor drinking", and wishes her all the best for the future.

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*S5M-03350 Alexander Stewart: First-ever Stirling Scottish Marathon—That the Parliament wishes the very best of luck to all competitors in the first-ever Stirling Scottish Marathon on 21 May 2017; recognises the huge support that this event has already received from the public and notes that, with less than a week to go before the closing date, the number of entries already received is set to make the marathon one of the top 10 in the UK; welcomes the resurgence in Scottish distance running with Dunblane's Andrew Butchart impressing in the Rio Olympic Games 5,000 metres event; notes that Scots brothers, Callum and David Hawkins, along with Olympic teammate, Tsegai Twelde, as well as who it considers to be Scotland's greatest-ever distance runner, Liz McColgan, will all be taking part in the event, and notes that the closing date for entries is 17 January.

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*S5M-03349 Margaret Mitchell: Top Marks for Hamilton College—That the Parliament congratulates Hamilton College on its outstanding recent inspection report from Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIE); understands that HMIE found that, from the nursery through to the senior school, children engage enthusiastically in their classes and learning and that almost all of the college's pupils go on to further and higher education; notes that the inspector also stated that the college's children and young people were articulate, polite, confident, friendly and well-behaved; believes that the staff at the college should be commended for this fantastic report, and

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considers that the culture of hard work and support fostered by the staff is not only an example of the Christian values and ethos of the school, but clearly benefits the children and young people throughout their education and into their future working lives.

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*S5M-03348 Alexander Stewart: Alva Man to Compete in Classic Rally for Charity in Memory of Late Wife—That the Parliament wishes Alva man, Gordon Best, the best of luck in his quest to drive his 56-year-old classic Rover 100 motor car, named "Cuthbert", all the way to Monte Carlo to compete in the three-day Rallye Monte Carlo Classique, in a bid to raise £3,000 for Strathcarron Hospice and the Beatson Cancer Charity in memory of his late wife, Moira, who chose these charities personally; believes that Gordon has already collected £1,900 for Strathcarron and £600 for Beatson respectively, but is looking to increase this total prior to setting off on his monumental challenge on 25 January 2017; notes that Gordon, a former police officer in the former Rhodesia, then a project manager in construction at Stirling Council, and Moira, purchased the Rover two years ago, specifically to take part in the event, however Moira sadly passed away prior to their entry being submitted; notes that Gordon was subsequently granted late entry exemption for the rally, which will see him encounter roads through stunning snow-covered Alpine passes, and welcomes his drive and passion to complete this long-standing ambition in a great cause and as a tribute to his wife of almost 48 years.

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*S5M-03347 Ruth Maguire: Welcoming the Report, Fun, Food, Folk: The Centrestage approach to dignified food provision—That the Parliament recognises the research report published by What Works Scotland, Fun, Food, Folk: The Centrestage approach to dignified food provision, which focuses on Centrestage's distinct food provision programme in some of the most deprived areas of North and East Ayrshire; understands that Centrestage is a charity that was established in 2006 and is backed by the social enterprise, Centrestage Music Theatre CIC, which uses food and the arts to engage people, help to improve their life chances and build and rebuild communities; further understands that the food provision programme centres around meals being prepared in a purpose-built kitchen with supplies from Fareshare and other donations, which is then distributed on a refurbished double-decker bus, featuring a kitchen for demonstrations and areas for playing and socialising; notes that the report draws on fieldwork carried out between May and July 2016 across four areas of mobile food provision, including in Kilwinning and the fixed provision site in Ardeer, as well as interviews with 22 Centrestage staff and volunteers, seven of whom were also service users; welcomes the report's conclusion that the project is underpinned by "a relentless ethic of care and compassion" and "radical inclusiveness" and ensures personal dignity and a fostering of individual and community wellbeing by creating a social environment, as well as a dignified transaction; notes that this is achieved by, for example, framing food provision as a transaction between equal parties as part of an ongoing relationship characterised by reciprocity, bringing people together to address isolation and loneliness, teaching people to cook high-quality meals, and offering pathways into volunteering; acknowledges that, in the first 42 weeks of the project, 140,440 food portions were distributed, exceeding the 40,000 originally projected for the entire year; commends the project's ongoing success, as well as the innovative

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and compassionate approach of Centrestage to solving food poverty and the causes of increased foodbank use, and wishes everyone involved all the very best for the future.

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*S5M-03346 Alexander Stewart: Stirling Cub Scouts' Centennial—That the Parliament congratulates the 4th/6th Stirling Cub Scouts on its centennial; recognises that its first Wolf Cub pack met on 11 January 1917 following Lord Robert Baden-Powell founding the movement in 1916 as a result of a request to establish a Scouting organisation for younger boys; welcomes what it sees as the benefits that Cub membership can provide in many ways, such as health, fitness, friendship and wellbeing; considers that the anecdote, "people who have been in the Scouts and Cubs may live five years longer than those who did not", may well have an element of truth, and wishes all involved with the organisation well for the future.

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*S5M-03345 Rona Mackay: Charges on Women Fleeing Domestic Violence—That the Parliament condemns the UK Government for charging women fleeing domestic violence when they use the Child Maintenance Service to obtain payment from their former partner; understands that three separate charges were introduced during the summer of 2014, include a charge on women who use this service to process payments without having to share their details with their ex-partner; considers that the UK Government has made more than £11 million from family misery, and believes that this practice should end now.

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*S5M-03343 Sandra White: Israeli Embassy Employee Inquiry—That the Parliament condemns the recent actions of Shai Masot, an Israeli Embassy employee, following a covert operation in which he was filmed suggesting that he could "take down" certain MPs who have been critical of Israel; is concerned that these revelations may have had a bearing on domestic politics in Scotland, and calls on the UK Government to carry out an immediate inquiry.

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*S5M-03342 Jamie Greene: North Ayrshire Council's Carbon Footprint Reduction—That the Parliament welcomes North Ayrshire Council's project to reduce its carbon footprint by making improvements to its properties, including boiler and heating control, lighting and draught-proofing; considers that this underlines the important role that local authorities can play in reducing their carbon footprint through such initiatives; recognises the importance of keeping the carbon footprint across Scotland to a reasonable level, and hopes that other local authorities will monitor what it sees as the progress and example set by North Ayrshire Council.

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*S5M-03341 Bob Doris: Funding Secured for Possobilities Limited Project—That the Parliament congratulates Possobilities Limited on securing a £3,738 grant from the Big Lottery Fund to fund a Christmas celebration for service users and local people; understands that all involved had a wonderful celebration; notes the important work that Possobilities does in supporting disabled and disadvantaged people in Possilpark and across north Glasgow, for example, through its meal deliveries, laundry service and leisure activities; commends Possobilities for the work that it does empowering disadvantaged members of the community through skills training and social activities; believes that such endeavours are a valuable contribution to the community, and wishes Possobilities success in its ongoing and future endeavours.

*S5M-03340 Bob Doris: Social Enterprise Funding for Maryhill and Springburn—That the Parliament congratulates the Maryhill and Springburn constituency-based entrepreneurs, Lee Fotheringham and Nkechi First Kanu-Nwabuisi, on being awarded £3,500 and £3,394 respectively from the Scottish Government's Social Entrepreneurs Fund, which, it believes, will help support the realisation of the important social goals of both; notes that Lee's enterprise aims to provide commercial first aid training and offer subsidised training to homeless street vendors; acknowledges that Nkechi's media production, events and training enterprise aims to channel profits into training young apprentices; notes the impact of the fund, which, it understands, has distributed £4,452,116 in 790 awards across Scotland since 2009; considers it encouraging that socially-minded enterprises are supported as an important part of the economies of both Glasgow and Scotland, and recognises the importance of such enterprises in contributing toward a more inclusive and sustainable economy.

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*S5M-03339 Bob Doris: Four Maryhill and Springburn Constituency Charities Secure Lloyds TSB Foundation Funding—That the Parliament congratulates four local charities in the Maryhill and Springburn constituency on securing a total of £17,912 from Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland; notes that the funds will go toward securing salaries for additional staff, further enabling the important work of recipient charities, Colston Milton Parish Church of Scotland, St Mungo's Old Folks Centre for Wellbeing, North Glasgow Community Food Initiative and North Kelvin Sports Development Group; considers that funding from Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland and other foundations remains a lifeline for many important local community services, particularly in a tough financial climate; welcomes the generosity of the foundation and commends its admirable aims to support grassroots charities that create positive change and opportunities and improve quality of life, and commends it for playing an admirable role in supporting job creation.

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*S5M-03337 Jeremy Balfour: Kirkliston Village Hall Association—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at the Kirkliston Village Hall Association on its £56,500 award from the Scottish Land Fund; notes that the grant will be used to purchase a 750-square metre plot of land

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with the aim of constructing a new community meeting space in the village, and wishes all at the association the best of luck with the project.

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*S5M-03335 Peter Chapman: Turriff Butcher Takes Top White Pudding Award—That the Parliament congratulates John Brown of AE Brown and Sons on winning the Scottish Craft Butchers' white pudding award; recognises that the recipe used by the family has remained the same since 1957; notes the importance of Scottish ingredients to the success of the Turriff butcher; recognises that the winner topped the competition ahead of 45 other Scottish butchers, and wishes AE Brown and Sons the best of luck for the future.

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*S5M-03334 Gillian Martin: New Rights for Communities to Get Involved in Area Planning—That the Parliament welcomes the 20 proposals for revamping the planning system, which will support economic growth, delivery of houses and increase community involvement in planning decisions, and hopes that communities across Scotland will get involved in the consultation, which puts forward proposals on zoning more land for housing, promoting self-build and removing the need to apply for planning permission for more types of development, as well as seeking views on new rights for communities to produce their own plans for their local area, with the aim of empowering them.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Fulton MacGregor*, Bill Kidd*, Clare Haughey*, Gil Paterson*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*, Ivan McKee*, Colin Beattie*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

<u>S5M-03333</u> Miles Briggs: Lothian Organisations Among the Aviva Community Fund Winners (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Murdo Fraser*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Bowman*, Peter Chapman*, Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*, John Lamont*

<u>S5M-03332</u> Alexander Stewart: Perth Karate Club Wins Multiple Medals (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Murdo Fraser*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Bowman*, Peter Chapman*, Annie Wells*, Richard Lyle*, Oliver Mundell*, John Lamont*

<u>\$5M-03331</u> Tavish Scott: Shetland Eco Flag Award Schools (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Alison Johnstone*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*, Donald Cameron*, Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gil Paterson*

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<u>S5M-03330</u> Angus MacDonald: Braes High School Pupils and Holocaust Memorial Day (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Mairi Evans*, Colin Beattie*, John Mason*, Alison Harris*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Neil Findlay*, Ivan McKee*, Tom Arthur*, David Torrance*, Graeme Dey*, Emma Harper*, Gil Paterson*, Sandra White*, Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-03329</u> Alexander Stewart: Alloa Butchers Receives Top Awards (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Murdo Fraser*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Bowman*, Peter Chapman*, Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*, John Lamont*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03327</u> Graham Simpson: Mount Cameron Eco House (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Bill Bowman*, Peter Chapman*, Tom Arthur*, Miles Briggs*, Annie Wells*, Kenneth Gibson*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gil Paterson*

S5M-03326 Ash Denham: Scottish Women's Football Anthem (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Tom Arthur*, Clare Haughey*, Ruth Maguire*, Gil Paterson*, Ivan McKee*, Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-03325</u> Angus MacDonald: Nancy Ramage Receives Rotary Club Community Achievement Award (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03324</u> Ruth Maguire: Groundbreaking Pilot Project in Fullarton, Irvine (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gil Paterson*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-03321</u> Jamie Greene: Congratulating Dr Jenny Peston on her MBE (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Liam Kerr*, Liz Smith*, Bill Bowman*, Peter Chapman*, Murdo Fraser*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, John Lamont*, Douglas Ross*, Donald Cameron*, Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*, Jeremy Balfour*

<u>S5M-03320</u> Jamie Greene: Welcoming 4G in Largs (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Liz Smith*, Liam Kerr*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, Murdo Fraser*, John Lamont*, Bill Bowman*, Peter Chapman*, Douglas Ross*, Donald Cameron*, Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*, Jeremy Balfour*

<u>S5M-03319</u> Ross Thomson: Aberdeen Christmas Village (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Oliver Mundell*, Gil Paterson*

<u>\$5M-03318</u> John Finnie: David Ross, Recognition of his Achievements in Journalism in the Highlands and Islands (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

S5M-03317 Mary Fee: Kirkintilloch's Seagull Trust Cruises (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Gil Paterson*

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<u>S5M-03316</u> Liam Kerr: RNLI Stonehaven Celebrates 60th Anniversary (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*, Kenneth Gibson*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gil Paterson*, John Scott*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-03315</u> Ross Thomson: Aberdeen Council Issues Bonds to Fund Infrastructure Projects (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*

<u>S5M-03313</u> Maree Todd: Stromness Campus (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Kenneth Gibson*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gil Paterson*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-03311</u> Graeme Dey: First Responder Honoured (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03310</u> Jeremy Balfour: Virgin Atlantic and Flybe's New Codeshare Flights from Scotland (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*

<u>S5M-03309</u> Rona Mackay: Improving the Quality and Accessibility of Justice for Children (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Clare Haughey*, Stuart McMillan*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03308</u> Anas Sarwar: Welcoming the University of Edinburgh Report, Scottish Muslims in Numbers (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Jackie Baillie*

<u>S5M-03307</u> Sandra White: Youth Music Business Day Strikes a Chord in Glasgow (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03306</u> Bill Kidd: Tony de Brum and Marshall Islands Voted the Arms Control Person of the Year (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gordon MacDonald*, Kenneth Gibson*, Angus MacDonald*, Gil Paterson*, Ivan McKee*

<u>\$5M-03305</u> Bill Kidd: Farewell to Judge Weeramantry (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03304</u> Fulton MacGregor: Conforti Institute in Coatbridge (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03302</u> Liam Kerr: The Awards for Valour (Protection) Bill (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*

<u>S5M-03301</u> Ross Greer: Rookie Rockstars (lodged on 09 January 2017)

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New Support: Ivan McKee*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03300</u> Liam McArthur: Multi-million Pound Research and Innovation Campus in Stromness Agreed (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee*, Stuart McMillan*

<u>\$5M-03299</u> Douglas Ross: Celebrating the Elgin Ice Festival (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*

<u>S5M-03296</u> Ruth Maguire: Congratulating Irvine Brownie Leaders, Babs Duffy and Helen Seymour (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03295</u> Jackson Carlaw: UN's Disproportionate Focus on Israel (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

<u>S5M-03294</u> Jackson Carlaw: The Busby Hotel Awards Culinary Excellence Certificates (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*

<u>S5M-03293</u> Jackson Carlaw: ASDA, Newton Mearns Local Heroes (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03292</u> Angus MacDonald: Friends of Rannoch Park Secure Funding from Greggs (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03291</u> Finlay Carson: Congratulations to Kite Power Systems (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*, Gil Paterson*

S5M-03290 Gail Ross: Support for Kishorn Yard (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03289</u> Finlay Carson: Congratulations to Ballards Butchers and TH Carson Butchers (lodged on 06 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*

S5M-03288 Neil Findlay: HeadSmart Campaign (lodged on 06 January 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*, Alex Rowley*, Gil Paterson*, Jackie Baillie*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

<u>S5M-03287</u> Peter Chapman: £2,035 Raised for the Cash for Kids, Coats for Kids Appeal (lodged on 06 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*

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<u>S5M-03286</u> Peter Chapman: Congratulations to Wilma Walker MBE (lodged on 06 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*, Bill Bowman*

S5M-03284 Bill Kidd: UN Secretary General (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

<u>\$5M-03283</u> Miles Briggs: Fort Kinnaird Backs Richmond's Hope Charity (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

<u>S5M-03280</u> Ross Greer: Support for the Better than Zero Campaign (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Gil Paterson*, Jackie Baillie*

S5M-03278 Stuart McMillan: Sailing Tourism in Scotland (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

S5M-03277 Stewart Stevenson: Bruce of the Broch (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03275</u> Donald Cameron: World Cancer Day, an Opportunity to Tackle Obesity (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Anas Sarwar*, Monica Lennon*, Annie Wells*, Oliver Mundell*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

<u>\$5M-03274</u> Peter Chapman: Family Fish Business Lands £50,000 Aldi Deal (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: John Scott*, Oliver Mundell*

<u>S5M-03273</u> Clare Haughey: Congratulating the Calton Athletic Recovery Group Expedition to Mount Everest (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

S5M-03272 Jackson Carlaw: Mesh Implant Treatment (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

<u>S5M-03271</u> Angus MacDonald: Richards Family Butchers of Grangemouth Honoured by Scottish Craft Butchers (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-03270</u> Liam Kerr: Norwegian Announces 130 Jobs at Edinburgh Airport (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

<u>S5M-03269</u> Brian Whittle: Opportunity for All to Participate in Sport (lodged on 05 January 2017)

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New Support: Annie Wells*

<u>S5M-03268</u> John Mason: Excessive Executive Pay (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Clare Haughey*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gil Paterson*

S5M-03263 Jamie Greene: Congratulating Glasgow's Gary Maclean on Winning BBC

Masterchef: The Professionals (lodged on 23 December 2016)

New Support: Annie Wells*

<u>S5M-03258</u> Alexander Stewart: Forth Valley Nurses Choir are the Stars of the Show (lodged

on 22 December 2016)

New Support: Annie Wells*

S5M-03248 Elaine Smith: End Homelessness and Poor Housing in Scotland (lodged on 21

December 2016)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*

S5M-03204 Jackson Carlaw: Holocaust Memorial Day 2017 (lodged on 19 December 2016)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

S5M-03184 Richard Leonard: Opposition to Cuts to North Lanarkshire Council (lodged on 16

December 2016)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

<u>S5M-02971</u> Bob Doris: Closure of Glasgow Jobcentres (lodged on 07 December 2016)

New Support: George Adam*, Iain Gray*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 18 January 2017

Education and Skills

- **1. Tom Arthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what contribution music education can make towards closing the attainment gap. (S50-00549) R
- **2. Richard Lyle:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to publish updated guidance on tackling bullying. (S50-00550)
- **3. Ross Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will clarify what the Education and Skills secretary meant by "radical reform of Scotland's education system", following publication of the recent PISA results. (\$50-00551)
- **4. Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with Falkirk Council regarding the Attainment Scotland Fund. (\$50-00552)
- **5. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government how physical education is helping to narrow the attainment gap. (S50-00553)
- **6. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with Glasgow Colleges' Regional Board and the City of Glasgow College regarding their relationship with each other. **(\$50-00554)**
- **7. Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to close the skills gap. (S50-00555)
- **8. Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will announce a decision regarding tuition fee support for EU students applying for courses for 2018-19. **(\$50-00556)**
- **9. Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will next meet representatives from Aberdeenshire Council's Education and Children's Services. (S50-00557)
- **10. Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reduce teacher workload. **(\$50-00558)**
- **11. Bruce Crawford:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it provided toward the building of the new St Margaret's Primary School in Cowie. (\$50-00559)
- **12. lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to concerns expressed by the Royal Society of Edinburgh regarding an "absence of a clear rationale" for the school governance review. **(\$50-00560)**
- **13. Margaret Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to help identify and support children with dyslexia. **(\$50-00561)**
- **14. Mary Fee:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will support children with additional support needs in light of the reported reductions to local government budgets. **(S50-00562)**
- **15. Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to assist in the upskilling of workers on an ongoing basis. (\$50-00563)
- **16. Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis its education directorate has carried out regarding the number of school leavers who do not go on to further education or reach positive destinations. (\$50-00564)
- **17. Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the proposal by Dumfries and Galloway Council to further reduce the number of classroom assistants in the

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region's schools despite a reported 60% increase in the number of children assessed as needing additional support. (\$50-00565)

- **18. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government how it tackles bullying that affects LGBTI-identifying young people in education. (S50-00566)
- **19. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Scottish Parent Teacher Council's comments that parents were "puzzled" and "felt excluded" by its consultation on the review of school governance. **(\$50-00567)**
- **20. Jenny Marra:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the number of additional support needs teachers in Dundee decreasing by 28% while the number of pupils with additional support needs is increasing. (S50-00568)

General Questions selected for answer on 19 January 2017

- **1. Ash Denham:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding reports of potential asset stripping when the Edinburgh-based Green Investment Bank is transferred to the private sector. (S50-00569)
- **2. Richard Lochhead:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress is being made in providing the Crown Estate with a social remit as part of the devolution arrangements. (S50-00570)
- **3. Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how it is tackling youth unemployment. (S50-00571)
- **4. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Joint Ministerial Working Group on Welfare will next meet and what will be discussed. (\$50-00572)
- **5. Andy Wightman:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will take action to regulate growth in short-term letting of residential property. **(\$50-00573)**
- **6. Douglas Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it is content with the way that it records crime. (S50-00574)
- **7. Adam Tomkins:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the air weapons licensing scheme. (S50-00575)
- **8. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it will take to improve business confidence in light of the latest FSB small business confidence index. (S50-00576)
- **9. Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will implement the Smith Commission's recommendations on the future management of the Crown Estate in Scotland. (\$50-00577)
- **10. Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on RBS branch closures scheduled to take place by summer 2017 and the impact that these may have on vulnerable members of affected communities. (S50-00578)

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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 11 January 2017

<u>\$5W-06001</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to mitigate jobs losses in the public sector arising from any increases in automation.

<u>S5W-06002</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what action it is taking to promote (a) digital skills and (b) STEM subjects in schools.

<u>S5W-06003</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding high-speed rail services in Scotland, and whether it plans to develop its own such services.

<u>\$5W-06004</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on magnetic levitation (maglev) rail services, and whether it plans to explore their potential use.

<u>\$5W-06005</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the Edinburgh tram service is running at 25% capacity.

<u>\$5W-06006</u> **Jamie Greene**: To ask the Scottish Government how much it will contribute toward the cost of (a) running and (b) owning Glasgow Prestwick Airport in 2017-18.

<u>\$5W-06007</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to reduce delays on ScotRail services.

<u>\$5W-06008</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what (a) support it provides to and (b) discussions it has had with (i) Network Rail and (ii) ScotRail regarding improving health and safety at railway stations.

<u>\$5W-06009</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to address unprofitable bus services being reduced or withdrawn by private operators, including when considering future route contracts and tenders.

<u>\$5W-06010</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the Forth Replacement Crossing will be delivered on (a) time and (b) budget.

<u>\$5W-06011</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out or plans on the impact of introducing a maximum earning limit for people.

<u>\$5W-06012</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to introduce education regarding LGBTI issues into schools.

<u>\$5W-06013</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the impact of the common fisheries policy on Scotland.

<u>\$5W-06035</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question \$5W-05525 by Angela Constance on 9 January 2017, whether it will publish the proposals that were presented on 31 October 2016.

<u>\$5W-06036</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent each year from the £20 million fund to tackle violence against women, broken down by programme.

<u>\$5W-06037</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question \$5W-05524 by Angela Constance on 9 January 2017, how it is taking forward its implementation of each of the recommendations.

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<u>S5W-06039</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many jobs it estimates will be lost due to technological change; what the timeline for any losses will be; which sectors it expects to lose the most jobs, and what its skills strategy is to deal with any changes.

<u>\$5W-06048</u> **Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will monitor the effectiveness of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 in terms of community involvement in public sector decision-making.

<u>\$5W-06049</u> **Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding it will provide to communities in the Lothian parliamentary region so that they can participate in the additional local decision-making opportunities expected as a result of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

<u>\$5W-06050</u> **Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent on drug prevention education in schools in each of the last 10 years.

<u>\$5W-06051</u> **Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports that £65 million will be required over the next 10 years to keep Historic Environment Scotland's properties in a satisfactory condition, whether it plans to make further funding available to the agency in addition to the £6.6 million recently announced and, if so, how much.

<u>\$5W-06052</u> **Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government what resources each of its enterprise agencies are allocating to develop trade relations with Canada ahead of the ratification of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA).

<u>S5W-06055</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to help Scottish firms equip themselves to deal with threats of cyber security, in light of the recent Bank of Scotland Business Digital Index report, which shows that 60% of Scottish firms still need to invest in cyber security.

<u>S5W-06057</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government what the impact of reducing local government funding by £327 million would be on funding for schools.

<u>\$5W-06058</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent report by Reform Scotland on ending nursery age discrimination.

<u>S5W-06060</u> Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Cromarty Firth Port Authority has consulted Scottish Natural Heritage for the purpose of carrying out an appropriate assessment of a plan or project under the Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 (as amended) for ship-to-ship transfers of oil in the Moray Firth.

<u>S5W-06061</u> **Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether a harbour authority can consent to a programme of ship-to-ship oil transfers without amending its by-laws to take account of such transfer operations.

<u>S5W-06062</u> Alison Johnstone: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it has excluded research postgraduate courses, including research masters degrees, from its package of postgraduate student support announced on 19 December 2016, and whether it plans to include research masters degrees in future support packages.

<u>\$5W-06063</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to introduce flash monitoring systems for diabetes patients. **R**

<u>\$5W-06064</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to encourage the use of technology in the diagnosis, monitoring and treatment of diabetes patients. **R**

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<u>S5W-06065</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made in overcoming barriers to the introduction of new technologies for diabetes services, as referred to in its 2014 Diabetes Improvement Plan. **R**

<u>\$5W-06066</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish its 2016 Scottish Diabetes Survey.

<u>S5W-06067</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) GPs, (b) nurses, (c) midwives and (d) consultants have taken early retirement since 2007, broken down by NHS board.

<u>S5W-06070</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government how many corrective treatments have taken place in the NHS as a result of botched cosmetic surgery and what the total cost of these was.

<u>S5W-06071</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government how many students have taken up a medical school place at the University of (a) Glasgow, (b) Edinburgh, (c) Aberdeen, (d) St Andrews and (e) Dundee in each year since 2007.

<u>S5W-06072</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the projected annual cost of each item included in its recently launched Baby Box.

<u>\$5W-06073</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to Flybe's decision to cancel its Dundee to Amsterdam service, and when it was first made aware of this decision.

<u>\$5W-06074</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many night feeding machines are available for cancer patients, broken down by NHS board area.

<u>S5W-06075</u> **Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to ensure that teachers in areas with low or negligible internet connections will be able to access new online materials aimed at addressing the attainment gap.

<u>S5W-06076</u> **Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government when it expects the full range of online materials for teachers aimed at addressing the attainment gap to be available.

<u>S5W-06077</u> **Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been (a) arrested, (b) prosecuted and (c) convicted for fishing for (i) migratory and (ii) non-migratory fish without permission in each of the last five years.

<u>S5W-06078</u> **Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government how many offences of fishing without permission have resulted in a (a) prosecution and (b) conviction in each of the last five years.

<u>\$5W-06079</u> **David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question \$5W-02317 by Roseanna Cunningham on 15 September 2016, what progress it is making with the implementation of each of the recommendations of the Wildlife Crime Penalties Review Group.

<u>\$5W-06080</u> **David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to increase the Scottish SPCA's powers to investigate wildlife crime and, if so, when.

<u>\$5W-06081</u> **David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with the Scottish SPCA regarding increasing the charity's powers to investigate wildlife crime.

<u>\$5W-06084</u> **John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had, or plans to have, with Scottish Natural Heritage or The Highland Council regarding the proposed golf course at Coul Links in Sutherland.

<u>\$5W-06085</u> **John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government further to the answer to question \$5W-02282 by Kevin Stewart on 20 September 2016, whether it would consider that an adverse effect on the natural features, for which the Coul Links in Sutherland are protected under national law

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and international law and treaty, would constitute an issue of genuine national importance, and what the reasons are for its position on this matter.

<u>\$5W-06086</u> **John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government what involvement it would anticipate having in the planning application should the proposed golf course at Coul Links in Sutherland be likely to have an adverse effect on the natural features for which the site is legally protected.

<u>S5W-06087</u> **John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking alongside Transport Scotland to ensure that the dualling of the A9, and particularly its crossing of the River Spey, enhances the nature conservation value and ecological connectivity of the Insh Marshes National Nature Reserve, River Spey Special Area of Conservation and River Spey - Insh Marshes Special Protection Area.

<u>\$5W-06088</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason annual subscription for the General Teaching Council for Scotland has increased by 30% from £50 to £65.

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Affirmative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 11 January 2017 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Stop and Search Code of Practice (Appointed Day) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 [draft] laid under section 77(4) of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016

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

Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced 19 December 2016
Lead Committee – Finance and Constitution

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 29 November 2016

Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced 8 December 2016 Lead Committee – Justice

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Children and Social Work Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-7

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

Justice Committee, 13 December 2016
Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 13 December 2016

Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-5 Lodged 17 November 2016

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

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 12 January 2017 Lead committee to report by 9 January 2017

Air Quality Standards (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/376) (18 November 2016) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 18 January 2017 Lead committee to report by 16 January 2017

<u>Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (Consequential and Saving Provisions) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/389)</u> (24 November 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Lyon Court and Office Fees (Variation) (Devolved Functions) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/390) (24 November 2016) (Justice)

<u>Tweed Regulation (Salmon Conservation) (No. 2) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/391)</u> (24 November 2016) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Conservation of Salmon (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/392) (24 November 2016) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 19 January 2017 Lead committee to report by 16 January 2017

National Health Service (Dietitian Supplementary Prescribers and Therapeutic Radiographer Independent Prescribers) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/393) (25 November 2016) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 25 January 2017 Lead committee to report by 23 January 2017

Patient Rights (Complaints Procedure and Consequential Provisions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/401) (1 December 2016) (Health and Sport)

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<u>Valuation for Rating (Decapitalisation Rate) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/402)</u> (1 December 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 30 January 2017 Lead committee to report by 23 January 2017

<u>Financial Assistance for Environmental Purposes (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/406)</u> (6 December 2016) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 1 February 2017 Lead committee to report by 30 January 2017

Road Traffic (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (East Lothian Council)

Designation Order 2016 (SSI 2016/407) (8 December 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Parking Attendants (Wearing of Uniforms) (East Lothian Council Parking Area) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/408) (8 December 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (East Lothian Council) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/409) (8 December 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Community Empowerment (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/411) (8 December 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

Regulation of Care (Prescribed Registers) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2016 (SSI 2016/413) (8 December 2016) (Health and Sport)

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)

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

<u>Civil Partnership, Marriage Between Persons of Different Sexes and Same Sex Marriage</u>
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Firemen's Pension Scheme (Amendment and Transitional Provisions) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/431) (22 December 2016) (Justice)

<u>Letting Agent Registration (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/432)</u> (22 December 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

<u>Licensing of Relevant Permanent Sites (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/433)</u> (22 December 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

<u>Seed (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/434)</u> (22 December 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

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The following report was published on 11 January 2017—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 1st Report 2017 (Session 5): Subordinate Legislation (SP Paper 54)

The following report will be published on 12 January 2017–

Education and Skills Committee, 1st Report, 2017 (Session 5): Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Children and Social Work Bill (LCM (S5)7) (SP Paper 57)

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Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 11 January 2017 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Code of Practice on the Exercise by Constables of Powers of Stop and Search of the Person in Scotland: SG/2017/7 laid under section 77(2) of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016

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