

Monday 16 January 2017

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

4:00pm Finance and Constitution Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

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

Finance and Constitution Committee 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 .

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 - Dr Maureen Sier, Director, Interfaith Scotland

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

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

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

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

Wednesday 18 January 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Education and Skills

followed by Ministerial Statement: Delivering an Enhanced Trauma Network for Scotland

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Enterprise

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Health

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

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

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

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

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Ministerial Statement: Draft Climate Change Plan

followed by Scottish Government Debate: The Future of Funding for Rural Development

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 24 January 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 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

2:30 pm Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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>

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

17 January 2017

2nd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Inquiry on the Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union (in private):** The Committee will consider its draft report on the Inquiry on the Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 24 January, the Committee expects to consider its draft report on the Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union.

For further information contact the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5403 or email

economyjobsandfairwork@parliament.scot.

Health and Sport Committee

17 January 2017

1st Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Obesity (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter on obesity.
2. **Palliative and End of Life Care (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft follow up letter on palliative and end of life care.
3. **Social and Community Care Workforce (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft follow up letter on the social and community care workforce.
4. **Primary Care in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft follow up letter on primary care in Scotland.
Not before 10.00 am
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
The Regulation of Care (Prescribed Registers) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2016 (SSI 2016/413)
The Caseins and Caseinates (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/422)
6. **Scottish Public Services Ombudsman:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Jim Martin, Ombudsman, Niki Maclean, Director, and John Stevenson, Head of Complaints Standards, Scottish Public Services Ombudsman.
7. **Care Inspectorate:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Karen Reid, Chief Executive, and Paul Edie, Chair, Care Inspectorate.

8. **Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill (UK Parliament legislation)** The Committee will take evidence on the legislative consent memorandum from—
Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Rose Marie Parr, Chief Pharmaceutical Officer, and Martin Moffat, Policy Adviser, Pharmacy and Medicines Division, Scottish Government.
9. **Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (in private):** The Committee will consider the legislative consent memorandum.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, David Cullum, on 0131 348 5410, or email, healthandsport@parliament.scot.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

17 January 2017

2nd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Stop and Search Code of Practice \(Appointed Day\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#).
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Seed \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/434\)](#);
[Licensing of Relevant Permanent Sites \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/433\)](#).
4. **Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
5. **Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider a draft report to the Justice Committee.

Proposed future business

The Committee expects to next meet on Tuesday 24 January. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at dplr.committee@parliament.scot or on 0131 348 5212.

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

17 January 2017

2nd 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 4 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
The Financial Assistance for Environmental Purposes (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/406)
3. **Deer Management in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor Steve Albon, Emeritus Fellow, James Hutton Institute;

Dr Duncan Halley, Researcher I, EU & EEA programmes contact, Norwegian Institute for Nature Research;
Professor David McCracken, Head of Hill & Mountain Research Centre, Scotland's Rural College;
Professor Rory Putman, Visiting Professor at the Institute of Biodiversity Animal Health and Comparative Medicine, University of Glasgow.

4. **Deer Management in Scotland:** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 24 January, the Committee will take further evidence from Scottish Natural Heritage on its report on deer management in Scotland. The Committee will also take evidence from Scottish Government officials on its draft climate change plan (RPP3).

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Tullis, on 0131 348 5240 or ecclr.committee@parliament.scot.

Justice Committee

17 January 2017

2nd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.
2. **Inquiry into the role and purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Rt Hon James Wolffe QC, Lord Advocate, and David Harvie, Crown Agent and Chief Executive, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.
3. **Public petitions:** The Committee will consider the following current petitions—
PE1370 by Dr Jim Swire, Professor Robert Black QC, Robert Forrester, Father Patrick Keegans and Iain McKie on Justice for Megrabi;

PE1501 by Stuart Graham on public inquiries into self-inflicted and accidental deaths following suspicious death investigations;

PE1567 by Donna O'Halloran on investigating unascertained deaths, suicides and fatal accidents in Scotland;

PE1510 by Jody Curtis on the closure of police, fire and non-emergency service centres north of Dundee;

PE1511 by Laura Ross on the decision made by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to close Inverness control room.

4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
Police Service of Scotland (Amendment) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/419);

Firemen's Pension Scheme (Amendment and Transitional Provisions) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/431).

5. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting on 12 January 2017.

- Criminal Finances Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the written evidence received on the legislative consent memorandum lodged by Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Justice (LCM-S5-6).

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 24 January, the Committee expects to hold a round-table evidence session on demand-led policing. For further information, contact Peter McGrath, the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot

Local Government and Communities Committee

18 January 2017

2nd Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 7 in private.
- Scottish local government elections and voting:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 Andy O'Neill, Head, Electoral Commission, Scotland;
 Alan Armstrong, Strategic Director, Education Scotland;
 Mary Pitcaithly, Convener, and Chris Highcock, Secretary, Electoral Management Board for Scotland;
 Ian Milton, Grampian Electoral Registration Officer and Chair, Electoral Registration Committee, Scottish Assessors Association;
 and then from—
 Joe FitzPatrick, Minister for Parliamentary Business, and Roddy Angus, Elections Policy Adviser, Scottish Government.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
 The Valuation for Rating (Decapitalisation Rate) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/402);

 The Community Empowerment (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/411);

 The Town and Country Planning (Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional Saving Provision) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/421).
- Payments to returning officers in Scotland:** The Committee will consider a draft report.
- Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2.
- Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at its meeting on 11 January 2017 from the Scottish Housing Regulator and the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman.
- Implications for Scottish local government of the United Kingdom leaving the European Union:** The Committee will consider draft letters to the Scottish Government and COSLA.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 1 February, the Committee expects to take evidence on the Scottish Government's draft climate change plan (RPP3) and on the Scottish Social Housing Charter.

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

Education and Skills Committee

18 January 2017

2nd 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 4 in private. The Committee will also decide whether its review of evidence on Widening Access should be taken in private at its next meeting.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
Gaelic Medium Education (Assessment Requests) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/425)
3. **Curriculum for Excellence:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Fiona Robertson, Director of Learning, Scottish Government;
Dr Janet Brown, Chief Executive, Scottish Qualifications Authority;
Dr Bill Maxwell, Chief Executive, Education Scotland;
Terry Lanagan, Executive Officer, Association of Directors of Education in Scotland;
Larry Flanagan, General Secretary, Education Institute of Scotland;
Seamus Searson, General Secretary, Scottish Secondary Teachers' Association;
Joanna Murphy, National Parent Forum of Scotland.
4. **Review of Evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 25 January, the Committee expects to consider oral evidence from members of the Commission for Widening Access and the Commissioner for Fair Access.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Roz Thomson on 0131 348 5204 or by email: es.committee@parliament.scot.

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

18 January 2017

2nd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Rail services in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Phil Verster, Managing Director, David Dickson, Infrastructure Director, and Angus Thom, Engineering Director, Scotrail Alliance;
and then from—
Humza Yousaf, Minister for Transport and the Islands, Bill Reeve, Director of Rail, Transport Scotland, and Gary Bogan, Head of Franchise Management Unit, Scottish Government.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 25 January, the Committee will take evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for Rural Economy and Connectivity for an update on CAP and EU Fisheries. The Committee will also take evidence from Cal Mac.

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

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

19 January 2017

2nd Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:00 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. **Maintaining Scotland's Roads: A follow-up report:** The Committee will take evidence on the joint Accounts Commission and Auditor General for Scotland report entitled "Maintaining Scotland's roads: A follow-up report" from—
Liz Ditchburn, Director-General Economy, Scottish Government;
Roy Brannen, Chief Executive, Hugh Gillies, Director of Trunk Roads and Bus Operations, and Donald Morrison, Head of Asset Management and Procurement, Transport Scotland;
Colin Mair, Chair, Roads Collaboration Board.
3. **Maintaining Scotland's Roads: A follow-up report:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Fraser McKinlay, Controller of Audit, Graeme Greenhill, Senior Manager, and Shelagh Stewart, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
4. **Post-legislative scrutiny:** The Committee will consider its approach to post-legislative scrutiny.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 26 January, the Committee will take evidence from the Auditor General for Scotland and Audit Scotland on the report entitled "The 2015/16 audit of the Scottish Police Authority".

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

Public Petitions Committee

19 January 2017

1st 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 its consideration of a draft report on PE1463 on thyroid and adrenal testing, diagnosis and treatment should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Consideration of a continued petition:** The Committee will consider the following continued petition—
PE1458 by Peter Cherbi on register of interests for members of Scotland's judiciary;
and will take evidence from —

Professor Alan Paterson.

3. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
PE1626 by Pat Rafferty, on behalf of Unite Scotland, on regulation of bus services;

and will take evidence from —

Pat Rafferty, Scottish Secretary, Unite the Union, and Ian Taylor, Director, Transport for Quality of Life;

PE1625 by Patricia Hewitt and Mary Black on wider awareness, acceptance and regulation of Pathological Demand Avoidance Syndrome;

and will take evidence from—

Patricia Hewitt, Euan Robson, Mary Black and Heather Fullbrook;

PE1627 by Annette McKenzie on consent for mental health treatment for people under 18 years of age;

and will take evidence from —

Annette McKenzie.

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

PE1548 by Beth Morrison on national guidance on restraint and seclusion in schools;

PE1551 by Scott Pattinson on mandatory reporting of child abuse;

PE 1596 by Paul Anderson on In Care Survivors Service Scotland;

PE1616 by John S Shaw on parking legislation;

PE1617 by Angus Files on proposed health study - vaccinated vs non vaccinated;

PE1618 by Carl Grundy on combating motorcycle theft.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 2 February, the Committee expects to consider new and continued petitions.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Catherine Fergusson, on 0131 348 5186 or petitions@parliament.scot.

Equalities and Human Rights Committee

19 January 2017

2nd 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 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
Civil Partnership, Marriage Between Persons of Different Sexes and Same Sex Marriage (Prescribed Bodies) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/427)
3. **Scottish Human Rights Commission Annual Report and Strategic Plan:** The Committee will take evidence on the annual report and strategic plan of the Scottish Human Rights Commission from—
Judith Robertson, Chair, Kavita Chetty, Head of Strategy and Legal, and Clare Nicolson, Business Manager, Scottish Human Rights Commission.
4. **Scottish Human Rights Commission Annual Report and Strategic Plan:** The Committee will consider the evidence received.
5. **Destitution and Asylum in Scotland:** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 26 January, the Committee will take further oral evidence on its inquiry on bullying and harassment in schools.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee by email at equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot or ring 0131 348 5223.

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Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

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

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

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

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S5M-03419](#) Peter Chapman: North East Sensory Services Delivers Across the Region**—That the Parliament recognises the success of North East Sensory Services on having had its most successful charitable year in 2016; understands that this has enabled it to reach over 5,500 people in its centres in Aberdeen, Elgin and Dundee; appreciates the services that it provides to people who are deaf and/or blind, and wishes it further success in 2017.

***[S5M-03418](#) Peter Chapman: Ellon Rotary Club Keeps the Wheels Turning**—That the Parliament congratulates the members of the Ellon Rotary Club on their work with the charity, Jolerider; notes that the club has been collecting bikes donated by the public that are then refurbished by the prison inmates through the charity; acknowledges that the bikes are sent to Gambia to help children get to school; appreciates that, so far, 175 bikes have been collected, and wishes everyone involved with the project all the best.

***[S5M-03417](#) Peter Chapman: The Queen Congratulates Lizzie Taylor on Reaching 100**—That the Parliament sends its best wishes to Elizabeth “Lizzie” Taylor who celebrated her 100th birthday on 9 January 2017; recognises that she received a huge number of accolades and considers that she provides a huge boost to community spirit; notes that she has dedicated her life to caring for others and that she moved around Scotland in order to do so; acknowledges that Lizzie has lived under four different monarchs, being born at the height of the First World War, and wishes her all the best for the future.

Supported by: Maurice Corry*, Douglas Ross*, John Lamont*, Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Liam Kerr*, Jeremy Balfour*

***[S5M-03416](#) Patrick Harvie: Campaigners Win Changes for Staff at the G1 Group**—That the Parliament commends the work of Better Than Zero and the STUC, and a campaign by workers following the announcement from the G1 Group that it will no longer use zero-hour contracts at any of its sites in Glasgow and elsewhere in Scotland; notes that the G1 Group has also announced that staff will no longer be required to pay for uniform or breakages out of their wages or be docked for small instances of lateness, and that minimum hours contracts are to be introduced; further notes that the G1 Group has been previously named by the UK Government in a list of companies that failed to pay its staff the national minimum wage; understands that the

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announcement follows an intense campaign by Better Than Zero in response to a systematic campaign of complaints by staff; welcomes the action of staff to protest unacceptable working conditions to bring about this progress from the G1 Group; recognises that much progress has yet to be achieved toward ethical and respectful employment, and hopes that more workers who are subject to zero-hour contracts, low pay and exploitative policies will feel inspired by this success to organise together to fight against what it sees as these despicable practices to bring about their end.

Supported by: Mary Fee*, Alex Rowley*, Pauline McNeill*

***S5M-03415 Bob Doris: Scotland's First Open Air Railway Art Gallery**—That the Parliament recognises the ambitious plan of creating Scotland's first open air railway art gallery in Glasgow's Kelvindale in the area around the train station; notes that the plan emerged from art lover, Helen Ntabeni, who became tired of looking at unsavoury views from the train; understands that the project's funding has been provided by Go Wild and Keep Scotland Beautiful, which oversees and manages the Scottish Government's Climate Change Challenge, in its efforts to encourage positive projects, including its management of ScotRail's biodiversity project, which has started planting wildflowers; believes that this is the only project of its kind in Scotland and encourages continuous community involvement and the support of the community council, and congratulates Helen and the project on receiving an *Evening Times* Streets Ahead grant of £400 and on the project's continuous efforts to make a beautiful and creative space for visitors and locals.

***S5M-03414 Emma Harper: Crossroads Community Hub Ltd**—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at Crossroads Community Hub Ltd on its award of £30,517 from the Scottish Land Fund; understands that it will use this to purchase the site of the former Crossroads Primary School, which is near Hurlford in East Ayrshire, to develop a community hub that will include a community-led farm shop, café, craft gallery, multi-use space and learning centre and act as the focal point for the surrounding rural settlements, and recognises the importance of the land fund in supporting both rural and urban communities to become more resilient and sustainable through the ownership and management of land and land assets.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine*, Ruth Maguire*, Tom Arthur*, Clare Haughey*

***S5M-03413 Neil Findlay: Pause the Cull of Tax Offices**—That the Parliament notes what it considers the scathing report by the National Audit Office, *Managing the HMRC estate*; understands that the report exposes a flawed business case for the merger of 170 tax offices into 17 regional centres; further understands that the estimated costs of the proposal have increased by £594 million in just 14 months, raising serious questions about the credibility of the business case; notes that the report states "HMRC has yet to demonstrate how in practice the regional centres will help its employees provide a better service"; calls on the UK Government and HMRC to take a pause in this project and engage in a wide-ranging and genuine consultation with employees, trade unions, local authorities, taxpayers and other stakeholders to establish how to deliver an effective tax collection service that maintains services and jobs in local communities such as Livingston and Bathgate.

Supported by: Alex Rowley*, Richard Lyle*, Richard Leonard*, Elaine Smith*, Pauline McNeill*

***S5M-03412 Alison Harris: Passing of John Sneddon**—That the Parliament notes with sadness the passing of John Sneddon at the age of 90; acknowledges that John, originally from Bo`ness, answered his country's call during the Second World War and joined the Royal Navy; notes that he served on Russian convoys and, in 1944 while supporting the D-Day landings, had his ship, HMS Swift, sunk from under him costing the lives of 44 of his shipmates; further notes that, after the

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war, John had a career with ICI in Grangemouth, married his wife, Jessie, who passed away in 2006, and had a daughter, Louise, as well as grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and acknowledges that, in later years, his war service was recognised by him being awarded the Freedom of Falkirk, the French Legion d'Honneur and the Russian Medal for those who served on the Arctic convoys.

***S5M-03411 Alison Harris: Bonnybridge Heritage Society to Build a War Memorial**—That the Parliament wishes every success to Bonnybridge Heritage Society as it embarks on efforts to build a war memorial in the village to honour the sacrifice of those who served at sea during the two world wars; considers that this will be a fitting tribute to those who fought at sea to secure freedom and to remember those serving in the Merchant Navy who brought food and supplies to ensure that victory was ultimately achieved, and believes that the memorial will also pay tribute to the heroism of people from Bonnybridge who helped to shorten the Second World War by serving on Russian convoys taking aid to the Soviet Union.

***S5M-03410 Ross Greer: Youth Philanthropy Initiative Support for Cathleen's Cabin**—That the Parliament recognises the work of the pupils from Bishopbriggs, Boclair, Lenzie and Kilsyth academies and from Kirkintilloch High School who recently took part in the Youth Philanthropy Initiative (YPI); notes that seven teams from the schools chose to help Cathleen's Cabin, which is a large caravan near Dunoon that is used to host holidays for children and families in need of respite, particularly children in hospices or who have experienced trauma; understands that four sixth-formers from Bishopbriggs Academy gave a performance at a YPI competition, which gained a prize of £3,000 for Cathleen's Cabin; commends all of the participants in the YPI, and wishes them and Cathleen's Cabin, which it considers to be an excellent facility, well for the future.

Supported by: Fulton MacGregor*, Jeremy Balfour*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-03409 Fulton MacGregor: St Andrew's Netball Club, Coatbridge**—That the Parliament congratulates St Andrew's Netball Club from Coatbridge on being accredited with the silver award by Netball Scotland; understands that it is the only club in Scotland to achieve this status; notes that, since starting in 2006 to increase female participation in sport locally, the club has grown to over 100 members from under-11s to adult; further notes that the club is run wholly by volunteers with no funding from the local authority, and wishes the club every success in the future.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Tom Arthur*, Ruth Maguire*, James Dornan*, Jeremy Balfour*, Richard Lyle*, Clare Haughey*, Donald Cameron*, Joan McAlpine*

***S5M-03408 Gail Ross: Andrew Currie**—That the Parliament notes the sad passing of the long-time SNP activist and campaigner, Andrew Currie, on 31 December 2016; notes Andrew's passion for debating and politics, which won him admiration both within his own party and among his opponents; appreciates his work, in which he developed innovative management methods that helped people across the UK, as well as his contribution to professionalising the Citizens Advice Bureau; further appreciates the positive impact that Andrew had in Easter Ross, an area in which he spent many years, and sends its condolences to his family.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Ruth Maguire*, Tom Arthur*, Alex Neil*, Joan McAlpine*, John Finnie*, Ash Denham*, Clare Haughey*

***S5M-03407 Gordon Lindhurst: Investment Boost for Edinburgh Software Firm QikServe**—That the Parliament congratulates the Edinburgh software firm, QikServe, which has attracted an investment of £2.7 million; understands that the funding is made up of investments from Maven Capital Partners, Par Equity, Equity Gap and Scottish Enterprise; recognises the

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significance of its app, Waiter in your Pocket, which is a self-service app allowing diners to order and pay for food and drinks straight from their smartphone; welcomes the international reach of the innovative app, which already has customers across the UK, Europe and the US; notes that the investment will allow the company to further rollout its software following its partnership with the US technology firm, Oracle, in early 2016; understands that Daniel Rodgers and Ronnie Forbes founded the company in 2011, and wishes everyone involved in the venture all the very best for the future.

Supported by: Maurice Corry*, Bill Bowman*, Margaret Mitchell*, Peter Chapman*, Miles Briggs*, Ross Thomson*, John Lamont*, Edward Mountain*, Murdo Fraser*, Donald Cameron*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Richard Lyle*, Douglas Ross*, Andy Wightman*

***S5M-03406 Alexander Stewart: Linda McLeod from Alloa Recognised for her Work**—That the Parliament congratulates Linda McLeod, who is from Alloa, on being recognised with a British Citizen Award for dedicating more than 10 years to raising awareness of lung disease; notes that Linda has been chair of the British Lung Foundation (BLF) support group, Breathe Easy Clackmannanshire, since it was formed in 2010 and has served on the Cross Party Group on Tobacco and Health for three years; understands that she has organised a variety of fundraising events, and that, along with the Provost of Clackmannanshire, she has raised £2,000 for both a new Maggie's cancer centre and the BLF; considers Linda's accomplishments admirable as she was diagnosed with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease more than 10 years ago, which makes breathing very difficult for her and can restrict her ability to walk any distance, and wishes Linda all the very best for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Margaret Mitchell*, Bill Bowman*, Peter Chapman*, Richard Lyle*, John Lamont*, Jeremy Balfour*, Ruth Maguire*, Ross Thomson*, Murdo Fraser*, Donald Cameron*, Douglas Ross*

***S5M-03405 Christina McKelvie: Spotting Domestic Abuse, "Harder" Training Video**—That the Parliament notes the release of the film, *Harder*, designed to inform professionals such as GPs, dentists, hairdressers and emergency workers to spot the signs of domestic abuse; understands that the film was produced in conjunction with the Ask, Support and Care programme, Medics Against Violence project and the Violence Reduction Unit; further understands that these organisations have trained more than 2,300 professionals through their programmes; believes that the film, *Harder*, depicts how the tell-tale signs of domestic abuse can have physical and mental impacts; further believes that it also gives advice on how to approach this sensitive topic to people who may be a victim of domestic abuse, and understands that the film is being used not only as a training video for professionals, but is being made widely available to the public to further raise awareness of how many more people can spot the signs of domestic abuse.

Supported by: Ruth Maguire*, Christine Grahame*, Jeremy Balfour*, Richard Lyle*, Clare Haughey*, Ash Denham*, Fulton MacGregor*, Tom Arthur*, Sandra White*, David Stewart*, Joan McAlpine*, John Mason*, Stuart McMillan*, David Torrance*

***S5M-03404 Gail Ross: MeyGen Secures EU Funding**—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement from the energy company, Atlantis, that MeyGen, the world-leading tidal project in the Pentland Firth, has been awarded £17.6 million from the Horizon 2020 programme for phase 1B; notes that the funding will be used to design, build and operate a 6MW array of turbines, which is expected to begin later this year with first power anticipated in 2018; further notes that it will be installed next to phase 1A of the MeyGen project, which is another 6MW array that produced its

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first power in November 2016 and was up to full speed by December, and looks forward to further success of this innovative tidal project, which it understands is the first of its kind.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Joan McAlpine*, Richard Lyle*, Tom Arthur*, Angus MacDonald*, Bill Kidd*, Liam McArthur*, Stuart McMillan*, Clare Haughey*, Fulton MacGregor*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sandra White*, Andy Wightman*, David Torrance*

***S5M-03403 Maurice Golden: Congratulations to Derek Norval BEM**—That the Parliament congratulates Derek Norval on being awarded the prestigious British Empire Medal in the 2017 New Year's Honours List for services to music; recognises his many achievements throughout his highly successful career as a conductor and pianist, including 35 years teaching at Douglas Academy, being awarded the Certificate of Long Service by the Church of Scotland for 50 years of service as a church organist, and participation in several national shows; notes his considerable contributions to the local community, and wishes him well for his retirement.

Supported by: Maurice Corry*, Liam Kerr*, Jeremy Balfour*, Peter Chapman*, Douglas Ross*, Bill Bowman*, John Lamont*, Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-03402 Richard Lochhead: Dyke Primary School (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Fulton MacGregor*, Graeme Dey*, Clare Haughey*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*

S5M-03401 Mark Ruskell: Devolving Immigration Powers (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Ross Greer*, Richard Lyle*, Joan McAlpine*, Clare Haughey*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*, Graeme Dey*, Patrick Harvie*, David Torrance*

S5M-03400 Neil Findlay: Record Numbers Travelling (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Elaine Smith*

S5M-03399 Liam Kerr: Lord Lyell of Kinnordy, 1939-2017 (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Murdo Fraser*, Graeme Dey*

S5M-03398 Elaine Smith: Seafarer Employment Conditions on Northern Isles Ferries (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay*, Mark Griffin*, Richard Leonard*, Alex Rowley*

S5M-03397 Joan McAlpine: Congratulations to Langholm's Leonard (Lennie) Bell on his New Year Honour (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Oliver Mundell*, Graeme Dey*, Clare Haughey*, Mairi Evans*, Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-03395 Joan McAlpine: Congratulations to the Dumfries-based Group, Let's Get Sporty (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Ash Denham*, Clare Haughey*

S5M-03394 Jackie Baillie: Lennox Herald Winners at Media Scotland Regional Editorial Awards (lodged on 12 January 2017)

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New Support: Pauline McNeill*, Neil Findlay*

[S5M-03393 Jackie Baillie: Heritage Lottery Year of History, Heritage and Archaeology](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Pauline McNeill*, Kenneth Gibson*

[S5M-03392 Christina McKelvie: Ignite Social Impact Investment Fund](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03390 Finlay Carson: Congratulations to Wigtownshire Women's Aid](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*, David Torrance*

[S5M-03389 David Torrance: Burntisland Community Award 2017 Winner](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Edward Mountain*, Tom Arthur*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Jeremy Balfour*, Ash Denham*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenny Gilruth*, Mark Ruskell*

[S5M-03388 Alison Harris: Expansion Plans for Jarvie Plant Hire](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Margaret Mitchell*, Jeremy Balfour*, Maurice Corry*, Liam Kerr*, John Lamont*, Alexander Stewart*, Ross Thomson*, Bill Bowman*, Peter Chapman*, Murdo Fraser*, Richard Lyle*, Douglas Ross*, Donald Cameron*

[S5M-03387 David Torrance: Best Sausage Rolls in Scotland](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Clare Haughey*, Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03386 Rona Mackay: Congratulations to Turnbull High School Students](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03384 Alison Harris: Sheena Dunsmore MBE](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03383 Willie Coffey: Brownings the Bakers, World Champions](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Gail Ross*, Stuart McMillan*, Clare Haughey*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bob Doris*, Gordon MacDonald*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*

[S5M-03382 Gail Ross: Caithness Broch Project](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03381 Liam McArthur: Thanks to NFU Orkney Branch Chairman, Paul Ross](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Richard Lyle*

[S5M-03380 Richard Lochhead: Burning of the Clavie](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

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New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03379](#) Pauline McNeill: The Impact of Brexit on the Banking Sector (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Anas Sarwar*

[S5M-03377](#) Maurice Corry: Bellsmyre Development Trust Receives £150,000 from the Big Lottery Fund Scotland (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03374](#) Donald Cameron: Islay and Jura Charity Benefit from Big Lottery Fund (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03373](#) Bill Kidd: The Yoker Resource Centre Receives Big Lottery Funding (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03372](#) Stuart McMillan: Ocean Youth Trust (Scotland) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03371](#) Douglas Ross: Shetland Group Supporting Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse Receives Funding (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03370](#) Sandra White: Rape Crisis Centre (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ash Denham*

[S5M-03369](#) Gillian Martin: Developments at Aberdeenshire North Foodbank (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03368](#) Sandra White: Leadership, Equality and Active Participation Grant Success (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: James Dornan*, Clare Haughey*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bob Doris*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenny Gilruth*, Mairi Evans*, David Torrance*

[S5M-03367](#) Sandra White: Equal Say Ltd (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03365](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Forth Road Bridge Workers (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03362](#) Edward Mountain: Safe Strong and Free Secures Big Lottery Funding (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

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[S5M-03361 Miles Briggs: Edinburgh Organisations Benefit from Latest Big Lottery Fund Awards](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03360 Sandra White: The Mental Health Foundation](#) (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-03356 Ruth Maguire: Congratulating Kilwinning Resident, Craig Potter](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03355 Graeme Dey: Community First UK](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03354 Kenneth Gibson: It's OK to Talk. Period.](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03353 Ross Thomson: Mannofield Church Awarded £5,000 for Community Cafe Project](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03351 Emma Harper: Celebrating Burns and the Scots Language](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: John Mason*, Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03350 Alexander Stewart: First-ever Stirling Scottish Marathon](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03349 Margaret Mitchell: Top Marks for Hamilton College](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03348 Alexander Stewart: Alva Man to Compete in Classic Rally for Charity in Memory of Late Wife](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03346 Alexander Stewart: Stirling Cub Scouts' Centennial](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03342 Jamie Greene: North Ayrshire Council's Carbon Footprint Reduction](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03337 Jeremy Balfour: Kirkliston Village Hall Association](#) (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Brian Whittle*

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[S5M-03333](#) Miles Briggs: Lothian Organisations Among the Aviva Community Fund Winners (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03332](#) Alexander Stewart: Perth Karate Club Wins Multiple Medals (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03321](#) Jamie Greene: Congratulating Dr Jenny Peston on her MBE (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03319](#) Ross Thomson: Aberdeen Christmas Village (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03316](#) Liam Kerr: RNLI Stonehaven Celebrates 60th Anniversary (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03310](#) Jeremy Balfour: Virgin Atlantic and Flybe's New Codeshare Flights from Scotland (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03306](#) Bill Kidd: Tony de Brum and Marshall Islands Voted the Arms Control Person of the Year (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Claudia Beamish*

[S5M-03302](#) Liam Kerr: The Awards for Valour (Protection) Bill (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03299](#) Douglas Ross: Celebrating the Elgin Ice Festival (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03294](#) Jackson Carlaw: The Busby Hotel Awards Culinary Excellence Certificates (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03291](#) Finlay Carson: Congratulations to Kite Power Systems (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03289](#) Finlay Carson: Congratulations to Ballards Butchers and TH Carson Butchers (lodged on 06 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

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

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New Support: Andy Wightman*, Brian Whittle*, Murdo Fraser*, John Scott*

[S5M-03287](#) Peter Chapman: £2,035 Raised for the Cash for Kids, Coats for Kids Appeal (lodged on 06 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03286](#) Peter Chapman: Congratulations to Wilma Walker MBE (lodged on 06 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03282](#) Alex Rowley: Assaults Against Public Service Workers (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Elaine Smith*

[S5M-03275](#) Donald Cameron: World Cancer Day, an Opportunity to Tackle Obesity (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03274](#) Peter Chapman: Family Fish Business Lands £50,000 Aldi Deal (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

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

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03270](#) Liam Kerr: Norwegian Announces 130 Jobs at Edinburgh Airport (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03263](#) Jamie Greene: Congratulating Glasgow's Gary Maclean on Winning BBC Masterchef: The Professionals (lodged on 23 December 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03246](#) Alison Harris: Xtreme Karting, Larbert Retains 5-star Award (lodged on 21 December 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

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

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S5M-03184](#) Richard Leonard: Opposition to Cuts to North Lanarkshire Council (lodged on 16 December 2016)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*

[S5M-02931](#) Neil Findlay: Forth Replacement Crossing Workers being Ripped-off (lodged on 05 December 2016)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*

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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 13 January 2017

[S5W-06040](#) Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government when it will issue the Environmental Co-operation Action Fund (ECAAF) contracts that were due in July 2016.

[S5W-06041](#) Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government how much the Association of Deer Management Groups has received from (a) the Forestry Commission Scotland and (b) Scottish Natural Heritage in venison levy to support its work in each of the last five years.

[S5W-06042](#) Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government how much funding the Association of Deer Management Groups has received from (a) the Forestry Commission Scotland and (b) Scottish Natural Heritage for collaborative projects in each of the last five years.

[S5W-06043](#) Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government how much (a) Forestry Commission Scotland and (b) Scottish Natural Heritage has spent directly on deer management in culling and fencing on public land in each of the last five years.

[S5W-06044](#) Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government how much (a) it and (b) Forestry Commission Scotland has spent on deer fencing grants on third-party, private land in each of the last five years.

[S5W-06045](#) Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government what the cost has been to Scottish Natural Heritage of each of the current section 7 agreements under the Deer (Scotland) Act 1996, including all grant support, staff time and expenses incurred during negotiations.

[S5W-06046](#) Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government what the cost has been of Scottish Natural Heritage assistance to deer management groups to improve their deer management planning, including training and deer management plan delivery, in each of the last five years.

[S5W-06047](#) Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government what the cost has been of Scottish Natural Heritage support for aerial counts of deer populations to support the work of deer management groups in each of the last five years.

[S5W-06146](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what meetings (a) ministers and (b) officials have had with (i) Scottish Natural Heritage and (ii) Scottish Enterprise at which proposals by Cromarty Firth Port Authority to carry out ship-to-ship oil transfers were discussed, broken down by (A) date and (B) location.

[S5W-06148](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what meetings (a) ministers and (b) officials have had with Cromarty Firth Port Authority at which proposals to carry out ship-to-ship oil transfers were discussed, broken down by (i) date and (ii) location.

[S5W-06166](#) Christina McKelvie: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it plans of what the impact would be on Scotland's economy of the proposal by the UK Government to levy firms in specific industries £1,000 a year for each EU worker that they hire.

[S5W-06168](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how many expectant mothers have been turned away from maternity units due to capacity issues in each year since 1999, broken down by hospital.

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[S5W-06169 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that expectant mothers have been turned away from the maternity unit at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Glasgow.

[S5W-06170 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-05531 by Michael Matheson on 10 January 2017, whether it will consider increasing the presumption against short prison sentences to 12 months.

[S5W-06171 Christine Grahame:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-06015 by John Swinney on 13 January 2017, whether it will review the schedule to the regulations to extend the exceptions to class size maximum to include Primary 4-7, in light of reports that the current provisions discriminate against older siblings, particularly in rural communities.

[S5W-06172 Tavish Scott:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the finding in the *Civil Service People Survey 2016* that records a decrease in positive responses by Education Scotland staff to 62 of the 63 questions.

[S5W-06173 Tavish Scott:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take in light of the finding in the *Civil Service People Survey 2016* that suggests that 35% of Education Scotland staff "want to leave Education Scotland as soon as possible, or within the next 12 months", and what its position is on whether the organisation can continue in its present structure.

[S5W-06174 Tavish Scott:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the finding in the *Civil Service People Survey 2016* that suggests that 11% of Education Scotland's staff consider that "change is managed well in Education Scotland", what its position is on how the organisation manages change.

[S5W-06175 Alex Cole-Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment has been made of introducing mandatory mental health first aid training in the workplace.

[S5W-06176 Alex Cole-Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of the budget for mental health has been allocated to mental health in the workplace for each year up to 2021.

[S5W-06177 Alex Cole-Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action is being taken to help employers tackle mental health stigma in the workplace.

[S5W-06178 Alex Cole-Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment has been made of the impact of workplace stress on NHS services.

[S5W-06180 Mark Ruskell:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it considers that ship-to-ship oil transfer operations, as proposed in the licence application by Cromarty Firth Port Authority in December 2015, are compliant with regulations established under directives 92/43/EEC and 79/409/EEC.

[S5W-06181 Mark Ruskell:](#) To ask the Scottish Government for what reason Marine Scotland did not provide a response to the licence application by Cromarty Firth Ports Authority, in December 2015, to carry out ship-to-ship oil transfers.

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New Subordinate Legislation

Negative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 13 January 2017 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/6)
laid under section 56 of the Finance Act 1973

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Progress of Legislation

Bills

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

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/576.aspx>

For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

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

Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill (G)

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

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

<http://external.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/31313.aspx>

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

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Education and Skills Committee, 11 January 2017
1st Report 2017, Education and Skills Committee, Published 12 January 2017

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

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

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)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 18 January 2017

Lead committee to report by 16 January 2017

[Land Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Consequential and Saving Provisions\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/389\)](#) (24 November 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

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

[Tweed Regulation \(Salmon Conservation\) \(No. 2\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/391\)](#) (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)

[Valuation for Rating \(Decapitalisation Rate\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/402\)](#) (1 December 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

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Subject to annulment by 30 January 2017

Lead committee to report by 23 January 2017

[Financial Assistance for Environmental Purposes \(Scotland\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/406\)](#) (6 December 2016) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 1 February 2017

Lead committee to report by 30 January 2017

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