

Friday 20 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

There are no meetings today.

Meeting of the Parliament

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 18 January 2017

Tuesday 24 January 2017

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Draft Scottish Energy Strategy

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Developing Forestry in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-03275 Donald Cameron: World Cancer Day, an Opportunity to Tackle Obesity

Wednesday 25 January 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Health and Sport

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Public Services

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-03351 Emma Harper: Celebrating Burns and the Scots Language

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 — S5M-03204 Jackson Carlaw: Holocaust Memorial Day 2017

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Ministerial Statement: Hate Crime

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: UK Children and Social Work Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 31 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 1 February 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Communities, Social Security and Equalities

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 2 February 2017

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Government Business

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>

Finance and Constitution Committee

23 January 2017

3rd Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 2.00 pm in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Draft Budget 2017-18 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report on Draft Budget 2017-18.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 23 January 2017, the Committee will further consider its draft report on Draft Budget 2017-18

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at

Finance.Constitution@parliament.scot

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

24 January 2017

3rd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3):** The Committee will take evidence from—
John Ireland, Deputy Director of Decarbonisation, Colin MacBean, Head of Energy and Climate Change Analysis, Chris Stark, Director of Energy and Climate Change, and Morag Williamson, Team Leader of Climate Change Plan Project Team, Scottish Government.
3. **Deer Management in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Andrew Bachell, Director of Policy and Advice, Donald Fraser, Operations Manager (Deer and Wildlife), Claudia Rowse, Head of Rural Resources Unit, and Des Thompson, Principal Advisor for Biodiversity, Scottish Natural Heritage.
4. **Draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3):** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Deer Management in Scotland:** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 31 January, the Committee will take evidence from stakeholders on the Scottish Government's draft climate change plan (RPP3). The Committee will also consider

PE1615 on state regulated licensing system for gamebird hunting in Scotland and a review of PE1601 on European beavers in Scotland.

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

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

24 January 2017

3rd 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 items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Plant Health \(Import Inspection Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/6\)](#);
[Title Conditions \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Rural Housing Bodies\) Amendment Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/7\)](#).
3. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session 1994 Amendment\) \(Leave to Appeal\) 2017 \(SSI 2017/4\)](#).
4. **Scottish Social Housing Charter:** The Committee will consider the [Scottish Social Housing Charter \(SG/2017/2\)](#).
5. **Report on instruments considered during the second quarter of the parliamentary year 2016-17:** The Committee will consider a draft of its second quarterly report for the parliamentary year 2016-17.
6. **Commission on Parliamentary Reform:** The Committee will consider its response to the Commission's call for evidence.

Proposed future business

The Committee expects to next meet on Tuesday 31 January. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at dplr.committee@parliament.scot or on 0131 348 5212.

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

24 January 2017

3rd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Bill Bowman will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
3. **Gender Pay Gap:** The Committee will consider a list of candidates for the post of adviser in connection with its forthcoming inquiry.
4. **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 31 January, the Committee expects to consider oral evidence on the Climate Change Plan and Energy Strategy.

For further information contact the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5403 or email economyjobsandfairwork@parliament.scot.

Health and Sport Committee

24 January 2017

2nd 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 its consideration of the evidence it has received on the draft proposal and statement of reasons on the Transplantation (Authorisation of Removal of Organs etc.) (Scotland) Bill should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Scottish Health Council:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Richard Norris, Director, and Pam Whittle CBE, Chair, Scottish Health Council;
Robbie Pearson, Chief Executive, Healthcare Improvement Scotland.
3. **Sportscotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Stewart Harris, Chief Executive, and Mel Young, Chair, Sportscotland.
4. **Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report on the legislative consent memorandum.
5. **The Implications to Scotland of Brexit (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee.
6. **Healthcare in Prisons (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to work on this issue.

Proposed future business

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

Justice Committee

24 January 2017

3rd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private and whether its consideration of a draft report on the legislative consent memorandum on the Criminal Finances Bill should be taken in private at a future meeting.
2. **Demand-led policing - service of first and last resort:** The Committee will take evidence, in round-table format, from—
Amy Dalrymple, Head of Policy, Alzheimer Scotland;
Dr Peter Bennie, Chair of the Scottish Council, British Medical Association;
Malcolm Graham, Assistant Chief Constable, Strategic Development, Police Scotland;
David Liddell OBE, Director, Scottish Drugs Forum;
Calum Steele, General Secretary, Scottish Police Federation;
Bob Leslie, Chair of the Mental Health Sub-Group, Social Work Scotland.
3. **Public petitions:** The Committee will consider the following current petitions—

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. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting on 12 January 2017.
5. **Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider written evidence received and proposed witnesses for its scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 31 January, the Committee expects to consider a draft report on the legislative consent memorandum on the Criminal Finances Bill. For further information, contact Peter McGrath, the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot

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Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

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

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

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

Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

***[S5M-03527](#) David Torrance: 50th Anniversary of Michael Pit Disaster**—That the Parliament acknowledges the 50th anniversary of the tragic Michael Pit disaster in East Wemyss; considers the loss of the nine men who died to be a horrific loss of life; commends the immense bravery and actions of the rescue teams who were able to save hundreds of other men in incredibly difficult circumstances; greatly praises the Fife Mining Heritage Society for commemorating the tragedy this year by holding a memorial service, an exhibition and a march near the site of the incident, and strongly welcomes such events always being remembered by local communities.

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Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***[S5M-03500](#) Brian Whittle: Kilmarnock Churches Youth Project's Basement Youth Café**—That the Parliament congratulates the staff and volunteers of the Kilmarnock Churches Youth Project on what it sees as the success of its Basement Youth Café; understands that the project was founded in 2009 to provide 11- to 18-year-olds with a safe, relaxed and drug- and alcohol-free environment in which they can meet friends, play video games, listen to music and, if they wish, chat to the project's full-time youth worker or one of the volunteers about life-issues that they are experiencing; notes that it has supported various young people through issues including self-harm, low self-esteem, depression and lack of confidence; recognises the project's commitment to engaging with young people and giving them a sense of ownership by operating a youth committee that meets regularly with the youth worker to discuss ideas for future activities; congratulates the youth worker and the trustees on what it considers the effectiveness of the project, and wishes all involved with it continued success.

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-03541 Donald Cameron: New Year's Honours Winner in the Western Isles**—That the Parliament congratulates Christopher Michael Reynolds on being awarded a British Empire Medal in the New Year's Honours list in recognition of his work as a volunteer regional representative for the British Trust for Ornithology and for services to ornithology in the Western Isles; recognises this incredible achievement, and acknowledges his tireless services to supporting wildlife in the area.

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***S5M-03540 Donald Cameron: New Year's Honours Winners in Argyll and Bute**—That the Parliament congratulates Margaret Ann Worsley and Sheila Frances on being awarded the British Empire Medal in the New Year's Honours list; notes that Margaret Ann was recognised for her voluntary service to music in Mid-Argyll and Sheila for her voluntary service to the community on Tiree; recognises the incredible work of both, and thanks them for their selfless hard work in their communities.

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***S5M-03539 Gillian Martin: Clydesdale Bank Closures**—That the Parliament calls on the Clydesdale Bank to reconsider planned closures in its branch network across Scotland and to reverse its decision to close the Mintlaw branch in the Aberdeenshire East constituency; considers that branches in rural areas promote financial inclusion and contribute to healthy rural economies; recognises that these areas may have many vulnerable residents who would struggle to access alternative banks or digital banking, and encourages the Clydesdale Bank to halt branch closures in Aberdeenshire and across Scotland and to invest in rural communities.

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***S5M-03538 Ben Macpherson: Proposed Clydesdale Bank Closures in Edinburgh Northern and Leith**—That the Parliament expresses concern at the proposed closure of 40 Clydesdale Bank branches across Scotland; notes that two of these proposed closures, the Leith and Leith Walk branches, are in the Edinburgh Northern and Leith constituency; understands that many people in the constituency, and across Scotland, risk losing vital facilities as a result of these proposals, causing particular difficulties for less mobile residents; acknowledges that these proposals also put at risk many local jobs, and asks the Clydesdale and Yorkshire banking group to recognise these concerns, reverse these proposed closures in Leith and elsewhere and to work to minimise the impact on staff and local communities.

***S5M-03537 Ross Greer: Arrest of HDP Co-chairs**—That the Parliament condemns the charges brought against the People's Democratic Party (HDP) co-chairs, Selahattin Demirtas and Figen Yuksekdag, by the Turkish state; expresses concern that these charges are part of a broader crackdown against the democratic opposition in Turkey; notes that both HDP co-chairs were due to visit Scotland before their arrest to present their peace proposals for northern Kurdistan/south eastern Turkey; condemns the arrest of HDP officials since November 2016; is relieved that

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several HDP MPs have now been released, and calls for Turkey to release all HDP officials, other political opponents and journalists still being held, including both co-chairs.

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***S5M-03536 Maurice Golden: Salvation Army in Scotland**—That the Parliament commends the Salvation Army on its contributions to communities in Scotland and globally; recognises what it sees as its dedication to provide compassionate support for people most in need; highlights its provision of health and social care services, including holistic support for people with addiction problems, family tracing services and other successful programmes throughout the world; welcomes the recent visit of the world leader of the Salvation Army, General André Cox, to the West Scotland region, and wishes everyone connected with the Salvation Army all the best for the future.

***S5M-03535 Richard Lochhead: Closure of Clydesdale Bank's Aberlour Branch**—That the Parliament condemns the closure of the Clydesdale Bank's Aberlour branch in Moray; notes that the closure will see Aberlour lose its last bank just months after the Bank of Scotland closed its branch in the village; expresses deep concern that the closure of the last bank in Speyside leaves customers with at least a 20-mile round trip to their nearest branch in Keith; understands that a recent report by *Which?* reported that Moray has one of the highest rates of bank branch closures in Scotland; considers that the rural communities hit hardest by bank closures are often those with limited access to public transport or reliable broadband connections; further considers that closure of the Aberlour branch will be a massive blow to the employees, customers and the wider community, and calls on the Clydesdale Bank to reconsider closures where they are the last bank in a community.

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***S5M-03534 Ross Greer: Clydesdale Bank Closures in West Scotland**—That the Parliament expresses concern at the proposed closure of 40 branches of the Clydesdale Bank across Scotland; notes that five of these closures, in Bearsden, Giffnock, Johnstone, Renfrew and Saltcoats, are in the West Scotland parliamentary region; expresses solidarity for all of the workers whose jobs are threatened or effected by the closures or any resulting restructure; is grateful for the work of Unite the Union in supporting its members at this time; expresses concern that many communities are losing a vital facility, causing particular difficulties for less mobile residents, and asks the Clydesdale and Yorkshire Banking Group to reverse these closures where possible and to work with the union to minimise the impact upon staff.

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***S5M-03533 Annie Wells: Channel 4 Investing in Firecrest Films**—That the Parliament congratulates Firecrest Films on securing investment from Channel 4 in the form of a minority stake; notes that the award-winning “indie” was set up by Nicole Kleeman in 2008 with an initial focus on current affairs; believes that, although it is run solely by Nicole, it has consistently delivered award-winning content for the BBC, Channel 4 and ITN, generating over 40 front-page stories, some of which have prompted resignations, arrests and parliamentary questions; understands that, in the last 18 months, its output has grown significantly, expanding into features, documentary and specialist factual; notes that its multi-series returning format, *Supershoppers*, for Channel 4 won the BAFTA Scotland and RTS Scotland Awards for the best feature and factual

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entertainment programme, and understands that it is currently producing four series and three single films for the BBC and Channel 4. **R**

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***S5M-03532 Peter Chapman: Store Support for Homeless Pets—**That the Parliament congratulates the team at Inverurie Pets at Home Store on their record year of fundraising; appreciates that the store's Christmas charity provided over 6,000 meals for homeless pets and raised £3,132 through its Santa Paws charity, helping it raise over its £1million target; recognises the work that the store does to help re-homing animals, and wishes it further success in 2017.

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***S5M-03531 Peter Chapman: Relay for Life Turriff Success for Cancer Research—**That the Parliament recognises the success in 2016 of the cancer research charity, Relay for Life Turriff; congratulates the team on raising a record £14,409 through its unique activities; notes that these included 250 people taking part in the Turriff Trot in September, raising £9,987, the Ladies Lunch in May at the Fife Arms Hotel, which raised £1,490 and Inspirations at Celebrations, which raised £2,250 and featured models from the area who had had a cancer experience; appreciates the work that the team puts in every year, and wishes Relay for Life Turriff further success in 2017.

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***S5M-03529 Peter Chapman: Rothienorman Primary School Receives Prestigious National Award—**That the Parliament congratulates the staff, pupils, parents and volunteers at Rothienorman Primary School on having been awarded the sportscotland Gold School Sport Award; acknowledges the school's dedication to out-of-hours sporting activities; welcomes the efforts made to encourage a healthy, active lifestyle for young people and notes the importance of improving their health outcomes, and wishes the school every success for the future, particularly in its sporting activities.

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***S5M-03528 Clare Haughey: St. Blane's Primary School's Sporting Success—**That the Parliament congratulates St Blane's Primary School in Blantyre on receiving a sportscotland Gold School Sport Award; notes that the awards scheme is an initiative designed to encourage schools to continuously improve their provision of physical education and sport as well as encourage sporting links between schools and surrounding communities; commends the hard work of the staff and pupil representatives in developing sporting activities in the school, and wishes them continued success.

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***[S5M-03526](#) Christine Grahame: Peebles Community and the Talking Books Initiative**—That the Parliament commends the Peebles community on raising funds to sponsor Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB) Talking Books; understands that Peebles is the first town in the UK to sponsor Talking Books as a community and has already raised £5,000 for two adults' books and is currently raising a further £1,500 for a children's book; recognises the community organisations and businesses that have been generous in supporting this initiative, including the fundraising efforts by Peebles Rotary Club, Peebles Round Table, Forsyths of Peebles, Higgins Opticians, Peebles Life, Harrison's Ford, Rogerson Shoes and Schools Out After School Club; notes that RNIB has been running the Talking Books initiative for over 80 years, which allows adults and children with sight impairment access to over 25,000 audio books for free, and encourages communities and businesses across Scotland to replicate this initiative.

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***[S5M-03525](#) Alison Harris: Theft of a Plaque in Honour of Robert Burns**—That the Parliament is saddened to learn of the theft of a plaque that was put up in 2012 at the Carron Iron Works gatehouse in honour of Robert Burns; notes that the plaque, which was the idea of the local councillor and historian, Billy Buchanan, marked the visit by the bard to what it sees as the iconic iron works on 26 August 1787; understands that, unfortunately, Rabbie had arrived on a Sunday and that the porter, not showing what it considers the usual Falkirk hospitality, turned both him and his companion, Willie Nicol, away, forcing the duo to seek solace at the Carron Inn; applauds the idea of the plaque as a way of keeping such stories in the public mind, and hopes for its early return.

***[S5M-03524](#) Alison Harris: Health Awareness Week for Grangemouth High School**—That the Parliament wishes Grangemouth High School every success with its forthcoming Health Awareness Week, which will look at issues of particular interest to young people, such as body image, cyber-bullying, mental health, healthy eating and first aid, and notes that the week will also include smoothie making and zumba classes as well as offer the chance to complete an Army assault course, which will be operated by the Scots Guards.

***[S5M-03523](#) Alison Harris: Denny Day Nursery**—That the Parliament congratulates the parents and children of Denny Day Nursery on their generosity in helping the family support charity, Home-Starts; notes that, in December 2016, the nursery organised a reverse advent calendar, in which, instead of getting a treat each day in the lead up to Christmas, the children were encouraged to bring a small gift or item of foodstuff and that the items collected were recently handed over to the area's Home-Start branch; congratulates the nursery on this approach to teaching children about the value of helping others, and wishes it every success.

***[S5M-03522](#) Alison Harris: Falkirk Distillery, Polmont**—That the Parliament welcomes the confirmation that the new Falkirk distillery at Polmont will open in autumn 2017; understands that it will bring employment for over 80 people and is expected to draw some 75,000 visitors each year who will be able to tour the facility and view the distilling process; believes that this will add to the many visitor attractions in the area, such as the Falkirk Wheel, the Kelpies and the Helix Park, as well as its great shopping and dining venues, and sends its best wishes to the venture's directors, Alan and Fiona Stewart, and everyone involved in bringing the project to fruition.

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***S5M-03521 Maurice Golden: Congratulations to Katie Archibald MBE**—That the Parliament congratulates Katie Archibald on being appointed an MBE in the 2017 New Year's Honours list for services to cycling; recognises her many achievements throughout her highly successful career as an Olympic cyclist, including winning two European golds and a silver and being part of the women's pursuit team in Rio 2016, which broke the world record; thanks Katie for her contributions to the local community, and wishes her the best for 2017.

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***S5M-03520 Maurice Golden: Congratulations to Dame Katherine Grainger**—That the Parliament congratulates Katherine Grainger on being made a Dame in the 2017 New Year's Honours list for services to sport and charity; recognises her many achievements throughout her highly successful career as a professional rower, including becoming Great Britain's most decorated female Olympian after winning silver in the double sculls in Rio, which was her fifth medal in five Olympic Games; thanks her for contributions to both local and national sports, and wishes her the best for 2017.

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***S5M-03519 Alex Neil: Closure of Airdrie Savings Bank**—That the Parliament notes with concern the closure of Airdrie Savings Bank (ASB); understands that ASB was the last survivor of Britain's independent savings banks; recognises that the people who ran it, many of them on a voluntary basis at board level, are now having to face this closure because of the very tight regulatory regime that now exists for banks in the UK; believes that the consequences of the 2008 financial crash meant that it became impossible for a small bank such as the ASB to survive; notes with concern that up to 70 staff will lose their jobs over the next few months, and urges the Scottish Government and all relevant agencies to support the people affected by the closure.

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***S5M-03518 Richard Lochhead: Dalvey House Awarded 4 Stars by VisitScotland**—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at Dalvey House on it recently being awarded a 4-star rating by VisitScotland following its first review; understands that Dalvey House has been the Georgian home of the MacLeod family for over 250 years and has, since September 2014, been offering unique, luxury accommodation in a beautiful, country setting with 17 acres of garden and lawns; notes that the family home can accommodate up to 18 guests at any one time with nine bedrooms and a variety of other rooms throughout for dining, socialising and relaxation; recognises the hard work of the owner, Alastair MacLeod, the house manager, Kate Bonsall and all the staff at Dalvey House; commends VisitScotland for its QA Award scheme, which focuses on the entire visitor experience and providing support to tourist attractions in order to maintain their high standards, and wishes all at Dalvey House the very best.

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***S5M-03517 Richard Lochhead: Findhorn Village Hostel Doubles its VisitScotland Star Rating**—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at the Findhorn Village Hostel on increasing its rating from 2 to 4 stars after its most recent review from VisitScotland; notes that the hostel was converted from an old school in 2000 and is run by two members of staff alongside 20 local volunteers; understands that the hostel underwent massive refurbishment, which included a new kitchen and living room, double glazing throughout the building, as well as the launch of a new website that makes booking easier and quicker; commends all at the hostel, whose hard work and commitment to refurbishment has been rewarded with a 4-star rating, and wishes the Findhorn Village Hostel continued success in the future.

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***S5M-03516 Richard Lochhead: SSB Moray's Secret Archaeological Heritage Project Scoops £9,900 Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Stories, Stones and Bones (SSB) Moray after its Secret Archaeological Heritage Project was awarded a £9,900 grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund; understands that 2017 is the Year of History, Heritage and Archaeology in Scotland, with SSB being a dedicated programme for the year, focusing on getting new audiences and a wider range of people engaged in heritage; notes that the Heritage Lottery Fund sustains a wide range of heritage for present and future generations to take part in, learn from and enjoy their local and diverse heritage, and wishes all involved a successful year as Scotland celebrates its history, heritage and archaeology.

***S5M-03515 Jenny Marra: Clydesdale Bank Closures Across the North East**—That the Parliament notes the announcement by Clydesdale Bank of planned closures of eight branches in the north east of Scotland, including those in Brechin, Forfar and Stonehaven; is deeply concerned by reports that hundreds of jobs may be at risk; believes that local bank branches provide a vital service for communities, and calls on Clydesdale Bank to explore all alternatives to closure and the reduction in services.

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***S5M-03514 Clare Adamson on behalf of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee: Gender balance on the Parliamentary Bureau and SPCB**—That the Parliament notes the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 1st Report 2017 (Session 5), *Gender balance on the Parliamentary Bureau and SPCB* (SP Paper 58), and agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in Annexe A of the report be made with effect from 2 February 2017.

***S5M-03513 Colin Beattie: Nationwide Closure of Clydesdale Bank Branches**—That the Parliament notes with concern the forthcoming closures of 40 Clydesdale Bank branches across Scotland; understands that the closure of the Dalkeith branch will result in Dalkeith customers having to travel to Musselburgh for their nearest Clydesdale Bank branch; considers that this situation will be similar for several other parliamentary constituencies across Scotland; further considers that this decision will have an impact on older people, those with mobility issues, and

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those without regular internet access to use online banking facilities; notes with concern that approximately 200 staff members will be adversely affected by this decision, and urges the Clydesdale Bank to reconsider its decision.

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***S5M-03512 Maurice Corry: Kilpatrick School**—That the Parliament congratulates Kilpatrick School on winning a £5,000 grant from the financial mutual, OneFamily, through its Foundation Community Awards; understands that the school supports young people with additional support for learning needs to develop skills for life and work through its World of Work programme; notes that pupils run a weekly café and shop at Kilpatrick School and that they have the opportunity to go to craft and media workshops, and understands that the funding will be used to start the Making Together Craft Workshop in a community centre in Dalmuir.

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***S5M-03511 Jackie Baillie: Aggreko to Power Winter Olympics**—That the Parliament congratulates the Dumbarton-based power firm, Aggreko, on securing a £32 million contract as power supplier to the 2018 Winter Olympics; notes that Aggreko will provide power to 18 competition venues in the South Korean host city, Pyeongchang, as well as the games' international broadcast centre, which will serve an audience of millions; understands that Aggreko, which has its base in Lomondgate in Dumbarton, will also be an official sponsor for the games; further understands that Aggreko has been named temporary power supplier to the 2018 Commonwealth Games, and wishes Aggreko all the best in contributing to what it hopes will be another successful games.

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***S5M-03510 Elaine Smith: A Fair Deal for Scotland's Councils**—That the Parliament condemns the actions of the Scottish Government in what it sees as threatening a "revised and inevitably less favourable" offer to councils that do not accept the draft budget local government settlement by 20 January 2017; understands that several councils, including North Lanarkshire, have written in response to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution and await a reply; notes that North Lanarkshire Council has asked for "a fair settlement for local government to protect the essential services provided to often the most vulnerable in society"; believes that, since any settlement must be agreed by councils themselves, they require enough time to consider the full implications of the offer; considers that, since the Parliament has yet to debate and decide on the budget, it is premature to issue a draconian edict with an unrealistic deadline to local authorities, and calls for cooperative discussions between councils and government with a view to arriving at a fair deal for people across Scotland.

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***S5M-03509 Richard Lochhead: Forres Tesco Opens Scotland's First Relaxed Checkout**—That the Parliament welcomes the addition of a new relaxed checkout at the Tesco store in Forres; understands that the scheme, which will run on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, was developed in partnership with Alzheimer Scotland and is aimed at making life at the

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checkout less stressful for more vulnerable customers, including older shoppers, as well as those who have mental health issues, autism and anxiety; notes that the store hosts sessions every eight weeks where members of staff are invited along to gain a greater understanding of Alzheimer's, as well as training them to identify any individual needs of customers and to operate at a pace that suits them; commends the Community Champion, Kerry Speed, for implementing the idea, with the aim to ensure that all shoppers feel confident that they can shop at their own speed, and wishes Forres Tesco success with the scheme in the hope that it can be rolled out across other stores in Scotland.

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***S5M-03508 Alexander Stewart: Dunfermline Hotel and Nightclub Group Receives Awards for Social Responsibility**—That the Parliament congratulates the achievements of The Collective hotel and nightclub group in Dunfermline on its receipt of three accolades from the industry for its promotion of, and dedication to, social responsibility in the area; recognises that both the Harlem Nightclub and Rooms at 29 hotel earned gold awards at the Fife Best Bar None Awards, receiving a 100% score, and were praised by the judging committee for going above and beyond the remit for “demonstrating best practices, overall awareness and dedication to keeping the town and its patrons safe”; notes that the third award was the Top Rated status from LateRooms.com as part of its Simply the Guest Awards in recognition of its excellent record of positive guest reviews, and wishes The Collective every success in maintaining its extremely high standards of social responsibility.

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***S5M-03507 Tavish Scott: Limiting the Impact of Brexit on Students**—That the Parliament agrees with the National Union of Students in Scotland that freedom to live, study, work and travel freely across Europe brings significant benefits to students and others across Scotland; calls for student mobility through programmes such as Erasmus+ to be protected, certainty on fee status for EU students looking to study in the UK from 2018 onwards to be provided, and the UK Government to give guarantees that funding currently received from the EU will be matched in the event that the UK proceeds to leave the EU; considers that international students, from the EU and elsewhere, make significant cultural, economic and educational contributions to the country as a whole, and will do all in its power to ensure that international students in Scotland have the ability to remain in the country and contribute to society after their studies.

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***S5M-03506 Liam Kerr: KirrieConnections Recognised for Making Kirriemuir a Dementia-friendly Town**—That the Parliament congratulates KirrieConnections, Angus Council and the Historic Scotland Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme on receiving recognition from the Royal Town Planning Institute for the work they have done in making Kirriemuir a dementia-friendly town; notes that the project is run by the KirrieConnections dementia-friendly community hub; understands that it offers information, advice and support to people living with dementia, their carers and families, and commends the work that KirrieConnections and the other organisations have done, and continue to do, to improve the lives of people with dementia and their families.

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***S5M-03505 Ross Greer: Closure of Ecuadorian Environmental Organisation, Acción Ecológica**—That the Parliament expresses concern at the recent attempts by the Ecuadorian Government to shut down the environment and indigenous rights organisation, Acción Ecológica; considers that these actions by the Ecuadorian Government are an attempt to silence criticism of violent confrontations with indigenous groups in the context of mining and mineral extraction; understands that UN human rights experts have criticised the Ecuadorian Government for these attempts to stifle civil society; supports the call by Acción Ecológica for a Peace and Truth Commission to explore attacks against environmental and indigenous rights, and calls on the Ecuadorian Government to fully reinstate Acción Ecológica and cease attempts to silence civil society organisations.

Supported by: Patrick Harvie*

***S5M-03504 Alexander Stewart: Campaign to Remember Exiled Polish Soldiers in Fife**—That the Parliament welcomes a campaign that has been launched to remember the exiled Polish soldiers who were stationed in Fife during the Second World War; understands that when the Nazis overran Poland they tried to stamp out every Polish tradition, including "the Playing of the Trumpet Call", but that trumpets continued to sound each day throughout the war as exiled members of the Polish Army took to the towers of the respective towns that they were exiled in; notes that it was Polish soldiers who built many of Fife's invasion defences and guarded German POWs in the area; understands that the campaign aims to "celebrate the bravery of Polish military personnel in the area and their contributions to the local communities after the war", and recognises that a special plaque was unveiled at an event organised jointly by the Masonic Lodge and the Fife Polish Education Trust by the Polish Consul General, Dariusz Adler.

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***S5M-03503 Graeme Dey: KirrieConnections Recognised for Dementia-friendly Work**—That the Parliament applauds the work of KirrieConnections; notes what it sees as the group's groundbreaking project to make the town dementia-friendly, which has received major recognition from the Royal Town Planning Institute; recognises that the group already provides information, support and advice through its dementia-friendly community hub in the town centre, and understands that support for community-led initiatives such as this is a key priority of the Scottish Government's national dementia strategy.

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***S5M-03502 Neil Findlay: Scottish Government: One of 15 Global Pioneers of the Open Government Programme**—That the Parliament recognises that the Scottish Government is named as one of the 15 global pioneers of the Open Government Programme; acknowledges that the programme is composed of three parts: transparency, participation and accountability; considers that, increasingly, the Scottish Government's actions contravene these principles, most

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notably the failure to fully answer parliamentary questions, the opaque budget process, the failure to increase the financial threshold for FoI requests, its dealings with councils in the budget-setting process and threats to punish them for not responding positively to a dictated timescale, and the lack of transparency with capital and resource spending for local government and health portfolios, especially relating to non-profit distributing (NPD) projects, and calls on the Scottish Government to live up to the principles of the Open Government Programme.

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***S5M-03499 Dean Lockhart: Thornhill Playgroup and Toddlers**—That the Parliament congratulates Thornhill Playgroup and Toddlers on its recent £1,500 grant from the Bank of Scotland Foundation; understands that the group meets at Thornhill Community Centre, caters for two-and-a-half to five-year-olds and offers free sessions to children with additional support requirements; notes that it will use the award to cover the costs of learning sessions and an SQA course for the playgroup leader so that it can continue to deliver its objective of providing the children with a safe, warm, fun environment in which they are treated equally and fairly, and wishes everyone involved with it the best of success.

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***S5M-03498 Lewis Macdonald: Congratulations to Team Zariba**—That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen's Team Zariba on winning the British Synchronised Skating Championship for the third time; understands that the group, who are all aged between 15 and 26, won the title in Nottingham on 15 January 2017 after racking up a total of 98.33 points; recognises that the junior teams from the city, Team Azura and Team Topaz, also did well in their classifications, finishing third and fifth respectively; commends all the staff and skaters at Team Zariba on their success, and wishes them good luck in their efforts to be called up for the synchronized skating World Championships, which are being held in Colorado Springs later in 2017.

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***S5M-03497 Gillian Martin: The Cetco Ythan Challenge Raises £11,000**—That the Parliament congratulates the Cetco Ythan Challenge organising committee on it distributing £11,000 among 16 community groups; understands the challenge is an 11,000-metre multi-terrain adventure race that takes place in and around the town of Ellon; recognises that competitors are required to overcome obstacles and run through the River Ythan several times; commends the organising committee on raising so much money for community groups, and wishes them, and the challenge, continued success in 2017 and beyond.

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***S5M-03496 Miles Briggs: University of Edinburgh's New Research into Crohn's Disease**—That the Parliament welcomes the news of a major new study into the causes of the worsening of bowel inflammation in the conditions Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis; notes that the study, which is being led by the University of Edinburgh and NHS Lothian with additional input from the University of Aberdeen, will monitor the conditions of 1,500 people in Scotland and

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England over a two-year period and assess how everyday factors such as diet and lifestyle can trigger flare-ups; commends the funders of this study, including the charities, Cure Crohn's Colitis and Crohn's and Colitis in Childhood, and wishes Dr Charlie Lees and his team every success with what it considers is an important piece of research with real potential to help people with these debilitating diseases.

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***S5M-03495 Gillian Martin: Congratulations to Sandy Milne on Retiring from Ythan Community Council**—That the Parliament congratulates Sandy Milne on his retirement from Ythan Community Council after 42 years of membership; recognises the importance of community councils and councillors to the localities they represent; commends Sandy for his service to the rural communities surrounding Ellon, and wishes him well for the future.

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***S5M-03494 Douglas Ross: Forres Branch of Tesco Launches Relaxed Lane**—That the Parliament welcomes the pilot scheme launched by the Tesco store in Forres in Moray, which has seen the introduction of a relaxed lane aimed at making life at the checkout less stressful for more vulnerable customers; understands that the relaxed checkout pilot scheme operates on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, with early feedback being very positive; notes that Tesco has developed the scheme with Alzheimer Scotland, and checkout staff at the store have been trained to identify any individual needs of customers and operate at a speed that suits them; commends all the staff at Tesco in Forres and Alzheimer Scotland who have been involved in this initiative, and hopes that the pilot continues to be a success helping more customers feel relaxed while shopping in the store.

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***S5M-03493 Bruce Crawford: Stirling's Gigabit Success**—That the Parliament congratulates Stirling on it becoming Scotland's fourth "gigabit city"; understands that the leading provider, CityFibre, will begin deploying the first phase of a state-of-the-art fibre infrastructure in June 2017, delivering 20 km of infrastructure that will span from Bannockburn to the Stirling Agricultural Centre; welcomes reports that the copper-free, ultra-fast network will connect over 30 sites, including schools, libraries, offices and community facilities, with the aim of boosting productivity across all areas; believes that it will set a precedent for future digital developments, such as connecting mobile masts, and that it will deliver safer city infrastructure with smart CCTV and better street lighting; understands that the network will be extended to offer the majority of Stirling's 3,000 businesses affordable access to gigabit speed services, and looks forward to the economic benefits that it believes this will bring to the city.

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***S5M-03492 Joan McAlpine: Big Burns Supper Festival in Dumfries**—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of the annual Big Burns Supper festival in Dumfries, which runs from 20 to 29 January 2017; understands that the festival will feature over 200 different shows and events, including performances from local musicians Emily Smith and Claire Hastings, as well as gigs from well-known acts such as Eddi Reader, Peatbog Faeries and Lulu; believes that 2017's celebrations will also include the biggest Burns Night celebration the town has ever staged; pays tribute to the hard work of the event organisers and thousands of participants from school and community groups working around the clock in preparation for the big event, including those making lanterns in preparation for a procession of light through the heart of Dumfries for the carnival on Sunday; notes that the theme for this year's carnival is *Tam O'Shanter*, one of Robert Burns' most celebrated works, which he wrote while living in Dumfries; recognises that 2017 is the festival's most ambitious year so far with over ten thousand people expected to take to the streets to line the carnival route; notes that a public art installation will see a washing line with over one hundred t-shirts spread across the high street in recognition of older people's stories about Dumfries town centre; believes that Scotland's bard himself would be proud to see such a grand hootenanny in Dumfries, and notes that the festival is conducting community fringe events in the town's housing estates, further underlining its commitment to inclusion.

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***S5M-03491 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Shades of Blue Campaign**—That the Parliament congratulates MHScot Workplace Wellbeing CIC (MHScot), which it understands is Scotland's first social enterprise, on the launch of its Shades of Blue emoji-like stickers to raise awareness of stress prevention and early mental health intervention in the workplace; understands that the stickers help people in the workplace articulate how they are truly feeling; recognises the need to give people a means of communicating how they feel when they are struggling to raise difficult issues; believes that a text or email to a trusted person can be a signpost that they need help; understands that the suicide rate in Scotland between 2009 and 2014 accounted for 4,500 deaths and, of those who were of working age, 71% were in employment; congratulates MHScot on this unique initiative, and believes that making mental health first aid mandatory in the workplace is a vital way of supporting people experiencing mental health problems.

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***S5M-03490 Christina McKelvie: Oxfam Report, An Economy for the 99%**—That the Parliament notes the release of the Oxfam inequality report, *An economy for the 99%*, the findings of which it considers reveal stark inequalities within the global distribution of wealth; believes that the report has been released to coincide with the World Economic Forum, which takes place in Davos between 17 and 20 January 2017; is deeply concerned with the finding that it takes just eight billionaires to have the same wealth as half the world, or 3.6 billion people; supports Oxfam's recommendations to move toward a "human economy", an economy that works for 99%; understands that the definition of the "human economy" is a collective, transnational approach, involving cooperative governments playing a more interventionist role in their economies, supporting a fairer distribution of wealth; further supports the report's recommendations that by pursuing gender equality and removing barriers to education, healthcare and work for women, this would be a key factor in reducing wealth inequality; believes that organisations such as Oxfam remain vital in the fight against global poverty, and commends the findings of this report.

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[S5M-03489](#) Alison Johnstone: Thanking Anna Signeul for 12 Years of Dedicated Service to Scottish Football (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, David Torrance*, Sandra White*, Graeme Dey*, Ash Denham*, Stuart McMillan*, John Finnie*, Jackie Baillie*, Richard Lyle*, Alison Harris*

[S5M-03488](#) Clare Adamson: James Chapman Butchers, Wishaw (lodged on 18 January 2017)

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[S5M-03487](#) Ross Thomson: Rowett Institute Facility at the University of Aberdeen (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03485](#) Alex Neil: Chris's House Charity (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Stuart McMillan*, Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03484](#) Gordon Lindhurst: University of Edinburgh Working to Provide Clean Drinking Water in India (lodged on 18 January 2017)

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[S5M-03483](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Street Law Programme Nominated for European Association Awards 2017 (lodged on 18 January 2017)

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[S5M-03482](#) Fulton MacGregor: Big Lottery Grant for Lanarkshire Recovery Consortium (lodged on 18 January 2017)

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[S5M-03480](#) Colin Beattie: Funding for Mayfield Park Improvements (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Stuart McMillan*, Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03478](#) Edward Mountain: 100-mile Helpers (lodged on 18 January 2017)

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[S5M-03477](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulations to Cara McCabe (lodged on 18 January 2017)

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[S5M-03476](#) Maurice Corry: Loch Lomond Arms (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-03475](#) Maurice Corry: The Knockderry Country Hotel (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-03474](#) Murdo Fraser: Gleneagles Hotel, Youth Employer of the Month Award (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03473](#) Ben Macpherson: A Year of Scottish Women's Aid and the National Domestic Abuse and Forced Marriage Helpline (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03471](#) Angus MacDonald: Falkirk District's Best Bar None Awards (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Alison Harris*, Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03470](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulations to Bellsmyre Development Trust (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Pauline McNeill*, Stuart McMillan*, Bob Doris*

[S5M-03469](#) Alexander Stewart: Stirling High School Pupils Praised (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Jamie Greene*

[S5M-03468](#) Jamie Greene: Welcoming the Charitable Efforts of Aidan McCafferty (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03467](#) Jamie Greene: Commending Football Rivals' Charitable Efforts (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Annie Wells*

[S5M-03466](#) Jamie Greene: Mactaggart & Mickel Homes Funding for Ayrshire's Break the Silence Group (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Annie Wells*

[S5M-03465](#) Jamie Greene: Best Wishes to Divisional Commander, Chief Superintendent Gillian MacDonald (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Annie Wells* R

[S5M-03464](#) Maurice Corry: Loch Lomond Shores Has a Record Year (lodged on 17 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-03463.3](#) Peter Chapman: The Future of Funding for Rural Development (lodged on 18 January 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-03455](#) Lewis Macdonald: Condolences on the Death of David Doig, Chief Executive of Opito (lodged on 17 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Richard Lochhead*

[S5M-03453](#) Joan McAlpine: Congratulations to Juanita Wilson on Her MBE (lodged on 17 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03452](#) Liam McArthur: Skara Brae Celebrated on the Royal Mail's Special Stamps (lodged on 17 January 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, John Finnie*

[S5M-03451](#) Richard Lochhead: Martin Birse Appointed NFUS Highland Region Chair (lodged on 17 January 2017)

New Support: John Finnie*, Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-03449](#) Rachael Hamilton: Tourism Sector's Employment Growth (lodged on 17 January 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

[S5M-03448](#) Maurice Corry: 100th Anniversary of the K-13 Submarine Disaster (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-03447](#) Maurice Golden: Glen Art Bravehound (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03443](#) Alexander Stewart: Police Launch Awareness Programme to Tackle Online Exploitation of Children (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-03441](#) Liam Kerr: University of Aberdeen Medical Student Goes Homeless for a Month and Raises £43,000 (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: John Finnie*

[S5M-03439](#) Monica Lennon: Unison Scotland Survey of School Support Staff (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, John Finnie*

[S5M-03436](#) Elaine Smith: Lanarkshire Baby Bank (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-03435](#) Claudia Beamish: 15 Years of Guantánamo Bay (lodged on 16 January 2017)

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Motions Glusadan				

New Support: John Finnie*, Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03434](#) Kate Forbes: Building on the Success of BBC ALBA (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03433](#) Neil Findlay: Larder Opens Pop-up Café (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Richard Lochhead*

[S5M-03432](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian College Award Success (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03430](#) Alexander Stewart: Blairgowrie Student Receives Scholarship (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Jamie Greene*

[S5M-03429](#) Elaine Smith: Importance of Breastfeeding Legislation (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03426](#) Neil Findlay: Remembering Burngrange (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-03425](#) Gillian Martin: Ythan Seal Watch (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*, James Dornan*, Tom Arthur*, Bill Kidd*, Graeme Dey*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alison Harris*, Colin Beattie*, Sandra White*, Gail Ross*, Fulton MacGregor*, Richard Lochhead*

[S5M-03423](#) Clare Haughey: Local Comic Book Hero, John Lees (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03422](#) Clare Haughey: Rutherglen Constituency Schools' Christmas Foodbank Donations (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03421](#) Graeme Dey: Angus South Winners at the Scottish Craft Butchers Awards (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03420](#) Kenneth Gibson: Garnock Community Campus Opens (lodged on 16 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03416](#) Patrick Harvie: Campaigners Win Changes for Staff at the G1 Group (lodged on 13 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-03412](#) Alison Harris: Passing of John Sneddon (lodged on 13 January 2017)

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Motions | Gluasadan

New Support: Jamie Greene*

[S5M-03403](#) Maurice Golden: Congratulations to Derek Norval BEM (lodged on 13 January 2017)

New Support: Jamie Greene*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Jamie Greene*

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

New Support: Jamie Greene*

[S5M-03376](#) Liam McArthur: New Year Honours for Orkney's Craigie Butchers (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03364](#) Ash Denham: Rogan Grant (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03363](#) Ross Greer: Lottery Funding in the West of Scotland (lodged on 12 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03347](#) Ruth Maguire: Welcoming the Report, Fun, Food, Folk: The Centrestage approach to dignified food provision (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03343](#) Sandra White: Israeli Embassy Employee Inquiry (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03339](#) Bob Doris: Four Maryhill and Springburn Constituency Charities Secure Lloyds TSB Foundation Funding (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03336](#) Stuart McMillan: Barnardo's Scotland, Nurture Week (lodged on 11 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03331](#) Tavish Scott: Shetland Eco Flag Award Schools (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03330](#) Angus MacDonald: Braes High School Pupils and Holocaust Memorial Day (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03325](#) Angus MacDonald: Nancy Ramage Receives Rotary Club Community Achievement Award (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03324](#) Ruth Maguire: Groundbreaking Pilot Project in Fullarton, Irvine (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03318](#) John Finnie: David Ross, Recognition of his Achievements in Journalism in the Highlands and Islands (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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Motions Gluasadan				

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[**S5M-03314**](#) **Alison Johnstone: The Great British Beach Clean** (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: John Finnie*

[**S5M-03313**](#) **Maree Todd: Stromness Campus** (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[**S5M-03311**](#) **Graeme Dey: First Responder Honoured** (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[**S5M-03309**](#) **Rona Mackay: Improving the Quality and Accessibility of Justice for Children** (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[**S5M-03308**](#) **Anas Sarwar: Welcoming the University of Edinburgh Report, Scottish Muslims in Numbers** (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[**S5M-03307**](#) **Sandra White: Youth Music Business Day Strikes a Chord in Glasgow** (lodged on 10 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[**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: Gillian Martin*

[**S5M-03305**](#) **Bill Kidd: Farewell to Judge Weeramantry** (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[**S5M-03304**](#) **Fulton MacGregor: Conforti Institute in Coatbridge** (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Iain Gray*

[**S5M-03301**](#) **Ross Greer: Rookie Rockstars** (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[**S5M-03296**](#) **Ruth Maguire: Congratulating Irvine Brownie Leaders, Babs Duffy and Helen Seymour** (lodged on 09 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[**S5M-03292**](#) **Angus MacDonald: Friends of Rannoch Park Secure Funding from Greggs** (lodged on 09 January 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*

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

New Support: John Mason*

[S5M-03273](#) Clare Haughey: Congratulating the Calton Athletic Recovery Group Expedition to Mount Everest (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03271](#) Angus MacDonald: Richards Family Butchers of Grangemouth Honoured by Scottish Craft Butchers (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03268](#) John Mason: Excessive Executive Pay (lodged on 05 January 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-03259](#) Kenneth Gibson: The Scottish Nephrops Fishery (lodged on 22 December 2016)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

[S5M-02983](#) Jackie Baillie: Included in the Main (lodged on 07 December 2016)

New Support: Graeme Dey*, John Mason*, Pauline McNeill*, Anas Sarwar*, Alison Harris*

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Questions Ceistean				

Written Questions

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

Inspired Questions are initiated by the Scottish Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

Inspired questions lodged on 19 January 2017

S5W-06364 Bob Doris: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the publication date for the review of maternity and neonatal services report.

Written questions lodged on 19 January 2017

S5W-06278 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what the capital spend was by (a) it and (b) Transport Scotland on non-local authority road building in each of the last five years, broken down by region.

S5W-06307 Emma Harper: To ask the Scottish Government what the value of the smartphone application development sector is to the Scottish economy.

S5W-06308 Emma Harper: To ask the Scottish Government how many people are employed in the smartphone application development sector in Scotland.

S5W-06309 Emma Harper: To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out on the impact on the smartphone application development sector in Scotland of the decision by Apple to increase the price of its apps following a fall in the value of the pound as a result of the Brexit vote, and what representations it has made to the UK Government on this.

S5W-06329 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, further to its news release of 18 January 2017, *Yousaf calls for further devolution Network Rail*, whether it will publish the provisional planning that it has carried out regarding any devolution of functions of Network Rail to Scotland, and how it calculated the savings of "around £100m a year" that it states would arise from such devolution.

S5W-06331 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish details of the (a) budgetary and (b) other planning it used when developing the so-called "free week" of ScotRail travel, and what discussions it has had with the ScotRail Alliance regarding the proposal.

S5W-06333 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what impact using £1.8 million from the SQUIRE Fund to help pay for the so-called "free week" of ScotRail travel will have on the work to improve access to (a) stations and (b) trains, and what its position is on whether using the SQUIRE Fund in this manner is in line with the fund's purpose.

S5W-06340 George Adam: To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting communities and the third sector to develop new ways to overcome disadvantage.

S5W-06341 Margaret Mitchell: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure adequate signage at the Raith Interchange during the current period of extensive works to ensure that road users have a clear understanding of the alterations to turn-offs and transitions in road layouts.

S5W-06342 Bruce Crawford: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has allocated to the Stirling Care Village project.

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Questions Ceistean				

S5W-06343 Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government how many vacancies there are for colorectal consultants in each NHS board.

S5W-06344 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government what engagements (a) ministers and (b) officials will be undertaking at the 2017 Celtic Connections festival.

S5W-06345 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of the Celtic Connections festival on the economy of (a) Glasgow and (b) Scotland.

S5W-06346 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government what support it has provided to the 2017 Celtic Connections festival.

S5W-06347 Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government how many colorectal consultants are employed in each NHS board.

S5W-06348 Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government how many patients have waited more than 12 weeks for a colorectal outpatient appointment in each of the last five years.

S5W-06349 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-05681 by Derek Mackay on 19 January 2017, what information it holds on the progress of human rights improvements in Scotland since 2007, and how this is measured.

S5W-06352 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government when it will (a) undertake a review of *Scottish Office Circular 4/1998: The Use of Conditions in Planning Permission* and its addendum and (b) publish up-to-date guidance on planning conditions.

S5W-06353 Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government how the proposed increase in business rates compares with each of the other revaluations since 1999.

S5W-06354 Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on delaying the proposed increases on business rates.

S5W-06355 Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the reported downturn in the oil and gas sector, what its position is on introducing rates relief for businesses in (a) Aberdeen and (b) North East Scotland to mitigate the proposed increase in business rates.

S5W-06356 Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government how much the proposed increase in business rates will raise (a) nationally and (b) in North East Scotland.

S5W-06357 Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on establishing a national park in the Western Isles.

S5W-06358 Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent report by the Be Real Campaign and the YMCA, *Somebody Like Me*, on the impact of body-image anxiety on young people.

S5W-06359 Ivan McKee: To ask the Scottish Government what support it will provide to Clydesdale Bank employees following the announcement that 40 branches will be closed.

S5W-06360 Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what the impact will be of changes to the taxi and private hire car provisions of the Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015 on wedding car operators that engage in infrequent supplementary activities, in relation to additional licensing costs per hire.

S5W-06361 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-05228 by Shona Robison on 15 December 2016, whether the cabinet secretary will meet local campaigners and West Dunbartonshire Council to listen to concerns about the proposal by NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde to close the birthing unit at the Vale of Leven Hospital.

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Questions Ceistean				

[S5W-06362](#) **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government whether executive competence is required to deliver the Maternity and Early Years' Allowance.

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New Subordinate Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

New Subordinate Legislation

Negative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 19 January 2017 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Non-Domestic Rate (Scotland) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/8)
laid under section 7B(5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975

Non-Domestic Rates (Levying) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/9)
laid under section 153(6) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Progress of Legislation

Bills

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

3rd Report 2017, Report on the Bill at Stage 1, Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, Published 18 January 2017

Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Lead Committee – Justice

Stage 1, Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 17 January 2017

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

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

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, 17 January 2016

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 13 December 2016

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

Lodged 19 January 2017

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

Health and Sport Committee, 17 January 2017

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)

Lead committee to report by 6 March 2017

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

Negative instruments

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)

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

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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

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

Subject to annulment by 24 February 2017

Lead committee to report by 20 February 2017

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

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

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

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Other documents

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New Documents

Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 19 January 2017—

Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy and Connectivity: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Digital Economy Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-8

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