

Thursday 26 January 2017

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**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:  
Children and Social Work Bill - UK Legislation

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

### Committee Meetings

**9:00am** Culture, Tourism, Europe and  
External Relations Committee

**9:00am** Public Audit and Post-legislative  
Scrutiny Committee

**9:30am** Equalities and Human Rights  
Committee

**9:30am** Social Security Committee

**10:00am** Standards, Procedures and Public  
Appointments Committee

**1:00pm** Justice Sub-Committee on Policing

## Meeting of the Parliament

### 11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

### 11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to ensure that communities and town centres provide at least a basic level of banking access for older and disabled customers and small businesses. ([S5O-00599](#))
- 2. Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it takes to ensure that suitable vessels are deployed on the Mallaig to Armadale ferry route. ([S5O-00600](#))
- 3. Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will introduce its wild fisheries bill and what it will contain. ([S5O-00601](#))
- 4. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government how its Learning Directorate assists young carers in accessing their right to education. ([S5O-00602](#))
- 5. Ivan McKee:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that both parents can play an active role in their children's lives following divorce or separation. ([S5O-00603](#))
- 6. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the roll-out of fibre-optic cables across the Rutherglen constituency. ([S5O-00604](#))
- 7. Richard Lochhead:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the new Scottish Land Commission plans to review the effectiveness of access legislation. ([S5O-00605](#))
- 8. James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met Glasgow City Council and what was discussed. ([S5O-00606](#))
- 9. Graeme Dey:** To ask the Scottish Government how many households it estimates may benefit from its planned changes to administrative flexibilities to universal credit when it is rolled out. ([S5O-00607](#))
- 10. Linda Fabiani:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider including a provision in its forthcoming domestic abuse bill for the mandatory imposition of non-harassment orders on people convicted of domestic abuse. ([S5O-00608](#))

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

- 1. Ruth Davidson:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the day. ([S5F-00789](#))
- 2. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the week. ([S5F-00802](#))
- 3. Willie Rennie:** To ask the First Minister what issues will be discussed at the next meeting of the Cabinet. ([S5F-00786](#))
- 4. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's position is on the UK Government's new industrial strategy. ([S5F-00801](#))
- 5. Miles Briggs:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the recent claim by Bliss Scotland that three quarters of the country's neonatal units do not have enough nurses. ([S5F-00793](#))

**6. Daniel Johnson:** To ask the First Minister what the impact would be on redevelopment plans for universities, following its decision to ask the Scottish Funding Council to pay back £50 million. ([S5F-00810](#))

**7. Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's position is on reports of NHS boards spending over £1,500 on a single agency nurse shift. ([S5F-00820](#))

## 12:45 pm Members' Business

### Debate on the subject of—

[S5M-03204](#) **Jackson Carlaw: Holocaust Memorial Day 2017**—That the Parliament recognises that 27 January 2017 marks Holocaust Memorial Day; believes that the day should serve as an opportunity for learning institutions, faith groups and communities across Scotland, including in Eastwood, to remember the six million men, women and children murdered by the Nazi regime in occupied Europe; notes that the theme of Holocaust Memorial Day 2017 is "How can life go on?"; understands that this theme aims to look at the aftermath of the Holocaust, subsequent acts of genocide and the challenging questions that such actions continue to raise for individuals, communities and nations about their responsibilities in the wake of such criminal acts; values the Holocaust Educational Trust's Lessons from Auschwitz project, which gives two post-16 students from every school and college in Scotland the opportunity to visit Auschwitz-Birkenau; celebrates the Holocaust survivors who subsequently made Scotland their home and thanks them for their contribution to Scotland as a nation, and re-commits to ensuring that anti-Semitism in all its forms is challenged without fear or favour.

## 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

[S5M-03612](#) **Kevin Stewart: Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places**—That the Parliament recognises that improving Scotland's planning process will require making the planning system more plan-led and accessible, increasing the influence of local people on decisions about the future of their communities and ensuring the delivery of the high quality homes and infrastructure that Scotland needs; agrees that, together with developing skills, smarter resourcing and digital transformation of the planning service, as well as removing any unnecessary procedures and practices that do not add value, planners can focus on delivering great places for people to live and work, and notes the publication of *Places, people and planning: A consultation on the future of the Scottish planning system*, which includes steps being taken to ensure that the planning system plays a proactive and positive role in attracting investment and creating great places in Scotland.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

[S5M-03612.1](#) **Graham Simpson: Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03612 in the name of Kevin Stewart (Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places), leave out from "which includes" to end and

insert “and urges the Scottish Government to put greater emphasis on protecting green spaces in its final proposals, noting their importance to the environment, quality of life, health and wellbeing.”

**[S5M-03612.4 Alex Rowley: Improving Scotland’s Planning: Improving Scotland’s Places](#)**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03612 in the name of Kevin Stewart (Improving Scotland’s Planning: Improving Scotland’s Places), leave out from "recognises" to end and insert "believes that the central purpose of the planning system is to regulate the use of land in the public interest; values transparency, efficiency and openness in all aspects of the system and welcomes steps to improve the experience of all interested parties, including applicants, developers and communities; notes the publication of *Places, people and planning – a consultation on the future of the Scottish planning system*, which includes steps being taken to ensure that the planning system plays a proactive and positive role in attracting investment and creating great places and homes in which to live in Scotland; believes that the operation of the statutory planning system has been undermined by cuts to local government; recognises concerns about the barriers facing individuals and communities to fully engage in the planning process, despite a shift towards frontloading, and notes their limited rights to challenge decisions, and believes that reforming the system is an opportunity to put communities and people at the heart of decision-making and that the proposed planning bill presents an opportunity to help tackle inequality and improve public health."

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

**[S5M-03461 John Swinney: Children and Social Work Bill - UK Legislation](#)**—That the Parliament agrees that amendments to the Children and Social Work Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 7 December 2016, which relate to the cross-border placement of children in secure accommodation, so far as these provisions fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

**followed by Business Motions**

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**5:00 pm Decision Time**

## Committee Meetings

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

### Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee 3rd Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **EU Migration and EU Citizens' Rights (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
2. **The implications of the EU referendum for Scotland (not before 10.00 am):** The Committee will take evidence, in roundtable format, from—  
Ian Gatt, President, Scottish Fishermen's Federation;  
Claire Slipper, Parliamentary Officer, National Farmers Union Scotland;  
Helen Martin, Assistant Secretary, Scottish Trades Union Congress;  
Garry Clark, Head of Policy and Research, Scottish Chambers of Commerce;  
Alastair Sim, Director, Universities Scotland;  
Marina Sinclair-Chin, Head of International, Law Society of Scotland;  
Heidi Vistisen, Member of Scottish Executive Committee, National Union of Students;  
Fiona Ross, Convener of External Affairs Committee, Scottish Youth Parliament.
3. **The implications of the EU referendum for Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 3rd Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Section 22 report - The 2015/16 audit of the Scottish Police Authority:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland report entitled "The 2015/16 audit of the Scottish Police Authority" from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Gillian Woolman, Assistant Director, and Mark Roberts, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.
3. **Section 23 report - Superfast broadband for Scotland: A progress update:** The Committee will consider a response from the Scottish Government on the Auditor General for Scotland report entitled "Superfast broadband for Scotland: A progress update".
4. **Section 22 report - The 2015/16 audit of the Scottish Police Authority:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Gillian Woolman, Assistant Director, and Mark Roberts, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.
5. **Post-legislative scrutiny:** The Committee will consider its approach to post-legislative scrutiny.

### Equalities and Human Rights Committee 3rd 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 item 3, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Bullying and harassment of children and young people in schools:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Philip Gosnay, Senior Manager, Education and Youth Employment, North Ayrshire Council and Member of the Association of Directors of Education in Scotland;  
Mary Berrill, Her Majesty's Inspector of Education and Senior Education Officer for Inclusion and Equalities, and Maggie Fallon, Senior Education Officer for Rights Support and Wellbeing, Education Scotland;  
Barbara Coupar, Director, Scottish Catholic Education Service;  
John Edward, Director, Scottish Council of Independent Schools.
3. **Bullying and harassment of children and young people in schools:** The Committee will consider the evidence received.
4. **Scrutiny of Human Rights inquiry:** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.
5. **Commission on Parliamentary Reform:** The Committee will consider correspondence to the Commission.

### Social Security Committee 1st Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Employability and sanctions:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Rachel Stewart, Senior Public Affairs Officer, Scottish Association for Mental Health (SAMH);  
Dr Sally Witcher, Chief Executive Officer, Inclusion Scotland;  
Tommy McDade, Assistant Director of Employment, Training and Skills, Barnardo's Scotland on behalf of the Young Person's Consortium;  
and then from—  
Marion Davis, Senior Manager, One Parent Families Scotland (OPFS);  
Rhiannon Sims, Policy Officer, Citizens Advice Scotland;  
Pamela Smith, People Group Chair, Scottish Local Authorities Economic Development (SLAED).
3. **Employability and sanctions:** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 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 its consideration of its work programme should be taken in private at its next meeting.
2. **Cross-Party Groups:** The Committee will consider applications for recognition from four Cross-Party Groups, and take evidence from—  
Kezia Dugdale, Co-Convener of the proposed CPG on Sexual Health and Blood Borne Viruses;

Linda Fabiani, Convener of the proposed CPG on Architecture and the Built Environment;

Maurice Golden, Convener of the proposed CPG on Nordic Countries;

Graham Simpson, Deputy-Convener of the proposed CPG on Walking, Cycling and Buses.

3. **Cross-Party Group - approval:** The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to the proposed Cross-Party Groups on Sexual Health and Blood Borne Viruses, Architecture and the Built Environment, Nordic Countries and Walking, Cycling and Buses.

### **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing 2nd Meeting, 2017**

The Committee will meet at 1.00 pm in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Sub-Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private. The Sub-Committee will also decide whether its consideration of its report back to the Justice Committee and its work programme should be taken in private on 2 February 2017.
2. **Stop and Search Code of Practice (Appointed Day) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 [draft]:** The Sub-Committee will take evidence on the Stop and Search Code of Practice (Appointed Day) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 [draft] from—  
John Scott QC, Chair of the independent Advisory Group on Stop and Search;  
Pauline McIntyre, Parliamentary and Policy Officer, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland;  
Assistant Chief Constable Mark Williams, Police Scotland;  
Calum Steele, General Secretary, Scottish Police Federation.
3. **Stop and Search Code of Practice (Appointed Day) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 [draft]:** The Sub-Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 25 January 2017

### 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 Debate: Celebrating Our Past: Scotland's Year of History, Heritage and Archaeology

**followed by** Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Gender balance on the Parliamentary Bureau and SPCB

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-02578 Graeme Dey: Scotland's Veterans

### Wednesday 1 February 2017

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Communities, Social Security and Equalities

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Review of Legal Aid

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Prevention and Eradication of Female Genital Mutilation and all Other Forms of so-called Honour-based Violence

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-03344 Sandra White: WASPI Campaign

### 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 — S5M-03302 Liam Kerr: The Awards for Valour (Protection) Bill

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Stage 1 Debate: Budget (Scotland) Bill 2017-18

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Tuesday 7 February 2017

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Wednesday 8 February 2017

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Thursday 9 February 2017

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

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

**12:45 pm** Members' Business

**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

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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## Motions

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## Motions for Debate

**[S5M-03612](#) Kevin Stewart: Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places**—That the Parliament recognises that improving Scotland's planning process will require making the planning system more plan-led and accessible, increasing the influence of local people on decisions about the future of their communities and ensuring the delivery of the high quality homes and infrastructure that Scotland needs; agrees that, together with developing skills, smarter resourcing and digital transformation of the planning service, as well as removing any unnecessary procedures and practices that do not add value, planners can focus on delivering great places for people to live and work, and notes the publication of *Places, people and planning: A consultation on the future of the Scottish planning system*, which includes steps being taken to ensure that the planning system plays a proactive and positive role in attracting investment and creating great places in Scotland.

Supported by: Angela Constance

**\*[S5M-03612.4](#) Alex Rowley: Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03612 in the name of Kevin Stewart (Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places), leave out from "recognises" to end and insert "believes that the central purpose of the planning system is to regulate the use of land in the public interest; values transparency, efficiency and openness in all aspects of the system and welcomes steps to improve the experience of all interested parties, including applicants, developers and communities; notes the publication of *Places, people and planning – a consultation on the future of the Scottish planning system*, which includes steps being taken to ensure that the planning system plays a proactive and positive role in attracting investment and creating great places and homes in which to live in Scotland; believes that the operation of the statutory planning system has been undermined by cuts to local government; recognises concerns about the barriers facing individuals and communities to fully engage in the planning process, despite a shift towards frontloading, and notes their limited rights to challenge decisions, and believes that reforming the system is an opportunity to put communities and people at the heart of decision-making and that the proposed planning bill presents an opportunity to help tackle inequality and improve public health."

Supported by: Pauline McNeill\*

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**\*[S5M-03612.3](#) Andy Wightman: Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03612 in the name of Kevin Stewart (Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places), after "Scotland needs;" insert "believes that planning reform should include actions to deliver a step change in affordable housing through a public sector power to buy land at existing use value; considers that the Scottish Government should explore how equalising rights of appeal can deliver strengthened plans and greater public trust in the system;".

**\*[S5M-03612.2](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03612 in the name of Kevin Stewart (Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places), insert at end “; is concerned that major developments, such as the plans to build thousands of homes in the Edinburgh Western constituency, are being approved with insufficient regard for the pressure that they would place on infrastructure and facilities, including transport links and GP services, and without commitments to appropriate provision, and believes that planning processes must be improved so that planning authorities can properly take into account the range of additional pressures generated by such developments and that the use and purpose of planning gain be expanded in order to help address this weakness, protect the services that existing communities rely on and ensure that the focus is on building sustainable and healthy communities instead of simply new homes.”

**\*[S5M-03612.1](#) Graham Simpson: Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03612 in the name of Kevin Stewart (Improving Scotland's Planning: Improving Scotland's Places), leave out from "which includes" to end and insert “and urges the Scottish Government to put greater emphasis on protecting green spaces in its final proposals, noting their importance to the environment, quality of life, health and wellbeing.”

Supported by: Liam Kerr\*

### Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

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

Supported by: Tom Arthur\*, Alexander Burnett\*

**\*[S5M-03632](#) Christine Grahame: Addaction**—That the Parliament commends the work undertaken by the drug, alcohol and mental health charity, Addaction; notes that Addaction has 23 regional sites in Scotland, including Galashiels, and is the largest organisation of its kind; further notes its ethos that the wellbeing, health and happiness of people, families and communities is paramount and its assertion that people with substance misuse problems should be supported through health and social care agencies and diverted away from the criminal justice system; recognises the dedication and work that the staff and volunteers of Addaction undertake every day

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to support sustainable recovery in people with addiction issues, and looks forward to hearing more about their work at their exhibition in the Parliament from 21 to 23 February 2017.

Supported by: John Mason\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, David Stewart\*, Rona Mackay\*, Ash Denham\*, Clare Haughey\*, Maree Todd\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Bob Doris\*, Richard Lyle\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Tom Arthur\*, Gillian Martin\*, Neil Findlay\*, Sandra White\*, David Torrance\*

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

**\*S5M-03635 Brian Whittle: Rathbone, Kilmarnock**—That the Parliament recognises the work of Rathbone, in Kilmarnock, which is a UK-wide organisation, supporting young people to make positive life choices by offering training and employability courses to post-16-year-olds who want to gain the skills or experience needed to find a job; understands that Rathbone is also an alternative education provider for pre-16-year-olds, referred from mainstream education, who require additional support; supports the founding principle of the organisation that “all children can learn”; believes that the support Rathbone provides, ensures that young people understand the opportunities open to them and encourages them to make positive life choices; notes that the organisation operates a number of initiatives to develop life skills in addition to providing a curriculum-tailored service that meets the needs of pupils; commends what it sees as the hard work and determination to succeed of pupils attending Rathbone courses; thanks the staff of Rathbone for the sometimes transformational contribution that they make to young people’s life chances, and wishes the organisation’s branches across Scotland and the wider UK continued success.

Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Liz Smith\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Douglas Ross\*, Alexander Stewart\*, John Lamont\*, Peter Chapman\*, Donald Cameron\*, Colin Beattie\*

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*S5M-03650 Jamie Greene: Graham and Irene McIntosh from Inverkip Raise £10,000**—That the Parliament welcomes the charitable efforts of Graham and Irene McIntosh, who are from Inverkip, on raising £10,000 for the breast cancer charity, Walk; recognises the great commitment they have both shown by taking part in the Moonwalk Scotland event for 10 years; believes that this significant sum will be extremely instrumental in helping people across Scotland who are living with cancer, and considers that Graham and Irene’s achievement underlines the great work done by people across the country in working for improvements to cancer treatments and towards a cure.

**\*S5M-03649 Alexander Stewart: New Restaurant for Inns of Balhaldie, Dunblane**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that a former roadside café site, which has been empty since 2013, is to be given a new lease of life as a Subway fast food restaurant; notes that the site at Inns of Balhaldie on the north east dual carriageway between Dunblane and Greenloaning will be opening soon, which will give a welcome boost to the local economy, as well as providing much-needed employment in the area, and hopes that it will be a great success.

Supported by: Liz Smith\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Colin Beattie\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Maurice Corry\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, John Lamont\*, Douglas Ross\*, Peter Chapman\*, Donald Cameron\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jamie Greene\*, Margaret Mitchell\*

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**\*S5M-03648 Ross Greer: Libraries Matter Campaign**—That the Parliament commends the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals in Scotland on its campaign, Libraries Matter, which is due to launch in February 2017; recognises the importance of libraries for the education and personal development of people of all ages, but in particular for children, and supports the campaign in its aim to encourage investment in libraries and to ensure that school libraries are open throughout the school day.

Supported by: David Torrance\*, Colin Beattie\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Liam McArthur\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Andy Wightman\*, Patrick Harvie\*, Alison Johnstone\*

**\*S5M-03647 Alexander Stewart: Bridge of Allan Co-op Customers Raise £2,000**—That the Parliament congratulates the shoppers at the Co-op in Bridge of Allan who, between 21 September 2016 and 16 January 2017, raised more than £2,000 for community causes; notes that, through the Co-op membership scheme, £789 was donated to the Bridge of Allan Parent and Toddler Group, which used the money to buy new toys and materials, £787 went to Dunblane Senior Citizens, whose members enjoyed a trip to the Kings Theatre in Glasgow to see *Cinderella*, and £812 went to the Dunblane Centre, which spent the money on its senior citizens' lunch club; understands that the cash raised was through the carrier bag charge and 1% of members' spend on Co-op-branded products going straight back into the community; notes that the three groups that benefited were chosen by the customers, and wishes all involved well in their future fundraising endeavours.

Supported by: Liz Smith\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Miles Briggs\*, Colin Beattie\*, Jamie Greene\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Donald Cameron\*, Maurice Corry\*, Peter Chapman\*, John Lamont\*, Douglas Ross\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Alison Harris\*

**\*S5M-03646 Gil Paterson: Helping 1,000 Unpaid Carers Every Year in East Dunbartonshire**—That the Parliament congratulates Carers Link East Dunbartonshire, which is based in Milngavie, on a successful application to Young Start programme, which is run by the Big Lottery Fund, for a £49,920 grant; notes that the project that the charity applied for will involve a holistic approach to supporting young people with caring responsibilities in the development of person-centred action plans for young adult carers to help them access information and advocacy for their caring roles, as well as identify and pursue educational, training and employment opportunities; understands that 70 unpaid, young adult carers will be involved in the project over two years; recognises the instrumental work done by Carers Link East Dunbartonshire to assist more than 1,000 unpaid carers in the area each year, and welcomes the funding boost provided by the Big Lottery Fund across Scotland.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Clare Haughey\*, Tom Arthur\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Sandra White\*, Ross Greer\*, David Torrance\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Colin Beattie\*, Graeme Dey\*, Rona Mackay\*

**\*S5M-03645 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Review of the Scottish Legal Complaints Commission**—That the Parliament considers that the Scottish Legal Complaints Commission (SLCC) was established by an act of the Parliament in 2008 and that, in that time, it has not held a single oral hearing despite being empowered to do so; understands that the first stage of the SLCC's consideration of a complaint is through a sift where assessors who are not required to have legal training determine whether a complaint should progress; further understands that, should a complaint be only partially upheld or rejected entirely, the only recourse to appeal for a complainant is via judicial review through the Court of Session, and that, where complaints are upheld, the identity of the firm or solicitor subject to the complaint is usually kept anonymous; acknowledges the paper published by the SLCC itself, which it considers encourages reform of

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legal regulation and the complaints process; believes that there are systemic flaws in the processes of the SLCC, which act as a material barrier to justice for those seeking redress against the legal profession, and calls for a review of the SLCC and its procedures.

**\*S5M-03644 Murdo Fraser: Blairgowrie RFC's Record Win—**That the Parliament congratulates Blairgowrie RFC on recording a team record 172-0 victory over the Howe of Fife second xv in the Division 2 Midlands League; understands that the score is just short of the British record, when the Welsh side, Llanidloes defeated Holyhead 181-0 in 2011; notes however that the Howe of Fife side was reduced to just 12 fit players, most of whom were veterans over 35, following a combination of injuries and call-ups to the first xv; recognises the comments of the Howe of Fife club secretary, who praised the work and effort of his depleted team, and wishes both Blairgowrie and Howe of Fife the best of luck for the remainder of the season.

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**\*S5M-03643 Bob Doris: Big Lottery Fund Awards Marie Curie in the North of Glasgow—**That the Parliament congratulates Marie Curie in the north of Glasgow on it being awarded £347,884 by the Big Lottery Fund to help develop its Helper Service, which is an initiative that sees volunteers providing support for terminally-ill people, their families and carers to help them cope with the daily challenges of living with such a condition; understands that this is carried out through a carefully-matched process, including matching the helper with someone who shares their interests, and notes that, once matched, the helper will visit on a weekly basis to provide continuity of support.

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**\*S5M-03642 Rona Mackay: Congratulations to the Crohn's MAP Vaccine Heroes—**That the Parliament congratulates the group, Crohn's MAP Vaccine Heroes, which includes Liz Gallacher from East Dunbartonshire, on collectively raising an incredible £523,000; recognises that trials start this month on a new vaccine to treat and prevent Crohn's disease; understands that the total raised by the group will fund a diagnostic blood test running alongside the vaccine trial; recognises that Scotland now has one of the highest incidences in the world of Crohn's disease, and considers that the time and effort put in by this fundraising group could go a long way in remedying this.

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**\*S5M-03641 Clare Haughey: Improved Access to Dental Care—**That the Parliament commends the substantial increase in NHS dental registrations over the last 10 years; considers that Scottish Government investments and actions taken by NHS boards have enabled the number of people registered to grow from 2.6 million in March 2007 to 4.9 million in September 2016; understands that children living in the most deprived areas of Scotland are now just as likely to be registered with a dentist as those in more affluent parts of the country; believes that the percentage of young people signed-up with a dental surgery is over 90% across all areas, and considers that continued investment will help to further alleviate health inequalities and improve the overall health of people in Scotland.

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**\*S5M-03640 Clare Haughey: Superior Bowel Cancer Screening Practices in Scotland**—That the Parliament applauds what it sees as Scotland's exemplary bowel cancer screening system, which has been praised by the London-based charity, Beating Bowel Cancer; understands that bowel cancer is the UK's second biggest cancer killer and one of the most preventable; notes that Beating Bowel Cancer is imploring England, Wales and Northern Ireland to follow Scotland's lead in screening people from the age of 50, rather than 60, and believes that preventative healthcare is vital to people in Scotland's health and wellbeing.

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**\*S5M-03639 Alexander Burnett: Bennachie**—That the Parliament welcomes the awarding of £10,000 to the Bennachie project by the Heritage Lottery Fund; understands that this will be used to explore the former crofting colony on Bennachie through the development of a digital app that will provide virtual tours of the colony as it would have looked, guided walks, digital workshops, research and short plays, and notes that a series of workshops will be held to help create story boards for its digital content.

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**\*S5M-03638 Alexander Burnett: Rhynie Records**—That the Parliament welcomes the awarding of £8,000 to the project, Rhynie Records, by the Heritage Lottery Fund; understands that this will be used to help enable people to explore Rhynie's Pictish heritage by developing a GPS map and an online database that will allow users to learn about the surrounding heritage while on the three walks created for the project, and understands that the project aims to engage with teenagers from the area regarding the heritage of the community.

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**\*S5M-03636 Brian Whittle: Ayrshire Samaritans**—That the Parliament acknowledges the work of the Ayrshire Samaritans, which operates from its base in Kilmarnock, where staff are available to be contacted by anyone in Ayrshire who needs someone to talk to about anything that may be causing them concern, stress or anxiety; notes that, while the Samaritans' aim is to reduce suicide, people do not have to be suicidal to contact them; further notes that staff can be contacted by phone, text, email, letter or face-to-face; recognises the importance of people knowing that there is someone who will listen when they need to talk; notes that other Samaritans' groups operate across Scotland providing a similar service; thanks the dedicated and hardworking volunteers who give their time to the Samaritans, and wishes the organisation continued success.

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**\*[S5M-03634](#) Adam Tomkins: New Child Bereavement Centre for Glasgow**—That the Parliament congratulates the charity, Richmond's Hope, which has raised £100,000 to set up a new child bereavement centre at Ibrox Parish Church in Glasgow; understands that this will support children and young people who have experienced the death of a close friend or family member, through therapeutic play and specialised grief activities that will help them cope with bereavement; notes that the project aims to help 200 children in Glasgow over the next three years, and commends Richmond's Hope for providing support to young people at an extremely difficult and vulnerable time in their lives.

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**\*[S5M-03633](#) Neil Findlay: Network Rail Works Causing Major Problems for Local Businesses**—That the Parliament understands that the closure of the A71 road to facilitate new rail engineering works and bridge replacement at West Calder railway station has resulted in major disruption to traffic, local people and businesses; believes that one local business, the Polbeth petrol station, has seen a very significant drop in weekly income since the closure took effect; considers that, despite representations having been made to Network Rail and the Scottish Government, there is no recognition of this impact and no scheme available to compensate the owners for the subsequent devastating impact on their business, and calls on Network Rail and the Scottish Government to work with local businesses to identify the impact on trade and provide financial assistance during the period of the works.

Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Elaine Smith\*

**\*[S5M-03631](#) Shona Robison: Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill – UK Legislation**—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 15 September 2016, relating to the costs of health service medicines, medical supplies and other related products, and specifically those relating to information powers, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament or alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

Supported by: Maureen Watt\*, Aileen Campbell\*

**\*[S5M-03630](#) Richard Lochhead: Glasgow School of Art Opens Forres Campus**—That the Parliament welcomes the establishment of the Glasgow School of Art's Creative Campus near Forres; understands that the disused Blairs Steading on the Alytre Estate was announced as the location for the Highlands and Islands campus as early as 2011, when it underwent extensive refurbishment in order to be converted to incorporate modern learning spaces and art studios in three A-listed Italianate buildings, set in a spectacular setting in the countryside, at the cost of £2.5 million; notes that the official opening, held on 20 January 2017, coincided with Glasgow School of Art's annual winter school event, which brings international design experts, researchers and students to Scotland; considers that the launch of the campus is one of the most exciting developments that the region has seen in recent years, with a range of social and economic benefits that the increased number of students brings to the area, as well as the contribution the campus will make to ensuring a long-term and sustainable creative future for Moray; commends the hard work of Professor Irene McAra-McWilliam OBE, Campus Director, as well as Highlands and Islands Enterprise and the Alytre Estate in building-up the project and giving it the chance to

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be an international attraction; congratulates the estate on a successful renovation of the buildings into a modern day campus, and wishes all at the campus the best of luck with their postgraduate and research programmes.

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**\*[S5M-03628](#) Angus MacDonald: McKechnie School of Dance Competes at TDCI Champion of Champions Event**—That the Parliament congratulates dancers from the McKechnie School of Dance in Grangemouth on competing at the Theatre Dance Council International Champion of Champions competition, which was held in Blackpool on 22 January 2017; further congratulates Millie Wright on winning the Junior Modern Dance section, Matilda Jackson on winning the Junior Song and Dance section and being runner-up in the Ballet section, Carmen Judge on being runner-up in the Tap section and Ava Judge on coming third overall in the Junior Song and Dance section; understands that only winners of competitions throughout 2016 were invited to compete at this event, which highlights the level of competition that these girls are competing at; recognises the families and volunteers involved in the McKechnie School of Dance and the hard work put in by everyone to help these dancers achieve such a high level of performance, and wishes everyone at the McKechnie School of Dance the very best for the future.

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**\*[S5M-03627](#) Alison Harris: Chinese New Year**—That the Parliament sends its good wishes to Scotland's Chinese community on the occasion of the Chinese New Year on 28 January 2017; recognises the contribution that Chinese culture and cuisine, as well as increasing trade links with China, make to Scotland, and hopes that the year of the rooster will bring the Chinese community health, prosperity and good fortune.

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**\*[S5M-03626](#) Maurice Corry: Recruit for Spouses, New West of Scotland Office**—That the Parliament congratulates Recruit for Spouses on the opening of its new Helensburgh office by its CEO, Heledd Kendrick; notes that the office will cover the west of Scotland as part of the organisation's work towards helping employers tap into its network of military spouses by creating more opportunities for the partners of armed forces personnel; believes that the spouses bring great benefit to the communities that they live in and that work done to support them is most welcome, and considers that, with HMNB Clyde and its surrounding community preparing to welcome over 1,000 new personnel and their families in its forthcoming capacity as the the Royal Navy Submarine Centre of Specialisation, now is the perfect time for the office to open. R

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**\*[S5M-03625](#) Emma Harper: Congratulating Borders College's First Female Rugby**

**Student**—That the Parliament congratulates Sula Callender on becoming the first female student to enrol on Borders College's rugby course; notes that Sula combines her study with training with the Ross High School rugby team twice a week, as well as playing games for that team and the Edinburgh women's team, the Murrayfield Wanderers; recognises that Borders College's Coaching and Developing Sport programme allows students to gain a higher national qualification while still working on their technique and performance in a specific sport, and wishes Sula well in her studies and in breaking new ground for women's rugby.

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**\*[S5M-03624](#) Tavish Scott: Congratulations to Shetland Apprentices**—That the Parliament congratulates the Shetland apprentices, Jakob Eunson and John Blance, on being shortlisted as finalists in the 2017 Lantra Learner of the Year Awards; recognises that this highlights their respective modern apprenticeships in Agriculture and Aquaculture; commends both Jakob and John for their hard work within their industries, and wishes them both the best of luck in the competition and their future careers.

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**\*[S5M-03623](#) Ivan McKee: Congratulating The Everlasting Food Bank, Dennistoun, Glasgow**—That the Parliament congratulates The Everlasting Food Bank in Dennistoun, Glasgow, on being one of 16 projects across Scotland that will share £350,000 from the Scottish Government's £1 million Fair Food Transformation Fund; notes that the fund exists to support people and organisations coming together to deliver programmes that aim to address the underlying causes of food poverty in their communities, and wishes the organisers and volunteers all the very best with this important work.

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**\*[S5M-03622](#) Dean Lockhart: Kippen Butchers Wins Scottish Meat Federation Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates T&R Skinner's butchers in Kippen on winning three accolades at the 2017 Scottish Meat Federation Awards, and on going on to win a bronze award at the 2017 World Scotch Pie Championships; recognises the butchers success in winning silver awards for its Scotch pie, bridie and steak pie as part of the Scottish Meat Federation Awards, while also securing a bronze award for its pudding pie at the 2017 World Championships; notes that T&R Skinner's butchers has been successful in securing Scottish Meat Federation awards every year since 2009, and acknowledges the ongoing hard work of all the staff in producing high-quality award-winning pies.

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**\*[S5M-03621](#) Stuart McMillan: Gold Star for Forester's House Inverkip**—That the Parliament congratulates Inverkip B&B, the Forester's House, which has recently been awarded a gold star from VisitScotland for exceptional customer care, as well as a 100% rating for cleanliness and hospitality following a recent inspection; understands that the B&B already has a three-star rating

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from the tourist board and is an accredited Taste our Best establishment for top quality food; notes that the owners, Jim and Rhona Wallace, have been running the business for 40 years and that the B&B has a certificate of excellence from TripAdvisor and enjoys a 9.8 out of 10 rating from Booking.com; understands that Inverclyde has one of the fastest growing tourism sectors in Scotland, and believes that Jim and Rhona and Forester's House will play a crucial role in providing top-class accommodation for tourists who visit Inverclyde.

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**\*S5M-03620 Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde Approved Trader Scheme**—That the Parliament commends the efforts of Inverclyde councillors on the council's Committee of Education and Communities for approving and refining a trusted trader scheme that will give consumers access to a list of traders that can be relied on to deal fairly and legally with the people of Inverclyde; considers that rogue traders can do massive damage to the confidence of consumers and tarnish the reputation of innocent businesses; understands that this has resulted in 17 trusted trader schemes being enacted throughout Scotland, two of which serve Inverclyde's neighbouring districts of Renfrewshire and Dunbartonshire, and considers that, thanks to this scheme, there will be increased confidence among people in Inverclyde in terms of hiring traders and that this will also have a significant benefit on traders in the area.

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**\*S5M-03619 Pauline McNeill: Glasgow Airport Drop-off Charge**—That the Parliament expresses concern at the news that Glasgow Airport is to introduce a £2 charge for passengers being dropped off at the terminal building; understands that no consultation process was undertaken before this decision was made; considers the fee to be an arbitrary and unjustified charge that appears designed to profiteer from passengers, and condemns such charges being introduced at an airport that it considers is lacking in strong public transport links.

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**\*S5M-03618 Ben Macpherson: People Know How Awarded Young Start Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates People Know How, a community engagement charity based in Leith, on receiving £28,310 from the Big Lottery Fund's Young Start programme; notes that the Young Start fund aims to create opportunities for children and young people aged between eight and 24 to help realise their potential; understands that this grant will support 15 young people per year and their families by providing intensive support to make a positive start during the first-year transition to secondary school; appreciates that the project will work with the young people and their parents/carers to deliver a range of confidence-building support; understands that the project is a pilot and will work across five secondary schools in Edinburgh, and wishes People Know How the very best of luck in its new venture.

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**\*S5M-03617 Ben Macpherson: Working Rite Awarded Young Start Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Working Rite, a youth employment organisation based in Leith, on being awarded £43,527 from the Big Lottery Fund's Young Start programme; notes that Young Start

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aims to create opportunities for children and young people aged between eight and 24 to help realise their potential; recognises that Working Rite's programme is designed to support local 16 to 19-year-old people who need support into sustained employment, apprenticeships or purposeful learning; appreciates that Working Rite takes specific care in ensuring individually matched and tailored work placements with local employers; acknowledges that this funding will enable the group to work throughout the local area, developing a rolling programme of placements for young people for one year, and wishes all those at Working Rite, and the young people who receive a placement, all the best for the future.

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**\*S5M-03616 Alison Harris: Big Bad Wolf Children's Theatre Company, Falkirk**—That the Parliament congratulates the Falkirk-based Big Bad Wolf Children's Theatre Company on its 10th annual performance; recognises and applauds the work of the children; welcomes the role of the production teams, committee members, parents and all of the other helpers, past and present, who have given their time and experience to give the young people such a great opportunity to perform; understands that a number of children who have performed with the company have moved on to study and take up careers in London and further afield, and sends its best wishes to them on their future roles in the performing arts and to everyone else involved with the company.

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**\*S5M-03615 Emma Harper: Celebrating Dumfries's First Wee Fringe**—That the Parliament notes that in 2017 the first Dumfries "Wee Fringe" will be held, which runs in tandem with the internationally recognised Big Burns Supper between 20 and 29 January at venues throughout Dumfries including the historic Globe Inn, The Music Room, Ellisland Farm, the Robert Burns Centre, Yellow Door Gallery, The Stove Network, Bridgend Theatre, King's Coffee Shop, and the Coach and Horses, along with support from community groups and organisations including Access Art, Incredible Edibles, D-Lux and the Loreburn Hall Trust; further notes that its programme of music, song and performance complements the Big Burns Supper Festival events, congratulates the Wee Fringe sponsors, Mogerleys Butchers, sponsors of the haggis hurling competition and the Burns Howff Club and sponsors of the Burns Factor competition for supporting this new addition to Scotland's winter festivals; considers that the creation of the Wee Fringe is a positive development for this winter festival and for the town of Dumfries; wishes the organisers and performers well, and looks forward to the Wee Fringe becoming a regular feature as part of the celebrations of Scotland's Bard.

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### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**S5M-03614 Fulton MacGregor: Eco-Schools Green Flag for St Kevin's Primary School**  
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**[S5M-03613](#) Annie Wells: Congratulations to the Glasgow Warriors on Champions Cup Progress** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Ross Thomson\*, Donald Cameron\*, Tavish Scott\*, Johann Lamont\*

**[S5M-03611](#) Neil Findlay: Yet More Bank Closures** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: David Stewart\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Colin Beattie\*, John Mason\*, Bob Doris\*, Pauline McNeill\*

**[S5M-03610](#) Tom Arthur: Commending the Uplawmoor Hotel** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*, Ash Denham\*, Gillian Martin\*, David Torrance\*, Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03608](#) Donald Cameron: Room 13 International Receives Young Start Funding** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Ross Thomson\*, Alison Harris\*, Edward Mountain\*, John Finnie\*

**[S5M-03607](#) Clare Haughey: Police Scotland's Diversity Initiative** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Ash Denham\*, Neil Findlay\*, John Finnie\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Alison Johnstone\*

**[S5M-03605](#) Patrick Harvie: Over 100 Bicycles Donated Through Bikes for Refugees** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Mark Ruskell\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Alison Johnstone\*, Neil Findlay\*, Gillian Martin\*, John Finnie\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-03600](#) Gillian Martin: Baby Box Design Competition Shortlist** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*, Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03599](#) Tavish Scott: Congratulations to Scalloway Hotel** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*, John Finnie\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-03598](#) Ross Thomson: Hazlehead Academy's Football Programme** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

**[S5M-03597](#) Liam Kerr: Hear Me Awarded Lottery Funding** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Ross Thomson\*

**[S5M-03596](#) Gillian Martin: Hamish Dear's Warm Hugs** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*, Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03595](#) Ash Denham: Upward Mobility Ltd** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

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**[S5M-03594](#) Ross Greer: Young Start Funding in the West of Scotland** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone\*, Ross Thomson\*

**[S5M-03593](#) Annie Wells: Funding in Glasgow from Young Start** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Alison Harris\*, Donald Cameron\*, David Torrance\*, Alison Johnstone\*

**[S5M-03592](#) Sandra White: Ahmadiyya Muslim Community** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: John Mason\*, Liam McArthur\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-03591](#) Mairi Evans: Young Start Grant for Hear Me** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03590](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulations to Recipients of Young Start Fund in Lothian** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Ross Thomson\*, Neil Findlay\*

**[S5M-03589](#) Douglas Ross: Bellie Church Holds Dedication Service Following Major Renovation Works** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Ross Thomson\*

**[S5M-03588](#) Miles Briggs: Heriot-Watt Scientists Develop New Cataract Measuring Technique** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Ross Thomson\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-03587](#) Emma Harper: Clydesdale Bank Closures in Stranraer and Castle Douglas** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay\*, Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03586](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: 20 Years of the Muirhouse Youth Development Group** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Neil Findlay\*

**[S5M-03585](#) Christina McKelvie: Detention of EU Citizens** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03584](#) Ruth Maguire: Welcoming Play Scotland's Play Charter** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Bruce Crawford\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Gordon MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03583](#) Emma Harper: Youth Fest Dumfries** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03582](#) Ben Macpherson: #backdrbells** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Angus MacDonald\*

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**[S5M-03581](#) Gail Ross: Thurso Bank Closure** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay\*, Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03580](#) Graeme Dey: Gin Bothy** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03579](#) Jackie Baillie: No to Means-testing at St Margaret of Scotland Hospice** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Pauline McNeill\*

**[S5M-03578.1](#) Ross Thomson: Nuclear Misfire** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Adam Tomkins\*

**[S5M-03578](#) Mark Ruskell: Nuclear Misfire** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone\*, Bill Kidd\*, Neil Findlay\*, Sandra White\*

**[S5M-03576.1](#) Murdo Fraser: Scottish Budget** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Ross Thomson\*

**[S5M-03574](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Sports Awards 2017** (lodged on 24 January 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone\*

**[S5M-03572](#) Miles Briggs: The Scotsman's 200th Anniversary** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: Tavish Scott\*

**[S5M-03569](#) Dean Lockhart: Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: John Scott\*

**[S5M-03568](#) Dean Lockhart: Stirling Credit Union** (lodged on 23 January 2017)

New Support: John Scott\*

**[S5M-03563](#) Clare Haughey: St Mark's Primary Going for Gold** (lodged on 20 January 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03562](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulations to Mark Thomson** (lodged on 20 January 2017)

New Support: Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03561](#) Graeme Dey: Ashley and Liam Wilkie Raise £6,500 for Charity** (lodged on 20 January 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Angus MacDonald\*

**[S5M-03556](#) Brian Whittle: The Great Steward of Scotland's Dumfries House Trust** (lodged on 20 January 2017)

New Support: John Scott\*

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**[S5M-03551](#) Colin Smyth: Clydesdale Bank Closures in South Scotland** (lodged on 20 January 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay\*

**[S5M-03548](#) Jackie Baillie: St Margaret of Scotland Hospice** (lodged on 20 January 2017)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*

**[S5M-03538](#) Ben Macpherson: Proposed Clydesdale Bank Closures in Edinburgh Northern and Leith** (lodged on 19 January 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-03536](#) Maurice Golden: Salvation Army in Scotland** (lodged on 19 January 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Neil Findlay\*

**[S5M-03534](#) Ross Greer: Clydesdale Bank Closures in West Scotland** (lodged on 19 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-03532](#) Peter Chapman: Store Support for Homeless Pets** (lodged on 19 January 2017)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-03531](#) Peter Chapman: Relay for Life Turriff Success for Cancer Research** (lodged on 19 January 2017)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-03525](#) Alison Harris: Theft of a Plaque in Honour of Robert Burns** (lodged on 19 January 2017)

New Support: John Scott\*

**[S5M-03522](#) Alison Harris: Falkirk Distillery, Polmont** (lodged on 19 January 2017)

New Support: David Torrance\*

**[S5M-03510](#) Elaine Smith: A Fair Deal for Scotland's Councils** (lodged on 19 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-03504](#) Alexander Stewart: Campaign to Remember Exiled Polish Soldiers in Fife** (lodged on 19 January 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

**[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: Bill Kidd\*

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

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

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

New Support: Daniel Johnson\*, Neil Bibby\*, Tom Arthur\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Mairi Evans\*

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## Oral Questions

### Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 01 February 2017

#### Communities, Social Security and Equalities

- 1. Alison Harris:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to revisit the granting of third-party rights of appeal in planning applications. ([S5O-00609](#))
- 2. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what assurance it can give communities that objections to proposed developments will be fully considered in the appeals process, given the reported 25% increase in the last year in the number of local authority planning rejections overruled by ministers. ([S5O-00610](#))
- 3. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it is confident that the UK Government will lay its commencement order in time for the Scottish Government to take forward its social security plans. ([S5O-00611](#))
- 4. Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to ensure that charities and third sector organisations that support communities are appropriately resourced. ([S5O-00612](#))
- 5. Patrick Harvie:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the Time for Inclusive Education campaign pledge, which calls for LGBTI-inclusive education. ([S5O-00613](#))
- 6. Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government when carer's allowance will be increased for carers in Glasgow. ([S5O-00614](#))
- 7. Maree Todd:** To ask the Scottish Government what role it considers charities and the third sector play in helping people and creating an equal and fairer society. ([S5O-00615](#))
- 8. Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that the planning system will drive forward regeneration and promote long-term economic growth. ([S5O-00616](#))
- 9. Richard Lochhead:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding and support it provides to projects that aim to tackle inequalities. ([S5O-00617](#))
- 10. Margaret Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met representatives of North Lanarkshire Council. ([S5O-00618](#))
- 11. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports food banks. ([S5O-00619](#))
- 12. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government how the ability to make twice-monthly payments and pay the housing element of universal credit directly to landlords compares with the current monthly payment system. ([S5O-00620](#))
- 13. Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the planning system encourages the use of alternatives to pylons, and how it works to mitigate their visual impact, especially in areas of natural beauty, such as Bennachie. ([S5O-00621](#))
- 14. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what additional social security support it is providing to low income households that will see an increase in council tax from 1 April 2017. ([S5O-00622](#))
- 15. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the UK Government's recently published document, *Consultation response - Exceptions to the limiting of the individual Child Element of Child Tax Credit and the Child Element of Universal Credit to a maximum of two children*. ([S5O-00623](#))

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**16. Tom Arthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 in reducing inequalities. ([S5O-00624](#))

**17. Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government how the second allocation of money from the Fair Food Transformation Fund will impact on communities and organisations in South Scotland. ([S5O-00625](#))

**18. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact the UK Government's welfare reforms have had on North Ayrshire's economy. ([S5O-00626](#))

**19. Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support rural halls and community spaces. ([S5O-00627](#))

**20. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of how UK Government plans to reduce housing benefit for people under 35 will impact on those affected as well as on the social rented sector. ([S5O-00628](#))

### General Questions selected for answer on 02 February 2017

**1. John Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government when the revised Scottish Wide Area Network project will be completed and delivered in full. ([S5O-00629](#))

**2. Kate Forbes:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh report, *Standards informing delivery of care in rural surgery*. ([S5O-00630](#))

**3. Gil Paterson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people are registered with an NHS dentist, and how this compares with 2007. ([S5O-00631](#))

**4. David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will reconsider removing the board of Highlands and Islands Enterprise. ([S5O-00632](#))

**5. Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent figures suggesting that Scottish exports to the rest of the UK were four times that of exports to the EU. ([S5O-00633](#))

**6. Adam Tomkins:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to improve levels of innovative activity in the economy. ([S5O-00634](#))

**7. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to take forward the recommendations in the report, *Joint Thematic Review of MAPPA in Scotland*, which was published in November 2015. ([S5O-00635](#))

**8. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact the business rates revaluation will have on the tourism and hospitality sectors. ([S5O-00636](#))

**9. Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government what conclusions it has drawn from its latest trade statistics. ([S5O-00637](#))

**10. Sandra White:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to review the application of business rates. ([S5O-00638](#))

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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 25 January 2017

**S5W-06458 Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been generated in non-domestic rates in each (a) local authority area and (b) sector in each of the last 10 years, broken down by poundage rate and the amount generated through the (i) large business and (ii) public health supplement, and how much will be generated in 2017-18.

**S5W-06459 Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been paid through each type of business relief in each (a) local authority area and (b) sector in each of the last 10 years, also broken down by how many businesses received this, and how much will be paid in 2017-18.

**S5W-06462 Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many businesses in each (a) local authority area and (b) sector received small business bonus scheme relief at (a) 100%, (b) 50% and (c) 25% in each of the last 10 years; how many will receive this in 2017-18, and what information it has regarding how many eligible businesses did not apply for or receive this.

**S5W-06463 Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many businesses in each (a) local authority area and (b) sector in each of the last 10 years had rateable values (i) on or below £10,000, (ii) between £10,001 and £12,000, (iii) between £12,001 and £15,000, (iv) between £15,001 and £18,000, (v) between £18,001 and £31,000, (vi) between £31,001 and £51,000 and (vii) over £51,000, and how many will have this value in 2017-18.

**S5W-06464 Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many businesses in each (a) local authority area and (b) sector have paid the large business supplement each year, and how many will in 2017-18.

**S5W-06466 Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government what the poundage rate for non-domestic rates has been in each of the last 10 years, and what it will be in 2017-18, also broken down by the (a) large and (b) small business supplement (i) rate and (ii) cut-off.

**S5W-06467 Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government what the (a) average and (b) total rateable value of businesses in each (i) local authority area and (ii) sector has been in each of the last 10 years, and will be in 2017-18.

**S5W-06485 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-05731 by Keith Brown on 10 January 2017, what the value is of inward investment for (a) expansion, (b) new and (c) safeguarding projects since 2011.

**S5W-06486 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has had any further discussions with SinoFortone regarding inward investment opportunities and, if so, when these took place and who was involved.

**S5W-06487 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it carried out due diligence after signing the memorandum of understanding with SinoFortone.

**S5W-06488 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what safeguards there are for people under the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003, if correct procedures are not followed during the detention process.

**S5W-06501 Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Supreme Court's judgement of 24 January 2017 in respect of the triggering of Article 50 in relation to the UK leaving the EU and, in light of the Supreme Court limiting the Lord Advocate to legal argument based on

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devolved issues, whether it plans to take further legal action or appeal to the Court of Justice of the European Union.

**S5W-06517 Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-04629 by Annabelle Ewing on 29 November 2016, whether it will provide an update on the action it is taking to tackle sectarianism.

**S5W-06518 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what steps it is taking to address the reported decline in cervical screening coverage.

**S5W-06519 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to address the reported increase in cervical cancer mortality.

**S5W-06520 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it provided to Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 2017.

**S5W-06522 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what steps it is taking to increase cervical screening coverage for (a) black and minority ethnic women and (b) women (i) from disadvantaged backgrounds and (ii) with learning disabilities.

**S5W-06524 Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to address the reported continued decline in cervical screening coverage.

**S5W-06525 Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to address the reported increase in cervical cancer mortality.

**S5W-06527 Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions have taken place regarding plans to increase cervical screening coverage among women from disadvantaged backgrounds.

**S5W-06528 Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve cervical screening coverage among (a) black and minority ethnic women and (b) women with learning disabilities.

**S5W-06530 Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to roll out HPV primary screening.

**S5W-06531 Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to make cervical screening more accessible in order to increase coverage.

**S5W-06533 Ben Macpherson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the action it is taking to promote human rights.

**S5W-06534 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5T-00336 by Humza Yousaf on 24 January 2016 (*Official Report*, c. 4), whether the minister's comments that "those who have a bus pass will keep that bus pass" and "there will be no change to the scheme for those with a disability" is consistent with the comment in the Draft Budget 2017-18 that it will "constrain payments under the concessionary travel scheme for older and disabled people as a result of a negotiated settlement with the bus sector and develop options in consultation with stakeholders to safeguard the scheme's longer-term sustainability", and what the reasons are for its position on this matter.

**S5W-06535 Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the redevelopment of Queen Street Station.

**S5W-06536 Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of how many businesses may fail as a result of the recent revaluation of business rates.

**S5W-06537 Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government how much the full exemption of business rates for 100,000 small firms will cost.

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**[S5W-06538](#) Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government how much its proposed increase in business rates will raise.

**[S5W-06539](#) Ash Denham:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the action it is taking to increase productivity in the economy.

**[S5W-06540](#) Ash Denham:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the action it is taking to promote inward investment.

**[S5W-06541](#) Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been registered with an NHS dentist in the NHS Ayrshire and Arran area in each year since 2007.

**[S5W-06542](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it has clawed back from local government education departments that have not met pupil:teacher ratios.

**[S5W-06543](#) Maree Todd:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration is being given to specific circumstances in Orkney and Shetland as part of NHS Scotland's review of forensic examination services, and how services there compare to services in other rural and island communities.

**[S5W-06545](#) Ivan McKee:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to encourage banks to speed up their processes for opening accounts for new customers, in light of the recent closure of the Airdrie Savings Bank and proposed closure of branches of other banks.

**[S5W-06546](#) Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle hate crime in schools.

**[S5W-06547](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what the target for the treatment of hepatitis C is for 2017-18, also broken down by the target for each NHS board, and how much it will make available to (a) the NHS and (b) each board to help achieve this.

**[S5W-06550](#) Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial resources will be made available to the Commissioner for Fair Access in order to commission the research data that needs to be compiled to inform his work.

**[S5W-06551](#) Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of pupils has achieved at least one qualification at Higher level or equivalent in each year since 1999.

**[S5W-06552](#) Alison Johnstone:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the *Scottish House Condition Survey 2015*.

**[S5W-06553](#) Alison Johnstone:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the NHS estate is meeting the energy performance and emissions requirements set out at section 63 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009.

**[S5W-06554](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to develop the A720 as a smart motorway.

**[S5W-06555](#) Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on reports of a six-week waiting time for some non-emergency appointments in the north east and what action it is taking to minimise waiting times at GP surgeries in the area.

**[S5W-06556](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on reviewing the penalties for offences committed under the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006, including extending the term limits of bans on owning animals.

**[S5W-06558](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that there is a wide representation of people with autistic spectrum disorders on (a) the Scottish Strategy for Autism Governance Group and (b) similar groups.

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**[S5W-06559 Alison Johnstone:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what action it has taken to (a) improve and (b) monitor the energy efficiency of NHS buildings in light of the finding in the Audit Scotland report, *NHS in Scotland 2016*, that the "outstanding maintenance required to keep the NHS estate across Scotland up to a good standard amounted to £898 million. This is £101 million (13 per cent) more than in 2014".

**[S5W-06560 Alison Johnstone:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the finding in the *Scottish House Condition Survey 2015* that 52% of homes were not weather-tight, what action it will take to improve energy efficiency in houses.

**[S5W-06561 Angus MacDonald:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to the formation of a cancer drugs fund.

**[S5W-06564 Jamie Greene:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what the value is of Scotland's trade with (a) Australia, (b) New Zealand, (c) Canada and (d) the rest of the Commonwealth, and what consideration it has given to improving these links.

**[S5W-06565 Jamie Greene:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out of the impact on Scotland of the proposals in the UK Government Green Paper, *Building our Industrial Strategy*.

**[S5W-06566 Jamie Greene:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the reported concerns regarding risks to safety and security, what its response is to the reports that body and bag searching is being stopped at Barra, Tiree and Campbeltown airports.

**[S5W-06567 Jamie Greene:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out of the impact on Scotland of the proposals in the UK Digital Economy Bill.

**[S5W-06568 Mike Rumbles:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to make alterations to its concessionary travel scheme for people over 60 or who are in a disability scheme.

**[S5W-06569 Mike Rumbles:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether concessionary travel for people over 60 or with a disability should be (a) means tested, (b) a universal benefit, or (c) a national entitlement with a one-off fee.

**[S5W-06570 Mike Rumbles:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what communications it has had with stakeholders to discuss a possible review or alteration to its concessionary travel scheme for people aged over 60 or who are in a disability scheme.

**[S5W-06571 Claudia Beamish:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what practical measures it will undertake to ensure that all of Scotland's seas and inshore waters achieve good environmental condition by 2020.

**[S5W-06572 Claudia Beamish:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what practical measures (a) will be and (b) have been undertaken by (i) it, (ii) Clyde 2020, (iii) the South West Inshore Fisheries Group and (iv) the Clyde Marine Planning Partnership to deliver on its commitment in April 2014 to regenerate fish stocks in the Clyde by 2020.

## 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)), 24 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**

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

**Lead committee to report by 12 March 2017**

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

**Negative instruments**

**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**

[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)

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[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)

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