

Monday 6 March 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 1 March 2017

Tuesday 7 March 2017

2:00 pm Time for Reflection - Reverend Alasdair Symington (retired), former Minister of Troon Old Parish Church and former Chaplain to the Queen and Convener of HM Forces' chaplains

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: International Women's Day

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-02900 Alex Rowley: Local Government Finance and the State of the Debt

Wednesday 8 March 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Education

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-03214 Linda Fabiani: Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal

Thursday 9 March 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-03984 Adam Tomkins: Community Jobs Scotland

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2017

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Biodiversity

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 14 March 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 15 March 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Health and Sport

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 16 March 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

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5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

7 March 2017

8th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Gender Pay Gap:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 Anna Ritchie Allan, Project Manager, Close the Gap;
 Emma Ritch, Executive Director, Engender;
 Chris Oswald, Head of Policy and Communications, Equality and Human Rights Commission Scotland;
 and then from—
 Professor Patricia Findlay, Member and Academic Adviser, Fair Work Convention;
 Professor Wendy Loretto, Dean of the Business School and Professor of Organisational Behaviour, University of Edinburgh Business School;
 Emily Thomson, Research Associate, Women in Scotland's Economy (WiSE Research Centre), Glasgow Caledonian University;
 Dr Irina Merkurieva, Lecturer in Economics, School of Economics and Finance, The University of St Andrews;
 Professor Fiona Wilson, Professor of Organisational Behaviour, Adam Smith Business School, The University of Glasgow;
 Professor Ian Wall, Chair, STEMEC (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Education Committee).
2. **Draft Climate Change Plan (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 7 March, the Committee expects to consider oral evidence on its inquiry into the gender pay gap

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

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

7 March 2017

8th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Draft climate change plan (RPP3) (in private):** The Committee will consider a revised draft report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 14 March, the Committee will take evidence from environmental academics on the environmental implications for Scotland of the UK leaving the EU.

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

Justice Committee 7 March 2017 8th Meeting, 2017

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
- Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will receive a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting on 23 February 2017.
- Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill - witness expenses:** The Committee will be invited to delegate to the Convener responsibility for arranging for the SPCB to pay, under Rule 12.4.3, any expenses of witnesses on the Bill.
- Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Charlotte Vitty, Interim Chief Executive, British Transport Police Authority;
Chief Constable Paul Crowther, British Transport Police UK;
Assistant Chief Constable Bernard Higgins, Operations and Justice, Police Scotland;
John Foley, Chief Executive, Scottish Police Authority.
- Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.
- Inquiry into the role and purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 14 March, the Committee expects to continue taking evidence on the Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) at Stage 1 and on the Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1, and to consider subordinate legislation in relation to Scottish Tribunals. For further information, contact Peter McGrath, the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 7 March 2017 8th Meeting, 2017

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

- Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Local Government Finance \(Scotland\) Order 2017 \[draft\];](#)
[Carbon Accounting Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \[draft\];](#)
[International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\].](#)
- Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/41\);](#)
[Participation Request \(Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/39\);](#)

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[Non-Domestic Rating \(Unoccupied Property\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/43\);](#)

[Inshore Fishing \(Prohibition of Fishing and Fishing Methods\) \(Outer Hebrides\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/48\);](#)

[Scottish Road Works Register \(Prescribed Fees\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/49\);](#)

[Sale of Tobacco and Nicotine Vapour Products by Persons Under 18 \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/50\);](#)

[Sale of Tobacco \(Register of Tobacco Retailers\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/51\).](#)

- Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Community Empowerment \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Commencement No. 7\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/40 \(C.5\)\).](#)
- Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
- Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

Proposed future business

The Committee expects to next meet on Tuesday 14 March. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at dplr.committee@parliament.scot or on 0131 348 5212.

Health and Sport Committee

7 March 2017

6th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 10:15 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- Child Protection in Sport:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Andrew McKinlay, Chief Operating Officer, and Stewart Regan, Chief Executive, Scottish Football Association;
David Little, Chief Executive, Scottish Youth Football Association.
- Sport for Everyone:** The Committee will discuss the recent fact-finding visits.
- Child Protection in Sport (in private):** The Committee will consider the main themes arising from the oral evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- Working practices (in private):** The Committee will consider its working practices.
- Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider draft correspondence.

Proposed future business

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

Education and Skills Committee

8 March 2017

7th Meeting, 2017

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

- School Education:** The Committee will take evidence on Additional Support Needs, Personal and Social Education and the Curriculum for Excellence from:

John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, Fiona Robertson, Director of Learning, and Donna Bell, Deputy Director Strategy and Performance, Scottish Government.

2. **Review of Evidence (in private)** The Committee will discuss the evidence heard earlier in the meeting in relation to School Education.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 15 March, the Committee expects to hear evidence on the Children's Hearings System.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Roz Thomson, on es.committee@parliament.scot or 0131 348 5222.

Local Government and Communities Committee

8 March 2017

8th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Homelessness:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Adam Lang, Head of Communications and Policy, Shelter Scotland;
Tony Cain, Policy Manager, and Julie Hunter, Housing Strategy Manager, North Lanarkshire Council, Association of Local Authority Chief Housing Officers;
Lee Clark, Manager, Conflict Resolution Service, and Mark Kennedy, Manager, Homeless Prevention Service, Cyrenians;
Jan Williamson, Head of Services, Streetwork.
2. **Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 1.
3. **The Draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3) (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 22 March, the Committee expects to take further evidence from stakeholders as part of its work on homelessness. The Committee also expects to consider its work programme.

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

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

8 March 2017

8th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Major transport infrastructure projects update:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Keith Brown, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work, Michelle Rennie, Director of Major Transport Infrastructure Projects, and Graham Porteous, Head of Special Projects, Transport Scotland, Scottish Government.
2. **Forth Replacement Crossing project team update:** The Committee will take evidence from—

David Climie, Project Director, Forth Replacement Crossing Team, and Lawrence Shackman, Project Manager, Forth Replacement Crossing Team, Transport Scotland.

3. **Draft climate change plan (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 15 March, the Committee will take oral evidence on the impact of the UK's departure from the EU on Fisheries and then from the Scottish Government Officials regarding the Seatbelts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill. The Committee will also consider subordinate legislation.

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

Social Security Committee

9 March 2017

5th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Citizen's Income:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor Donald Hirsch, Director, Centre for Research in Social Policy, Loughborough University;
Siobhan Mathers, Advisory Board member, Reform Scotland;
Annie Miller, Chair, Citizen's Income Trust and Trustee, Citizen's Basic Income Network in Scotland;
Howard Reed, Director, Landman Economics;
Anthony Painter, Director, Action and Research Centre, RSA.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment Regulations (SSI 2017/41) from—
Robin Haynes, Head of Council Tax, and Dave Sorensen, Statistician, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/41).
5. **Committee debate:** The Committee will consider whether it wishes to submit a request for a chamber debate.
6. **Citizen's Income:** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 13 March, the Committee expects to consider inter-governmental co-operation on social security with the Scottish Affairs Committee, UK Parliament.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Simon Watkins, on 0131 348 5228 or by email at: SocialSecurityCommittee@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
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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 not achieved cross party support

***S5M-04421 Liz Smith: Water Safety Scotland Response to the UK Drowning Prevention Strategy**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of Water Safety Scotland's response to the UK Drowning Prevention Strategy; notes with regret that Scotland's drowning figures are disproportionately higher than those of the rest of the UK and are double the rate per head of population than England; celebrates the continuing success of the Water Safety Scotland's Fife Project in which multiple agencies have come together to educate pupils in water safety and drowning risks, and notes the view that more must be done to prevent accidental deaths due to drowning in Scotland.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-04435 Gillian Martin: Jenna Morrice, Raising Awareness of Myasthenia Gravis**—That the Parliament commends Jenna Morrice, who is from Pitmedden, on raising awareness of myasthenia gravis, which is a rare auto-immune disease that affects eye and facial muscles and is estimated to affect between 14 to 20 people in every 100,000; recognises that there are four support groups in Scotland for people living with the disease, which cover Dumfries and Galloway, Lothian, Strathclyde and Scotland North, and wishes Jenna success in her mission to raise awareness of the condition.

Supported by: Clare Haughey*, James Dornan*, Ruth Maguire*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-04434 Pauline McNeill: One Million Zero-hour Contracts**—That the Parliament notes with concern recent figures released by the Resolution Foundation suggesting that nearly one million British workers were on a zero-hours contract at the end of 2016; understands that this represents a 13% increase on the previous year and a four-fold increase since 2000; believes that, because they cannot guarantee work, people on these contracts have no financial stability and will earn less than those in secure work; considers these arrangements to be unsuitable for many, and urges that action should be taken to ensure that they are limited to the workers who might legitimately benefit from them, such as students.

Supported by: Fulton MacGregor*, Iain Gray*, Alex Rowley*, Ash Denham*, Monica Lennon*

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***[S5M-04433](#) Pauline McNeill: The Importance of the Scottish Space Industry**—That the Parliament commends the economic contribution made by the space industry; understands that it adds £130 million to the Scottish economy and provides 7,000 jobs; further understands that, over the last two years, Glasgow has built more satellites than any other city in Europe; considers this leading involvement in a developing sector to be a continuation of Glasgow and Scotland's rich scientific and technological heritage, and believes the continued growth of the industry is confirmed by there being up to 36 Glasgow-built satellites that are ready to join the 20 already in space.

Supported by: James Dornan*, Fulton MacGregor*, Rona Mackay*, Ash Denham*

***[S5M-04432](#) Stuart McMillan: Ardgowan Distillery, Inverkip**—That the Parliament congratulates the Ardgowan Distillery Company on the progress with its plans to build a £12 million world-class malt whisky distillery and visitor attraction in Inverkip, which it hopes to be operational by 2019; understands that it will be sited on the 600-year-old Ardgowan estate, which has a fantastic history that includes links with Pocahontas and Robert the Bruce; believes that, in addition to whisky production, the site will have a gin still, a microbrewery, café and retail facilities and will provide tours; understands that this venture will resurrect the name of the Ardgowan Distillery, which was founded in 1896 and located in Baker Street in Greenock before it was destroyed during the Blitz in 1941; believes that the new distillery will bring jobs and new economic activity, and considers that it will be beginning of a fantastic new chapter in the story of Inverclyde.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Ruth Maguire*, Kenneth Gibson*, Joan McAlpine*, Bob Doris*, Gillian Martin*, Clare Haughey*, Jenny Gilruth*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Tom Arthur*

***[S5M-04431](#) Richard Leonard: North Lanarkshire Council Schools Renewal Programme**—That the Parliament welcomes the commitment from North Lanarkshire Council to invest a further £53 million into its schools renewal programme; recognises the priority given to education in North Lanarkshire by the Labour-controlled council in the face of Scottish Government cuts of £27 million, and welcomes proposals for new schools in Chryston, Gartcosh, Bellshill and Newmains, which will enhance what it considers the learning experience of children and the workplace environment for teachers.

***[S5M-04430](#) Ross Greer: Better Than Zero Fair Pay For All Workers**—That the Parliament congratulates the Better than Zero campaign on its joint efforts with 38 Degrees that, it understands, have led to Mooboo Bubble Tea agreeing to pay all of its trainees the minimum wage and to end its practice of 40 hours of unpaid "training" for new staff; believes that this demonstrates the value of workers, particularly young workers, organising collectively through trade unions to defend their rights; considers that the practice whereby businesses attempt to bypass minimum wage laws by requiring periods of unpaid training to be immoral and unacceptable, and calls on all employers in Scotland to ensure that they pay all of their staff fairly, with the real living wage as the minimum.

Supported by: John Mason*, Ash Denham*, Patrick Harvie*, Clare Haughey*

***[S5M-04429](#) Mark Ruskell: Concerns Over Label Rouge Salmon Certification**—That the Parliament recognises the concerns that it understands have been raised by the Global Alliance Against Industrial Aquaculture regarding the environmental and animal welfare standards of Label Rouge Scottish salmon; notes that around 8,000 tonnes of Label Rouge Scottish salmon is produced each year, primarily for the French market but also for sale in Germany, Switzerland and the Far East; believes that, despite claims that Label Rouge Scottish salmon is produced to "very stringent standards", details of these standards and regulations are not publicly available;

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understands that a 2011 report by the University of Victoria gave Label Rouge a "red" rating for its environmental impacts, including use of antibiotics, sustainability of feed, pathogens and parasiticides, and calls on Label Rouge to publish its environmental and animal welfare standards ahead of its celebration reception and dinner at Edinburgh Castle on 16 March 2017.

Supported by: John Finnie*, Patrick Harvie*

***S5M-04428 Mark Ruskell: International School Meals Day**—That the Parliament welcomes the first International School Meals Day on 9 March 2017; notes that the theme for this year's event is Food, Culture and Heritage, with the aim of bringing together children and communities across the world to share their experiences, stories and news about food; congratulates the organisers, Children in Scotland, on raising awareness of the nutritional qualities of school meals programmes worldwide; understands the importance that school meals can play in fostering good eating habits and addressing hunger and food poverty, as well as supporting sustainable local food chains; recognises the important work of the Food for Life Catering Mark in setting a benchmark for healthy and sustainable school meals in Scotland, and calls on the Scottish Government to support all local authorities to work towards Food For Life recognition for their school meals programmes. **R**

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Richard Lochhead*, Patrick Harvie*, Fulton MacGregor*, Pauline McNeill*

***S5M-04427 Clare Adamson: Football Legend, Tommy Gemmell**—That the Parliament notes the passing of the Lisbon Lions legend, Tommy Gemmell; understands that Tommy, who was born in Motherwell and began his career with Coltness United, is one of a few players who scored in two European Cup Finals, including against Inter Milan to help Celtic lift the European Cup in 1967; notes that he also played for Nottingham Forest, Miami Toros and Dundee, before managing Albion Rovers and Dundee; understands that he represented Scotland 18 times, making his debut against England in 1966 and playing in the famous 3-2 victory over the world champions at Wembley the following year; acknowledges his legacy as a Motherwell boy who went on to become one of the first Scottish players to win the European Cup, and extends its condolences to Tommy's wife, Mary, and his family and many friends.

Supported by: John Finnie*, George Adam*, Jeremy Balfour*, Joan McAlpine*, Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Richard Lochhead*, Monica Lennon*, Stuart McMillan*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Emma Harper*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Iain Gray*, Clare Haughey*, John Mason*, David Torrance*, Liam McArthur*, Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*, Mark Ruskell*, Jenny Gilruth*

***S5M-04426 Neil Findlay: Boghead Nature Park Bathgate**—That the Parliament congratulates Bathgate Community Council on being awarded a fund of £10,000 to revamp Boghead Nature Park; understands that the money was awarded from the Tesco Bags of Help fund, which donates the proceeds of the carrier bag charge to good causes chosen by local stores; further understands that the award will be used to improve the park, including putting in new signage and seating; recognises that parks are an essential part of local communities, and welcomes any measures taken to improve these areas.

***S5M-04425 Neil Findlay: Broxburn Academy Wins Robot Design Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Broxburn Academy on winning the award for Best Robot Design at the Tomorrow's Engineers Robotics Competition held at West Lothian College, and understands that the programme engages pupils in a broad range of science, technology and maths pursuits and aims to heighten pupils' interests and skills in these areas.

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***S5M-04424 Graeme Dey: Calum Bruce, Scottish Rugby's Volunteer of the Month**—That the Parliament congratulates the Carnoustie resident, Calum Bruce, on being honoured by Scottish Rugby for his commitment to youth coaching and his club; notes that Calum, who is the head of mini rugby at Carnoustie Rugby Club, was presented with the Volunteer of the Month award for January at the annual Scottish Rugby Club Awards Dinner at Murrayfield; understands that he was nominated by his friend and fellow member of Carnoustie Rugby Club, Andrew Cranston; believes that Andrew put Calum forward for the award as he has been putting a lot of work in at primary schools, along with the club's mini midi sessions, which has led to a big increase in the number of children coming along, as well as for him going the extra mile by undertaking a variety of tasks at the club, and commends Calum on his efforts to help the young people of Carnoustie to enjoy rugby.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Liam McArthur*, Alison Johnstone*, Richard Lyle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Clare Haughey*, David Torrance*, Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*, Jenny Gilruth*

***S5M-04423 Graeme Dey: Pippa's Kitchen**—That the Parliament congratulates Pippa's Kitchen in Monifieth on being named the Central Region's Cake Designer of the Year at the Scottish Wedding Awards; understands that the company was set up in 2012 and produces bespoke cakes and cupcakes for special occasions; notes that the awards seek to recognise and reward the efforts and dedication of the very best in Scotland's wedding industry, and wishes Pippa's Kitchen's owner, Pippa Hutcheon, continuing success.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan*, Ruth Maguire*, Richard Lyle*, Joan McAlpine*, Mark Ruskell*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Ash Denham*, Clare Haughey*, David Torrance*, Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*, Jenny Gilruth*

***S5M-04422 Brian Whittle: World Walking Initiative**—That the Parliament recognises the work of the World Walking Initiative; notes that the initiative was created by the Inverclyde Globetrotters and has been developed to motivate people to walk more; understands that the initiative works by using pedometers to log steps and measure distance travelled and, using free GPS apps for smartphones, allows walkers to travel a "virtual route", which can be anything from exploring a foreign city to walking across a continent, and which features interesting facts and images of the route; believes that encouraging people to walk more would have significant benefits for the health of people in Scotland; considers that World Walking and other such initiatives can be a source of positive encouragement to people to walk further in their daily lives, and hopes that it goes from strength to strength.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Alison Johnstone*, Richard Lyle*, Richard Lochhead*, Margaret Mitchell*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Jeremy Balfour*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gillian Martin*, Douglas Ross*

***S5M-04420 Lewis Macdonald: Bird Conservation International Reports Threat to Curlews and Godwits**—That the Parliament notes with concern a report published in *Bird Conservation International*, which concludes that loss of habitat could lead to the extinction of a number of species of curlew and godwit, including three that are found in the UK; understands that this report canvassed the opinions of 100 experts and reviewed scientific literature on the subject to highlight the many threats facing species of curlew worldwide, including the "near threatened" Eurasian curlew that is found in the UK; believes that changes in agricultural practices and other forms of human action have damaged the breeding habitats of curlew and godwits, and that climate change and an increase in the number of predators are only adding to the problem; commends the work of the RSPB's Curlew Recovery Programme, which is aiming to raise awareness of the threat to the Eurasian curlew across the UK as well as working with those involved in land management

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in order to try and change habits to improve breeding habitats, and encourages the Scottish Government and its environmental agencies to do what they can to support the work of RSPB Scotland and other conservation organisations to ensure that godwits and curlews are protected for future generations.

Supported by: Mark Ruskell*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Iain Gray*, Christine Grahame*, Liam McArthur*, Gillian Martin*

***S5M-04409 Liam McArthur: Orkney Festival Wins Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the Orkney Folk Festival on its recent award from Voluntary Action Orkney; understands that the award recognises the festival for its management of and commitment to its volunteers; further understands that the award was presented during a recent meeting of the Orkney Festival Forum in Stromness; applauds the Orkney Folk Festival team for their dedication to their volunteers, and wishes them well with preparing for their 2017 programme.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Douglas Ross*, Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lochhead*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-04408 Liam McArthur: Stuart McIvor Honoured with Bravery Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Shapinsay resident, Stuart McIvor, on his recent award by the Royal Humanity Society for his bravery; notes that Acting Chief Inspector Gordon Deans at Kirkwall Police Station presented Stuart with the award on 24 February 2017; recognises that Stuart, a former policeman, dived from Shapinsay's pier immediately to help free Alexander Glasgow from his sinking car in June 2016; notes that the award is granted for bravery in saving a human life, where someone has put themselves in danger in saving, or attempting to save, the life of another; considers Stuart's act of bravery to be testament to his character, and thanks him for his lifesaving act.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan*, Graeme Dey*, Douglas Ross*, Ash Denham*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-04419 Kenneth Gibson: The Douglas Hotel Named Independent Hotel of the Year (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gordon Lindhurst*, James Dornan*, Clare Haughey*, Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*, Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-04418 Christina McKelvie: South Lanarkshire Council Women's Aid (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Clare Haughey*, Emma Harper*, Joan McAlpine*, Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*, Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-04417 Alexander Stewart: Alloa School Wins Sports Accolade (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Alison Harris*

S5M-04416 Colin Beattie: Millerhill Artist in Running for Prestigious Award (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst*, Joan McAlpine*, Tom Arthur*, Jenny Gilruth*

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[S5M-04415](#) Neil Findlay: Bathgate Early Years Centre Receives Digital Schools Award (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst*

[S5M-04414](#) Neil Findlay: Livingston and Nepal Link (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst*

[S5M-04411](#) Neil Findlay: Rise in Numbers of Children in Care (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-04410](#) Liam McArthur: Fishermen's Mission Officer Recognised for Service (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Richard Lochhead*

[S5M-04407](#) John Mason: Asad Shah's Example (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Clare Haughey*, Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04405](#) Sandra White: Dunkirk Digital Classroom Supporting Young Refugees (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04404](#) Kenneth Gibson: 52 Weeks of Kindness (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst*, Ruth Maguire*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04403](#) David Torrance: Barnardo's Scotland Fife (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Joan McAlpine*

[S5M-04402](#) David Torrance: Welcoming Hugh Hall to Fife College (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04400](#) Douglas Ross: Technology Bringing Forres History to Life (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst*

[S5M-04399](#) Douglas Ross: Karen Betts, New Chief Executive of the SWA (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-04394](#) Neil Bibby: Tackling Food Poverty in Renfrewshire (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04389](#) Clare Adamson: Youth's Matter Community Group, Motherwell (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-04388](#) Clare Adamson: Polish Lanarkshire Community Forum (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04387](#) Clare Adamson: Motherwell Floral Art Club (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04385](#) Brian Whittle: Hansel Foundation (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-04383](#) Liam Kerr: Community First Project (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04382](#) Jackson Carlaw: Eastwood, One of Scotland's Most Desirable Areas (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04378](#) Ruth Maguire: Scottish Building Apprentice of the Year (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04375](#) Tom Arthur: Most Desirable Place to Live in Scotland (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04372](#) Bill Kidd: Drumchapel High School Big Lottery Fund Award (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Clare Haughey*, Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04371](#) Bill Kidd: St Thomas Aquinas Secondary School, Big Lottery Fund Award (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Ruth Maguire*, Clare Haughey*, Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04370](#) Alison Johnstone: Damaging New Regulations on Personal Independence Payments (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Richard Lochhead*, Clare Haughey*, Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04368](#) John Finnie: Aquatera Wins Tidal Power Contract in Japan (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04366](#) Andy Wightman: Extending the Powers of the Scottish SPCA to Investigate Wildlife Crime (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-04364](#) Bruce Crawford: Graham's The Family Dairy Wins Best Dairy Innovation Award 2017 (lodged on 01 March 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04363](#) Richard Lochhead: Friendly Access Fundraising Drive (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04362](#) Richard Lochhead: Speyside Cooperage Anniversary (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04359](#) Ben Macpherson: Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2017 (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: John Finnie*, Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04358](#) Clare Haughey: International Workers Memorial Day 2017 (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, John Finnie*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04356](#) Clare Haughey: Rutherglen Comic Con is a Smash Hit (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04354](#) Colin Smyth: Scotland Achieves Fair Trade Nation Status Again (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: John Finnie*

[S5M-04352](#) Bruce Crawford: Callander Youth Project Trust (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04347](#) Daniel Johnson: Retailers Support Good Causes (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Willie Rennie*

[S5M-04344](#) Liam Kerr: Dyce Academy Awarded £2,500 by Big Lottery Fund (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04343](#) Liam Kerr: Northfield Academy's Big Lottery Fund Award (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04342](#) Stuart McMillan: Larkfield Housing Association 20th Anniversary (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04341](#) Ross Greer: Baljaffray Primary and Nursery's Excellent Inspection Report (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04340](#) Stuart McMillan: Congratulations to Shirley Cairney on Top Scouting Award (lodged on 01 March 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04339](#) Bob Doris: EIS, Myths of Immigration Educational Booklets Aiming to Tackle Racism in Schools (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: John Finnie*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04331](#) Christina McKelvie: SCRAN Food Project (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04330](#) Christina McKelvie: Eddlewood Youth Project (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04321](#) Richard Lyle: Uddingston Grammar School Awards for All Funding (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04320](#) Jenny Gilruth: Congratulations to Options in Fife, Glenrothes (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04319](#) Jenny Gilruth: Funding Boost for Dovecot Park Bowling Club in Glenrothes (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04318](#) Colin Beattie: Bonnyrigg After School Club Receives £10,000 Grant (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04317](#) Colin Beattie: Cousland Majority Awarded Grant (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04316](#) Colin Beattie: Funding for Hawthorn Gardens Tenants Organisation (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04315](#) Jenny Gilruth: Kingdom FM Local Hero Awards 2017 (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04314](#) Emma Harper: Congratulating Haugh of Urr Nursery and ia2ps (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04312](#) Clare Haughey: Rutherglen Lawn Tennis Club (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-04311](#) Clare Haughey: Burnhill Action Group in Rutherglen (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04302](#) Graeme Dey: Monifieth Bowling Club Secures Grant (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04301](#) Kate Forbes: Congratulating Strontian Community School Building Project (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04300](#) Ben Macpherson: Leith Primary School Wins the School Mock Court Project (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04298](#) Anas Sarwar: Sir Gerald Kaufman (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Richard Lochhead*, Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04297](#) Miles Briggs: National Museum of Scotland is Most Popular Visitor Attraction (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Richard Lochhead*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04296](#) Monica Lennon: Reducing the Impact of Alcohol Marketing on Children in Scotland (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04292](#) Ross Greer: Bedouin Villages in Israel (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04288](#) Angus MacDonald: Shieldhill's Big-hearted Brownies (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04285](#) Alex Rowley: Home Office Decision to Forcibly Deport Irene Clennell (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04283](#) Maurice Corry: Deposit Return for Drinks Containers (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Richard Lochhead*, Iain Gray*, Alex Rowley*

[S5M-04280](#) Alexander Stewart: Charlie Taylor's Gesture for Marie Curie Nurses (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Richard Lochhead*

[S5M-04279](#) Sandra White: International Women's Day 2017 (lodged on 27 February 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Richard Lochhead*, Gillian Martin*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04277](#) Finlay Carson: Vicki Adams from Stranraer Wins Scottish Women's Curling Championships (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04276](#) Pauline McNeill: Billy McNeill (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04274](#) Graeme Dey: Arbroath's Cancer Research Shop Raises £2 Million (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Richard Lochhead*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04271](#) Jackie Baillie: Scottish Women's Rugby Team, Six Nations Win (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04269](#) Bill Bowman: Congratulations to Arbroath Cancer Research UK Charity Shop (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04268](#) Ruth Maguire: Congratulating Irvine Photographers, Grant and Elaine McKelvie (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04267](#) Ruth Maguire: Congratulating Dreghorn Entrepreneur, Jacqueline Harrow (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04265](#) Ruth Maguire: Applauding the Efforts of Greenwood Academy Pupils (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04264](#) Ruth Maguire: Applauding the Efforts of Dreghorn Pupil, Ava Walker (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04262](#) Jackson Carlaw: Best Barista for Parklands Hotel & Country Club (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04258](#) Ash Denham: Edinburgh, the UK's Most Reputable City (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04257](#) Ben Macpherson: Bun-sgoil Taobh na Pàirce to Compete at UK First Lego League Finals (lodged on 27 February 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04256](#) Peter Chapman: Auchnagatt Primary Helps Rebuild Nepalese School (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04252](#) Maurice Golden: Expansion of the Glasgow Bicycle Hire Scheme (lodged on 24 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04251](#) Maurice Golden: Bearsden Academy Pupil Fundraising to Help Syrian People (lodged on 24 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04250](#) Maurice Golden: Milngavie Athlete, Mhairi Patience (lodged on 24 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04248](#) Maurice Golden: WWF Earth Hour 2017 (lodged on 24 February 2017)

New Support: Richard Lochhead*

[S5M-04245](#) Gail Ross: MeyGen is Project of the Year Winner (lodged on 24 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04244](#) Gail Ross: Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels Project (lodged on 24 February 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04238](#) Gail Ross: Fundraising Efforts of Newton Park Primary (lodged on 24 February 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04231](#) Peter Chapman: Free Travel to Normandy for D-Day Veterans (lodged on 24 February 2017)

New Support: Richard Lochhead*

[S5M-04223](#) Bob Doris: Land Fund's Boost for Royston Regeneration (lodged on 23 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04215](#) Gil Paterson: Clydebank FC Tackles Refugee Integration (lodged on 23 February 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-04096](#) Neil Findlay: Fairtrade Events (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Liam McArthur*

[S5M-03957](#) Christina McKelvie: Lord Dubs Scheme (lodged on 09 February 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Iain Gray*

[S5M-03954](#) **Ross Greer: UK Government Fails Child Refugees** (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Iain Gray*

[S5M-03214](#) **Linda Fabiani: Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal** (lodged on 20 December 2016)

New Support: Bruce Crawford*

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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 03 March 2017

S5W-07706 Gordon MacDonald: To ask the Scottish Government when it will respond to the Scottish Veterans Commissioner's report, *The Veterans Community - Employability, Skills and Learning*, which was published on 3 November 2016.

Written questions lodged on 03 March 2017

S5W-07659 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has received any representations from the Registrar General of Scotland regarding how same sex couples are recorded on birth certificates.

S5W-07672 Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will ensure that its forthcoming social security bill does not (a) contain and (b) allow for the introduction of regulations that have the same effect as the Social Security (Personal Independence Payment) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, once responsibility for disability benefits has been fully devolved.

S5W-07683 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-06956 by Shona Robison on 2 March 2017, what its response is to the suggestion that it would be useful if information was held at NHS board level to allow for comparisons.

S5W-07684 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-06957 by Shona Robison on 2 March 2017, whether it will increase the amount of information held centrally in order to determine whether the SIGN guidance has led to a change in the incidence of venous thromboembolism (VTE).

S5W-07685 Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how much incomes will need to increase by in each income decile in order to meet the relative and absolute poverty targets of 10% and 5%.

S5W-07686 Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how many children would be in (a) relative and (b) absolute poverty by 2030 taking into account the already announced welfare reforms of the UK Government.

S5W-07687 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what impact the expansion of GPS and alcohol monitoring technologies will have on the daily cost of monitoring (a) overall and (b) per person compared with the cost for custodial sentences.

S5W-07689 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish its response to the consultation, Electronic Monitoring in Scotland.

S5W-07690 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many people it anticipates will be monitored in the expanded electronic monitoring scheme.

S5W-07691 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been subject to electronic monitoring in each local authority area in each year since 2013.

S5W-07692 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government which stakeholders it invited to engage in the consultation, Electronic Monitoring in Scotland.

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Questions Ceistean				

[S5W-07693](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to carry out a risk assessment on the use of GPS for electronic monitoring.

[S5W-07694](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how it helps people break out of the reoffending cycle.

[S5W-07695](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government which (a) organisations and (b) individuals can access data under the current electronic monitoring scheme and whether (i) their and (ii) other's access will change following the consultation, Electronic Monitoring in Scotland.

[S5W-07696](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what international evidence was considered by the consultation, Electronic Monitoring in Scotland; what percentage of the remand population in these examples was subject to such monitoring; how long such monitoring had been used in each country, and what feedback it received regarding the effectiveness of it.

[S5W-07698](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has provided toward supervised bail services in each year since 2007.

[S5W-07699](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government whether guidance is provided to local authorities regarding the setting of fees for licensing (a) pet shops and (b) dog breeding facilities.

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[S5W-07707](#) John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government what the (a) financial and (b) other implications are of not revaluing properties for council tax purposes during the current Parliamentary session.

[S5W-07708](#) Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government further to the answer to question S5W-07071 by Maureen Watt on 2 March 2017, how much it allocated through its agencies to the Positive Parenting Programme.

[S5W-07709](#) John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of the proposed £4.6 million annually provided to the Farm Advisory Service in the draft Climate Change Plan will be spent on mitigation, and how much is budgeted for non-mitigation advice and support, including biodiversity, habitat and land management, water pollution, prevention and control plans.

[S5W-07710](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Minister for Childcare and Early Years on 2 March 2017 (*Official Report*, c. 46), whether the consultation on the proposed legislation for a new definition and criminalisation of abuse and neglect of children will give respondents the opportunity to comment on the appropriateness of removing the defence of justifiable assault.

[S5W-07711](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Minister for Childcare and Early Years on 2 March 2017 (*Official Report*, c. 46), when the "evaluation of the early work" of the programme of action on neglect will be reported to him, and whether these findings will be put in the public domain.

[S5W-07712](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Minister for Childcare and Early Years on 2 March 2017 (*Official Report*, c. 46), when it expects to introduce the draft legislation on the new definition and criminalisation of abuse and neglect of children.

[S5W-07713](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Minister for Childcare and Early Years on 2 March 2017 (*Official Report*, c. 46), what financial support it will provide to the child protection improvement programme measures.

[S5W-07714](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Minister for Childcare and Early Years on 2 March 2017 (*Official Report*, c. 46), when the national child protection policy will be published and what support it will provide for this.

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Questions Ceistean				

[S5W-07715](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Minister for Childcare and Early Years on 2 March 2017 (*Official Report*, c. 46), for what reason it is developing separate national child protection policies and plans; what the difference is between these, and whether it will consider publishing both in a single document.

[S5W-07716](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Minister for Childcare and Early Years on 2 March 2017 (*Official Report*, c. 46), for what reason the minister will chair the National Child Protection Leadership Group, in light of the recommendation by the Child Protection Systems Review that the group "should report and account to Scottish Ministers".

[S5W-07717](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-05529 by Michael Matheson on 21 December 2016, when it will set out its proposals following the recommendations of the report of the Independent Advisory Group on Hate Crime, Prejudice and Community Cohesion.

[S5W-07718](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Minister for Childcare and Early Years on 2 March 2017 (*Official Report*, c. 46), in light of the minister's comment that "new legislation will be brought before this session of Parliament introducing a new definition and criminal offence of abuse and neglect of children", whether the minister will reconsider his response to question S5W-03999 in which said that the Scottish Government has "no plans to bring forward legislation to repeal existing legal defences for parents in relation to physical punishment".

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New Subordinate Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

New Subordinate Legislation

Negative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 3 March 2017 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Personal Injuries (NHS Charges) (Amounts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/58)

laid under section 195(8) of the Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003

National Health Service (Payments and Remission of Charges) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/59)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

Non-Domestic Rates (Renewable Energy Generation Relief) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/60)

laid under section 153(6) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

Non-Domestic Rates (District Heating Relief) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/61)

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)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform), 28 February 2017
Lead committee - Finance and Constitution

Budget (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed 23 February 2017

Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform), 7 March 2017
Lead committee - Social Security

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 7 March 2017

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

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

Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 7 March 2017

Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced 28 February 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

Agreed by the Parliament on 26 January 2017

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

Agreed by the Parliament on 2 March 2017

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

Agreed by the Parliament on 22 February 2017

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

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee, 21 February 2017

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

Agreed by the Parliament on 7 February 2017

Higher Education and Research Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-4

Agreed by the Parliament on 20 December 2016

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

Affirmative instruments

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