

Tuesday 7 November 2017

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean

Revised at 4:00pm



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Resignation of Scottish Minister

In accordance with Rule 4.8.2 of Standing Orders, the Presiding Officer wishes to notify the Parliament of the resignation of Mark McDonald as a Scottish Minister of the Scottish Government.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection - Dr Jonathan Reyes, Executive Director of the Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC, and former President and CEO of Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese of Denver, Colorado

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by First Minister Statement: Apology to those convicted for same-sex sexual activity that is now legal

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-07924 Daniel Johnson: Respect for Shopworkers Week, 13 to 19 November

Committee Meetings

10:15am Justice Committee

10:30am Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

10:45am Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

11:00am Health and Sport Committee

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1. Ruth Maguire: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent Child Poverty Action Group report, *The Austerity Generation*. ([S5T-00748](#))

followed by First Minister Statement: Apology to those convicted for same-sex sexual activity that is now legal

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill

[S5M-08677](#) Fergus Ewing: Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill.

followed by Financial Resolution: Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill

[S5M-07872](#) Derek Mackay: Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill, agrees to—

(a) any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act, and

(b) any charge or payment in relation to which Rule 9.12.4 of the Standing Orders applies arising in consequence of the Act.

followed by Business Motions

[S5M-08719](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) to the following revisions to the programme of business for Wednesday 8 November 2017—

after

followed by Portfolio Questions
Rural Economy and Connectivity;
Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

insert

followed by Appointment of a Junior Scottish Minister

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.30 pm Decision Time

(b) to the following revision to the programme of business for Thursday 9 November 2017—

delete

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

and insert

2.15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.15 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

(c) that, for the purposes of Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions on Thursday 9 November, the words "of up to 15 minutes" in Rule 13.9.3 are suspended.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S5M-08738](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee membership motion—That the Parliament agrees that the following changes to committee membership apply from close of business on Tuesday 7 November 2017—

Emma Harper be appointed to replace Maree Todd as a member of the Finance and Constitution Committee;

Kate Forbes be appointed to replace Emma Harper as a member of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee.

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

[S5M-07924](#) Daniel Johnson: Respect for Shopworkers Week, 13 to 19 November—That the Parliament notes that Respect for Shopworkers Week, which is organised by USDAW's Freedom From Fear campaign, runs from 13 to 19 November 2017; further notes that the week highlights the violence and abuse faced by shopworkers; recognises that the Retail Crime Survey, published in February 2017, concluded that "retail staff continue to suffer unacceptable levels of violence and abuse", rising by 40% since 2015-16; is concerned that alcohol sales and the legal requirement of the Challenge 25 scheme can often act as a trigger-point for the outbreak of violence or abuse against workers, and considers that the abuse experienced by simply doing their job is of continued distress to shopworkers; celebrates the week's vital role in raising awareness of the violence and abuse faced by shopworkers, and notes calls on both the Scottish and UK governments to act so that all public-facing workers can benefit from further protection from violence, abuse, and threats when at work.

Committee Meetings

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

Justice Committee 32nd Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 10:15 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Repeal) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Anthony Horan, Director, Catholic Parliamentary Office, Catholic Bishops' Conference of Scotland;
Reverend Ian Galloway, Church of Scotland Church and Society Council;
Chris Oswald, Head of Policy, Equality and Human Rights Commission;
Ephraim Borowski, Director, Scottish Council of Jewish Communities;
Debbie Figures, Development Assistant, Scottish Women's Convention;
and then from—
Desmond Ziolo, Glasgow Bar Association;
Grazia Robertson, Member, Criminal Law Committee, Law Society of Scotland;
Professor Fiona Leverick, Professor of Criminal Law and Criminal Justice, University of Glasgow.
3. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19.

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 27th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Air quality in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Chris MacRae, Head of Policy, Freight Transport Association;
Phil Matthews, Chair, Transform Scotland;
Alex Quayle, Senior Policy Officer, Sustrans;
Paul White, Director of Government Relations, Confederation of Passenger Transport UK.
3. **Air quality in Scotland:** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee 28th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 10:45 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Declaration of interests:** Alex Neil will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
3. **Economic Data:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Sir Charles Bean, Budget Responsibility Committee, Office for Budget Responsibility;
Ed Humpherson, Director General for Regulation, UK Statistics Authority;
Jonathan Athow, Deputy National Statistician and Director General for Economic
Statistics, Office for National Statistics.

4. **Economic Data:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Health and Sport Committee 25th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 11:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Technology and Innovation in Health and Social Care:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Geoff Huggins, Director for Health and Social Care Integration, Scottish Government, and Graham Gault, General Manager, Information and Communications Technology, NHS Dumfries and Galloway and Head of eHealth, Scottish Government.

2. **NHS Governance:** The Committee will discuss this morning's informal evidence session with NHS patients.
3. **Technology and Innovation in Health and Social Care (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the session.
4. **Draft Budget 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider a revised draft report.
5. **Work Programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its draft work programme.

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