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Today's Business

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11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-06818 Rachael Hamilton: 25th Anniversary of the Borders Talking Newspaper

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Ministerial Statement: Community Justice in Scotland

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030

followed by Business Motions **followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

9:00am Public Petitions Committee

9:30am Equalities and Human Rights Committee

9:30am Social Security Committee

10:00am Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee

10:00am Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

1:00pm Justice Sub-Committee on Policing

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11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- **1. Maree Todd:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made towards the provision of local forensic medical examinations for victims of sexual crimes in Orkney and Shetland. (S50-01245)
- **2. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what action its Partnership Action for Continuing Employment has taken in Lanarkshire in the last year. (\$50-01246)
- **3. Bill Kidd:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress is being made in delivering town centre status for underdeveloped areas, including Drumchapel in Glasgow. (S5O-01247)
- **4. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to further the automation of benefits to help poorer families. (\$50-01248)
- **5. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to assess the models of healthcare that are used in primary and community services. (S50-01249) **R**
- **6. Mairi Gougeon:** To ask the Scottish Government what role the police and the Crown Office have in dealing with wildlife crime. (S50-01250)
- 7. Jeremy Balfour: [Not Lodged] (S50-01251)
- **8. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met Orkney Islands Council. (\$50-01252)
- **9. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to address the reported decrease in labour productivity. (S50-01253)
- **10. Linda Fabiani:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the recent report, Fighting for Tax Jobs, Fighting for Tax Justice, by the PCS Union. (S50-01254)

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- **1. Ruth Davidson:** Question to be taken in Chamber. (S5F-01508)
- 2. Alex Rowley: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S5F-01510)
- 3. Willie Rennie: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S5F-01511)
- **4. Gillian Martin:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the number of reported cases involving a child committing a sexual offence against another increasing by a third over the last four years. (S5F-01515)
- **5. Edward Mountain:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to ensure that there is public confidence in the leadership of Police Scotland. (S5F-01509)
- **6. Daniel Johnson:** To ask the First Minister what progress the Scottish Government has made in the identification of combustible cladding on public buildings, in light of reports that it was found at the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. (S5F-01530)
- **7. Maree Todd:** To ask the First Minister how the Scottish Government is marking the 20th anniversary of the devolution referendum. (<u>\$5F-01524</u>)

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12:45 pm Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

<u>S5M-06818</u> Rachael Hamilton: 25th Anniversary of the Borders Talking Newspaper—That the Parliament recognises and congratulates the Borders Talking Newspaper on its 25th anniversary; considers that the newspaper, which is based in Duns and Hawick, is a vital resource for people who are completely blind or have visual impairments and want to keep up with local news and issues; believes that it is a simple yet effective measure to counteract the social isolation that can occur as a result of sight problems; considers that the 180,000 people across Scotland who, according to the Royal National Institute for the Blind, have sight problems would benefit from this or a similar service; recognises the numerous volunteers who give up their time to help keep this service available every week for listeners, and wishes the volunteers, organisation and listeners all the best for the future.

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Ministerial Statement: Community Justice in Scotland

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030

<u>S5M-07641</u> Fergus Ewing: Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030—That the Parliament acknowledges the growth in Scotland's food and drink industry since 2007 and the contribution that it makes to the economy; supports the aim of Scotland's national food and drink strategy, Ambition 2030, to double the value of the industry; recognises the importance of growing markets for Scottish produce internationally, across the UK and in Scotland; encourages everyone to play their part to support and promote locally-produced food and drink; pays tribute to the farmers and fishermen who work tirelessly to produce the raw materials that underpin the industry's success, and supports Scottish Food and Drink Fortnight and the aim of the campaign to encourage more people to change one thing and consume more Scottish produce.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

<u>S5M-07641.3</u> Edward Mountain: Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030—As an amendment to motion S5M-07641 in the name of Fergus Ewing (Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030), after "the UK and in Scotland;" insert "calls for an approach that ensures an increase in production and profitability from the farm gate to the end of the supply chain; urges the Scottish Government and local government to support producers by sourcing quality Scottish food and drink; calls on the Scottish Government to take action to reduce the high business rates that disadvantage the food and drink sector;".

<u>S5M-07641.1</u> Rhoda Grant: Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030—As an amendment to motion S5M-07641 in the name of Fergus Ewing (Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030), insert at end ", and believes that there is particular scope to increase the share of Scotlish-brewed products in Scotland's pubs."

<u>\$5M-07641.2</u> Mike Rumbles: Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030—As an amendment to motion \$5M-07641 in the name of Fergus Ewing (Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030), insert at end "; considers that the National Council of Rural Advisers

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does not meet the expectations agreed by the Parliament through amendment S5M-03463.2 (The Future of Funding for Rural Development) on 19 January 2017, and urges the Scottish Government to expand this to include the broadest possible range of experts and stakeholders, including producers, environmentalists and consumer groups, in designing the bespoke system of agricultural support that Scotland will need, particularly in the event of Brexit, for the Food and Drink Strategy to be a success."

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Committee Meetings

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

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 20th 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 item 3 in private.
- 2. Scotland's colleges 2017: The Committee will take evidence from—

Dr John Kemp, Interim Chief Executive, Scottish Funding Council;

Paul Johnston, Director General, Education, Communities and Justice, and Aileen McKechnie, Director of Advanced Learning and Science, Scottish Government; Shona Struthers, Chief Executive, Colleges Scotland.

3. **Scotland's colleges 2017:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland:

Stuart Nugent, Audit Manager, Mark MacPherson, Senior Manager, and Angela Canning, Assistant Director, Audit Scotland.

4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its approach to developing its work programme.

Public Petitions Committee 15th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

- 1. **Declaration of interests:** Michelle Ballantyne will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
- Consideration of new petitions: The Committee will consider the following new petitions— <u>PE1655</u> by Christine Metcalfe on behalf of Avich & Kilchrenan Community Council on Scotland's National Scenic Areas:

and will take evidence from-

Christine Metcalfe, Alan Mitchell, Community Councillor, Avich and Kilchrenan Community Council; and Douglas Wynn.

<u>PE1657</u> by Donald McHarrie on behalf of A77 Action Group on A77 upgrade; and will take evidence from—

John Campbell and Willie Scobie, Co-Founders, A77 Action Group.

<u>PE1662</u> by Janey Cringean and Lorraine Murray on behalf of Tick-borne Illness Campaign Scotland on Improve Treatment for

Patients with Lyme Disease and Associated Tick-borne Diseases;

and will take evidence from-

Janey Cringean and Lorraine Murray.

<u>PE1664</u> by Harry Huyton on behalf of OneKind on Greater protection for mountain hares:

and will take evidence from-

Harry Huyton.

3. Consideration of new petitions: The Committee will consider the following new petitions—

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<u>PE1659</u> by Bill Tait on Local authority complaintsbody;

<u>PE1660</u> by Bill Tait on Sottish Legal Complaints Commission review;

PE1661 by Melanie Collins on Reform of regulation of the legal profession in Scotland;

PE1663 by Leslie Wallace on Driven grouse shooting study;

PE1665 by Mark McCabe on Common law of blasphemy; and

PE1666 by Ian Davidson on Scottish Parliament electoral cycle.

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

<u>PE1593</u> by Paul Quigley on behalf of Fans Against Criminalisation on A full review of the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012.

Equalities and Human Rights Committee 20th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19.

Social Security Committee 16th 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 item 7 in private.
- Social Security (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Professor Grainne McKeever, Ulster University Law Clinic.

- 3. **Social Security (Scotland) Bill:** Ben Macpherson will report back to the Committee on the MECOPP workshop he attended on 29 August.
- 4. **Social Security (Scotland) Bill:** Alison Johnstone will report back to the Committee on the Coalition of Carers event she attended on 30 August.
- 5. **Social Security (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland:

Mark Taylor, Assistant Director, and Morag Campsie, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.

- 6. **Social Security (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- 7. **Social Security (Scotland) Bill:** Members are invited to consider whether there are any issues raised in the written evidence that they would wish to highlight.

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee 20th Meeting, 2017

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

Article 50 withdrawal negotiations: The Committee will take evidence from-

Professor Sir David Edward;

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Michael Clancy, Director of Law Reform, Law Society of Scotland; Laura Dunlop QC, and Peter Sellar, Faculty of Advocates.

- 2. **Article 50 withdrawal negotiations (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- 3. Work programme (in private): The Committee will consider its work programme.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 15th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether its consideration of a paper on the Commission on Parliamentary Reform should be taken in private at future meetings.
- 2. **Complaints (in private):** The Committee will continue its consideration of two reports from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.
- 3. **Complaints:** The Committee will announce its decision at Stage 3 on two reports from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.
- 4. **Complaints (in private):** The Committee will consider its draft reports.

Justice Sub-Committee on Policing 14th Meeting, 2017

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Sub-Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
- 2. **Police Scotland's internal complaints procedures:** The Sub-Committee will take evidence from—

Deputy Chief Constable Designate Iain Livingstone, Police Scotland; Dr Nicola Marchant, Deputy Chair, Scottish Police Authority.

3. **Work programme:** The Sub-Committee will consider its work programme.

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 13 September 2017

Tuesday 19 September 2017

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Ministerial Statement: Delivering Social Security for Scotland's People

followed by Ministerial Statement: Ending Homelessness Together

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Dignity, Equality and Human Rights for All

followed by Business Motions

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Wednesday 20 September 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Scottish Labour Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business

Thursday 21 September 2017

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business

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2:30 pm Preliminary Stage Debate: Edinburgh Bakers' Widows Fund Bill

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

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Tuesday 26 September 2017

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 27 September 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Government Business

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Thursday 28 September 2017

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

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

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Motions for Debate

S5M-07641 Fergus Ewing: Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030—That the Parliament acknowledges the growth in Scotland's food and drink industry since 2007 and the contribution that it makes to the economy; supports the aim of Scotland's national food and drink strategy, Ambition 2030, to double the value of the industry; recognises the importance of growing markets for Scottish produce internationally, across the UK and in Scotland; encourages everyone to play their part to support and promote locally-produced food and drink; pays tribute to the farmers and fishermen who work tirelessly to produce the raw materials that underpin the industry's success, and supports Scottish Food and Drink Fortnight and the aim of the campaign to encourage more people to change one thing and consume more Scottish produce.

Supported by: Humza Yousaf

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*S5M-07641.2 Mike Rumbles: Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030—As an amendment to motion S5M-07641 in the name of Fergus Ewing (Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030), insert at end "; considers that the National Council of Rural Advisers does not meet the expectations agreed by the Parliament through amendment S5M-03463.2 (The Future of Funding for Rural Development) on 19 January 2017, and urges the Scottish Government to expand this to include the broadest possible range of experts and stakeholders, including producers, environmentalists and consumer groups, in designing the bespoke system of agricultural support that Scotland will need, particularly in the event of Brexit, for the Food and Drink Strategy to be a success."

*S5M-07641.1 Rhoda Grant: Scotland's Food and Drink Strategy, Ambition 2030—As an amendment to motion S5M-07641 in the name of Fergus Ewing (Scotland's Food and Drink

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Strategy, Ambition 2030), insert at end ", and believes that there is particular scope to increase the share of Scottish-brewed products in Scotland's pubs."

Other new and altered motions and amendments

*S5M-07677 Tavish Scott: RAF Returning to Unst—That the Parliament notes that the RAF is planning to return to RAF Saxa Vord on the island of Unst in Shetland; acknowledges that it intends to install a new radar system on its remote radar head; understands that this could provide up to 15 permanent jobs for the local community and a further 40 through the construction phase; notes that this follows the 1999 closure decision by the MoD, which it considers had a major impact on the economy and population of Unst, and hopes that this heralds a re-invigoration of the economy of Shetland and Scotland's most northerly community.

Supported by: Liz Smith*, Edward Mountain*, David Stewart*, Tom Mason*

*S5M-07676 Michelle Ballantyne: The Bridge Inn, Peebles, Pub of the Year—That the Parliament congratulates the Bridge Inn, which is in Peebles, on recently being selected by members of the Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) as its Scotland and Northern Ireland Pub of the Year 2017, and by the Edinburgh and South East Scotland branch naming it as its pub of the year; notes that the awards will be presented on 15 September 2017 and that the inn is now one of 16 bars shortlisted for CAMRA's UK Pub of the Year competition, which will determine the country's top four, and commends the Bridge Inn's staff on this marvellous achievement.

Supported by: Peter Chapman*, Miles Briggs*, Liz Smith*, Tom Mason*, Margaret Mitchell*, Alexander Stewart*, Edward Mountain*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alison Harris*

*S5M-07674 Michelle Ballantyne: Recharge Awarded £97,716—That the Parliament notes that Recharge, a youth charity based in Tranent, has been awarded £97,716 in new funding from BBC Children in Need to provide a range of support sessions and activities for young people; understands that, over the next three years, the award will help to fund staff to ensure that a variety of services aimed at improving the confidence, wellbeing and positive community engagement of young people are accessible; notes that Recharge works with young people aged between 11 and 18, organising one-to-one support, drop-in nights, mentor schemes involving positive role models and health-based workshops to improve life skills, as well as giving young people the chance to get involved, and commends Recharge on the work that it does and the positive opportunities it provides for young people.

Supported by: Liz Smith*, Liam Kerr*, Miles Briggs*, Alison Johnstone*, Peter Chapman*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Edward Mountain*, Alexander Stewart*, Kenneth Gibson*, Alison Harris*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stuart McMillan*

*S5M-07673 Kenneth Gibson: A New Sense of Place at TouchBase Ayrshire—That the Parliament congratulates Sense Scotland on the formal opening of its new TouchBase Ayrshire centre, which will take place on 29 September 2017 in the previously unused north wing of Ardrossan Library, which was generously gifted to the charity by North Ayrshire Council; understands that Sense Scotland has already been providing services for people with communication support needs in Ayrshire for over 15 years and that TouchBase Ayrshire will provide an accessible, creative and welcoming environment that it considers will revolutionise the way that these services are delivered to young people, adults and their families; recognises that the centre will act as a community hub offering social and physical activities, including music and art, cooking and baking, sensory stimulation and gardening, to assist users in living active and

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independent lives; notes that TouchBase Ayrshire will also create opportunities for supported employment, evening services and groups, outreach services, collaboration with care providers and other organisations and develop a range of life skills and qualifications, and wishes Sense Scotland and its service users every success in their future endeavours in North Ayrshire and across Scotland.

Supported by: Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Ruth Maguire*, Gail Ross*, Graeme Dey*, Stuart McMillan*

*S5M-07672 Sandra White: FemEng in Rwanda—That the Parliament congratulates the FemEng in Rwanda project on its recent trip to Rwanda promoting science and engineering to over 1,000 secondary school pupils; notes that FemEng in Rwanda is led by eight female engineering students from the University of Glasgow and aims to encourage the participation of young women in science and engineering fields; understands that it has left 180 packs of AFRIpads for its Rwandan team to distribute as it continues giving workshops in more rural areas of the country; notes that the trip included a celebratory reception at the University of Rwanda, hosted by Vice-Chancellor Phil Cotton, on 21 July 2017, which was attended by representatives from Zipline and Bridges to Prosperity, as well as staff from the College of Science and Technology; welcomes the news that there will be a club named FutureYou established to continue the work in Rwanda, with a focus on careers guidance in STEM and architecture subjects, and looks forward to hearing of its future successes.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Rona Mackay*, James Dornan*, Fulton MacGregor*, Iain Gray*, Ivan McKee*, Liam McArthur*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Tavish Scott*, Mairi Gougeon*, Stuart McMillan*, Clare Adamson*

*S5M-07671 Christina McKelvie: UK Government's Post-Brexit Immigration Policy—That the Parliament notes the leaked Home Office document, Border, Immigration and Citizenship System After the UK Leaves the European Union; condemns what its see as the xenophobic and narrow-minded tone of this paper, which, it believes, sets out the Conservative administration's immigration policy approach, post-Brexit; understands that it proposes subjecting EU nationals to provide biometric identification and places an explicit, discriminatory preference to British citizens in the labour market; believes that implementing what it sees as a right-wing "British jobs for British workers" policy, which would restrict employment opportunities for EU nationals, would be inherently xenophobic; condemns what it understands are the plans for a registry of EU nationals to be established; believes that this would lead to a divisive and deeply worrying targeting of EU nationals, and reiterates members' call for an urgent rethink from the UK Government and for UK ministers to re-assure EU nationals that they will not be scapegoated, targeted or discriminated against post-Brexit.

Supported by: Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Joan McAlpine*, Ash Denham*, Clare Adamson*

*S5M-07670 Liam McArthur: Scotrenewables Powers Orkney Grid—That the Parliament recognises that, in August 2017, the Scotrenewables SR2000 floating tidal turbine at the European Marine Energy Centre in Orkney produced 116MWh in less than one week of continuous generation; notes that it met the electricity demand of almost 7% of the entire Orkney Islands, and that, during shorter periods, the contribution exceeded 25% of demand; understands that it is the world's most powerful operating tidal turbine and, by meeting and exceeding expectations, believes that it is making a material contribution to the generation mix in Orkney; considers that this recent success demonstrates that Orkney is at the cutting edge of tidal and wave power, and wishes all at Scotrenewables continued success with their work.

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Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Tavish Scott*, Bill Kidd*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Clare Adamson*

*S5M-07668 Colin Beattie: Zero Waste Shops in Musselburgh Donate £1,000 to Hollies Day Centre—That the Parliament notes that, on 30 August 2017, £1,000 was donated by the Zero Waste shops in Musselburgh in support of the Hollies Day Centre, which is a much-loved facility located in central Musselburgh that provides a range of services for older people; understands that the Zero Waste shops provide a large number of quality recycled goods, which are donated by the community or sourced from partners such as the University of Edinburgh, and considers that Zero Waste shops across Scotland have flourished, saving multitudes of items from being wasted, which supports the Scottish Government's circular economy strategy and the European Circular Economy Stakeholder Platform.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Ash Denham*, Stewart Stevenson*, Richard Lyle*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Bill Kidd*, Alison Johnstone*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*

*S5M-07666 Adam Tomkins: Extended Patient Consultation Times in Three Govan GP Practices—That the Parliament acknowledges the findings of a project run across three GP practices in Govan, which offer extended consultations to patients with multiple health conditions from less affluent areas; understands that this project is in its third year and has resulted in a decrease in A&E attendances, outpatient clinic appointments and GP appointments, as well as patients' reliance on prescription drugs; notes that these GP practices offer access to district nurses, health visitors, social workers and a links worker; understands that the Royal College of General Practitioners is supportive of the idea of introducing longer appointments to improve the quality of patient care, and considers that innovative thinking such as this is required to improve patient outcomes and reduce health inequalities across Scotland.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Liz Smith*, Tom Mason*, Alexander Stewart*, Murdo Fraser*, Rachael Hamilton*, Alison Harris*, Jeremy Balfour*, Donald Cameron*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Liam Kerr*

*S5M-07665 Liam Kerr: Aberdeen International Airport Secures New Malta Route—That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen International Airport on securing another new international route to add to its summer-leisure routes; understands that Ryanair is to launch a route to Malta in 2018, flying twice a week; further understands that this route is the fourth route that the airline has committed to, whose other routes include Malaga, Alicante and Faro; notes that tickets for this route will go on sale in September 2017; recognises the hard work of the airport staff in achieving an increase in total passenger numbers for August 2017, with increases in both domestic and international passenger numbers, and acknowledges that 292,607 passengers travelled through the airport, a 3.1% increase compared with August last year.

Supported by: Peter Chapman*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Murdo Fraser*, Tom Mason*, Alison Harris*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Colin Beattie*, Donald Cameron*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

*S5M-07664 Fulton MacGregor: 58th Anniversary of the Auchengeigh Colliery

Disaster—That the Parliament commemorates the 58th anniversary of the Auchengeigh Colliery disaster, which claimed the lives of 47 miners on the morning of 18 September 1959; notes with respect that this tragedy left 76 children fatherless, 41 women widows and the wider village communities of Chryston, Moodiesburn and surrounding villages to endure the impact of this loss of life; understands that this was Scotland's worst mining disaster of the 20th century, and commends the relentless work of the Auchengeigh Colliery Memorial Committee and the village communities in ensuring that the sacrifices made by these 47 men and others like them, who

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risked their lives working in the heavy industries in Lanarkshire and beyond, are never forgotten, and notes that the communities will gather at the Aughengeigh Miners' Memorial, which is in Moodiesburn, on 17 September 2017, to remember this tragic event and pay respect to the miners who lost their lives, their families and communities, and also future generations who will continue to feel the effects of this loss.

Supported by: James Dornan*, Joan McAlpine*, Bob Doris*, Graeme Dey*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Clare Haughey*, Colin Beattie*, Ash Denham*, Rona Mackay*, Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, Alex Neil*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*, Clare Adamson*

*S5M-07663 Adam Tomkins: Glasgow City Council's Every Child a Library Member Project—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow City Council on its Every Child a Library Member project, which, since its inception in 2015, has seen almost 8,000 babies enrolled into the scheme; supports the view of UNESCO that reading for pleasure is more important than social class in determining economic and academic success; encourages parents to sign up their child to be a library member with the city when they register the birth; urges parents to register older siblings to join over 600 children who have already been registered through the city's registrars to date, and wishes the scheme further success in the future.

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*S5M-07662 Rona Mackay: East Dunbartonshire, the Best Place for Women to Live—That the Parliament welcomes the report that East Dunbartonshire has been named the best place in Scotland, England and Wales for women to live by BBC Radio 4's *Women's Hour*; considers that East Dunbartonshire has a strong sense of community, excellent schools, well-run public services, a vibrant business community and a variety of family-friendly leisure facilities; believes that they all deserve credit for this accolade, but cautions that, while the results are welcomed, it does not consider that this means that every woman in East Dunbartonshire lives a life of luxury, and considers that there are still issues of inequality to be overcome.

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*S5M-07661 Tom Mason: Fourth Annual Dandara 5K Run at Hazlehead Park—That the Parliament acknowledges that, on 9 September 2017, the annual Dandara 5K run was held at Hazlehead Park in Aberdeen; congratulates the event on raising more than £9,000 for the improvement of the local park, which has contributed to the replanting of the Queen Mother Rose Garden, renovation of the fountain and improvement of the Pets Corner; recognises that this park is a popular location for the community, which will greatly benefit from the money raised by the event, and wishes the event further success in the future.

Supported by: Liz Smith*, Miles Briggs*, Peter Chapman*, Margaret Mitchell*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Donald Cameron*, Murdo Fraser*, Colin Beattie*, Liam Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

*S5M-07660 Paul Wheelhouse: Renewables Obligation (Scotland) Amendment Order [draft] 2017—That the Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee recommends that the Renewables Obligation (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 [draft] be approved.

*<u>S5M-07659</u> Christine Grahame: Increased Penalties for Serious Animal Abuse—That the Parliament notes the campaign by Battersea Dogs and Cats Home and other animal welfare

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organisations to increase maximum prison sentences for serious animal abuse cases across the UK; welcomes the Scottish Government's recent announcement that it will introduce a Bill to increase maximum sentences in Scotland from 12 months to five years; believes that this will much better reflect the heinous nature of offending in the most serious animal abuse cases and reinforces that there is no place for animal cruelty in society; understands that the charity will be continuing this campaign in England and Wales where the maximum sentence remains six months, and wishes it every success.

Supported by: Ruth Maguire*, Colin Beattie*, Ivan McKee*, Sandra White*, Emma Harper*, Graeme Dey*, Richard Lochhead*, Bill Kidd*, Rona Mackay*, Richard Lyle*, Kenneth Gibson*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*, Clare Adamson*

*S5M-07658 Michelle Ballantyne: Langlee Carnival 2017—That the Parliament acknowledges the Langlee Carnival, which was held on 9 September 2017 in Galashiels; notes that the carnival included a fancy dress parade led by Danny Lindores and Taylor Patterson, the Langlee Lad and Lass, as well as the Galashiels Ex-Service Pipe Band; also notes that the carnival route progressed from the new Langlee Primary School to the community centre; understands that there was a range of stalls and entertainment at the end of the procession, including performances from Langlee Community Choir, Galashiels Town Band, the Ward School of Irish Dance and several solo performers, as well as the fancy dress competition judging, and congratulates the organisers and participants on a successful carnival.

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*S5M-07657 Maurice Golden: Bridge of Weir Community Council Receives Funding—That the Parliament congratulates Bridge of Weir Community Council on being awarded £10,000 from the Big Lottery Fund; welcomes the news that the funding will be used to purchase outdoor exercise equipment; understands that the funding is part of 92 such awards to arts, sports and community projects through the Awards for All Scotland programme, and hopes that the new equipment will contribute to the health and wellbeing of the local community.

Supported by: Liz Smith*, Mary Fee*, Maurice Corry*, Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Peter Chapman*, Jeremy Balfour*, Tom Mason*, Bill Kidd*, Alison Harris*, Colin Beattie*, Donald Cameron*, Liam Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*

*S5M-07656 Gordon Lindhurst: Edinburgh College Students to Compete at the SkillBuild National Finals—That the Parliament congratulates Calum Munro and Hamish Innes, who are stonemasonry apprentices at Edinburgh College, on winning places at the UK SkillBuild national finals; understands that the finals, which have been held for over 40 years, allow young people to present their skills in the construction industry; notes that this year's event will run from 16 to 18 November 2017 at the NEC in Birmingham; recognises the significant value of traditional building skills, including for the maintenance of Scotland's built heritage, and the work done by organisations, such as the Scottish Traditional Building Forum, in raising awareness of these skills and the opportunities that they bring, and wishes Calum and Hamish all the very best at the finals and in their future careers.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Murdo Fraser*, Jeremy Balfour*, Edward Mountain*, Margaret Mitchell*, Liz Smith*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Ruth Maguire*, Peter Chapman*, Jamie

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Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Alison Harris*, Ash Denham*, Donald Cameron*, Liam Kerr*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Tom Mason*

<u>\$5M-07627</u> **Neil Findlay: GP Crisis Impact**—That the Parliament notes with deep concern that three medical centres in West Lothian are running a restricted patient list; understands that Armadale, Ashgrove and Carmondean practices will currently not sign-up new patients and that these practices join a number across Midlothian that are closed to new patients; considers that this is is reflective of a GP crisis across Scotland, and believes that immediate action must be taken across the Lothian region and across Scotland in order to alleviate this crisis by training and recruiting more GPs.

Supported by: Miles Briggs, Jeremy Balfour, Monica Lennon, Iain Gray, Edward Mountain, Anas Sarwar, Jackson Carlaw, Gordon Lindhurst, Colin Smyth*

<u>S5M-07627.1</u> Christine Grahame: GP Crisis Impact—As an amendment to motion S5M-07627 in the name of Neil Findlay (GP Crisis Impact), leave out from "and that these practices" to end and insert "notes that at General Questions on 7 September 2017, Neil Findlay claimed that 'All practices in Midlothian have closed lists' (*Official Report*, c.5), but understands that NHS Lothian Patient Services has confirmed that, of the 13 practices across Midlothian, while seven do have closed lists, six, including Eastfield Practice in Penicuik and Penicuik Practice, both in the Midlothian South Tweeddale and Lauderdale constituency, are registering new patients, and is concerned that the inaccuracy contained in Mr Findlay's comments are misleading people living in the constituency."

Supported by: Richard Lyle, Emma Harper, Clare Haughey, David Torrance, Jenny Gilruth*

*S5M-07627.1.1 Colin Beattie: GP Crisis Impact—As an amendment to amendment S5M-07627.1 in the name of Christine Grahame (GP Crisis Impact), leave out from "are registering new patients" to end and insert "and Danderhall, Roslin and Loanhead practices, all in the Midlothian North and Musselburgh constituency, are registering new patients, and is concerned that the inaccuracy contained in Mr Findlay's comments are misleading people living in these constituencies."

Supported by: Christine Grahame*, Kenneth Gibson*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

<u>\$5M-07654</u> Ruth Maguire: Congratulating Ayrshire College (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*

<u>S5M-07652</u> John Finnie: Save the Children, Gaza's Children Spend Eid in the Dark (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Ivan McKee*, James Dornan*

<u>\$5M-07651</u> Jenny Gilruth: Graeme Brown Raising Funds for MND Scotland (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>\$5M-07650</u> Jenny Gilruth: Joan Hutton Retires from Glenwood Health Centre, Glenrothes (lodged on 12 September 2017)

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New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>S5M-07649</u> Christina McKelvie: University of the West of Scotland and NHS Lanarkshire Strategic Partnership (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-07646 Clare Adamson: National Video Games Day 2017 (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Clare Haughey*, Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-07645</u> Miles Briggs: TalkTime Edinburgh's Counselling Service for Young People (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-07644</u> Angus MacDonald: 10th Year of the Bo'ness Revival (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Alison Harris*, Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-07643 John Mason: Size Matters (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Clare Haughey*, Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-07642</u> Ash Denham: Basque Country Children of the Spanish Civil War (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-07640</u> Ivan McKee: Congratulating Scottish Weightlifters on Commonwealth Youth Championship Success (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

<u>S5M-07632</u> Brian Whittle: The Jenny MacLachlan Centre, Carluke, Encouraging Intergenerational Interaction (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Alexander Stewart*, Edward Mountain*, Liz Smith*, Colin Beattie*, Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-07631</u> James Dornan: Congratulations to the Which? Campaign to Call Time On Nuisance Calls In Scotland (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Richard Lochhead*, Gordon MacDonald*

<u>S5M-07626</u> Liam Kerr: Cycling Scotland's Pedal for Scotland 2017 (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Kenneth Gibson*

<u>S5M-07623</u> Liam McArthur: Orkney Beers Claim 2017 SIBA Scotland Independent Beer Awards (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-07622</u> Michelle Ballantyne: Borders Dance Committee Fulfils its Mission (lodged on 11 September 2017)

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New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>\$5M-07621</u> Richard Lochhead: Glen Moray 120th Anniversary (lodged on 11 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

S5M-07620 Liz Smith: David McCabe's Spruce (lodged on 11 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>S5M-07619</u> Michelle Ballantyne: Peebles in Bloom 2017 (lodged on 11 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>S5M-07618</u> Margaret Mitchell: Domestic Abuse Victims Helped to Register on the Electoral Roll Anonymously (lodged on 11 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>\$5M-07608</u> Jackie Baillie: Donald Fullerton's 50 Years with the Helensburgh Advertiser (lodged on 11 September 2017)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, David Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Ruth Maguire*, Graeme Dey*

<u>S5M-07607</u> Jackie Baillie: Helensburgh Advertiser Celebrates its 60th Birthday (lodged on 11 September 2017)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, David Stewart*, Colin Beattie*

S5M-07605 John Mason: International Literacy Day 2017 (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>S5M-07602</u> Gordon Lindhurst: Burgh Beautiful Linlithgow Wins Big at Beautiful Scotland Awards (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>S5M-07593</u> Michelle Ballantyne: 2017 Peebles Highland Games (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>\$5M-07588</u> Michelle Ballantyne: County Success at Beautiful Scotland Awards (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>S5M-07587</u> Rachael Hamilton: Scotch Whisky Contribution to Scottish Tourism Industry (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Jackie Baillie*

<u>S5M-07586</u> Murdo Fraser: Bumper Year for Distillery Tourism (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

S5M-07585 Peter Chapman: Scottish Ambulance Service (lodged on 08 September 2017)

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New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>S5M-07584</u> Tom Arthur on behalf of the Edinburgh Bakers' Widows' Fund Bill Committee: Edinburgh Bakers' Widows' Fund Bill (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Mary Fee*

<u>\$5M-07583</u> Murdo Fraser: Mid Scotland and Fife's Beautiful Scotland Award Winners (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>S5M-07580</u> Miles Briggs: Royal Blind Allermuir's Positive Report from the Care Inspectorate (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>\$5M-07573</u> Alexander Stewart: **2017** Clackmannanshire Business Awards (lodged on 07 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>\$5M-07538</u> Edward Mountain: Shortage of Radiologists (lodged on 07 September 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*

<u>S5M-07312</u> Alexander Stewart: SCAA Paramedic to Parachute for Charity (lodged on 28 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07309 Graeme Dey: EU Leader Funding (lodged on 28 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07308 Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Gossip Girls (lodged on 28 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>S5M-07307</u> Gail Ross: Mure Grant's Win at Golspie Open Dog Trial (lodged on 28 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07306 Tom Mason: Celebrate Aberdeen (lodged on 28 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07305 Richard Lyle: 60th Anniversary of the Union of Catholic Mothers (lodged on 28

August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07296 Fulton MacGregor: Carnbroe Primary Receives UNICEF Award (lodged on 25

August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>S5M-07291</u> Iain Gray: Lottery Funding for The Wave Project (lodged on 25 August 2017)

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New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>S5M-07278</u> Jenny Gilruth: Letitia Ridley, Apprentice Electrical Engineer (lodged on 25 August 2017)

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New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07258 Michelle Ballantyne: Beyond Borders Festival (lodged on 24 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07253 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Birth Trauma Awareness Week (lodged on 24 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07248 Ash Denham: Bellfield Brewery (lodged on 23 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>S5M-07246</u> Clare Haughey: Commending Blantyre Community Council's Incinerator

Campaign (lodged on 23 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07244 Bruce Crawford: Another Successful Killin Agricultural Show (lodged on 23

August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>S5M-07243</u> Mark Ruskell: Nine Stirling Schools win Green Flag Award (lodged on 23 August

2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07241 Clare Haughey: Freya Brown from Cambuslang, Set to go the Extra Mile (lodged

on 23 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07240 Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway Dairy Women Network (lodged on 23

August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07239 Clare Haughey: Douglas Park in Cambuslang to be Leased to the Community

(lodged on 23 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>\$5M-07238</u> Clare Haughey: Cambuslang's New Primary School, Newton Farm (lodged on 23)

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New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07231 Fulton MacGregor: Fundraising in Memory of Marc Russell (lodged on 23 August

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New Support: Colin Beattie*

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<u>\$5M-07230</u> Fulton MacGregor: The Innishmohr Pub, Coatbridge (lodged on 23 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07225 Bill Kidd: Tony de Brum, Climate and Anti-nuclear Crusader (lodged on 22

August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-07222 Fulton MacGregor: Sunnyside Coffee Co (lodged on 22 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>\$5M-07218</u> Sandra White: GCU Advanced Higher Hub Success (lodged on 22 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>S5M-07216</u> Bob Doris: University of Glasgow's Sports Reforms (lodged on 22 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>\$5M-07206</u> Angus MacDonald: New Carrongrange High School Opens its Doors (lodged on

22 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

<u>\$5M-06818</u> Rachael Hamilton: 25th Anniversary of the Borders Talking Newspaper (lodged

on 21 July 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

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Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 20 September 2017

Justice and the Law Officers

- **1. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to review the funding for community sentences. (\$50-01255)
- **2. Colin Beattie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its plans to support community policing during the current parliamentary session. (S50-01256)
- **3. Sandra White:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the use of mosquito devices to deter the gathering of young people. (S50-01257)
- **4. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recent comments by the Lord Advocate, what role community payback and direct reparation with victims of crime will play in its future plans for the justice system. (\$50-01258)
- **5. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what action is being taken by the police to deal with antisocial behaviour at Helensburgh Central train station. (S50-01259)
- **6. lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take on sentencing and stronger controls on the sale of corrosive chemicals to tackle the use of acid as a weapon. (\$50-01260)
- **7. Mary Fee:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to increase the use of alternatives to prison. (S50-01261)
- **8. Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the merger between Police Scotland and the British Transport Police. (\$50-01262)
- **9. Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the future of railway policing in Scotland. **(\$50-01263)**
- **10. Jenny Gilruth:** To ask the Scottish Government how much from the CashBack for Communities programme has been distributed to groups in the Mid Fife and Glenrothes constituency since 2012. **(\$50-01264)**

Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

- **1. Andy Wightman:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the financial arrangements governing the management and maintenance of the Palace of Holyroodhouse are fair and equitable in terms of public funding. (\$50-01265)
- **2. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government how it can support people to repatriate the bodies of family members who have died abroad. **(\$50-01266)**
- **3. Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government what efforts it is making to support the winter tourism industry. (S50-01267) R
- **4. James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding it provides to encourage access to art, drama and music by young people in South Lanarkshire. (\$50-01268)
- **5. Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government what role sport has in attracting tourism to Scotland. (S50-01269)
- **6. Johann Lamont:** To ask the Scottish Government how the national tourism strategy will increase the number of visitors to Glasgow and attract investment. (S50-01270)

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- **7. Alison Harris:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact the Scottish Tourism Alliance's Big Five Questions campaign is having on the sector. (S50-01271)
- **8. Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to the Paisley 2021 City of Culture bid. (\$50-01272)
- **9. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it takes to support the tourism sector in Fife. (\$50-01273)
- **10. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent assessment it has made of the tourism sector in the north east. (S50-01274)

General Questions selected for answer on 21 September 2017

- **1. Stewart Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government what the timescale is for a feasibility study into developing carbon capture and storage at St Fergus. (S50-01275)
- 2. Peter Chapman: To ask the Scottish Government what policies it is implementing to support the development and progression of the farming industry. (S50-01276) R
- **3. Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve access at Waverley station for disabled, blind and visually-impaired people. (S50-01277)
- **4. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the proportion of retailers adhering to single use carrier bag legislation. (\$50-01278)
- **5. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to implementing a European-style ticketing model for rail travel. **(S50-01279)**
- **6. Ben Macpherson:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to increase social housing in Edinburgh. (S50-01280)
- **7. Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the importance of rural schools. (\$50-01281)
- **8. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its response to the Barclay Review on non-domestic rates, how the continuing consideration of the valuation methodology for licensed premises will be carried out, and when this will be concluded. (S50-01282)
- **9. Bill Bowman:** To ask the Scottish Government what assurance it can give businesses in the north east that they will not be financially disadvantaged by any change to the 12.5% business rate cap. (\$50-01283)
- **10. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support the economy in the Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley constituency. **(\$50-01284)**

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Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 13 September 2017

<u>S5W-11212</u> Jamie Halcro Johnston: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent per capita on Employability Fund placements in each of the last five years, and what the uptake has been.

<u>\$5W-11213</u> **Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it spent per capita on foundation apprenticeships in 2016-17, and what the uptake was.

<u>\$5W-11214</u> **Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what the estimated uptake of graduate level apprenticeships is for each of the next four years.

<u>\$5W-11215</u> **Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what criteria will be used to assess applications to the Flexible Workforce Development Fund.

<u>\$5W-11216</u> **Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what support will be offered to employers during the application process for the Flexible Workforce Development Fund.

<u>\$5W-11217</u> **Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to contact eligible employers to encourage applications to the Flexible Workforce Development Fund.

<u>\$5W-11218</u> Jamie Halcro Johnston: To ask the Scottish Government what support it will offer to employers applying to the Flexible Workforce Development Fund, which operate in more than one college region.

<u>\$5W-11219</u> **Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that the Flexible Workforce Development Fund pilot fund delivery model is independently evaluated.

<u>\$5W-11220</u> **Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what the appeal process will be for unsuccessful applicants to the Flexible Workforce Development Fund, and whether this will include allowing them to be able to amend their application.

<u>S5W-11223</u> Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-10755 by Humza Yousaf on 11 September 2017, for what reason the cost of the temporary traffic lights on the A76 is not recorded as a separate cost, and whether it will provide an estimate of the costs associated with their deployment in each of the last three years.

<u>S5W-11233</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the announcement in its Programme for Government, what (a) financial and (b) administrative support it is providing Benny Higgins for the development of the Scottish National Investment Bank, including any seconded staff.

<u>S5W-11263</u> **Tom Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what strategy it has in place to deal with knife crime, and what the impact on this would be of extending the presumption against criminal sentences of up to 12 months.

<u>\$5W-11264</u> Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the salaries of university principals and vice-chancellors, in light of the recent announcement by the UK Government in relation to universities in England.

<u>\$5W-11266</u> **Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government how many live animals were exported to Europe for consumption in each of the last five years, broken down by breed.

<u>\$5W-11267</u> **Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will implement a ban on the export of live animals for consumption after the UK leaves the EU.

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<u>S5W-11268</u> **Tom Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of people convicted of assault with the use of a knife received a custodial sentence of up to 12 months in each of the last three years.

<u>S5W-11269</u> **Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Assessment and National Qualifications Group will next meet.

<u>S5W-11270</u> **Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to raise greater awareness of less-survivable cancers.

<u>S5W-11271</u> **John Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the disease being present in Cumbria, what further action it is considering to stop the spread of bovine TB to Scotland. **R**

<u>S5W-11272</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what the cost of the Edinburgh Glasgow Improvement Programme has been to date; what the final cost will be, and how this compares with the original estimate.

<u>S5W-11273</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of trains arrived on time in the second quarter of 2017.

<u>S5W-11274</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government how many staff are employed by Transport Scotland, and what their total annual salary is.

<u>S5W-11275</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government how many special advisers and consultants are employed by Transport Scotland, and what their total annual salary is.

<u>S5W-11276</u> Bill Bowman: To ask the Scottish Government what modelling it has carried out in advance of the budget of the possible economic impact of increases to income tax.

<u>\$5W-11277</u> **Bill Bowman:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has conducted regarding a timescale for reducing the Large Business Supplement during the current parliamentary session.

<u>S5W-11278</u> **Jamie Greene**: To ask the Scottish Government what the total annual salary for (a) cabinet secretaries, (b) ministers and (c) its special advisers (i) was in 2016-17 and (ii) will be in 2017-18.

<u>\$5W-11279</u> **Bill Bowman:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question \$5W-10583 by Derek Mackay on 16 August 2017, for how many engagements does it hold confirmed attendance details.

<u>S5W-11280</u> Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government, following the publication of its response to the UK Government's position paper on citizens' rights, whether it will publish a response to the EU's position paper on essential principles of the financial settlement in the context of withdrawal from the EU.

<u>S5W-11282</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government (a) on what dates and (b) where it has met Benny Higgins.

<u>\$5W-11283</u> **Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government what advice it gives to the marine and offshore sectors regarding what action should be taken in the event of finding unexploded ordnance.

<u>S5W-11284</u> Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding the volume of unexploded ordnance in Scotland's waters.

<u>S5W-11285</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many members of the Edinburgh Tram Inquiry team are, or have been, paid at a daily rate.

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<u>S5W-11286</u> Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government what measures are in place to bring into use all empty and dilapidated buildings that remain undeveloped.

<u>\$5W-11287</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how its Cancer Strategy aims to improve care and outcomes for people with pancreatic cancer.

<u>\$5W-11288</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has or plans to set targets for survival rates for pancreatic cancer.

<u>\$5W-11289</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the roll-out of the fast-track surgery model for cancer treatment.

<u>S5W-11290</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the introduction of a multi-disciplinary diagnostic centre-approach for the diagnosis and treatment of pancreatic cancer.

<u>S5W-11291</u> **Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the finance secretary's statement on the Barclay Review of Non-domestic Rates on 12 September 2017 (*Official Report*, c.49), what its definition is of "the largest hospitality properties" that will not be subject to the 12.5% cap.

<u>S5W-11292</u> **Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the finance secretary's statement on the Barclay Review of Non-domestic Rates on 12 September 2017 (*Official Report*, c.49), whether the additional cap of 12.5% is cumulative, resulting in a 23.4% cap for 2018, or whether the cap will remain at 12.5% next year.

<u>\$5W-11293</u> **Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the finance secretary's statement on the Barclay Review of Non-domestic Rates on 12 September 2017 (*Official Report*, c.49), when it will respond to the review recommendation on charitable rates relief.

<u>S5W-11294</u> **Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the finance secretary's statement on the Barclay Review of Non-domestic Rates on 12 September 2017 (*Official Report*, c.49), how it defines "affordable" in relation to removing the large business supplement as recommended by the review.

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New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New accompanying documents printed on 13 September 2017

Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill (As Amended at Stage 2)—A revised version of the Financial Memorandum has been printed. (SP Bill 7A-FM) (Member's Bill)

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Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 29 June 2017

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Children and Young People (Information Sharing) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Education and Skills)), 13 September 2017

Civil Litigation (Expenses and Group Proceedings) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform), 12 September 2017 Lead committee - Justice

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

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 21 September 2017

Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 12 September 2017

Edinburgh Bakers' Widows' Fund Bill (P)

Preliminary Stage (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 21 September 2017 Preliminary Stage Report (1st Report 2017), 8 September 2017

Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 13 September 2017

Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform), 5 September 2017 Lead committee - Equalities and Human Rights

Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 4 September 2017

Islands (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 13 September 2017

Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Repeal) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 5 September 2017

Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill (P)

Preliminary Stage (evidence), 27 September 2017

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

Stage 2 completed, 28 June 2017

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Social Security (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Social Security)), 14 September 2017

Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 5 September 2017

Writers to the Signet Dependants' Annuity Fund Amendment (Scotland) Bill (P)

Preliminary Stage, 6 September 2017

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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European Union (Withdrawal) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-10

Lodged on 12 September 2017

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Lead committee to report by 29 October 2017

International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Order 2017 [draft] (31 August 2017) (Justice)

Renewables Obligation (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 [draft] (4 September 2017) (Economy, Jobs and Fair Work)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 14 September 2017 Lead committee to report by 11 September 2017

Education (Fees and Student Support) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/180) (2 June 2017) (Education and Skills)

Welfare Reform (Consequential Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/182) (2 June 2017) (Education and Skills)

Town and Country Planning (Fees for Applications and Deemed Applications) (Scotland)

Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/187) (2 June 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

<u>Building (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/188)</u> (2 June 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 (SSI 2017/189) (2 June 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 26 September 2017 Lead committee to report by 18 September 2017

Loch Carron Urgent Marine Conservation (No. 2) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/205) (14 June 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 28 September 2017 Lead committee to report by 25 September 2017

Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 (Prescribed Days) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/207) (16 June 2017) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 2 October 2017

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Building (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/214) (20 June 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 27 October 2017 Lead committee to report by 23 October 2017

Energy Performance of Buildings (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/225) (29 June 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

<u>Universal Credit (Claims and Payments) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/227)</u> (29 June 2017) (Social Security)

Subject to annulment by 28 October 2017 Lead committee to report by 23 October 2017

National Health Service (Free Prescriptions and Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland)
Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/231) (30 June 2017) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 29 October 2017 Lead committee to report by 23 October 2017

Homeless Persons (Unsuitable Accommodation) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 (SSI 2017/273) (31 August 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Scottish Tribunals (Eligibility for Appointment) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/274) (1 September 2017) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 1 November 2017 Lead committee to report by 30 October 2017

Railway Closures (Exclusion) (Scotland) Order 2017 (SSI 2017/280) (7 September 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

<u>Public Water Supplies (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/281)</u> (7 September 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

<u>Water Intended for Human Consumption (Private Supplies) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/282)</u> (7 September 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

<u>Teachers' Superannuation and Pension Scheme (Additional Voluntary Contributions) (Scotland)</u> <u>Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/283)</u> (7 September 2017) (Education and Skills)

Subject to annulment by 2 November 2017 Lead committee to report by 30 October 2017

<u>Charities Accounts (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/284)</u> (8 September 2017) (TBC)

Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/285) (8 September 2017) (Justice)

M8/M73/M74 Motorways (30mph, 40mph and 50mph Speed Limit) Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/286) (8 September 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/287) (8 September 2017) (Health and Sport)

Individual Learning Account (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/288) (8 September 2017) (Education and Skills)

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National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/289) (11 September 2017) (Health and Sport)

Other documents

Laid for consultation before 25 November 2017

Police Act 1997 and the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 Remedial Order 2018 [draft] [Proposed Draft Order] (SG/2017/153) (11 September 2017) (Education and Skills)

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Committee Reports

The following report was published on 13 Septembr 2017:

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 37th Report 2017 (Session 5) Subordinate Legislation considered on 12 September 2017 (SP Paper 194)

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on the 13th September 2017 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Registers of Scotland Annual Report 2016-2017 SG/2017/151 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

Northern Lighthouse Board Annual Report and Accounts 2016/17 SG/2017/157 laid under Section 55 of the Scotland Act 2016.

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