Thursday 1 February 2018 Business Bulletin Iris Ghnothaichean



Today's Business

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-09742 Richard Lochhead: World Cancer Day 2018

2:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:15 pm Ministerial Statement: Supporting People to Study in Scotland

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

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Committee Meetings

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

9:00am Social Security Committee

9:30am Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

10:00am Equalities and Human Rights Committee

10:00am Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

10:00am Public Petitions Committee

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Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

1. Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with ScotRail regarding train punctuality and stop-skipping in the Mid Scotland and Fife region. (<u>S50-01724</u>)

2. Clare Adamson: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Water Safety Scotland publication, *Scotland's Drowning Prevention Strategy*. (<u>S50-01725</u>)

3. Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government, whether it will provide an update on what plans it has to provide further funding for the Schools for the Future programme. (<u>S50-01726</u>)

4. Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government whether all schools should be fitted with fire alarms and smoke detectors. (<u>S50-01727</u>)

5. Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that major road projects promote active travel. (<u>S5O-01728</u>)

6. Richard Lochhead: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to ensure that wind farm companies deliver adequate levels of community benefit to provide income streams for local communities. (<u>S50-01729</u>)

7. Christina McKelvie: To ask the Scottish Government how many businesses in the Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse constituency received support from the Small Business Bonus Scheme in 2017. (<u>S5O-01730</u>)

8. Tom Mason: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to borrow the maximum amount available for capital spending in the coming years. (<u>S5O-01731</u>)

9. Margaret Mitchell: To ask the Scottish Government how it is addressing the reported worsening of the issue with cars parking on verges in and around the Scottish Crime Campus in Gartcosh. (S50-01732)

10. Neil Bibby: [Not Lodged] (<u>S5O-01733</u>)

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

1. Ruth Davidson: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S5F-01982)

2. Richard Leonard: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S5F-01983)

3. Patrick Harvie: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S5F-01984)

4. Willie Rennie: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S5F-01985)

5. Kenneth Gibson: To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the Centre for Cities report, *Cities Outlook 2018*, which suggests that automation and globalisation could displace 230,000 Scottish jobs by 2030. (<u>S5F-01996</u>)

6. Michelle Ballantyne: To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to reduce violence in schools. (<u>S5F-01998</u>)

12:45 pm Members' Business

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Debate on the subject of-

S5M-09742 Richard Lochhead: World Cancer Day 2018—That the Parliament notes that 4 February 2018 marks World Cancer Day; understands that it is estimated that one-in-two people will be diagnosed with cancer at some point in their lives; notes that Cancer Research UK highlights that 40% of cases could be prevented by positive actions, including not smoking and keeping a healthy bodyweight; recognises that smoking is the biggest preventable cause of cancer; understands that for non-smokers, obesity is the biggest preventable cause, being linked to 13 types; notes figures suggesting that two-thirds of adults and over one-quarter of children in Scotland are overweight or obese; acknowledges what it sees as the opportunity presented by the Scottish Government's new diet and obesity strategy to unite around finding solutions to the problem; further acknowledges the call of organisations, including Cancer Research UK, on the government to help tackle the problem by regulating price promotions on junk food, and notes that Members can show their support for World Cancer Day through the wearing of its unity band.

2:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

S5M-10208 Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill, debate on the group of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limit indicated, that time limit being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended (other than a suspension following the first division in the stage being called) or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 and

2: 1 hour.

2:15 pm Ministerial Statement: Supporting People to Study in Scotland

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill

<u>S5M-10218</u> Michael Matheson: Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

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Committee Meetings

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

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee 2nd Meeting, 2018

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

Scotland's Place in Europe: The Committee will take evidence from-1.

> Michael Russell, Minister for UK negotiations on Scotland's Place in Europe, Ian Mitchell, Deputy Director External Affairs, and Steven Morton, Economic Advisor, OCEA, Scottish Government.

2. Scotland's Place in Europe (in private): The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Social Security Committee 3rd Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

Social Security (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1). 1.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 2nd Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- Cross-Party Group: The Committee will consider an application for recognition from the 1. proposed Cross-Party Group on Shared Parenting, and take evidence from-Ivan McKee, Co-Convener of the proposed CPG on Shared Parenting.
- Sexual harassment and inappropriate conduct: The Committee will take evidence from-2. Cheryl Gedling, Industrial Officer, PCS Union; Katy Mathieson, Coordinator, Scottish Women's Rights Centre; Davy Thompson, Campaign Director, White Ribbon Scotland; Emma Trottier, Policy and Parliamentary Manager, Engender.
- Cross-Party Group approval: The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to 3. the proposed Cross-Party Group on Shared Parenting.
- Sexual harassment and inappropriate conduct (in private): The Committee will consider 4. the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- Commission on Parliamentary reform parliamentary guestions (in private): The 5. Committee will consider a note by the Clerk.

Equalities and Human Rights Committee 3rd Meeting, 2018

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

Historical Sexual Offences (Pardons and Disregards) (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will 1. take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from-

Tim Hopkins, Director, Equality Network.

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- 2. **Historical Sexual Offences (Pardons and Disregards) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence received.
- 3. **Prisoner Voting in Scotland** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 4th Meeting, 2018

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
- Transport Scotland's ferry services: The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report from— Roy Brannen, Chief Executive, John Nicholls, Director - Aviation, Maritime, Freight &

Canals, Graham Porteous, Head of Special Projects, and Graham Laidlaw, Head of Ferries Unit, Transport Scotland.

 Transport Scotland's ferry services The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
 Fraser McKinlay, Director of Performance Audit and Best Value, and Graeme Greenh

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Public Petitions Committee 2nd Meeting, 2018

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

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

<u>PE1677</u> by Dr Sarah Glynn on behalf of Scottish Unemployed Workers' Network on Make more money available to mitigate welfare cuts;

and will take evidence from—

Dr Sarah Glynn and John McArdle, co-founder and campaign coordinator, Black Triangle.

<u>PE1678</u> by Robert Reid on behalf of Scottish Countryside Rangers Association on National strategic framework for Countryside Ranger Services in Scotland; and will take evidence from—

Robert Reid, George Potts, Chairperson, and Ruth Grant, Past President, Scottish Countryside Rangers Association.

- 2. **Consideration of a new petition:** The Committee will consider the following new petition— <u>PE1676</u> by Tony Rosser on The Land Registration etc. (Scotland) Act 2012.
- 3. **Consideration of a continued petition (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter on <u>PE1458</u> by Peter Cherbi on Register of interests for members of Scotlands judiciary.

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 31 January 2018

Tuesday 6 February 2018

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Equalities and Human Rights Committee Debate: Making the Most of Equalities and Human Rights Levers

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Celebrating 100 Years of Women's Right to Vote

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-09921 Gillian Martin: Encouraging Cyber-resilience Among Young People

Wednesday 7 February 2018

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Stemming the Plastic Tide: Action to Tackle the Impact of Single-use Plastics on Land and in our Seas

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-09384 Liam Kerr: Increasing Awareness of the Work of Veteran Charities in Scotland

Thursday 8 February 2018

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-10145 Willie Rennie: East Neuk First Responders

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Stage 1 Debate: Islands (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Islands (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 20 February 2018

- 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 21 February 2018

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Rural Economy and Connectivity;
Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform
followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5:00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 22 February 2018

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
11:40 am General Questions
12:00 pm First Minister's Questions
12:45 pm Members' Business
2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2:30 pm Scottish Government Business
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5:00 pm Decision Time

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Future Committee Meetings

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

Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

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

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

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

Other new and altered motions and amendments

*<u>S5M-10235</u> Michelle Ballantyne: Haddington GP, Dr Ross Langlands—That the Parliament commends Dr Ross Langlands for his 40 years of service as a GP in Haddington; understands that Ross began working in the town, having graduated from the University of Edinburgh, when he was 29; notes that, despite being offered positions in Switzerland and Bathgate, he has said that he thoroughly enjoys serving East Lothian and has no plans to retire any time soon; thanks Ross on his dedication, and wishes him well as his career continues.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Tom Mason*, Margaret Mitchell*, Ruth Maguire*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Bowman*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Edward Mountain*, Murdo Fraser*

*S5M-10234 Michelle Ballantyne: A Gift From Kieran Marks its First Year of

Achievements—That the Parliament recognises that the charity, A Gift From Kieran, has marked its first year of achievements; notes that it was set up in memory of Kieran Swinton, who was a teenager from Ormiston, who died in a accident in 2016; understands that the charity has already made its mark on the community and further afield as it works to help groups and provide fun activities and events for families; notes that it has set up the Ormiston Football Development Club for children, handed out community grants to help pay for many things, including sand for the bowling club and to purchase a part for a motorised wheelchair, and supported other causes, with donations to a range of appeals, commends everyone involved with it on their efforts, and wishes the charity well with its plans for 2018.

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*<u>S5M-10233</u> Stuart McMillan: Petrol Prices in Inverclyde—That the Parliament condemns the recently reported hike in petrol prices that motorists in Inverclyde are facing; understands that, on average, petrol is currently 10p more expensive in Greenock and Inverclyde than it is in Edinburgh; believes that not having a Scotland-wide coherent pricing policy for petrol means that people are subject to the costs at which their local fuel providers choose to charge; considers this unfair for those who live further away from central areas such as cities, which offer cheaper

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petrol, and believes that people's pockets are at the mercy of fuel retailers that claim to be competitive in their area but are by no means providing a fair cost for fuel.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine*, Richard Lyle*

*<u>S5M-10232</u> Rachael Hamilton: Spring Clean Scotland—That the Parliament commends Keep Scotland Beautiful and Keep Britain Tidy on their Spring Clean events, which will be held throughout March, April and May 2018; considers that these will help build community pride and help in the goal of making Scotland the cleanest country in Europe; understands that flytipping and littering rates are at their highest in almost a decade; thanks volunteers and groups who have set up their own litter picks, and encourages others to take part in one of the events held across Scotland, and considers that littering and flytipping is a threat to Scotland's natural beauty, which can especially affect the tourism and agricultural industries and is of great cost to the environment.

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*<u>S5M-10231</u> Margaret Mitchell: Devro Nominated for China-Scotland Business Award—That the Parliament congratulates Devro Scotland on being nominated for a China-Scotland Business Award; understands that the awards are taking place on 1 February 2018 during a Chinese Burns Supper and are being hosted for the fifth time by the China-Britain Business Council; recognises that the evening celebrates both Burns Night and Chinese New Year; notes that Devro Scotland is shortlisted for Scottish Exporter to China of the Year; believes that Devro Scotland is a world-leading supplier for collagen casings for food, such as sausages, has over 2,000 employees worldwide and that two of its main facilities are based in Bellshill and Moodiesburn, North Lanarkshire, and wishes the company all the best at the awards ceremony.

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*<u>S5M-10230</u> Stuart McMillan: Former Hector McNeil Baths in Greenock to be Transformed into a Biodiversity Space—That the Parliament welcomes the news that the site of the former Hector McNeil baths in Greenock, which were left derelict for 20 years, will soon be turned into a meadow area; recognises that volunteers from the Inverclyde Pollinator Corridor project, run by Inverclydebuzz, have been reclaiming unused spaces and creating successful areas such as the Belville Biodiversity Garden, which was the winner of the Royal Horticultural Society's Greening Grey Britain Award 2017; notes that this new site will be used to create a biodiversity space, which will have wild flowers that will serve as food for bees and butterflies; understands that the area could also be used as a space for locals to learn various skills such as dry stone walling or carving, and could be used to educate local schools on biodiversity; wishes Inverclydebuzz every success in the future, and looks forward to seeing the new meadow.

*<u>S5M-10228</u> Kate Forbes: Deep Impact Conference in Aviemore—That the Parliament congratulates the organisers and delegates of the recent Deep Impact conference in Aviemore; notes that this was Scotland's national Christian youth and children's work training conference; acknowledges the work of the 370 youth and children's workers who attended; understands that, in 2018, they will invest over 200,000 hours in youth and children's work in communities across the country; recognises that the majority of these workers are volunteers, and hopes that, in this Year of Young People, many more will choose to give of their time to inspire and develop the next generation.

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*S5M-10227 Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen Inspired Launches the First Aberdeen Restaurant Week—That the Parliament welcomes the inaugural Aberdeen Restaurant Week, which has been launched by the business organisation, Aberdeen Inspired, to celebrate and promote restaurants across the city; recognises that the event, which runs from 1 to 8 February, involves more than 20 businesses across city and is designed to attract tourists and encourage locals to try new places to eat; understands that the restaurants have all created special two-course lunch and threecourse dinner menus for £10 and £20.18 respectively, in recognition of the date of the inaugural week; encourages the people of Aberdeen and visitors to the city to try new eateries during the event, and hopes that all the establishments taking part will enjoy a successful week and continued success.

Supported by: Edward Mountain*, Ruth Maguire*, Bill Kidd*

*<u>S5M-10226</u> Willie Coffey: Centrestage, the Best Community Business—That the Parliament congratulates Centrestage on winning the prestigious Best Community Business title at the Federation of Small Business Celebrating Small Business Awards 2018; acknowledges that the business, which was founded in Kilmarnock in 2006, employs 103 team members who work with over 2,500 people across Ayrshire, including children and adults with additional support needs; understands that it also works with excluded young people, prisoners, ex-offenders and older people to provide a spirit of support, which enables many to feel a sense of belonging and purpose, and wishes Centrestage and its staff continued success.

*<u>S5M-10225</u> Murdo Fraser: BBC's Biggest Weekend Comes to Scone—That the Parliament welcomes the BBC's Biggest Weekend to Scone in May 2018; understands that the event is set to become the most ambitious music event that the BBC has ever staged; notes that Scone Palace will play host to Radio 2 and 3, with Noel Gallagher, Nigel Kennedy, Billy Ocean and Snow Patrol lined up to headline and other acts set to be announced over the coming weeks; understands that 175,000 tickets will be made available across all four events, with tickets costing just £18 plus a booking fee; recognises that the festival will take place between the 25 and 28 May; believes that the hosting of this event underlines the pull of Perth and Kinross as a welcome destination for large events; encourages local residents to apply for tickets; notes that this event is predicted to have positive consequences for the local economy, and wishes the organisers well.

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*<u>S5M-10224</u> Bill Bowman: Annual Charity Sportsman's Dinner—That the Parliament congratulates the annual charity sportsman's dinner, which was held at the Invercarse Hotel in Dundee in September 2017, on raising £21,000, which was distributed to local sports clubs at a recent event; acknowledges that some of the clubs awarded funds included Kanzen Karate, Brae Riding for the Disabled and Tay Trampoline Club; notes that the dinner has been organised by Bett plc since 1992 in an effort to raise funds for the benefit of local sports organisations; thanks those who donated to the dinner, and wishes the sports clubs good luck in the future.

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*S5M-10223 Mairi Gougeon: LEADER Programme—That the Parliament acknowledges the excellent high-quality projects currently being delivered by the LEADER programme, the EU fund that has been supporting community-led local development in rural areas for over 25 years; notes what it considers the solid and unique framework provided by LEADER, which creates local partnerships between individuals, rural-based enterprises and communities, enabling them to innovate, diversify and become more sustainable; recognises the value of LEADER in facilitating co-operation between community-led projects in different parts of rural Scotland, the UK and Europe; commends the LEADER staff and local action groups across the 21 programmes in Scotland, which have, to date, approved, or are in the process of approving, more than 400 projects since 2014; notes the interim report by the National Council of Rural Advisers, which it understands highlights that, in terms of targeting resources, there is scope to learn from the application of the LEADER approach that drives community-led local development and has a unique role in enabling local partnerships, and calls for urgent clarity from the UK Government on what will replace this funding once the UK is no longer a member of the EU, including how money will be allocated, how projects will be approved and delivered, and what the total allocations will be.

*S5M-10222 Donald Cameron: GFG Alliance Provides Major Boost to Lochaber

Economy—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement by the GFG Alliance to invest £120 million in its Lochaber smelter site near Fort William, following planning approval from The Highland Council for a new alloy car wheels factory, which is part of the investment package; understands that, if the factory is delivered, it could start producing new alloys by 2020 and will lead to the creation of 400 jobs; believes that the site would supply at least one fifth of all the wheels required by UK vehicle manufacturers; notes that the factory would use aluminium produced from the Lochaber smelter, which was bought last year by GFG Alliance's Liberty firm, and considers the investment in Lochaber by GFG Alliance to be of significant importance to the wider region and the Scottish economy.

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*<u>S5M-10221</u> Kezia Dugdale: MND Campaigner, Gordon Aikman, Remembered by University of Edinburgh—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement that the University of Edinburgh is to name its newly refurbished George Square lecture theatre in memory of Gordon Aikman; believes that this is a fitting recognition of his remarkable achievements one year on from his death; praises the Edinburgh University Students' Association for proposing the idea; recognises that Gordon's Fightback campaign has raised more than £600,000 for MND Scotland to fund research into a cure; understands that the campaign has ambitious plans for the coming year, which should see it hit Gordon's £1 million goal, and is delighted that Gordon's legacy will live on for many years to come at the University of Edinburgh and across the country.

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*<u>S5M-10220</u> Emma Harper: Congratulating Kids Bee Happy—That the Parliament congratulates Stranraer's Kids Bee Happy on winning the Business and Product Innovation Award at the Federation of Small Businesses Celebrating Small Business Awards 2018; understands that Kids Bee Happy will now go forward to the UK's Best Small Business 2018 finals; notes that the firm is the UK's original sand art company, providing high-quality sand art products and supplies;

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further notes that it has created its own distribution model, where consultants buy at wholesale prices, comparable with the prices that the corporate partners purchase at, and are then able to sell the products while setting their own prices and, importantly, making proper profits, and congratulates the company directors, Sandra and Alistair Patterson, on the success of their innovative business model.

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*<u>S5M-10219</u> Alexander Stewart: Dunfermline Awarded Over £288,000 from the National Lottery Fund's New Great Place Scheme—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Dunfermline is one of the first places in Scotland to receive money from a new National Lottery fund; understands that the town's historic built environment is to be awarded £288,200 from the Great Place Scheme; believes that this new fund is aimed at helping towns use their unique heritage and history to create opportunities for employment, education and income generation; notes that additional funding from Fife Council, Fife Cultural Trust, Dunfermline Carnegie Trust and Dunfermline Delivers will give the Dunfermline Heritage Partnership more than £419,000 in total towards the scheme, and congratulates the town and all involved on this excellent opportunity.

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*<u>S5M-10217</u> Jackie Baillie: Carers of West Dunbartonshire Awarded Funding from the Scotch Whisky Action Fund—That the Parliament congratulates Carers of West Dunbartonshire on being awarded £13,000 from the Scotch Whisky Action Fund; understands that the fund supports and develops a range of initiatives that deliver targeted interventions to tackle alcohol-related harm in young people, families and communities; further understands that the fund awards money to initiatives tackling alcohol misuse in Scotland; thanks the Scottish Whisky Action Fund for supporting local causes, and commends Carers of West Dunbartonshire for the work that it does to support carers and tackle alcohol-related harm.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-10216 Gillian Martin: More Action on Snapchat (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson*, Graeme Dey*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Colin Beattie*, Jenny Gilruth*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10215</u> Bob Doris: Congratulations to Queens Cross Community Chest Initiative (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Ash Denham*, James Dornan*, Sandra White*, Stewart Stevenson*, Stuart McMillan*, Ruth Maguire*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Clare Haughey*, Joan McAlpine*, Colin Beattie*, Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10207</u> Annie Wells: Sunnyside Primary School #NaeStrawAtAw Campaign (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Rachael Hamilton*, Liam Kerr*, Colin Beattie*, Pauline McNeill*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10203</u> Alexander Stewart: Trudi Todd Flowers 2018 Florist of the Year (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S5M-10202</u> Mary Fee: Celebrating Scotland's Gypsy/Traveller Community (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Richard Lyle*

<u>S5M-10201</u> Colin Beattie: Cross Borders Brewing Company (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10200</u> Clare Haughey: Welcoming Ryanair Trade Union Recognition for Pilots (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-10199</u> Alexander Burnett: Ballater Hostel (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S5M-10197</u> Liam Kerr: Catterline Community Celebrate Life of Joan Eardley (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10196</u> Michelle Ballantyne: Penicuik Trekker Supports Alzheimer Scotland (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10195</u> Michelle Ballantyne: North Berwick High School on Tatler's Top List (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S5M-10194</u> Michelle Ballantyne: Walk With Scott Fundraising (lodged on 30 January 2018) New Support: Rachael Hamilton*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S5M-10193</u> Tom Mason: Pets At Home Fundraiser (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*, Liam Kerr*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10192</u> Graeme Dey: World's Best Martini 2018 (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10191</u> Miles Briggs: Crusaders RFC's New Junior Team Aims to Promote Health Issues Among Young Men (lodged on 30 January 2018) New Support: Rachael Hamilton*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S5M-10190</u> Bill Bowman: British Citizen Award for David Evans from Dundee (lodged on 30 January 2018) New Support: Liam Kerr*

<u>S5M-10189</u> Bill Bowman: Abertay University Students (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

<u>S5M-10188</u> Johann Lamont: Down's Syndrome Awareness Week (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10187</u> Brian Whittle: Raising Awareness of Venous Thromboembolism in Pregnant Women (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S5M-10186</u> Ivan McKee: Congratulating Impact Arts of Dennistoun in Glasgow (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-10185</u> Gordon Lindhurst: Juniper Green and Baberton Mains Resilient Community Group (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S5M-10184</u> Alison Harris: Keith Wilson from Falkirk, Helping Homeless People (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10182</u> Christine Grahame: Borders' Success in the Scottish Schools' Young Writer of the Year Competition (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10180</u> Richard Lochhead: Mike Collins Awarded Prestigious Barron Trophy (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10179</u> Rona Mackay: Resilient Bishopbriggs Business Owners (lodged on 30 January 2018)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10178</u> Ash Denham: Hamish Martin (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Gillian Martin*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10175</u> Graeme Dey: Selection for the Scottish Youth Futsal Federation's U20 Squad (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10174</u> Mark Ruskell: Stirling Soup (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10173</u> Fulton MacGregor: UN International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (lodged on 29 January 2018)

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New Support: Gillian Martin*

<u>S5M-10170</u> Neil Findlay: Lewis Capaldi is the One to Watch (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10168</u> Oliver Mundell: Jane Haining Heritage Centre Opens in Dunscore (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10165</u> Ruth Maguire: International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation (lodged on 29 January 2018) New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10163</u> Alison Harris: Confetti 2018 Wedding Ring Supplier of the Year (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

S5M-10162 Emma Harper: 3D Animation of Burns (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10160</u> David Stewart: Glenwyvis Distillery Community Benefit Society (lodged on 29 January 2018) New Support: Claudia Beamish*, Ivan McKee*, Kezia Dugdale*

S5M-10158 Andy Wightman: Hannah Rarity, BBC Radio Scotland Young Musician of the

Year 2018 (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10157</u> Clare Adamson: Scotland's Drowning Prevention Strategy (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10154</u> Alexander Burnett: Alex Tilley (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

<u>S5M-10152</u> Daniel Johnson: Scottish Retail's Charitable Giving (lodged on 29 January 2018) New Support: Alex Neil*, Claudia Beamish*, Annie Wells*, Kezia Dugdale*

<u>S5M-10151</u> Daniel Johnson: Tailor Ed (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Kezia Dugdale*

<u>S5M-10149</u> David Torrance: NHS Fife Staff Raise £4,000 (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10148</u> Daniel Johnson: Capital Sci-Fi Con's Generosity for CHAS (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10140</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: Young Carers Awareness Day (lodged on 26 January 2018) New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10138</u> Gillian Martin: Leah Weatherby Raises Over £1,500 for Friends of ANCHOR (lodged on 26 January 2018) New Support: Ivan McKee*

S5M-10137 Ross Greer: Turkish Invasion of Afrin (lodged on 26 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10136</u> Peter Chapman: Donations to Friends of ANCHOR (lodged on 26 January 2018) New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10135</u> Willie Coffey: Congratulations to David Coulter (lodged on 26 January 2018) New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10134</u> Willie Coffey: Celebrating Kilmarnock Rugby Football Club's 150th Anniversary (lodged on 26 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10133</u> Alison Johnstone: Young Carers Awareness Day 2018 (lodged on 26 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10132</u> Maurice Golden: Congratulations to Ros Blair MBE (lodged on 26 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10131</u> Maurice Golden: Fundraising Trial for Beatson Cancer Centre (lodged on 26 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10130</u> Maurice Golden: Congratulations to Helensburgh and Lomond Carers (lodged on 26 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10129</u> Jenny Gilruth: Congratulating HNC Furniture Students at Fife College (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10128</u> Jeremy Balfour: Pumpherston and Uphall Station Community Primary School (lodged on 25 January 2018) New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10127</u> Jenny Gilruth: 70th Anniversary of Glenrothes (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10126</u> Kate Forbes: FSB Award Success for Highland Businesses (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10125</u> Ross Greer: Ahed Tamimi (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Rhoda Grant*, Sandra White*

<u>S5M-10124</u> Richard Lochhead: Speyside High School Wins Listening Challenge and Gains Listen Well Awards (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10119</u> Angus MacDonald: Carmen Judge to Captain Team Scotland at 2018 Dance World Cup (lodged on 25 January 2018) New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10118</u> Angus MacDonald: Squadron Leader Tom McMorrow Appointed MBE (lodged on 25 January 2018) New Support: Donald Cameron*

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<u>S5M-10117</u> Angus MacDonald: Alice Hamilton Receives the Jimmy Murphy Memorial Trophy (lodged on 25 January 2018) New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10116</u> Jeremy Balfour: VOCAL (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10115</u> Jeremy Balfour: Waverley Care (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10113</u> Jeremy Balfour: CrossReach Sunflower Garden (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10112</u> Jeremy Balfour: Hibernian Community Foundation (lodged on 25 January 2018) New Support: Donald Cameron*

S5M-10111 Graeme Dey: Carers (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10110</u> Graeme Dey: Carnoustie Golf Links, Environmental Golf Course of the Year (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10109</u> Michelle Ballantyne: Dunbar School of Dance Fundraising Success (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10108</u> Alison Harris: Award for Gala Day Dressmaker, Alice Hamilton (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10107</u> Ruth Maguire: Happy 25th Birthday, StepChange Debt Charity (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10105</u> Bill Bowman: Dundee Citizen of the Year 2018, Debbie Findlay (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10104</u> Ash Denham: Gracemount High School (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10103</u> Jackson Carlaw: Chelsea FC Challenges Anti-Semitism (lodged on 25 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10102</u> Jackson Carlaw: Scouts' Leadership Shortage (lodged on 25 January 2018) New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10100</u> Gordon MacDonald: Community Chest Small Grants for Local Community Initiatives (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10097</u> Emma Harper: Workshops on the Scots Language and History Marking Burns Night in Dumfries (lodged on 24 January 2018) New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10095</u> Adam Tomkins: Wheatley's Modern Apprenticeship Programme (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10094</u> Stuart McMillan: The Frae Greenock and its Stories from the Street Project (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10093</u> Michelle Ballantyne: Peebles English Teacher Heads for Hollywood (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10090</u> Angus MacDonald: Falkirk District's a Great Place (lodged on 24 January 2018) New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10088</u> Colin Beattie: Dalkeith Thistle Community Football Club (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10087</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: Barnardo's Fostering Campaign (lodged on 24 January 2018) New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10085</u> Alexander Stewart: Launch of the Clackmannanshire Stroke Support Group (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10084</u> Stuart McMillan: Show Some Heart, the Jayden Orr Campaign (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10082</u> Finlay Carson: Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10081</u> Gail Ross: The Work of the Scotltish SPCA (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10080</u> Gail Ross: Tain Royal Academy Pupils' Campaign on Cyberbullying (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10079</u> Gail Ross: Global Energy Group (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10078</u> Gail Ross: Thurso High School Pupils' Donation to the Pestalozzi International Village Trust (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10077</u> Gail Ross: Dunbeath Broch Project Consolidation Investigation Interpretation Project (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10071</u> Murdo Fraser: Affordable Credit Loan Fund (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10068</u> Liam McArthur: Orkney-based Software Development Company Expands Business (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

<u>S5M-10067</u> Clare Adamson: Wishaw Mountain Biking Club Grant Success (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10066</u> Clare Adamson: Funding Success for The Speedways (lodged on 24 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

S5M-10065 Clare Adamson: 10th Wishaw Guides Receive Awards for All Scotland Grant (lodged on 24 January 2018) New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10060</u> Bill Kidd: Congratulating 3D Drumchapel (lodged on 23 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10056</u> Gillian Martin: Action on Snap Maps (lodged on 23 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10055</u> Jeremy Balfour: Dalkeith Thistle Community FC (lodged on 23 January 2018) New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10052</u> Jenny Gilruth: Balbirnie Park Golf Club (lodged on 23 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10051</u> Jenny Gilruth: Congratulations to staff at Michael Woods Leisure Centre (lodged on 23 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10050</u> Ruth Maguire: Annie Small, the First Female President of the Irvine Burns Club (lodged on 23 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10047</u> Liam McArthur: Northlink to End Use of Plastic Straws (lodged on 23 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10046</u> Kate Forbes: Congratulating Kyle Mackay of Kiltarlity (lodged on 23 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10043</u> Tom Arthur: New Year Honour for Barrhead's Jo-Ann Moran (lodged on 23 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10036</u> Emma Harper: Kells Primary School Raises £2,000 for Macmillan (lodged on 22 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10034</u> Donald Cameron: Catholic Schools, Good For Scotland (lodged on 29 January 2018)

New Support: Clare Haughey*, Stuart McMillan*, Mike Rumbles*

<u>S5M-10032</u> Tom Arthur: Christine Raises Funds for Cancer Research UK (lodged on 22 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

S5M-10031 Emma Harper: Ailsa Bay (lodged on 22 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10029</u> Emma Harper: BSW Timber, Youth Employer of the Month (lodged on 22 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10027</u> Kenneth Gibson: Cervical Cancer Prevention Week 2018 (lodged on 22 January 2018)

New Support: Elaine Smith*

<u>S5M-10026</u> Emma Harper: Dumfries Get Together Group Donates to Charities (lodged on 22 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10024</u> Rachael Hamilton: Strong Year for Scottish Tourism (lodged on 22 January 2018) New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10023</u> Stuart McMillan: 20-year Milestone for Port Glasgow Boys' Club (lodged on 22 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-10022</u> Tom Arthur: Phil Steven Fundraises for St Vincent's Hospice (lodged on 22 January 2018)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

<u>S5M-09970</u> Ross Greer: Bus Services (lodged on 18 January 2018)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

<u>S5M-09924</u> Bruce Crawford: John Muir Award 21st Anniversary (lodged on 16 January 2018) New Support: Oliver Mundell*, Jenny Marra*

<u>S5M-09742</u> Richard Lochhead: World Cancer Day 2018 (lodged on 20 December 2017) New Support: Emma Harper*, Elaine Smith*

Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 07 February 2018

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work

1. Joan McAlpine: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to support the financial services industries. (<u>S50-01754</u>)

2. Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government when the Berlin and Brussels trade hubs are expected to open. (S50-01755)

3. Richard Lyle: To ask the Scottish Government what financial assistance it offers to companies to relocate or diversify their business offering. (<u>S50-01756</u>)

4. Willie Rennie: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Cupar North relief road will be funded through the Tay Cities Deal. (<u>S50-01757</u>)

5. Bill Bowman: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that an increasing use of automation and artificial intelligence over the next decade will increase employment opportunities in Scotland. (S50-01758)

6. Ash Denham: To ask the Scottish Government what impact a hard Brexit

will have on the Scottish economy. (S50-01759)

7. Willie Coffey: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact on the Ayrshire economy, particularly the hospitality sector, of the UK leaving the EU. (<u>S50-01760</u>)

8. Rona Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to end unpaid work trials. (<u>S50-01761</u>)

9. Jackson Carlaw: To ask the Scottish Government what the impact has been of locating its Dublin trade hub within the British Embassy. (<u>S50-01762</u>)

10. John Scott: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support Scottish exports to international markets. (<u>S50-01763</u>)

Finance and the Constitution

1. Angus MacDonald: To ask the Scottish Government when it last discussed the Falkirk tax incremental finance initiative with Falkirk Council. (<u>S50-01764</u>)

2. Patrick Harvie: To ask the Scottish Government what would be involved in an EU continuity bill, in the event that the Parliament does not give legislative consent to the EU withdrawal bill. (S50-01765)

3. Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how much financial assistance has been given to businesses through the Scottish Growth Scheme, and whether this was in the form of loans, guarantees, equity or another form of assistance. (S50-01766)

4. Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the finance secretary has had with the Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities regarding how the 2018-19 Budget can contribute to tackling child poverty. (S50-01767)

5. Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government how many people in North Ayrshire will see their income tax increase in 2018-19. (S50-01768)

6. Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent Guardian/ICM survey, which suggests that 69% of people in Scotland support a referendum on the final terms of Brexit. (<u>S50-01769</u>)

7. Tom Mason: To ask the Scottish Government what level of future fiscal planning it undertakes during the budget process. (<u>S50-01770</u>)

8. Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how many business organisations have written to the First Minister and finance secretary in favour of income tax rises. (<u>S50-01771</u>)

9. Ben Macpherson: To ask the Scottish Government how the finance secretary will ensure that the Budget supports local businesses. (<u>\$50-01772</u>)

10. Colin Beattie: To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has

carried out on the impact of Brexit on Scotland's finances, in light of the

recent analysis by the UK Government, which reportedly suggests that,

regardless of the terms of departure, Brexit will have a negative impact across

all sectors. (S50-01773)

General Questions selected for answer on 08 February 2018

1. Linda Fabiani: To ask the Scottish Government when it will next meet ScotRail. (S50-01774)

2. Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government when the Edinburgh Tram Inquiry will publish its report. (<u>S50-01775</u>)

3. Andy Wightman: To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to regulate the commercial short-term letting of domestic flats. (<u>S50-01776</u>)

4. Bruce Crawford: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on providing faster broadband connectivity in the Stirling constituency. (S50-01777)

5. Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the Stirling Smith Art Gallery and Museum is facing possible closure. (<u>S50-01778</u>)

6. Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the First Minister's meeting with the family of Shaun Woodburn, who was killed on New Year's Day 2017, what plans it has to enhance the rights of victims during court procedures. (<u>S50-01779</u>)

7. Bob Doris: To ask the Scottish Government what resilience plans are

in place to help mitigate the effects of severe weather conditions. (S50-01780)

8. Iain Gray: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish responses to the consultation on the provisions of the proposed Education (Scotland) Bill, and its analysis of them. (S50-01781)

9. Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government when it next plans to meet the leadership of Orkney Islands Council. (<u>S50-01782</u>)

10. Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what its policy objective is for mid-market rents. (S50-01783)

Written Questions

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

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

Government initiated questions lodged on 31 January 2018

<u>S5W-14246</u> Emma Harper: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made with the commencement of a scientific trial of electro-fishing for razor clams.

Written questions lodged on 31 January 2018

<u>S5W-14235</u> Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that people from deprived areas in Fife can access cancer and heart disease screening, and what impact an increase in such access might have in tackling health inequalities.

<u>S5W-14236</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will routinely publish ScotRail's performance in relation to station skipping.

S5W-14237 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government for what reasons there has been a reported decrease of (a) 5% in overall satisfaction in ScotRail, (b) 6%, down to 71%, in levels of satisfaction with the level of crowding on trains and (c) 3%, down to 51%, in levels of satisfaction with how well the company deals with delays, since the last survey in Spring 2017.

<u>S5W-14238</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many rail services have been affected by station skipping in the last 12 months, broken down by month and also expressed as percentage of all services.

<u>S5W-14239</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many trains on the Glasgow to (a) Helensburgh and (b) Balloch line have skipped stations in the last 12 months, broken down by month and also expressed as a percentage of all services.

<u>S5W-14240</u> Gordon Lindhurst: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5O-01687 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 17 January 2018, whether the criteria for qualifying for the £20,000 career changers bursary have been set and made publicly available.

<u>S5W-14241</u> Gordon Lindhurst: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5O-01687 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 17 January 2018, what measures are being taken to raise awareness of the £20,000 career changers bursary within sectors where potential applicants are currently working, such as in engineering.

<u>S5W-14242</u> Gordon Lindhurst: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5O-01687 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 17 January 2018, when applications for the £20,000 career changers bursary will go live.

<u>S5W-14243</u> Gordon Lindhurst: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5O-01687 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 17 January 2018, for what reason there are some current Post Graduate Diploma of Education courses relating to STEM subjects where reportedly only half the places available are being filled.

<u>S5W-14244</u> Ivan McKee: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the potential links between early onset neurological diseases such as Parkinson's, MS, ME and MND and people who have worked in industries where they are exposed to excessive noise and vibration, and whether it would consider commissioning a research study into these links.

<u>S5W-14247</u> Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what the total cost to NHS Shetland has been in respect of patients' and escorts' air travel in each year since 2008.

<u>S5W-14248</u> Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what the total cost to NHS Western Isles has been in respect of patients' and escorts' air travel in each year since 2008.

<u>S5W-14249</u> Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what the total cost to NHS Orkney has been in respect of patients' and escorts' air travel in each year since 2008.

<u>S5W-14250</u> Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government how many responses it has received to each of its two consultations on proposals to classify 15 special protection areas (SPA) in the Scottish marine area, and when it expects to make a decision on formal classification.

<u>S5W-14251</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what (a) grants and (b) loans it has provided to Glasgow Prestwick Airport in each year since 2014.

<u>S5W-14252</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what impact the recent General Court of the EU (8th Chamber) decision regarding Charleroi Airport and state aid will have on Glasgow Prestwick Airport.

<u>S5W-14253</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many passengers have travelled through (a) Glasgow Prestwick, (b) Glasgow International and (c) Edinburgh Airport in each year since 2014.

<u>S5W-14254</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how much cargo has been transported through (a) Glasgow Prestwick, (b) Glasgow International and (c) Edinburgh Airport in each year since 2014.

<u>S5W-14255</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many military flights there have been to and from Glasgow Prestwick Airport in each year since 2014.

<u>S5W-14256</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many expressions of interest to purchase Glasgow Prestwick Airport it has received in each year since 2014, and whether it will provide a breakdown of these.

<u>S5W-14257</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason all grant funding for Voluntary Action Scotland from September 2018 has been stopped.

<u>S5W-14258</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how much financial support it provided to (a) Voluntary Action Scotland, (b) the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) and (c) the third sector interface network in each of the last three years.

<u>S5W-14259</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how much financial support it will provide to (a) Voluntary Action Scotland, (b) the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) and (c) the third sector interface network in 2018-19.

<u>S5W-14260</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it proposes to allocate to each third sector interface in 2018-19.

<u>S5W-14261</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent under the SME Holding Fund LUPS (2015-18), and whether it will provide a breakdown of this expenditure.

<u>S5W-14262</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent under the SME Holding Fund H&I (2015-18), and whether it will provide a breakdown of this expenditure.

<u>S5W-14263</u> Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what action is being taken by the National Advisory Committee for Chronic Pain to tackle (a) reported staff shortages in NHS pain clinics and (b) lengthening waiting times, including in Grampian.

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<u>S5W-14264</u> Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-13509 by Aileen Campbell on 11 January 2018, whether it will provide further details of how the funding is being used, including in relation to the number of researchers who are employed or contracted, and of salary and payments made to these researchers.

<u>S5W-14265</u> Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-13509 by Aileen Campbell on 11 January 2018, how "draft quality performance indicators" will be assessed effectively, in light of reports that long-term staff shortages have led to lengthy waiting times in many areas, and whether it plans to increase support to recruit more staff in key areas to tackle waiting times and improve patient care for people with chronic pain.

<u>S5W-14266</u> Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will investigate reported concerns that young people in Dumfries and Galloway with type 1 diabetes are being denied insulin pumps due to a shortage of funding.

<u>S5W-14267</u> Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government what first-hand inspection the Minister for Transport and the Islands has made of the length of the A75 in order to help assess the condition of the trunk road network.

<u>S5W-14268</u> Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has made of local authorities' performance in ensuring statutory road safety conditions are met regarding (a) quality of road surface and (b) potholes.

<u>S5W-14269</u> Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government what support it has given to relief efforts in Yemen in each of the last 10 years.

<u>S5W-14270</u> Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions S5W-03736 and S5W-11258 by Keith Brown on 31 October 2016 and 20 September 2017 respectively, how much it has provided each year to companies that export arms to Turkey.

<u>S5W-14271</u> Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions S5W-03736 and S5W-11258 by Keith Brown on 31 October 2016 and 20 September 2017 respectively, in light of its commitment to UN Sustainable Development Goal 16 on Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions, what assessment it has carried out on the impact of it providing financial support to companies that engage in the arms trade.

<u>S5W-14272</u> Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions S5W-03736 and S5W-11258 by Keith Brown on 31 October 2016 and 20 September 2017 respectively, what information it has regarding whether any companies that it provides financial support to have supplied weapons or equipment that might have been used in the alleged war crimes in Yemen by the Saudi Arabian air force, which are being investigated by the UN.

<u>S5W-14273</u> Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government what guidance it provides to (a) businesses and (b) public agencies on operating using the ISO55000 standard.

<u>S5W-14274</u> Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government how many Scottish Government agencies operate using the ISO55000 standard.

<u>S5W-14275</u> Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government how many non-Scottish Government public agencies operating in Scotland do so using the ISO55000 standard.

<u>S5W-14276</u> Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the operation of the ISO55000 standard, and whether it has been included in discussions regarding the UK's withdrawal from the EU.

<u>S5W-14277</u> Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to changing the planning notification system to ensure that individual households affected by a planning application are notified about major developments.

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<u>S5W-14278</u> Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to work with (a) patient groups and (b) the health sector to establish which managed access schemes and conditional acceptance options will be of greatest benefit.

<u>S5W-14279</u> Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the letter to the Health and Sport Committee by Shona Robison on 16 November 2017, what progress has been made with the development of a new pathway for ultra-orphan medicines; what consultation on this it has carried out or plans, and when the pathway will be in place.

<u>S5W-14280</u> Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish the findings of its comparative review of the health technology assessment processes of other countries, including those for orphan and ultra-orphan medicines.

<u>S5W-14281</u> Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-13951 by Fergus Ewing on 29 January 2018, whether the National Basic Payment Scheme loans are funded from the Scottish Government's financial transactions budget; what percentage of this budget has been used for these loans in each year since they were introduced; what other uses there are for this budget, and whether the requirement to establish and continue this loan scheme means that there is less money available for other projects that would otherwise use the financial transactions budget.

<u>S5W-14282</u> Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-13951 by Fergus Ewing on 29 January 2018, what its position is on Audit Scotland's statement in its document, *Common Agricultural Policy Futures programme: further update*, issued on 15 June 2017, that funding the National Basic Payment Scheme Ioan from its financial transactions budget puts this budget "under additional pressure", and what the consequences of this are.

<u>S5W-14283</u> Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-13961 by Humza Yousaf on 30 January 2018, on what date it plans to publish the analysis of responses to the consultation on concessionary travel.

<u>S5W-14284</u> Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government how many ScotRail trains have skipped stops in the last year; how this compares to previous years; which stations are most frequently skipped; how many times trains have failed to stop at these stations in the last year; at what times of the day skipped stops normally occur, and what action it is taking to reduce the number of skipped stops.

<u>S5W-14286</u> Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions S5W-13628 and S5W-13986 by Aileen Campbell on 18 January and 31 January 2018 respectively, for what reason the minister referred to the response to question S5W-13906, which did not provide the information that was requested, and whether it will provide this information regarding whether ministers (a) were consulted beforehand regarding, (b) approved and (c) agreed with the actions of an official from its Strategic Planning and Clinical Priorities department in informing the Information Services Division (ISD) by email on 8 March 2017 that they did not want information published on return chronic pain patients, in light of the reported recent decision by the UK Statistics Regulator that ISD should resume its efforts to obtain this information, with ISD's full agreement.

<u>S5W-14287</u> Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government what measures are in place to ensure that users of British Sign Language have a qualified interpreter during healthcare appointments.

<u>S5W-14288</u> Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government what funding there is to ensure that users of British Sign Language have a qualified interpreter during healthcare appointments.

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<u>S5W-14289</u> Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of how it will allocate the proposed £161.1 million increase in rail infrastructure, which was announced in the Budget.

<u>S5W-14290</u> Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what plans are in place to meet an increase in demand for specialist support for people living at home who require stoma care.

<u>S5W-14294</u> Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government how regional variations in the delivery of services for people requiring stoma care support at home are being addressed.

Amendments

New amendments to Bills lodged on 31 January 2018

Social Security (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2

After section 17

Jeane Freeman

152 After section 17, insert—

<Housing assistance

- (1) Housing assistance is assistance (which may or may not take the form of money) given by the Scottish Ministers under section 8 to an individual to meet, or help towards meeting, housing costs.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers are to make regulations prescribing—
 - (a) the eligibility rules that are to be applied to determine whether an individual is entitled to housing assistance, and
 - (b) what housing assistance an individual who is entitled to it is to be given.
- (3) Schedule (*Housing assistance regulations*) makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).>

Jeane Freeman

153 After schedule 7, insert—

<SCHEDULE

(introduced by section (Housing assistance))

HOUSING ASSISTANCE REGULATIONS

PART 1

ELIGIBILITY

CHAPTER 1

ELIGIBILITY IS TO DEPEND ON BEING TREATED IN CERTAIN WAYS UNDER THEWELFARE REFORM ACT 2012 OR OTHERWISE NEEDING ASSISTANCE WITH HOUSING COSTS

- 1 (1) The regulations must be framed so that (subject to any provision of the kind described in paragraph 2) an individual's eligibility in respect of a given period depends on meeting the conditions described in either—
 - (a) sub-paragraph (2), or
 - (b) sub-paragraph (3).
 - (2) The conditions referred to in sub-paragraph (1)(a) are—
 - (a) the individual is entitled to an award of universal credit in respect of the period in question,
 - (b) an amount under section 11 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (housing costs) is to be included in the calculation of that award,
 - (c) the amount relates to the individual's liability to make payments in respect of accommodation in the social rented sector other than temporary accommodation,

- (d) were it not for regulations made by the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 29(2) of the Scotland Act 2016, the amount would be lower on account of its being reduced due to the number of bedrooms in the property that the individual lives in,
- (e) as a result of being entitled to more than would otherwise be the case because of the regulations referred to in paragraph (d), the value of the assistance to which the individual is entitled under an enactment is reduced in accordance with regulations under section 96 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (benefit cap).
- (3) The conditions referred to in sub-paragraph (1)(b) are—
 - (a) the individual is entitled to an award of universal credit in respect of the period in question,
 - (b) during that period, the individual is—
 - (i) 18 years of age or over, but
 - (ii) not more than 21 years of age,
 - (c) no amount under section 11 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 is to be included in the calculation of the award, and
 - (d) an amount under that section would fall to be included in the calculation if the individual were older.
- (4) The regulations are to define "accommodation in the social rented sector" and "temporary accommodation" for the purpose of determining entitlement to housing assistance under provision made in accordance with paragraph 1(2).
- 2 (1) The regulations may be framed so that, despite the conditions described in paragraph 1 not being met in relation to a given period, an individual may nevertheless be eligible in respect of that period.
 - (2) Where the regulations allow an individual to be eligible in respect of a period in relation to which the conditions described in paragraph 1 are not met, they must be framed so that the individual's eligibility depends on the individual needing assistance to meet housing costs in a connection with a property that is not owned (wholly or partly) by the individual.
 - (3) For the purpose of sub-paragraph (2), an individual is not an owner of property if, in relation to the property, the individual is party to a shared ownership agreement within the meaning of section 83(3) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001.
 - (4) If provision of the kind described in this paragraph is made, the regulations are to set out, for the purpose of determining entitlement to housing assistance—
 - (a) a definition of "housing costs",
 - (b) the circumstances in which an individual is to be regarded as needing assistance to meet housing costs.

CHAPTER 2

FURTHER CRITERIA

Participation in education

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- The regulations may make an individual's eligibility depend on—
 - (a) whether or not the individual, or anyone who lives with the individual, is in education, and
 - (b) the length of time the individual, or someone who lives with the individual, spends over a given period in education.

Residence and presence

- - The regulations may make an individual's eligibility depend on the individual being resident and present in a particular place.

Age

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- The regulations may make an individual's eligibility depend on the age of either or both—
 - (a) the individual, and
 - (b) anyone who lives with the individual.

Financial circumstances

- 6 The regulations may make an individual's eligibility depend on the financial circumstances of either or both-
 - (a) the individual, and
 - (b) anyone who lives with the individual.

Receipt of, or eligibility for, other types of State assistance

- The regulations may make an individual's eligibility depend on either or both the individual and anyone who lives with the individual-
 - (a) being, or not being, in receipt of another type of assistance (whether under this Act or another enactment),
 - (b) being, or not being, eligible or entitled to receive such assistance.

Application within specified period

- The regulations may provide that an individual ceases to be eligible in respect of a given period 8 unless, by a deadline specified in the regulations-
 - (a) the individual has applied for housing assistance in respect of the period, or
 - (b) the Scottish Ministers have become required to make a determination of the individual's entitlement to housing assistance in respect of the period by regulations under section 35.

PART 2

ASSISTANCE TO BE GIVEN

CHAPTER 1

VALUE

Cases where paragraph 1(2) *conditions met*

9 (1) The regulations must provide for the value of housing assistance to be given in a case to which this paragraph applies to be the amount described in sub-paragraph (3).

(2) This paragraph applies to a case in which an individual is entitled to housing assistance in respect of a given period by virtue of meeting the conditions described in paragraph 1(2).

- The amount referred to in sub-paragraph (1) is the lower of-(3)
 - (a) the difference between
 - the amount under section 11 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 included in the (i) calculation of the individual's universal credit award for the period in question, and

- (ii) the amount that would have been included under that section in the calculation were it not for the regulations referred to in paragraph 1(2)(c), or
- (b) the amount by which the value of the assistance to which the individual is entitled from the Secretary of State in respect of the period in question is reduced in accordance with regulations under section 96 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012.

Cases where paragraph 1(2) conditions not met

- 10 In a case to which paragraph 9 does not apply, the regulations may make the value of housing assistance that is to be given to an individual depend on—
 - (a) the age of either or both—
 - (i) the individual, and
 - (ii) anyone who lives with the individual,
 - (b) the financial circumstances of either or both—
 - (i) the individual, and
 - (ii) anyone who lives with the individual.

CHAPTER 2

Form

Meeting liabilities

- 11 The regulations may provide for housing assistance that is to be given to an individual to be given (in whole or in part) by way of—
 - (a) payment to another person in order to meet, or contribute towards meeting, any liability the individual has to that person,
 - (b) deduction from any liability the individual has to the Scottish Ministers under section 36.

Restriction on giving assistance in a form other than money

- 12 (1) The regulations may allow housing assistance to be given to an individual in a form other than money only if the individual (or a person acting on the individual's behalf) has agreed to the assistance being given in that form.
 - (2) If the regulations include provision of the kind mentioned in sub-paragraph (1), they must allow an individual (or a person acting on the individual's behalf) to withdraw agreement to being given housing assistance in a form other than money at any time.
 - (3) Despite sub-paragraph (1), the regulations may provide for housing assistance to be given (in whole or in part) by way of deduction, at a reasonable level, from any liability the individual has to the Scottish Ministers under section 36 if the individual has unreasonably refused to agree to the assistance being given in that form.
 - (4) For the purpose of sub-paragraph (3), "reasonable level" means a level that is reasonable having regard to the financial circumstances of the individual.

PART 3

FINAL PROVISIONS

Generality of enabling power unaffected

- 13 Nothing in this schedule, apart from the following provisions, is to be taken to limit what may be prescribed in the regulations—
 - (a) Chapter 1 of Part 1,
 - (b) in Part 2, paragraphs 9 and 12.

Interpretation

14 In this schedule (unless stated otherwise)—

"eligibility" means eligibility for housing assistance and "eligible" means eligible for housing assistance,

"the regulations" means regulations under section (Housing assistance)(2).>

Section 18

Jeane Freeman

- 154 In section 18, page 6, line 29, leave out subsections (3) to (5) and insert—
 - <() Schedule (*Short-term assistance regulations*) makes provision about the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (2).>

Jeane Freeman

155 After schedule 7, insert—

<SCHEDULE

(introduced by section 18)

SHORT-TERM ASSISTANCE REGULATIONS

PART 1

ELIGIBILITY

Entitlement to other assistance being reviewed

- 1 (1) The regulations must be framed so that an individual is eligible for short-term assistance if—
 - (a) the individual is, or was, entitled to a particular type of assistance (other than short-term assistance) under a determination made on the basis that the individual has ongoing entitlement,
 - (b) that determination has been superseded by a determination under section 19 with the result that the individual—
 - (i) is no longer entitled to the type of assistance in question, or
 - (ii) is entitled to less assistance of the type in question,
 - (c) the individual's entitlement to the type of assistance in question is under review, and
 - (d) any further eligibility rules prescribed in the regulations are satisfied in the individual's case.
 - (2) An individual's entitlement to a particular type of assistance is under review within the meaning of sub-paragraph (1)(c) if—
 - (a) the individual has, under section 23, requested a re-determination of the individual's entitlement to the type of assistance in question and—

- (i) the Scottish Ministers have yet to make a determination of the individual's entitlement under section 24, and
- (ii) the individual has not, since requesting the re-determination, made an appeal to the First-tier Tribunal against a determination of the individual's entitlement, or
- (b) the individual has, under section 27, appealed to the First-tier Tribunal against a determination of the individual's entitlement to the type of assistance in question and the First-tier Tribunal has yet to make a decision under section 29, or
- (c) the First-tier Tribunal is considering, under section 28(1)(b), whether to give permission for the individual to bring an appeal against a determination of the individual's entitlement to the type of assistance in question.

PART 2

ASSISTANCE TO BE GIVEN

Value and form of assistance where entitlement to other assistance under review

- 2 (1) This paragraph applies to any case in which an individual is eligible for short-term assistance by virtue of provision made in accordance with paragraph 1(1).
 - (2) In this paragraph, "the superseded determination" means the determination that has been superseded with one of the results mentioned in paragraph 1(1)(b), as a consequence of which the individual in question is eligible for short-term assistance.
 - (3) In relation to a case to which this paragraph applies, the regulations must provide for the value of the short-term assistance given to an individual in respect of any period to be equal to—

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V1 is the value of the assistance that the individual would have been given in respect of the period under the superseded determination had it not been superseded, and

V2 is the value of the assistance that the individual is to be given in respect of the period under what is, at the time the individual becomes eligible for short-term assistance in respect of the period, the most recent determination of the individual's entitlement to the type of assistance to which the superseded determination relates.

(4) In relation to a case to which this paragraph applies, the regulations must provide for the rules regarding the form in which short-term assistance is given to an individual to be the same as the rules governing the form in which the type of assistance to which the superseded determination relates may be given.

PART 3

FINAL PROVISIONS

Generality of enabling power unaffected

3 Nothing in this schedule is to be taken to preclude the regulations from providing for an individual to be eligible for short-term assistance in circumstances other than those described in paragraph 1.

Interpretation

4 In this schedule, "the regulations" means regulations under section 18(2).>

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Section 20

Jeane Freeman

156 In section 20, page 8, line 2, at end insert—

<() Despite subsection (3), an individual may make another application for a particular type of assistance in respect of an event if the latest determination of the individual's entitlement to that type of assistance in respect of the event states that the individual may make another application.>

Section 31

Jeane Freeman

157 In section 31, page 11, line 19, after <(3)> insert <, (3A)>

Jeane Freeman

- **158** In section 31, page 11, line 28, at end insert—
 - <(3A) This subsection applies to a person acting on behalf of an individual to whom subsection (3) applies in relation any application for the assistance or the determination of the individual's entitlement.>

After section 32

Jeane Freeman

159 After section 32, insert—

<Appointees

Appointment of person to act on behalf of individual

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may appoint a person (an "appointee")—
 - (a) to act on behalf of an individual in connection with the determination of the individual's entitlement to assistance under section 8, and
 - (b) to receive such assistance on the individual's behalf.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may only appoint an appointee if it appears to them that either subsection (3) or (4) applies.
- (3) This subsection applies if—
 - (a) the individual is deceased, and
 - (b) there is no executor appointed on the individual's estate.
- (4) This subsection applies if, in relation to the matters mentioned in subsection (1)—
 - (a) the individual is incapable within the meaning of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000,
 - (b) there is no guardian acting or appointed under that Act,
 - (c) the individual's estate is not being administered by a judicial factor, and
 - (d) there is no other person who has authority to act on behalf of the individual and is willing to do so.
- (5) An individual who is under 16 years may not be appointed as an appointee.
- (6) Where an appointee is appointed in relation to an individual—

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- (a) the appointee can do anything that the individual could do in connection with the determination of the individual's entitlement to assistance (including making an application for assistance),
- (b) the Scottish Ministers may request that the appointee provide them with information that they may otherwise request the individual to provide under section 30 (and sections 32(2) and (3) apply to that request as they apply to a request made to the individual),
- (c) any information that would be given to the individual under or by virtue of this Part must be given to the appointee instead.
- (7) The Scottish Ministers may terminate an appointment under this section at any time.>

Section 33

Jeane Freeman

160 In section 33, page 12, line 15, at end insert <and

- (d) if the determination is of an individual's entitlement to assistance in respect of an event, a decision about whether the individual's application for assistance in respect of the event is possibly premature.
- () If it is decided under subsection (1)(d) that an individual's application for assistance in respect of an event is possibly premature, the determination must include a statement that the individual may make another application for assistance in respect of the event.
- () An individual's application for assistance in respect of an event is possibly premature for the purpose of subsection (1)(d) if—
 - (a) the decision under subsection (1)(a) is that the eligibility rules prescribed in the applicable regulations are not satisfied in the individual's case, and
 - (b) it is possible that circumstances may change so that, in relation to the event in question, those rules will be satisfied in the individual's case.>

After section 48

Jeane Freeman

161 After section 48, insert—

<Agency arrangements for housing assistance

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations provide for the functions conferred on them by virtue of Part 2 to be exercised on their behalf by local authorities, but only in relation to housing assistance.
- (2) Regulations under this section may in particular—
 - (a) specify the functions that local authorities are to exercise on the Scottish Ministers' behalf,
 - (b) make provision identifying the persons in relation to whom a local authority is to exercise those functions, and
 - (c) provide for any enactment (including this Act) to apply subject to such modifications as the Ministers consider appropriate in consequence of functions falling to be exercised by a local authority on the Ministers' behalf.
- (3) Regulations under this section do not affect the Scottish Ministers' responsibility for the exercise of their functions.
- (4) In subsection (1), "functions" does not include regulation-making functions.>

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Section 49

Jeane Freeman

162 In section 49, page 19, line 22, at end insert—

- <() Financial assistance under this section may be given to an individual by way of—
 - (a) payment to the individual,
 - (b) payment to another person to meet, or contribute towards meeting, any liability the individual has to that person,
 - (c) deduction from any liability the individual has to the authority giving the assistance which is connected to housing costs,
 - (d) any combination of the ways mentioned in the preceding paragraphs.>

Section 51

Jeane Freeman

163 In section 51, page 20, line 11, leave out subsection (2)

After section 52

Jeane Freeman

164 After section 52, insert—

<Local authorities need not make payments if not funded

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may make grants to local authorities to fund the giving of financial assistance under section 49.
- (2) Monies granted to an authority under subsection (1) may be spent only on giving financial assistance under section 49.
- (3) If an authority has spent all monies granted to it under subsection (1), the authority may refuse to consider any application for financial assistance under section 49.
- (4) If, by virtue of subsection (3), an authority is refusing to consider applications, it need not comply with section 51.
- (5) For the avoidance of doubt, subsection (3) does not prevent an authority from considering applications or giving financial assistance under section 49 should it choose to.>

Section 55

Jeane Freeman

165 In section 55, page 21, line 25, after <48> insert <, (Agency arrangements for housing assistance)>

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Proposals for Members' Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no indication is given that the Scottish Government or UK Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at Proposals for Members' Bills/Session 5 Proposals:

http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/12419.aspx

Final Proposal for Member's Bills

Neil Bibby: Proposed Tied Pubs (Code and Adjudicator) (Scotland) Bill— Proposal for a Bill to establish a Pubs Code in Scotland to govern the relationship between tenants of tied pubs and their owners, and an Adjudicator to enforce the code (lodged 9 January 2018)

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

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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.

Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 31 January 2018 Stage 2 (Finance and Constitution Committee), 7 February 2018 Following the Parliament's agreement to motion S5M-10213, Stage 2 amendments should be lodged by 4.30 pm on Friday 2 February, 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)), 6 December 2017

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

Stage 1 completed, 16 January 2018 Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 1 February 2018

Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 13 December 2017 Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

Passed, 30 January 2018

Historical Sexual Offences (Pardons and Disregards) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 1 February 2018

Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 24 January 2018

Islands (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 Report (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee) published, 22 January 2018

Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Relief from Additional Amount) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Finance and Constitution Committee, 6 December 2017

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

Stage 1 completed, 25 January 2018 Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Planning (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Committee), 30 January 2018 Lead committee - Local Government and Communities

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

Consideration Stage (evidence, lead committee (Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill Committee), 24 January 2018

Scottish Crown Estate Bill (G)

Introduced, 24 January 2018

Social Security (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Social Security Committee), 1 February 2018 Amendments to Part 2, Chapter 2 (including associated schedules 1 to 7) should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 2 February 2018 (<u>LegislationTeam@parliament.scot</u>)

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

http://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/31313.aspx

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

Lodged on 12 September 2017 Debate, meeting of the Parliament, 23 January 2018 Interim Report - Finance and Constitution Committee (1st Report, 2018)

Financial Guidance and Claims Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-11

Lodged on 13 December 2017 Lead committee (Economy, Jobs and Fair Work), 30 January 2018

Trade Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-12

Lodged on 20 December 2017 Lead committee - Finance and Constitution

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Lead committee to report by 8 February 2018

<u>Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Amendment Order</u> 2018 [draft] (15 December 2017) (Education and Skills)

Police Act 1997 and the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 Remedial Order 2018 [draft] (15 December 2017) (Education and Skills)

Lead committee to report by 22 February 2018

<u>Registers of Scotland (Digital Registration, etc.) Regulations 2018 [draft]</u> (20 December 2017) (Economy, Jobs and Fair Work)

Lead committee to report by 23 February 2018

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Local Government and Communities Committee, 4th Report 2018 (Session 5): Stage 1 Report on the Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (SP Paper 270)

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