

Monday 8 January 2018

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

Today's Business
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Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 3 January 2018

Tuesday 9 January 2018

2:00 pm Time for Reflection - Reverend Dan Harper, Minister, Bridge of Allan Parish Church, Stirlingshire

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee Debate: Article 50 Withdrawal Negotiations

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-08354 Ben Macpherson: Maintenance of Tenement Communal Property

Wednesday 10 January 2018

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Justice and the Law Officers

Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Glasgow 2018 European Championships

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-09628 Adam Tomkins: Holocaust Memorial Day 2018

Thursday 11 January 2018

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S5M-09621 Tom Arthur: Carer Positive Employer Initiative

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Government Debate: Developing the Young Workforce - Publication of the third annual report

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 16 January 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 17 January 2018

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 18 January 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

Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

9 January 2018

1st Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Economic Data (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
3. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider its submission to the Finance Committee on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19.
4. **Financial Guidance and Claims Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider its approach to the legislative consent memorandum lodged by Keith Brown, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work (LCM(S5)11).

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 16 January, the Committee expects to consider the oral evidence on its Scotland's Economic Performance inquiry.

For further information, contact Alison Walker the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are economyjobsandfairwork@parliament.scot on extension 85403.

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

9 January 2018

1st Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report to the Finance and Constitution Committee on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 16 January, the Committee will consider the Scottish Government's Wildlife Crime in Scotland Annual Report 2016. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Tullis, on 0131 348 5240 or ecclr.committee@parliament.scot.

Health and Sport Committee

9 January 2018

1st Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Draft Budget 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Paul Gray, Director General Health & Social Care and Chief Executive NHSScotland, and Christine McLaughlin, Director of Health Finance, Scottish Government.

2. **Targets and Indicators in Health and Social Care in Scotland - A Review:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Paul Gray, Director General Health & Social Care and Chief Executive NHSScotland, Geoff Huggins, Director for Health and Social Care Integration, and Dr Catherine Calderwood, Chief Medical Officer, Scottish Government.

3. **Draft Budget 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the session.
4. **Targets and Indicators in Health and Social Care in Scotland - A Review (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the session.
5. **Care Home Sustainability (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft approach paper.
6. **The 2018 General Medical Services Contract in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft approach paper.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact David Cullum, the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5210 or by email david.cullum@parliament.scot

Justice Committee

9 January 2018

1st Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report to the Finance and Constitution Committee.
2. **Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Repeal) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 16 January, the Committee expects to hold a one-off round-table evidence session on remand, and to consider subordinate legislation. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath, on 0131 348 5195 or by email peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot

Local Government and Communities Committee

10 January 2018

1st Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft response to the Finance Committee on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 17 January, the Committee expects to take evidence on the Barclay Review of Business Rates, to consider subordinate legislation and to consider a draft report, in private, on its homelessness inquiry.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jane Williams, on 0131-348-5232 or LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot.

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

10 January 2018

1st Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2018-19 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report to the Finance Committee on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2018-19.
2. **Islands (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 17 January, the Committee expects to consider a draft report on Islands (Scotland) Bill.

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

Education and Skills Committee

10 January 2018

1st Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 11:30 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision to take agenda item in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda item 2 in private.
2. **Draft Budget 2018/2019:** The Committee will consider its response to the Scottish Government on the Draft Budget.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 15th January 2018 the Committee expects will continue to take evidence on the proposed Education reforms. For further information please contact Roz Thomson, the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are roz.thomson@parliament.scot on extension 85222.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

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Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- * before the number indicates publication for the first time
- *...* 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.

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***S5M-09768 John Mason: Rohingya Muslims**—That the Parliament deplores the reported military crackdown on the Rohingya Muslim population in Burma, which it understands has been described by the UN as “ethnic cleansing”; believes that the Rohingya are considered by many to be the “world’s most persecuted minority”, with them reportedly being denied citizenship and left effectively stateless since the country’s formation; understands that the recent military crackdown was ostensibly launched in response to attacks on police stations and, since then, the violence has grown; notes with concern reports of mass rapes, burned villages and displacement of more than half a million people by the military; deplores the decision reportedly taken by Burma to ban Yanghee Lee, a UN special rapporteur, from visiting the country; understands that the vast majority of the Rohingya refugees are sheltering in Bangladesh, with a deal to repatriate them to Burma being discussed by the two countries; notes the widespread concern, including by residents of the Glasgow Shettleston constituency, regarding the ongoing crisis in Burma/Myanmar, and notes the belief that extra pressure from the international community is essential to stop the violence and reach a lasting settlement.

Supported by: Ivan McKee*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Bill Kidd*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-09776 Michelle Ballantyne: Two Borderers Appointed OBEs**—That the Parliament recognises two Borderers recognised in the Queen’s 2018 New Year’s Honours List; understands that the co-founder of the Jupiter Ecology Fund, Teresa Tennant, who is from Innerleithen, will be appointed an OBE for her services to sustainable investment, and that Raymond Entwistle, who is from Lauder, will also be appointed an OBE for his services to voluntary and charitable services to the arts; acknowledges the commitment that the pair have shown to their communities, and welcomes the recognition of their dedication.

***S5M-09775 Michelle Ballantyne: British Empire Medal for Broughton Resident**—That the Parliament acknowledges Mary Brownlie, who has been recognised for more than 50 years of service to her community; notes that the Broughton resident was awarded a British Empire Medal for her work after being recognised in the Queen’s Birthday Honours in June 2017; understands

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that Mary was the President of the Scottish Women's Institute in Broughton for 20 years and a Justice of the Peace for 30 years, as well as taking up many other positions within the community over the years, and congratulates Mary on her outstanding achievement.

***S5M-09774 Jackson Carlaw: Marsha Gladstone Recognised as a Points of Light**

Outstanding Volunteer—That the Parliament welcomes the recognition of Marsha Gladstone as a Points of Light outstanding volunteer for her work with the Yoni Jesner Foundation; understands that Points of Light was first established in the United States by President George HW Bush and introduced into the UK by the then Prime Minister, David Cameron, in 2014; recognises the work that Marsha Gladstone has done within Eastwood and the UK through the Yoni Jesner Foundation to honour the life of her son, Yoni Jesner; notes that Yoni was a former pupil of Belmont House School in Newton Mearns who planned to be a medical doctor; acknowledges that Yoni was only 19 when his life was cut short on 19 September 2002 when he and five others were killed in a Tel Aviv suicide bombing; commends the subsequent decision of his parents to allow for Yoni's organs to be donated to save the life of a young Palestinian girl, Yasmin Abu Ramila, who had experienced kidney failure since birth, and thanks the Yoni Jesner Foundation and Marsha Gladstone for their continued work to encourage volunteering, among other issues.

***S5M-09772 John Mason: Fat Cat Thursday**—That the Parliament notes so-called Fat Cat Thursday on 4 January 2018, which is the date in the new year by which top chief executives will have earned more than the average UK salary; understands that the figures are calculated by the High Pay Centre (HPC) and the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD); further understands that the average chief executive earns 120 times more than the average full-time employee, in spite of a reported fall in pay to top execs of a fifth; agrees with Peter Cheese, Chief Executive of the CIPD, that “we need a radical rethink on how and why we reward chief executives, taking into account a much more balanced scorecard of success beyond financial outcomes and looking more broadly at areas like people management”; believes that there is still much work to be done in tackling the problems of inequality that it considers have grown under poor management of consecutive UK governments, and calls on the UK Government to take further steps to curb excessive pay gaps in the workplace.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*

***S5M-09771 Michelle Ballantyne: Haddington Pipe Band Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates the winners of the 2017 Haddington Pipe Band Awards; notes that Alexander Hogg was named the recipient of the Gail Wilkinson Award for the most improved young piper, while David Paterson picked up the Band Member of the Year prize, and Catriona Dee won the Niall Fairgrieve Award for the most improved young drummer; understands that the awards were distributed by the East Lothian Provost, John McMillan, at the charity's AGM, and wishes the Haddington Pipe Band the very best as it continues to develop young musical talent in the town.

***S5M-09770 Gordon Lindhurst: Shelter Scotland Sale in Stockbridge**—That the Parliament congratulates Shelter Scotland on another busy opening to its sale in the Stockbridge shop in Edinburgh; understands that the sale has started on the first business day after Hogmanay for the last 16 years and has once again proved to be popular with consumers, with £2,000 being spent within the first hour; notes the success of previous years, including last year's record breaking £18,375 in the launch week; recognises that funds raised from the annual sale go towards Shelter Scotland's work in ensuring that people do not have to face bad housing or homelessness alone, and wishes Shelter Scotland all the very best with the sale over the coming weeks.

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***[S5M-09769](#) Alison Johnstone: Edinburgh Standard for Zero-carbon New Buildings**—That the Parliament congratulates the City of Edinburgh Council on agreeing to investigate the introduction of an Edinburgh standard for zero-carbon new buildings; notes that the standard would require new buildings in Edinburgh to be net zero-carbon, as defined in the 2007 report, *A Low Carbon Building Standards Strategy for Scotland*; understands that nearly half of UK carbon dioxide emissions are associated with buildings and that energy efficiency has been designated a national infrastructure priority; regrets that the recommendation in the 2007 report for a national standard for net zero-carbon new buildings to be introduced by 2016-17 has not been implemented, and calls on the Scottish Government to set a date to implement the report's recommendations.

Supported by: Alex Cole-Hamilton*

***[S5M-09767](#) Kenneth Gibson: Congratulations to the William Quarrier Scottish Epilepsy Centre**—That the Parliament congratulates the William Quarrier Scottish Epilepsy Centre on securing a prestigious Laing Buisson award for primary care and diagnostics, which recognises excellence and innovation in the public, private and third sectors; notes that the centre was commended by the judges for its person-centred approach; further notes the efforts of the Scottish Epilepsy Centre to reduce the barriers to diagnosis and assessment of those who are most disadvantaged, and commends Quarriers for its development of a specialist clinical service on behalf of people with epilepsy in Scotland, which has received a national award and is internationally recognised by the specialist clinical community.

***[S5M-09766](#) John Mason: UK Economic Failure**—That the Parliament notes the OECD's revised forecast of just 1.2% growth for the UK economy in 2018, which, it believes, is due to Brexit uncertainty; understands that the forecast comes from the OECD Economic Outlook, Volume 2017, Issue 2, which was published in December 2017; further understands that the new figure would put the UK joint last among the 35 member countries for growth, alongside Japan and behind Italy with its projection of 1.5% growth; welcomes the analysis carried out by the TUC, which reportedly shows that British workers are likely to see their earnings fall by 0.7% in 2018 due to a rise in the cost of importing as a result of a fall in the value of the pound; understands that the TUC analysis highlights that only Spain and Italy are also expected to have negative wage growth, though both would outperform the UK; considers that the UK economy as a whole has been hopelessly mismanaged by the UK Government; believes that there is wide consensus that this economic slowdown is due to uncertainty caused by Brexit, with even the IMF's managing director reportedly citing it as the catalyst; further believes that any economic damage already done shows the danger that a badly handled process could have for the Scottish economy, and calls on the UK Government to adopt a policy of seeking membership of the European single market to minimise uncertainty and protect living standards from the damage that it considers a disastrous hard Brexit could cause.

Supported by: Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Ivan McKee*

***[S5M-09765](#) John Mason: Offensive Behaviour at Football**—That the Parliament deplores the reported behaviour of some Falkirk FC fans at a recent match with Dunfermline Athletic FC regarding a player with a disability; welcomes that Falkirk FC has apologised unreservedly for the "abhorrent behaviour" of some individuals; considers that hatred towards or discrimination against disabled people is unacceptable in any walk of life, including in football; believes that there is a tendency for some fans to express more offensive behaviour at football than in their normal lives, and hopes that any review of hate crime in Scotland will take particular account of problems affecting football.

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Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, David Torrance*

***S5M-09764 John Mason: NHS Data**—That the Parliament notes the reported calls from the British Medical Association’s (BMA) Scottish Council to move away from a focus on “crude” targets; believes that multiple targets are making it more difficult to focus on delivering the best care for patients who find themselves using the Scottish NHS; agrees with the reported comments by Peter Bennie, chairman of the BMA's Scottish Council, that “we need a fundamental shift to a more mature way of dealing with the data we have on our health service, which places more emphasis on doing the right things for patients and trusting doctors and healthcare staff to use their skills and judgement”; welcomes the offer from the BMA to work with those looking to build on the *Review of Targets and Indicators in Health and Social Care in Scotland*, which was carried out by Professor Sir Harry Burns on behalf of the Scottish Government and published in November 2017; believes that there should be further moves towards preventative spend in the community to reduce the pressure on more reactive services; recognises what it considers the importance of setting standards, and calls on all political parties and commentators to emphasise a wider view of patient care rather than just a few easily measured statistics.

***S5M-09763 Graeme Dey: Monifieth Befriending Scheme Funding from the Henry Duncan Grants Programme**—That the Parliament congratulates the Monifieth Befriending Scheme on receiving a grant of £5,000 from the Henry Duncan Grants programme, which is part of the Corra Foundation; understands that this funding will be put towards the salary of the scheme’s part-time coordinator; notes that each year the foundation distributes just under £1 million through the programme to grassroots charities working in their local communities, and welcomes the work of befriending groups such as the Monifieth Befriending Scheme in tackling social isolation.

***S5M-09762 Willie Coffey: Congratulations to Kilmarnock Wossobama Junior Fighters**—That the Parliament congratulates the Kilmarnock Wossobama Junior Fight Team as 10 young fighters qualified for the World Unified Martial Arts Championship 2017 in Carrara, Italy, returning five world champions and an amazing 22 medals, nine Gold, eight Silver and five Bronze; commends the team on their ability to excel in the face of world-class competition from Muay Thai Boxers and K1 Kickboxers from 108 countries; considers that this tremendous accomplishment can be credited to the dedication, effort and sheer talent demonstrated by Kilmarnock Wossobama Club’s members and coaches; offers special congratulations to world champions and gold medal winners, Annie McCaffrey, Kyle Donnelly, Lucca Rae, John Crawley and Liam Donnelly, Silver medal winners, Liam Donnelly, Natasha Armstrong, Mark Alderson and Ellie Wardrop, and Bronze medal winners, Tyler Brady, Nico McInnes and John Crawley as well as the gym owner and coaches, Kevin Dunnet, Justin Armstrong and David Bowie, and wishes the club continued success in the future.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Bob Doris*, Joan McAlpine*

***S5M-09761 Willie Coffey: Well Done to Fraser Wilson and David Wren**—That the Parliament congratulates local journalists, Fraser Wilson and David Wren, who recently won awards at the Media Scotland Regional Editorial Awards; notes that Fraser was awarded the Journalist of the Year for a second time after producing several exclusive stories in 2017, and that David Wren won the Kilmarnock Standard the Commercial Award for producing a special anniversary supplement celebrating the 20th anniversary of Kilmarnock FC's Scottish Cup win in 1997; thanks the journalists for their invaluable contribution, and wishes them all the best for the future.

Supported by: Bob Doris*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Stewart Stevenson*, Joan McAlpine*

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S5M-09760](#) Ben Macpherson: Ban the Sale and Use of Shock Collars and other Electronic “Training Aids” that Cause Pain or Distress to Dogs (lodged on 22 December 2017)

New Support: Clare Haughey*, Emma Harper*, Rona Mackay*, Jenny Gilruth*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-09757](#) Neil Findlay: A Successful Year for West Lothian Youth Foundation (lodged on 22 December 2017)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

[S5M-09756](#) Kenneth Gibson: Catalonia Votes to Hold an Independence Referendum (lodged on 22 December 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Clare Haughey*, Richard Lyle*, Alex Neil*, Stuart McMillan*, Bob Doris*

[S5M-09755](#) Fulton MacGregor: Break-in at Coatbridge Foodbank (lodged on 22 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*, Stuart McMillan*, Emma Harper*, Jenny Gilruth*, Bob Doris*

[S5M-09754](#) Linda Fabiani: Marie Curie Great Daffodil Appeal 2018 (lodged on 22 December 2017)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*, Edward Mountain*, Stuart McMillan*, Jenny Gilruth*, John Mason*, Emma Harper*, Bob Doris*, Miles Briggs*

[S5M-09753](#) Linda Fabiani: Happy 50th Anniversary, Samye Ling (lodged on 22 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*, Stuart McMillan*, Jenny Gilruth*, Bob Doris*

[S5M-09752](#) Linda Fabiani: Kilbryde Hospice, Serving the Community (lodged on 22 December 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Jenny Gilruth*, Emma Harper*, Bob Doris*

[S5M-09751](#) Emma Harper: Dalbeattie Men's Shed Named Best in the UK (lodged on 21 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*, Bob Doris*

[S5M-09750](#) Rachael Hamilton: Borders Street Pastors 100th Patrol (lodged on 21 December 2017)

New Support: Maurice Corry*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-09749](#) Graeme Dey: Gin Bothy Success at the Scottish EDGE Awards (lodged on 21 December 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-09748](#) Jackie Baillie: Haldane Youth Services (lodged on 21 December 2017)

New Support: Maurice Corry*

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[S5M-09747 Jackie Baillie: Arrochar Primary Celebrates 250 Years](#) (lodged on 21 December 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

[S5M-09746 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Report by the Jo Cox Commission on Loneliness](#) (lodged on 21 December 2017)

New Support: John Mason*, Monica Lennon*, Pauline McNeill*, Mark Ruskell*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liam Kerr*, Annie Wells*, Jackie Baillie*, Bill Kidd*, Neil Findlay*, Fulton MacGregor*, Kenneth Gibson*, Alison Johnstone*

[S5M-09745 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Kindred at Risk](#) (lodged on 21 December 2017)

New Support: Willie Rennie*, Andy Wightman*, Maurice Corry*, David Torrance*, Alison Johnstone*, Liz Smith*, Claudia Beamish*, Annie Wells*, Daniel Johnson*

[S5M-09742 Richard Lochhead: World Cancer Day 2018](#) (lodged on 20 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*, Kenneth Gibson*

[S5M-09741.1 Neil Findlay: Recognising the Unsung Heroes of Christmas](#) (lodged on 22 December 2017)

New Support: Iain Gray*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, James Kelly*, Elaine Smith*

[S5M-09726 Liam McArthur: Broons o' Westray Expands its Markets](#) (lodged on 20 December 2017)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Edward Mountain*

[S5M-09724 Gail Ross: Caithness General Hospital Guide on Pelvic Health Used Worldwide](#) (lodged on 20 December 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*

[S5M-09723 Gail Ross: The Barn in Ardgay](#) (lodged on 20 December 2017)

New Support: Bob Doris*

[S5M-09704 Angus MacDonald: Sahelis, Falkirk](#) (lodged on 20 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-09703 Sandra White: Catalan Regional Elections 2017](#) (lodged on 20 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-09697 John Finnie: Ulva Ferry Project](#) (lodged on 20 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-09687 Christine Grahame: Blood Bikes Scotland](#) (lodged on 19 December 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Miles Briggs*

[S5M-09674 Finlay Carson: Let's Get Sporty CIC](#) (lodged on 20 December 2017)

New Support: Emma Harper*

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[S5M-09666](#) Stuart McMillan: Scottish Water's £2.8m Investment Project in Greenock (lodged on 19 December 2017)

New Support: Maurice Corry*

[S5M-09649](#) Stewart Stevenson: Rosehearty Community Boat Club (lodged on 20 December 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-09628](#) Adam Tomkins: Holocaust Memorial Day 2018 (lodged on 18 December 2017)

New Support: John Mason*

[S5M-09621](#) Tom Arthur: Carer Positive Employer Initiative (lodged on 15 December 2017)

New Support: John Mason*

[S5M-09597](#) Colin Beattie: Queen Margaret University Helps Ease Students' Mental Illness (lodged on 15 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-09596](#) Colin Beattie: Midlothian Young People's Advice Service Receives Grant to Aid LGBTQ Youth (lodged on 15 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-09589](#) Gail Ross: Campaign Work of WWF Scotland (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

[S5M-09580](#) Andy Wightman: The Scotland Declaration on Human Rights (lodged on 14 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-09569](#) Daniel Johnson: Edinburgh Children's Hospital Charity (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

[S5M-09568](#) Angus MacDonald: Elizabeth Laird Celebrates her 105th Birthday (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-09560](#) Angus MacDonald: TSB Falkirk Present £10,000 to Cycling Without Age (lodged on 13 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-09518](#) Brian Whittle: Recognising the Importance of NHS Rehab Programmes (lodged on 12 December 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton*

[S5M-09433](#) Bruce Crawford: Stirling Gin On Track for Success with ScotRail (lodged on 07 December 2017)

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New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton*

[S5M-09428](#) Clare Adamson: The Dangers of Counterfeit and Imitation Apple Chargers
(lodged on 07 December 2017)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-09361](#) Joan McAlpine: 3D Computer Animation Student, Malcolm Ireland (lodged on 06 December 2017)

New Support: Emma Harper*

[S5M-08816](#) Gordon MacDonald: Broomhouse Primary Receives Prestigious Gold Sports Award (lodged on 10 November 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*

[S5M-08667](#) Pauline McNeill: Benefit of Cannabis to People with MS (lodged on 06 November 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*

[S5M-08598](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Save the City of Edinburgh Music School (lodged on 02 November 2017)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*

[S5M-08354](#) Ben Macpherson: Maintenance of Tenement Communal Property (lodged on 24 October 2017)

New Support: Bob Doris*

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Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged from 23 December 2017 to 05 January 2018

S5W-13651 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how many patients are waiting to have a sacral nerve stimulation for urinary incontinence (UI) carried out in the current National Services Division service for UI in Scotland, broken down by NHS board.

S5W-13652 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the policy for sacral nerve stimulation procedures for treatment of urinary incontinence is based on funding for a fixed number of procedures per year for all Scotland.

S5W-13653 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what the current waiting times are from referral to testing for the sacral nerve stimulation procedures service, broken down by NHS board.

S5W-13654 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of a reported higher prevalence of urinary incontinence, for what reason patients are less likely to be referred for sacral nerve stimulation with urinary incontinence than faecal incontinence.

S5W-13655 Willie Rennie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider using the £20 million it has committed for Cupar North Development in the Tay Cities Deal plan to support alternative proposals in north east Fife.

S5W-13656 Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-11769 by Shona Robison on 13 November 2017, whether it will publish the national trauma network implementation plan, which was due to be completed by the end of December.

S5W-13657 Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) delayed and (b) cancelled trains there were between Edinburgh and Perth in 2017, broken down by date and time.

S5W-13658 Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what the impact will be on Scotland's (a) recycling targets, (b) local authority collection schemes and (c) levels of waste incineration of the reported Chinese import restrictions on plastic recycle.

S5W-13659 Michelle Ballantyne: To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take in response to the Civil Service People Survey 2017, which reportedly found that, of Education Scotland's staff, just (a) 7% agree that change was "managed well" by the organisation in 2017 and (b) 18% had confidence in the leadership team.

S5W-13660 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made with its review of pathology and laboratory medicine services, and when it expects the review will be completed.

S5W-13661 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the commitment in its strategy, *Beating Cancer: Ambition and Action*, what steps have been taken to assess what can be done to optimise opportunities for access to off-patent drugs.

S5W-13662 Kenneth Gibson: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that women who are prescribed sodium valproate are (a) adequately counselled regarding the risks of taking the drug while pregnant and (b) supported to plan their pregnancies in order to minimise the risk of foetal abnormalities.

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[S5W-13663](#) Kenneth Gibson: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent MBRRACE-UK triennial report on UK maternal deaths, which reportedly found that, for 78% of women with epilepsy who died, improvements in their care were identified that may have changed the outcome, and what its position is on the evidence that there is "a lack of ownership for the care of women with epilepsy, fragmented services and inefficient or poor communication".

[S5W-13664](#) Kenneth Gibson: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on NHS Dumfries and Galloway reportedly being the only mainland NHS board with no paediatric epilepsy specialist nurse.

[S5W-13665](#) Christine Grahame: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the increase in the number of people attending A&E over the winter months, particularly regarding orthopaedic treatments, what data is collected on the cause of visits, and whether they relate to falling or slipping on icy pavements.

[S5W-13666](#) Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government what its assessment is of the reported difference between NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde's average spend of £76 on hospital food per patient per week and NHS Lothian's average spend of £102.

[S5W-13667](#) Bill Bowman: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on statements by NHS Tayside that the Scottish Government is reducing spending on health improvement and that this "is counterproductive in achieving the national indicators".

[S5W-13668](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the Baby Box scheme is mentioned in the Education and Skills section of its Draft Budget while the £8 million budget is shown in Level 4 of the Health and Sport budget.

[S5W-13669](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how much the Baby Box scheme will cost in 2018-19, in light of FOI response FOI/17/02557, which states it will cost £8.8 million, and its Draft Budget, which states the budget is £8 million.

[S5W-13670](#) Ben Macpherson: To ask the Scottish Government how many affordable homes have been delivered since 2007, and how the supply of affordable housing per head of population in Scotland compares with that in England.

[S5W-13671](#) Ben Macpherson: To ask the Scottish Government how many homes have been delivered since 2007 for social rent, and how the supply of homes for social rent compares with that in England.

[S5W-13672](#) Ben Macpherson: To ask the Scottish Government what the average level of grant funding is for each affordable housing unit in Scotland, and how this compares with England.

[S5W-13673](#) Michelle Ballantyne: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to reverse the reported decline in social and economic wellbeing in Scotland, in light of the country reportedly being ranked 16th out of 32 countries in the Index of Social and Economic Wellbeing in 2006 but falling to 20th by 2016, and being one of just five countries to see a fall in their overall index scores.

[S5W-13674](#) Michelle Ballantyne: To ask the Scottish Government how the contract tendering process for the second year of the Baby Box scheme will operate.

[S5W-13675](#) Michelle Ballantyne: To ask the Scottish Government what procedures are in place to ensure a high standard of quality in the next generation of baby boxes.

[S5W-13676](#) Michelle Ballantyne: To ask the Scottish Government what procedures are in place to ensure that all products included in the second generation of baby boxes are produced in Scotland or the UK.

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[S5W-13677](#) Michelle Ballantyne: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the proposals by Public Health England to limit children's snacks to 100 calories, whether it will consider a similar approach for Scotland in an effort to tackle childhood obesity.

[S5W-13678](#) Michelle Ballantyne: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on the average number of sugary snacks consumed by primary school children each day in 2016-17.

[S5W-13680](#) Michelle Ballantyne: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to tackle the reported increase in the number of term-time holidays taken by pupils, in light of the reported concerns that it is damaging their education.

Progress of Legislation

Bills

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the Scottish Parliament website at:

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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.

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 (lead committee (Justice)), 19 December 2017

Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 12 December 2017

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

Edinburgh Bakers' Widows' Fund Bill (P)

Passed, 21 November 2017

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Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 13 December 2017

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

Stage 2 completed, 21 December 2017

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

Stage 1, Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 19 December 2017

Lead committee - Equalities and Human Rights

Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 13 December 2017

Islands (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 8 November 2017

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 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 12 December 2017

Planning (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 4 December 2017

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

Consideration Stage (evidence, lead committee (Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill Committee)), 13 December 2017

Social Security (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Social Security Committee), 25 January 2018

Amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Amendments to Part 1 should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 19 January 2018

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

Passed, 20 December 2017

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

Passed, 14 December 2017

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

Lodged on 12 September 2017

(lead committee (Finance and Constitution)), 20 December 2017

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

Lodged on 13 December 2017

Lead committee - *Economy, Jobs and Fair Work*

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

Lodged on 20 December 2017

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

Affirmative instruments

Lead committee to report by 4 February 2018

[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Covert Surveillance and Property Interference – Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\]](#) (11 December 2017) (Justice)

[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Equipment Interference – Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\]](#) (11 December 2017) (Justice)

[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Covert Human Intelligence Sources – Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\]](#) (11 December 2017) (Justice)

Lead committee to report by 8 February 2018

[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 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

[Registers of Scotland \(Digital Registration, etc.\) Regulations 2018 \[draft\]](#) (20 December 2017) (Economy, Jobs and Fair Work)

Lead committee to report by 23 February 2018

[Community Empowerment \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Supplementary and Consequential Provisions\) Order 2018 \[draft\]](#) (21 December 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Negative instruments

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Subject to annulment by 10 January 2018

Lead committee to report by 8 January 2018

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Health and Education Chamber and General Regulatory Chamber Charity Appeals \(Procedure\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/398\)](#) (16 November 2017) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 18 January 2018

Lead committee to report by 15 January 2018

[Novel Foods \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/415\)](#) (24 November 2017) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 24 January 2018

Lead committee to report by 22 January 2018

[Razor Clams \(Prohibition on Fishing and Landing\) \(Scotland\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/419\)](#) (30 November 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Notice to Local Authorities \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/421\)](#) (30 November 2017) (Justice)

[Sale of Nicotine Vapour Products \(Vending Machines\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/422\)](#) (30 November 2017) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 31 January 2018

Lead committee to report by 29 January 2018

[Letting Agent \(Registration and Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/428\)](#) (7 December 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

[Fife Council Area and Perth and Kinross Council Area \(Keltybridge and Fife Environmental Energy Park at Westfield\) Boundaries Amendment Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/430\)](#) (7 December 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 6 February 2018

Lead committee to report by 5 February 2018

[National Health Service Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/433\)](#) (13 December 2017) (Health and Sport)

[National Health Service Superannuation Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/434\)](#) (13 December 2017) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 7 February 2018

Lead committee to report by 5 February 2018

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Amendment and Transitional Provision\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/435\)](#) (14 December 2017) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 8 February 2018

Lead committee to report by 5 February 2018

[Universal Credit \(Claims and Payments\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/436\)](#) (15 December 2017) (Social Security)

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[Sea Fish \(Prohibited Methods of Fishing\) \(Firth of Clyde\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/450\)](#) (15 December 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Electricity Works \(Environmental Impact Assessment\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/451\)](#) (15 December 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 22 February 2018

Lead committee to report by 19 February 2018

[Teachers' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/454\)](#) (20 December 2017) (Education and Skills)

Subject to annulment by 23 February 2018

Lead committee to report by 19 February 2018

[Specified Crustaceans \(Prohibition on Landing, Sale and Carriage\) \(Scotland\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/455\)](#) (21 December 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Allotments \(Compensation\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/457\)](#) (21 December 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

[Forced Marriage etc. \(Protection and Jurisdiction\) \(Scotland\) Act 2011 \(Relevant Third Party\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/461\)](#) (21 December 2017) (Justice)

Documents laid for consultation

Laid for consultation before 22 January 2018

[Public Services Reform \(Poverty and Inequality Commission\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\] \[Proposed Draft Order\] \(SG/2017/239\)](#) (8 November 2017) (Social Security)

[Public Services Reform \(Poverty and Inequality Commission\) \(Scotland\) Order 2018 \[draft\] \[Proposed Explanatory Document\] \(SG/2017/240\)](#) (8 November 2017) (Social Security)

New Documents

Committee Reports

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The following report was published on 8 January 2017—

Local Government and Communities Committee, 1st Report, 2018 (Session 5): City Regions - Deal or No Deal? (SP Paper 254)

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 3 January 2018 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Report to the Scottish Parliament in respect of changes to the National Health Service Pension Scheme (Scotland) SG/2017/281 laid on 8 December 2017 has been withdrawn.

Report to the Scottish Parliament in respect of changes to The National Health Service Pension Scheme (Scotland) SG/2018/3 laid under Section 22 of The Public Service Pensions Act 2013.

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