

Thursday 24 May 2018

Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

- 11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 11:40 am** General Questions
- 12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions
- 12:45 pm** Members' Business — S5M-10202
Mary Fee: Celebrating Scotland's
Gypsy/Traveller Community
- 2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 2:30 pm** Ministerial Statement: Northern Isles
Ferry Procurement
- followed by** Local Government and
Communities Committee Debate:
Consultation on the draft National Outcomes
- followed by** Business Motions
- followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 5:00 pm** Decision Time

Committee Meetings

- 9:00am** Culture, Tourism, Europe and
External Relations Committee
- 9:00am** Public Audit and Post-legislative
Scrutiny Committee
- 9:30am** Social Security Committee
- 10:00am** Public Petitions Committee
- 10:00am** Standards, Procedures and Public
Appointments Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Ross Greer:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the responses to the three consultations informing its Education Governance Review. ([S5O-02137](#))
- 2. Daniel Johnson:** [Not Lodged] ([S5O-02138](#))
- 3. Graeme Dey:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact the introduction of average speed cameras on the A90 has had on road safety between Dundee and Aberdeen. ([S5O-02139](#))
- 4. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on concerns of people in the agricultural community regarding livestock worrying. ([S5O-02140](#)) **R**
- 5. Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government what arrangements are in place for patients at the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre who require treatment at weekends or after 6 pm on weekdays. ([S5O-02141](#))
- 6. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve the accessibility and increase the availability of properties of all tenure types that are suitable for disabled people. ([S5O-02142](#))
- 7. Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the trend in spending per primary school pupil since 2010. ([S5O-02143](#))
- 8. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government what mental health support it has in place for apprenticeships and work placements. ([S5O-02144](#))
- 9. John Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the long-term financial position of NHS Ayrshire and Arran. ([S5O-02145](#))
- 10. James Dornan:** [Not Lodged] ([S5O-02146](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Ruth Davidson:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-02358](#))
- 2. Richard Leonard:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-02359](#))
- 3. Patrick Harvie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-02360](#))
- 4. Richard Lochhead:** To ask the First Minister what assessment the Scottish Government has made of how any proposed post-Brexit trade deal with the United States could impact on the whisky sector. ([S5F-02366](#))
- 5. Annie Wells:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that nearly £4 million is being spent on sending X-rays, and CT and MRI scans to radiologists outwith Scotland. ([S5F-02379](#))
- 6. Iain Gray:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to calls at the Scottish Secondary Teachers' Association conference for the proposed Education Bill to be shelved. ([S5F-02375](#))
- 7. Jenny Marra:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's position is on the vision of Scottish Swimming: Everyone Can Swim. ([S5F-02378](#))

12:45 pm Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

S5M-10202 Mary Fee: Celebrating Scotland's Gypsy/Traveller Community—That the Parliament celebrates what it sees as the rich social and cultural contribution that the Gypsy/Traveller community has made to society in Scotland since the 12th century; acknowledges that the Equality and Human Rights Commission has estimated that the country's Gypsy/Traveller population is between 15,000 to 20,000; understands that the term, "Gypsy/Traveller", refers to distinct groups, including Romany Gypsies, Scottish and Irish travellers, and others who regard travelling as being part of their ethnic identity; believes that they experience a variety of issues related to provision of adequate housing and access to public health services, with a much higher proportion rating their health as "bad" or "very bad" compared with the national average; believes that this contributes to a male life expectancy of 55 years, 12 years shorter than the average; understands that they are a disproportionately marginalised and discriminated group and are stigmatised by inaccurate myths and stereotyping about their culture; notes with distress that the most recent statistics from the Scottish Social Attitudes Survey suggests that 31% of people would be "unhappy or very unhappy" about a close relative marrying a Gypsy/Traveller, and that 35% said that a Gypsy/Traveller would be "very/fairly unsuitable" as a primary school teacher, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to increase its commitment to eliminating discrimination against the Scottish Gypsy/Traveller community in West Scotland and throughout the country through strengthening existing equality legislation and providing greater support for inclusivity and equality training to ensure greater protection.

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Ministerial Statement: Northern Isles Ferry Procurement

followed by **Local Government and Communities Committee Debate: Consultation on the draft National Outcomes**

S5M-12324 Bob Doris: Report on the Consultation on the Scottish Government's Draft National Outcomes—That the Parliament notes the findings and recommendations in the Local Government and Communities Committee's 7th report, 2018 (Session 5), *Report on the Consultation on the Scottish Government's Draft National Outcomes* (SP Paper 317), and the other committees' responses contained in the annexe to the report.

followed by **Business Motions**

followed by **Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

S5M-12432 Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Bureau Motion—That the Parliament agrees that the following changes to committee membership will apply from close of business on Thursday 24 May—

Gordon MacDonald be appointed to replace Ruth Maguire as a member of the Education and Skills Committee; and

Alex Neil be appointed to replace Gil Paterson as a member of the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee.

S5M-12433 Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Bureau Motion—That the Parliament agrees that—

Willie Coffey be appointed to replace Alex Neil as a substitute member of the Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee;

Clare Haughey be appointed to replace Stewart Stevenson as a substitute member of the Justice Committee; and

David Torrance be appointed to replace Colin Beattie as a substitute member of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee.

5:00 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee 15th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Declaration of interests:** Jamie Greene and Alexander Stewart will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Scotland's Screen Sector:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Dr Michael Franklin, Institute for Creative and Cultural Entrepreneurship (ICCE), Goldsmiths College, University of London;
Andrew Barnes, Associate Director, Olsberg SPI;
Alex Tosta, Research Manager, RSU Team, The British Film Institute;
Dr Inge Sorensen, Lecturer in Digital Economy and Culture (Theatre, Film and Television Studies), University of Glasgow.

3. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2017 to 11 May 2018.
4. **Scotland's Screen Sector (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 14th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **The 2016/17 audit of NHS Tayside:** The Committee will take evidence from-

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

3. **The 2016/17 audit of NHS Tayside:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;
Claire Sweeney, Associate Director, Fiona Mitchell-Knight, Assistant Director of Audit, and Bruce Crosbie, Senior Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its approach to its future scrutiny of the major capital projects progress update and to post-legislative scrutiny.

Social Security Committee

13th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Michelle Ballantyne will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
3. **Scottish Welfare Fund:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Rosemary Agnew, Scottish Public Services Ombudsman;
Niki Maclean, Director, John Stevenson, Head of Improvement, Standards and Engagement, and Alison Jack, Scottish Welfare Fund Review Team Manager, Scottish Public Services Ombudsman.
4. **Petition PE1677:** The Committee will consider a petition by Dr Sarah Glynn, on behalf of the Scottish Unemployed Workers' Network, calling on the Scottish Parliament to make more money available to mitigate welfare cuts.
5. **Scottish Welfare Fund:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Public Petitions Committee 9th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Rachael Hamilton will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
[PE1682](#) by James Jamieson on Access to specialist support for hidradenitis suppurativa sufferers in Scotland; and
[PE1688](#) by Alastair Ewen on behalf of Westerton Garden Suburb Residents Association on Permitted development rights in conservation areas.
3. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
[PE1548](#) by Beth Morrison on National Guidance on Restraint and Seclusion in Schools;
[PE1577](#) by Rachael Wallace on Adult Cerebral Palsy Services;
[PE1596](#) by Paul Anderson , James McDermott and Chris Daly on In Care Survivors Service Scotland;
[PE1645](#) by James Ward on Review of legal aid in Scotland; and
[PE1668](#) by Anne Glennie on Improving literacy standards in schools through research-informed reading instruction.
4. **Consideration of a continued petition (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report on petition PE1603 by Mairi Campbell-Jack and Douglas Beattie on behalf of Quaker in Scotland and Forces Watch on ensuring greater scrutiny, guidance and consultation on armed forces visits to schools in Scotland.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 10th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Tom Mason will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
3. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take future consideration of a report from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland, and its own draft report on the complaint, in private at future meetings.
4. **Complaint:** The Committee will consider a report from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.
5. **Sexual harassment and inappropriate conduct (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

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