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Business Bulletin

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Change to membership of the Parliamentary Bureau

The Presiding Officer wishes to inform Members that Neil Findlay has replaced Rhoda Grant as the representative for the Scottish Labour Party on the Parliamentary Bureau.

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Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 3 October 2018

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2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Dr Kathleen Forbes, former Director, Family Life Centre Ministries, Stirling Baptist Church, Stirling

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Response to Recommendations on Financial Redress for Survivors of Child Abuse in Care

followed by Ministerial Statement: NHS performance

followed by Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee Debate: Making Scotland a Screen Leader, Report Examining the Scotlish Screen Sector

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Committee Announcements

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-11786 Jenny Gilruth: Fife Out-of-hours Closure

Wednesday 24 October 2018

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Health and Sport

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Health

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Inequality

followed by Business Motions

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followed by Members' Business — S5M-13681 Angela Constance: Support for Families of Loved Ones Killed Abroad

Thursday 25 October 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-14162 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Regulation of Electricians as a Profession

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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2:30 pm Ministerial Statement: Update on Primary 1 national standardised assessments **followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Government's inaugural Contribution to Development report

followed by Business Motions

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2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 31 October 2018

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Communities and Local Government; Social Security and Older People

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 1 November 2018

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business

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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

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 23 October 2018 28th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

 Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Jim Skea, Co-Chair IPCC Working Group III, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change;

Andy Kerr, Co-Director, Centre of Expertise on Climate Change – ClimateXChange (CXC);

and then from-

Lord Deben, Chairman, Committee on Climate Change.

Subordinate legislation: The Committee will take evidence on the Land Reform (Scotland)
 Act 2016 (Register of Persons Holding a Controlled Interest in Land) (Scotland) Regulations
 2021 [draft] from—

Roseanna Cunningham, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform, Pauline Davidson, Head of Land Reform Policy Team, Andrew Ruxton, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, and Dr Simon Cuthbert-Kerr, Head of Land Reform Unit, Scottish Government.

- 3. Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill (in private): The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting and received on the Bill.
- 4. **Subordinate legislation (in private):** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting on the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (Register of Persons Holding a Controlled Interest in Land) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 [draft].

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 24 October, the Committee will consider a Scottish Government consent notification on the EU Emissions Trading System.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Tullis on 0131 348 5051

Health and Sport Committee 23 October 2018 26th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report on its Pre-Budget Scrutiny.

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 Human Tissue (Authorisation) (Scotland) Bill (in private): The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1. Not before 12.30 pm

3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposals—

The Human Tissue (Quality and Safety for Human Application) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations.

The Quality and Safety of Organs Intended for Transplantation (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations, and

The Blood Safety and Quality (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations.

4. European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018: The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposals—

The General Food Law (EU Exit) Regulations 2018;

The General Foodstuffs Hygiene (EU Exit) Regulations 2018;

The Specific Foodstuffs (Hygiene) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018;

The Contaminants in Food (EU Exit) Regulations 2018; and

The Quick-Frozen Food (EU Exit) Regulations 2018

- 5. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny (in private):** The Committee will continue consideration of a draft report on its Pre-Budget Scrutiny.
- 6. **Preventative Agenda (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

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

Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee 23 October 2018 28th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5, 6 and 7 in private.
- 2. Publicly Owned Energy Company: The Committee will take evidence from-

Peter Speirs, Public Affairs Manager, Scottish Renewables;

Gail Scholes, Chief Executive Officer, Robin Hood Energy:

Nicholas Gubbins, Chief Executive, Community Energy Scotland;

Alister Steele, Chair, Our Power Energy Supply.

3. Damages (Investment Returns and Periodical Payments) (Scotland) Bill: The

Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Gordon Dalyell, Vice President, Association of Personal Injury Lawyers:

Patrick McGuire, Solicitor Advocate, Thompsons Solicitors;

Simon Di Rollo QC, Faculty of Advocates;

Professor Victoria Wass, Professor of HRM, Cardiff Business School.

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- Publicly Owned Energy Company: The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.
- 5. **Damages (Investment Returns and Periodical Payments) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.
- 6. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider a draft report.
- 7. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

The Committee will next meet on 30 October.

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

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 23 October 2018 30th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in private.
- 2. **Transport (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the delegated powers provisions in the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity; Brendan Rooney, Bill Team Manager;

Kevin Gibson, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate;

Kat Quane, Road Works Policy Adviser, Scottish Government.

- Instruments subject to affirmative procedure: The Committee will consider the following— Assigned Colleges (University of the Highlands and Islands) Order 2018 [draft]; Budget (Scotland) Act 2018 Amendment Regulations 2018 [draft]; First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Social Security Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland (Composition) Regulations 2018 [draft].
- 4. Instruments subject to negative procedure: The Committee will consider the following—
 Private Landlord Registration (Information and Fees) (Scotland) Amendment
 Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/292);

Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2018 (SSI 2018/293);

National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/300).

- 5. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
 - Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 (Commencement No. 2, Transitory and Saving Provision) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/298 (C.20)).
- 6. Transport (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier.
- 7. **Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
- 8. **Damages (Investment Returns and Periodical Payments) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the contents of a report to the Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee.

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- 9. **Children (Equal Protection from Assault) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the contents of a report to the Equalities and Human Rights Committee.
- 10. Work programme: The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

The Committee will meet again on Tuesday 30 October. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at dplr.committee@parliament.scot or on 0131 348 5212.

Justice Committee 23 October 2018 26th Meeting, 2018

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 8 in private.
- 2. **Post-legislative scrutiny of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Chief Superintendent Ivor Marshall, President, Association of Scottish Police Superintendents;

Stuart Aitken, Acting Chair for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Fire and Rescue Services Association;

Chris McGlone, Executive Council Member, Fire Brigades Union;

Calum Steele, General Secretary, Scottish Police Federation;

Michelle Brewster, Interim Branch Secretary, Police Staff Scotland Branch, Unison Scotland.

3. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will take evidence as part of its Pre-Budget Scrutiny from-

Humza Yousaf, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Neil Rennick, Director of Justice, Willie Cowan, Deputy Director, Criminal Justice, and Donna Bell, Deputy Director, Police Division, Scottish Government;

Rt Hon James Wolffe QC, Lord Advocate, and David Harvie, Crown Agent and Chief Executive, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.

4. **Offensive Weapons Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM-S5-17 from—

Humza Yousaf, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Philip Lamont, Criminal Justice Division, and Isobel Joiner, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.

5. Crime (Overseas Production Orders) Bill (UK Parliament legislation): The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM-S5-18 from—

Humza Yousaf, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Neil Devlin, Police Division, and Louise Miller, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.

6. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposals—

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The Law Enforcement and Security (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018.

- 7. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting held on 4 October 2018.
- 8. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider its approach to the forthcoming Drug Driving (Specified Limits) (Scotland) Regulations 2018 [draft].

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 30 October, the Committee expects to continue taking evidence on post-legislative scrutiny of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012. For further information, contact Stephen Imrie, the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email stephen.imrie@parliament.scot

Finance and Constitution Committee 24 October 2018 26th 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 a prebudget scrutiny report in private at a future meeting.
- 2. **Common UK Frameworks:** The Committee will take evidence in a roundtable format from—Professor Michael Keating, Professor of Politics, University of Aberdeen;

Daphne Vlastari, LINK Advocacy Manager, Scottish Environment LINK;

Professor Colin Reid, Professor of Environmental Law, University of Dundee;

Jonathan Hall, Director of Policy and Member Services, NFU Scotland;

lain Wright, Research Fellow, Adam Smith Business School, University of Glasgow;

Professor Paul Beaumont, Chair of EU sub-group on Constitution and Law, Royal Society of Edinburgh;

Michael Clancy, Director, Law Reform, Law Society of Scotland;

Lloyd Austin, Head of Conservation Policy, RSPB Scotland;

Anthony Salamone, Research Fellow and Strategic Advisor, Scottish Centre for European Relations.

3. Trade Bill LCM Draft Report (in private): The Committee will consider a further draft report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jim Johnston at Finance.Constitution@parliament.scot

Local Government and Communities Committee 24 October 2018 28th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 9:35 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. Planning (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 4).

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 31 October, the Committee expects to continue its Stage 2 consideration of the Planning (Scotland) Bill.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath, on 0131-348-5232 or <u>LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot</u>.

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Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 24 October 2018 29th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
- European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018: The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposals—

The Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018

The Committee will take evidence from—

Mairi Gougeon, Minister for Rural Affairs and Natural Environment, Clare Hamilton, Deputy Director, Head of Decarbonisation, Alice Mitchell, Senior Policy Officer, Emissions Trading, CRC and F-gases, Consumers and Low Carbon Division, and Ross Loveridge, Head of EU Exit, Consumers and Low Carbon Division, Scottish Government.

3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 30 October, the Committee expects to consider the Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill and a draft report on the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (Register of Persons Holding a Controlled Interest in Land) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 [draft].

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Tullis on 0131 348 5051

Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill Committee 24 October 2018 8th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 12 noon in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Consideration Stage.

Proposed future business

This is expected to be the final meeting of the Committee. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Nick Hawthorne, on 0131 348 5417 or nick.hawthorne@parliament.scot

Equalities and Human Rights Committee 25 October 2018 26th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

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- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
- 2. **Budget Scrutiny 2019-20:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2019-20 from—
 - Dr Alison Hosie, Research Officer, Scottish Human Rights Commission;
 - Dr Angela O'Hagan, Chair of the Scottish Government's Equality and Budget Advisory Group;
 - Chris Oswald, Head of Policy, Equality and Human Rights Commission.
- 3. Budget Scrutiny 2019-20 (in private): The Committee will consider the evidence received.
- 4. **Children (Equal Protection from Assault) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
- 5. **Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 1 November, the Committee expects to consider its draft Stage 1 report on the Age of Criminal Responsibility Bill.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee by ringing 0131 348 5223 or emailing equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot

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Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

S5M-14389 Gail Ross: Sea Life, Our Life—That the Parliament welcomes the conference, Sea Life. Our Life - Routes to thriving seas and coastal communities, which was held in Ullapool and was organised by the Highland Environment Forum, the Highlife Rangers, The Highland Council, Scottish Natural Heritage and the Scottish Wildlife Trust, with support from Crown Estate Scotland and the Ullapool Harbour Trust; welcomes, in the year of young people, the keynote presentation that was given by the Ullapool Sea Savers, which is a group of children from Ullapool that advocates and takes practical action for the protection of the marine environment; acknowledges what it sees as the huge importance placed on a healthy, sustainable marine environments by the communities that live and work in them; believes that marine habitats have important role in tackling climate change; acknowledges the carbon-sequestering role that is performed by blue carbon habitats, such as seagrass, maerl beds and kelp forests; notes the view that, to optimise this, these habitats must be protected and enhanced whenever possible; considers that the work carried out by Project Seagrass and its partners to protect these habitats is fantastic, and congratulates the Scottish Wildlife Trust for introducing a new species champion for seagrass. R Supported by: Stuart McMillan, Stewart Stevenson*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Rona Mackay*, Mark Ruskell*

*S5M-14385 Jenny Marra: Closing the Protection Gap, Anti-Slavery Day 2018—That the Parliament recognises Anti-Slavery Day on 18 October 2018; understands that human trafficking and modern slavery is happening in Scotland today, including in North East Scotland; is concerned at reports that victims, including children, can be left waiting up to three years for their immigration status to be resolved and be given leave to remain in the UK by the Home Office; believes that protection and support must be provided for all victims of human trafficking and modern slavery; condemns the UK Government's policy of creating what it considers a hostile environment for those without a settled status, and notes calls for the Scottish Government to work with the Home Office to close the protection gap experienced by victims of trafficking and modern slavery that was identified by Helena Kennedy QC, Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws.

Supported by: Pauline McNeill*, Monica Lennon*, Mark Ruskell*

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*S5M-14384 Ruth Maguire: Outdoor Classroom Day—That the Parliament notes that Outdoor Classroom Day takes place on 1 November 2018; understands that this is a global campaign to celebrate and inspire outdoor learning and play; believes that thousands of schools, including many across Scotland, will be participating by taking lessons outdoors and prioritising playtime; considers that outdoor learning improves children's health, engages them with learning and leads them to develop better social skills, enhanced problem solving and team working skills; commends the work of organisers to promote participation by schools in Outdoor Classroom Day, which takes place on two dates each year to fit with term times, and notes the hope that such events will encourage more time learning outside every day.

Supported by: Mark Ruskell*

*S5M-14361 Maurice Golden: Special Report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change—That the Parliament notes the release of a special report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) on limiting a rise in global temperature to 1.5C; further notes that it details the consequences of climate change that are currently impacting populations and places around the world and the damaging and far-reaching effects that will occur if global temperature change exceeds 1.5C; acknowledges that the report warns of the urgent need for increased action on climate change from all countries in order to be able to keep global temperature rises within 1.5C; welcomes the announcements by both the Scottish and UK governments that they intend to seek new advice from the UK Committee on Climate Change regarding the implications of this report for Scotland's climate change targets; believes that Scotland, as an advanced economy with a proven record of expertise and innovation in tackling climate change, for example the Recycle Room in Clydebank, shares in the global responsibility to take action and, while commending reductions in emissions to date, notes calls for a renewed commitment to reducing Scotland's carbon footprint, and believes that integrating circular economic practice across policy making and providing enhanced support to transition Scotland to a low-carbon economy is an integral part of the process towards tackling climate change.

Supported by: Margaret Mitchell*, Miles Briggs*, Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*, Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alison Harris*, Peter Chapman*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Tom Mason*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Liam Kerr*, Bill Bowman*, Liam McArthur*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

*S5M-14395 Michelle Ballantyne: Friends of the Borders General Hospital—That the Parliament notes the efforts of the Friends of the Borders General Hospital (BGH), which aims to raise money for the hospital; understands the group met at Roxburghe Golf Course to play in the inaugural Friends of the BGH tournament, with the MIddlemiss Embroidery Team coming top of the leaderboard; appreciates that the tournament raised £2,500 and that this helped purchase a PUVA light therapy machine, which, among its uses, can treat skin cancer; understands that, until this, NHS Borders was the only health board to not have such a machine, and congratulates all of the Friends on their continued fundraising efforts.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Margaret Mitchell*, Tom Mason*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Alison Harris*

*S5M-14394 Jackie Baillie: Dumbarton Finalists at the Scottish Thistle Awards—That the Parliament congratulates Sweeney's Cruise Co, Peninsula Trikes, the Knockderry House Hotel and Loch Lomond & Forest Holidays on being shortlisted as finalists at the Scottish Thistle Awards; understands that these awards celebrate success, innovation, excellence and best practice in the tourism and hospitality industry; notes what it sees as the fantastic range of

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excellent businesses that there are in the Dumbarton constituency area; believes that all four of these shortlisted companies would be worthy winners, and wishes them well at the awards. Supported by: Richard Lyle*

*S5M-14393 John Scott: Electrical Apprentice of the Year Award—That the Parliament congratulates Stephen Berry, on being a finalist in the recent Electrical Apprentice of the Year Award, which is sponsored by the Scottish Joint Industry Board and Edmundson Electrical; recognises that Stephen was one of the three finalists chosen from over 3,000 apprentices; understands that the electrical industry modern apprenticeship programme recruits around 700 young people each year, and acknowledges that this award encourages and rewards those apprentices who have demonstrated that they have attained the highest standards of academic and technical competence and displayed excellent personal qualities in their education and training.

*S5M-14392 Jackie Baillie: Cameron House Firefighters Shortlisted for Awards—That the Parliament congratulates the 70 firefighters who tackled the tragic blaze at the Cameron House Hotel on Loch Lomond in December 2017 on being shortlisted in the *Sunday Mail* Great Scot Awards; notes that 200 guests were helped out of the hotel by the brave fire crews but that the fire tragically took the lives of two young men; thanks the firefighters for putting their lives at risk on that day, and every day, to rescue others in danger, and believes that this nomination is a fitting recognition of their bravery.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*

*S5M-14391 Pauline McNeill: Report by Crisis on Temporary Accommodation—That the Parliament understands that the use of unsuitable temporary accommodation for homeless people, particularly B&Bs, is on the rise across Scotland; believes that, in 2017, 4,730 households entered B&Bs while awaiting permanent housing, but only 2,510 left; considers that the prolonged use of accommodation that is deemed unsuitable is unacceptable; welcomes the latest research report by Crisis, as part of its campaign, Life in Limbo, which suggests that 84% of people in temporary accommodation reported feeling isolated because of their living situation, 75% were prevented from having visitors and 60% were subjected to nightly curfews, and believes that the Homeless Persons (Unsuitable Accommodation) (Scotland) Order 2014 should be extended so that all homeless people are legally moved into more suitable housing.

Supported by: Mark Ruskell*

*S5M-14390 Gillian Martin: SIB Services, Machinery Innovator of the Year—That the Parliament congratulates SIB Services, which is near Maud, on winning the 2018 Machinery Innovator of the Year category at the British Farming Awards; understands that the business spent five years developing a new form of trailer that makes use of hydraulics to better secure and more safely transport bales and other material; recognises the importance of innovation, including that of machinery, to the agricultural sector in Scotland; commends everyone SIB Services on this success, and wishes them and the business well.

Supported by: Gordon Lindhurst*, Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*

*S5M-14388 Keith Brown: Rent Arrears: Causes and Consequences for CAB Clients—That the Parliament notes with concern the findings of the Citizens Advice Scotland report, *Rent Arrears: Causes and Consequences for CAB Clients*; notes its finding that amount of advice provided in relation to rent arrears has grown by over 40% since 2012 and that what it sees as this considerable growth in rent arrears as an area of advice has coincided closely with changes to the

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social security system; acknowledges the finding that, over the last 18 months, clients' rent arrears issues have predominantly been caused by them moving onto universal credit and subsequently experiencing problems with the delivery of support to pay their rent; agrees with the report's conclusions, particularly regarding universal credit, and calls on the UK Government to take immediate action to fix what it sees as the manifest problems with this policy and to restore fairness and compassion to the welfare system.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, John Mason*, Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*, Mark Ruskell*

*S5M-14387 Sandra White: Latest Erasmus+ Funding Demonstrates Brexit Risk—That the Parliament recognises the award of around £6.9 million in Erasmus+ support to organisations that are based in the Glasgow Kelvin constituency as part of the over £19.6 million in funding in Scotland overall in 2018 to support education, youth and social projects; considers that this EU programme provides vital support which such organisations and projects to change lives and develop the economy and society, and believes that it demonstrates the value and need of having continued membership of the EU.

*S5M-14386 Kenneth Gibson: English Local Authorities in Financial Crisis—That the Parliament notes with concern the calls made by County Councils Network (CCN), which represents England's 37 county councils and county unitary authorities, for a massive injection of government funds for county councils after stating that they no longer had sufficient money to run vital frontline services, from children's centres to rural bus routes; believes, for example, that Norfolk County Council is currently undergoing public consultation regarding plans to shut down 46 of the council's 53 children's centres as a cost-cutting measure as its children's centre budget for 2019 was halved from £10 million to £5 million; understands that councils across England and Wales are facing significant budget deficits, with the Conservative-run Northamptonshire County Council the first council to issue a section 114 notice in 20 years, banning all spending except on statutory services; understands that Surrey County Council has been warned by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy to act now to ensure that it has enough reserves to plug its predicted budget gap of £94 million by 2019-20; recognises that, on 2 September 2018, an application for judicial review got under way to assess the legality of Surrey County Council's decision to cut its special educational needs and disabilities budget in 2018-19 by £21 million; is concerned by the research released by CCN in June 2018, which suggested that England's 36 shire authorities face funding pressures totalling £3.2 billion over the next two years, because of funding reductions handed down by the UK Government and rising demand for services; notes the findings of a study published by researchers from the University of Cambridge on 9 October 2018, which found that council spending cuts were twice as deep in England as in the rest of the UK. and believes that the ongoing financial difficulties at these councils demonstrates the hardship caused by years of austerity and punitive local government budget cuts, which it considers are attributable to the Conservative UK administration.

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*S5M-14386.1 James Kelly: English Local Authorities in Financial Crisis—As an amendment to motion S5M-14386 in the name of Kenneth Gibson (English Local Authorities in Financial Crisis) leave out from first "believes" to end and insert "; understands that similar concerns have been expressed by COSLA, which reportedly stated in 2017 that Scotland's councils required over £500 million 'just to stand still'; believes that the SNP-led Glasgow City Council has had to make savings over £270 million due to underfunding; understands that, since 2009-10, Glasgow's settlement has been reduced by 18% in real-terms, despite the Scottish Government's budget

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being cut by 8% over the same period; considers that the SNP-led Scottish administration has forced austerity on local authorities, and calls on the Scottish Ministers to stop what it sees as these cuts to local government."

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*S5M-14383 Michelle Ballantyne: Archaeologists Unearth Fresh Evidence—That the Parliament notes the work of members of the German Archaeological Institute, who recently helped carry out the largest single geophysical survey ever performed in the Scottish Borders at the Trimontium Roman fort site and Torwoodlee; appreciates that the week-long expedition, which was co-sponsored by the Trimontium Trust and the German Government, was led by RGK's Dr Ruth Beusing; appreciates the exciting results of the survey, which yielded important new geophysical discoveries at and around the hillfort at Torwoodlee, as well never-seen-before details of the Trimontium site; notes that the Trimontium Trust will unveil details of the discoveries made on the site of the fort near Melrose while Dr Beusing and her team will return to Torwoodlee in 2019 to carry out further survey work; understands that Trimontium is one of the best examples of a Roman fort in Scotland, formed a major part of the Roman presence in Scotland, and was occupied intermittently by the Romans from 80 to 221AD, as well as featuring in the novel, *The Eagle of the Ninth*, by Rosemary Sutcliff, and wishes the RGK and the Trimontium Trust the very best with their future archaeological expeditions.

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*S5M-14382 Gordon Lindhurst: West Lothian Youth Foundation's Pedal the Premiership Challenge—That the Parliament congratulates the West Lothian Youth Foundation on the completion of its 500-mile challenge, Pedal the Premiership; understands that this involved coaches from the charity cycling the distance from Livingston FC to all of the other 11 Scottish Premiership stadiums over three days; notes that the charity, which promotes the educational and health development of people in the West Lothian area through sport, set up this challenge as part of its Fit4Life project, which helps to provide skills for 16- to 25-year-olds to help them enter the workplace, education or training; congratulates everyone involved in raising more than £5,000 towards this cause through the completion of the challenge, and wishes the charity, and those that it seeks to help, all the best in continuing this work.

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*S5M-14381 Gillian Martin: Deveron Veterinary Surgeons Recognised by the RCVS—That the Parliament congratulates Deveron Veterinary Surgeons on being awarded two prestigious accreditations, the Small Animal General Practice and Large Animal and Equine Core standards, by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS), which confirm it as being one of the best animal care providers in the UK; understands that, to achieve such recognition, the practice, which has its main practice in Turriff, was subjected to rigorous assessments, spot-checks and visits by assessors; recognises what it sees as the vital service that it provides, especially in rural communities; commends its management and staff on this success, and wishes them and the business well.

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*S5M-14380 Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway Council Recognised for its Anti-poverty Work—That the Parliament congratulates Dumfries and Galloway Council on winning the Tackling Inequalities and Improving Health category at the 2018 COSLA Excellence Awards, which were presented in Edinburgh; understands that the award, which recognises the local authority's efforts to reduce poverty, is demonstration of its commitment to tackle the causes and effects of inequality and poverty since the introduction of its anti-poverty strategy in 2015; believes that it works closely with partners and communities to help people facing poverty and aims to use the most effective approaches to tackle the root causes of the issue; encourages other local authorities to do all that they can to work toward eradicating poverty, and wishes Dumfries and Galloway Council well with its work.

*S5M-14379 Neil Findlay: Statutory Recognition for Electricians—That the Parliament recognises the importance of skills, knowledge, training, experience and qualifications for electricians and what it sees as the vital role that they play for the economy and in society; understands that 69% of all accidental fires in homes in Scotland are caused by electrical faults; believes that it is clear that work carried out by unqualified electricians poses a threat to safety, and, in the interests of public safety, calls for the statutory recognition of qualified electricians.

*S5M-14378 Liam Kerr: Success for Infinity Partnership Limited—That the Parliament congratulates Infinity Partnership Limited on winning four awards at the IRIS Customer Awards 2018; understands that the company was awarded Firm of the Year (medium-sized practice) and Bureau/Outsource Service of the Year; further understands that two employees were also recognised at the awards, with Greg Houston being awarded Accountant of the Year, and Gail McShane awarded Graduate/Trainee of the Year; acknowledges that the awards ceremony recognises individuals and accountancy practices thriving in the digital economy; recognises that these awards follow on from Infinity's past success at the 2018 British Accountancy Awards and the 2018 Accounting Excellence Awards; acknowledges the hard work and professionalism of all Infinity employees, and wishes the firm well for the future. R

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*S5M-14377 Angus MacDonald: The Scottish Waterways Trust—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Waterways Trust (SWT) on being awarded £13,000 by the Big Lottery Fund to help kick-start its 10-week pilot programme of diversionary and therapeutic activities for families in the Falkirk area, which will take place along the Forth and Clyde canal; understands that the latest round of lottery funding is aimed at strengthening the ability of families to cope with challenges, such as the aftermath of someone being sent to prison, living with the emotional and psychological effects of domestic abuse or coming to terms with a child's life-limiting illness; commends the work by the SWT across a wide range of issues, including this latest initiative, its projects to develop employability skills and its efforts to protect the natural and historic heritage of Scotland's canal systems, and looks forward to hearing more about what it considers the trust's important and ongoing work at the Falkirk Wheel and along the country's waterways.

*S5M-14376 Angus MacDonald: Money Raised in Falkirk District for Mental Health Charities—That the Parliament congratulates the Falkirk branch of the construction company, T Clarke, on raising £2,500 for Falkirk District Association for Mental Health following a 10-mile

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hike by employees from their offices in Middlefield, Falkirk, taking in the Kelpies and the Falkirk Wheel; further congratulates Braes High School's Mental Health Awareness Group on raising nearly £900 for Papyrus, a UK-wide suicide prevention charity; acknowledges the importance of maintaining good mental health, which it considers is not always possible for different and varying reasons; encourages anyone experiencing mental ill-health to speak up in the knowledge that they are not alone and that help is available to them; considers what is sees as vital work being undertaken by the Scottish Government through its 2017-27 mental health strategy in preventing and treating mental health problems with the same commitment, passion and drive as physical health problems, and agrees that prevention, early intervention and access to treatment and multidisciplinary services are key to the strategy's success; congratulates everyone involved in raising money for mental health organisations and charities, including those at T Clarke in Falkirk and Braes High School, and looks forward to seeing more people benefit from the funds raised to help promote good mental health and wellbeing while supporting those experiencing mental ill-health.

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*S5M-14375 Angus MacDonald: Avonside Inn Raises Money for Meadowbank Cars 4U—That the Parliament congratulates the staff and customers of the Avonside Inn in Avonbridge on raising £1,760 for the charity, Meadowbank Cars 4U, at a recent family fun-day, which included stalls, home baking and a bouncy castle; notes that the charity, which started in July 2016, provides journeys for cancer patients between the Meadowbank Health Centre in Polmont and hospital; acknowledges that it uses volunteer drivers, one of whom recently logged his 1,000th journey; considers that this work is important in supporting people at what can be a very challenging and uncertain time; commends the efforts of everyone at the Avonside Inn on raising money for this worthy cause, and wishes the charity every success in continuing to provide people in and around the Polmont area with this service.

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*S5M-14374 Angus MacDonald: Completion of the Shieldhill Butterfly Project—That the Parliament welcomes the completion in September 2018 of the Shieldhill Butterfly Project; commends what it sees as the tireless work of the volunteers who took on the project following the initial idea to create a legacy as part of the 1st Shieldhill Brownies 100th anniversary in 2013; notes that a site was identified at Blackbraes and Shieldhill Parish Church, which has been turned into an oasis for biodiversity and includes a community-created mosaic; recognises that the Shieldhill troop raised over £6,000 for this initiative, which was boosted by grants from Falkirk Environment Trust, LEADER, Falkirk Council and the Church of Scotland Guild; encourages the promotion of biodiversity in communities to help ensure that native species of birds, bees and insects have a home and a place to thrive, helping contribute to the environment and eco-system; congratulates everyone involved in the project, and hopes that they, the villagers in Shieldhill, the Brownies and visitors enjoy this new community garden space.

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*S5M-14373 Shona Robison: Erasmus+ Funding for Dundee FC Community Trust—That the Parliament congratulates the Dundee FC Community Trust on being awarded €18,855 in Erasmus+ funding for its initiative, Dees Without Frontiers, which will see young people from the city travel to Spain to take part in a personal development exchange programme with their peers from Córdoba; applauds the community trust on its work in encouraging participation in sport for Dundonians and supporting recreational events, education and social inclusion

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throughout the city; wishes all of the young people taking part in the initiative every success; recognises what it sees as the importance of the Erasmus+ strand of EU funding in supporting and contributing significantly to community initiatives and charitable causes throughout Scotland; believes that all sources of EU support and funding are of clear benefit to the country and should not be put at risk through the process of leaving the EU, and considers that this offers a strong justification for Scotland to maintain close relationships with its European neighbours.

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*S5M-14372 Angus MacDonald: Kai McTeggart Raises Money for Shieldhill Primary School Instruments—That the Parliament congratulates Kai McTeggart, a pupil at Shieldhill Primary School in Falkirk district, on raising over £740 by swimming a mile, or 60 lengths, of a swimming pool; understands that the money will go towards buying musical instruments for Kai's classmates; notes that Kai wanted to raise funds after learning that some people were unable to take part in the school's music lessons through a lack of instruments and funding; recognises the importance of music and creative subjects as part of the curriculum in allowing pupils to explore their own creativity; encourages more uptake in school music programmes as an important part of learning; further recognises Kai's efforts in raising money to provide his school friends with the opportunity to enjoy music lessons as he does, and wishes everyone at Shieldhill Primary School the very best for taking forward their new musical ensemble.

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*S5M-14371 Alexander Stewart: New Digital Fund—That the Parliament welcomes the Big Lottery Fund's £15 million Digital Fund, which launches on 22 October 2018 with the aim of helping charities and voluntary organisations thrive through better use of digital technology; notes that strand 1 of the fund is aimed at established groups and offers grants of up to £500,000 to provide tailored support packages to help them use digital tools, and that strand 2, which also offers grants of up to £500,000, is aimed at newer organisations that are already using digital tools; acknowledges that these grants will last from one to four years; notes that the initial application phase closes on 3 December with further opportunities to apply in 2019, and wishes all involved with the fund the very best of luck.

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*S5M-14370 Gordon MacDonald: Wester Hailes Youth Agency, LGBT Youth Scotland Charter Mark Winner—That the Parliament congratulates the Wester Hailes Youth Agency on, it understands, being the first organisation in south west Edinburgh to be awarded a LGBT Youth Scotland Bronze Charter Mark; notes that the LGBT Charter is a programme that enables organisations to proactively include LGBTI people in every aspect of their work, protect staff and provide a high quality service to customers or service users; acknowledges that the youth agency began its charter process in 2017 and that this included looking at existing policies and practice, raising awareness, training staff, celebrating LGBT events, taking part in community and national awareness-raising campaigns and ensuring that it is a welcoming and inclusive place for all young people; recognises that it produced an evidence-based portfolio demonstrating best practice and undertook positive engagement and outreach work with Forrester High School and across the Wester Hailes, Sighthill, Broomhouse, Parkhead and Longstone communities, and commends its

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staff and the young people involved with it on their hard work and passion in pursuing and achieving the Charter Mark.

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*S5M-14369 Bob Doris: The Notre Dame Centre—That the Parliament congratulates the Notre Dame Centre, which is in the Glasgow Maryhill and Springburn constituency, on winning the Health and Wellbeing Award at the *Evening Times* Glasgow Community Champion Awards 2018 North West; notes that the charity provides therapy services for children, young people and families who have experienced emotional and psychological trauma, including many kinship care families; understands that the services provided include play therapy, relationship based parent and child work and cognitive behavioural therapy; commends its Seasons for Growth programme, which offers support to children and young people who have experienced loss due to a death or a family breakdown; understands that it helped over 6,500 children and families in 2017, and wishes it continued success with what it sees as its valuable work.

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*S5M-14368 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Orkney Food and Drink Awards—That the Parliament congratulates all of the winners and finalists at the Orkney Food and Drink Awards, which were held in Kirkwall on 13 October 2018; notes that a record 8,250 public votes were cast for the event, which was sponsored by NorthLink Ferries and Highland Park; congratulates all 31 businesses that were nominated across the categories and applauds the winners, the Foveran Restaurant, the St Ola Hotel, the Birsay Bay Tearoom, Leigh's, the Brig Larder, Craigie Butchers Ltd, Jollys of Orkney, Orkney Cheese, the Westray Bakehouse, the Orkney Gin Company, Peedie Kirkwall Cakes, NorthLink Ferries and Highland Park, and praises the organisers of the awards on what it sees as them highlighting the strength of the food and drink sector in Orkney. R

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*S5M-14367 Maurice Corry: Loch Long Pontoon Project Development—That the Parliament welcomes the funding secured by the Loch Long Jetty Association; notes that this funding will allow the voluntary charity to progress with its pontoon project on Loch Long in Arrochar; understands that this development will be a valuable improvement to infrastructure in the Arrochar region; considers that it will ensure that Loch Long is effectively utilised and safely accessible for local recreational activities, which will be of enormous benefit to the surrounding communities, and wishes Loch Long Jetty Association every success with this endeavour.

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*S5M-14366 Gillian Martin: Kids Academy in Ellon Rated Very Good by Care Inspectorate—That the Parliament congratulates Kids Academy, which is based at Ellon Academy, on being rated as very good following a recent unannounced inspection by the Care inspectorate; understands that Kids Academy is a day care service for up to 40 children that operates before and after school as well as on certain school holidays; recognises that the quality of staffing, and the care and support on offer, was rated as very good; acknowledges the

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importance of before- and after-school services such as Kids Academy to communities, and wishes management and staff at Kids Academy well.

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*S5M-14365 Alexander Stewart: 50th Birthday of Scottish Autism—That the Parliament congratulates the Alloa-based charity, Scottish Autism, on reaching its 50th birthday; understands that this was celebrated with the charity staging a ball at Dunmar House on 13 October 2018, which gave those involved with the group a chance to celebrate its work and its many achievements so far; notes that around 120 staff, service users and their friends and family were in attendance, including some of Scottish Autism's founders; acknowledges that Scottish Autism was established in Alloa by a group of parents in 1968, and, it understands, is now Scotland's largest provider of autism-specific services; considers that the group works with people diagnosed with autism to help them lead full lives and become valued members of their communities; notes that the charity also works with parents, carers and other professionals to support the development of skills needed to provide the best care and support to people with the condition; further notes there are currently over 900 members of staff working for Scottish Autism across Scotland, offering a range of services that include education, vocational opportunities and supported living; commends everyone involved for their outstanding work over the last 50 years, and wishes them all the very best of success for the next half century and beyond.

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*S5M-14364 Maurice Golden: Clydesider Creative Big Lottery Award—That the Parliament congratulates Clydesider Creative Ltd, a social enterprise in West Dunbartonshire, on being awarded £73,720 by the Big Lottery Fund Scotland; welcomes the news that the grant will be used to help broaden participation in *The Clydesider*, which is a free community publication and online digital media space that allows local residents to showcase their creative talents and ideas and which helps to promote a positive view of the local community; understands that the initiative will see creative café taster sessions and opportunities for people to be trained in citizen journalism, and wishes those involved every success in developing their skills and contributing to the continued growth of the enterprise.

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*S5M-14363 Ruth Maguire: International Credit Union Day 2018—That the Parliament recognises that 18 October 2018 marks the World Council of Credit Unions' 70th annual International Credit Union Day; understands that this year's theme, "Find Your Platinum Lining", reflects the traditional gift of platinum for 70th anniversaries and acts as a play on the saying that "every cloud has a silver lining"; appreciates that the anniversary offers a chance to look back after 70 years at the lives and communities that have been improved by the unique principles and actions of the movement, and an opportunity to focus on the work still ahead in offering the most fair and ethical alternative to high-cost credit, both in Scotland and worldwide; recognises that, through International Credit Union Day festivities worldwide, credit unions raise awareness through outreach and volunteering in the community, organising contests, charitable fundraisers, and open houses, all with the aim of contributing to the World Council's Vision 2020 goal of adding

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50 million new members by the year 2020; appreciates the remarkable growth of credit unions worldwide, as noted in the World Council's 2017 Statistical Report, with the global movement reaching 260 million members, served by 89,026 credit unions in 117 countries; notes that this is an increase from 2016, when the report included data on 68,882 credit unions from 109 countries with 235 million members; commends the ongoing work to address the three primary challenges before the credit union movement, advocacy, membership growth and disruptive technology, to help promote the benefits of ethical social lending further, and wishes all who work within the credit union sector in Scotland, and across the world, continued success in changing the lives of the many people that they help through their inspirational example.

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*S5M-14362 Monica Lennon: World Menopause Day 2018—That the Parliament recognises 18 October 2018 as World Menopause Day; acknowledges that the menopause is the time in most women's lives when periods stop permanently and they are no longer able to bear children; understands that, although the average age of menopause in the UK is 51, around one in 100 experience it before they are 40; notes that it is also sometimes triggered by medical treatment, such as ovarian surgery or cancer treatment; recognises that similar to menstruation, women will experience it differently, with some "sailing through" and others encountering common symptoms such as hot flushes, night sweats, vaginal dryness and discomfort during sex, difficulty sleeping, low mood or anxiety and problems with memory and concentration; notes that symptoms, ranging from mild to severe, can begin during the perimenopausal phase before periods stop and last for up to 10 years; believes that there is a need for a much greater awareness and understanding of the symptoms by health professionals and employers; notes that many women experiencing the menopause are active in the labour market; commends the STUC Women's Committee on its 2018 report, *Menopause and the Workplace*; understands that only five NHS boards offer specialist clinics and that data on how care is provided throughout the NHS is unclear; agrees that the Scottish Government should take immediate action to evaluate and improve menopause care across the NHS; believes that this should take account of the increasing number of women in the labour market experiencing symptoms and ensure equal access to clinics across all NHS boards; congratulates South Lanarkshire Council on its adoption of a menopause policy; encourages all organisations, especially employers, to take practical steps to tackle stigma and create supportive environments for women at all stages of their lives, agrees that further action is needed in the form of a menopause strategy to ensure that women are supported in their workplaces and by the NHS, and believes that this would help towards addressing gender-based health inequalities.

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*S5M-14360 Neil Findlay: Trade Unionists Win Key Victory—That the Parliament celebrates the out-of-court settlement between the PCS and the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) after the latter had attempted to cease the system of direct deduction of union subs from government workers' pay packets in 2015; believes that this action by the DWP was an unprecedented step that arose as a result of almost a decade of what it sees as anti-trade union policies from the UK Government, and views such actions as politically motivated attempts to undermine the trade union movement.

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*S5M-14359 Rhoda Grant: World Food Day—That the Parliament notes that World Food Day took place on 16 October 2018; celebrates Scottish quality food production and food culture; acknowledges that there is a link between environmentally-friendly farming and high-quality produce; recognises the key importance of Scotland's food system to help solve many social and environmental challenges, including greenhouse gas emissions from farming and crofting, food insecurity, biodiversity decline, diet-related ill-health, inequality in the food system and more; notes that the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, adopted by the UN and to which the UK is a signatory, includes the right to food for all citizens; recognises the role of food and the food system in meeting UN sustainable development goals, and considers that there is a need for an ambitious, cross-cutting Good Food Nation Bill to help drive a shift to a greener, healthier and fairer Scotland.

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*S5M-14358 Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Garden Partners Secures National Lottery Funding—That the Parliament congratulates Edinburgh Garden Partners on receiving £60,000 from the Big Lottery Fund Scotland; understands that the group will use the funding to partner people in Edinburgh who are socially isolated, older, disabled or vulnerable, and who cannot maintain their garden, with volunteers looking for a shared space to grow; notes that volunteers will be trained to develop and maintain the befriending relationship that they have developed, and that a volunteer mentoring scheme will be set up to support this, and wishes all concerned well.

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*S5M-14357 George Adam: Renfrewshire Council Wins at COSLA—That the Parliament congratulates Renfrewshire Council on winning in the Strong and Sustainable Communities category at the COSLA Excellence Awards 2018; understands that this award was in recognition of the wonderful Paisley's Legacy - Retelling Paisley's Untold Story campaign; acknowledges that the campaign used the momentum of Paisley's UK City of Culture 2021 bid to help drive a long-term cultural, social and economic transformation of the area, and praises all involved for spreading the "positive Paisley" message.

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*S5M-14356 Edward Mountain: 1st Dingwall Scout Troop—That the Parliament congratulates members and supporters of the 1st Dingwall Scout troop on taking part in the Sleep Out event in Inverness on the weekend of 13-14 October 2018; notes that the event was to highlight the issues faced by being homeless and to raise money for Gateway, Inverness Foodstuff, the STV Children's Appeal and MFR Cash for Kids, and further congratulates everyone who took part in the event.

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*S5M-14355 Edward Mountain: School of Shinty—That the Parliament congratulates Kingussie High School and the Camanachd Association on setting up the School of Shinty, the first in Scotland: notes that the school offers the opportunity to learn about an overall approach to shinty.

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including physical fitness, time management, mental preparation and nutrition and hydration required at top level sport, and wishes the school every success for the future.

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*S5M-14354 Alasdair Allan: Happy Retirement to Louis Shields—That the Parliament commends Louis Shields on providing 30 years of service running the Isle of Lewis' only dry cleaning business, Euroclean; understands that Louis returned home to the island more than 30 years ago to establish the business; notes the important role that he has played in thousands of job interviews, christenings and weddings over the years; congratulates him on his well-deserved retirement; hopes he is successful in his search for a buyer for the business that will enable a service to continue, and sends its best wishes to both Louis, and his wife Marion, as they look forward to their long-overdue trip to Tahiti.

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*S5M-14353 Annie Wells: Glasgow Afghan United Awarded £80,747—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow Afghan United, which is based in Maryhill and Springburn in Glasgow, on receiving £80,747 from the Big Lottery Fund Scotland; understands that the group will use the funding to deliver a range of social and developmental activities to tackle isolation and exclusion amongst BME women in Glasgow, and acknowledges that the activities will include running an English café, craft activities, day trips, cultural events, advice surgeries and learning workshops.

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*S5M-14352 Annie Wells: Parent Network Scotland Scoops £145,396 Big Lottery Fund Scotland Grant—That the Parliament congratulates Parent Network Scotland, which is in the Glasgow Kelvin constituency, on receiving £145,396 from the Big Lottery Fund Scotland; understands that the group will use the funding to deliver parenting support and training in Glasgow through building a partnership programme with With Kids, Impact Arts and Say Women to provide access to training for families with parents/carers who need support with parenting skills, and acknowledges that Parent Network Scotland is a small organisation that celebrates the joy that children bring and the contribution of parents.

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*S5M-14351 Annie Wells: MusicALL in Glasgow Receives £100,000 Grant—That the Parliament congratulates MusicALL, which is based in the Glasgow Kelvin constituency, on receiving £100,000 from the Big Lottery Fund Scotland; understands that the group will use the funding to deliver an outreach programme for two music bands made up of disabled young people in the city; acknowledges that the young people will create a repertoire of songs and deliver participatory music workshops in schools and older people's care settings around the city; understands that MusicALL is an inclusive charity delivering high quality music opportunities for disabled children and young people through workshops, tuition, rehearsals and performances, and notes that it brings young people together to build relationships, offers young disabled adults

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access to continued training and performance opportunities after leaving school and creates an environment that focuses on ability, increases confidence, improves communication skills and promotes wider inclusion in society.

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*S5M-14350 Sandra White: CILIP Libraries Change Lives Award 2018—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow Libraries and the Glasgow Central Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) on winning the CILIP Libraries Change Lives Award 2018; understands that the library, which is based in the Glasgow Kelvin constituency, in conjunction with the CAB office that is based in its premises, offers focused "inreach" work for customers who have been identified as being in need of information and advice on a range of issues, including financial and debt problems, as well as employment and legal difficulties; believes that the library staff have found that working with the CAB has created opportunities to provide more support and advice to people experiencing homelessness; commends Glasgow Libraries and the CAB on winning this prestigious UK-wide competition, coming out victors against the other shortlisted finalists, which were based in Kirklees and Newcastle, and wishes the project and all involved with it continued success with what it sees as this valuable and commendable work.

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*S5M-14349 John Mason: World Food Day 2018, #ZeroHunger—That the Parliament welcomes World Food Day 2018 on 16 October, which has the theme, Our Actions are our Future, and commits to a so-called #ZeroHunger world by 2030; believes that this is an opportunity to raise awareness of people experiencing hunger and to remind everyone that hunger should be ended; understands that everybody can help to achieve #ZeroHunger by making sure that they do not waste food, produce more with less and adopt a more healthy and sustainable diet; considers that the world is bountiful and that there is no excuse for people to be living in hunger, and recognises the responsibility that everyone has to work towards ending world hunger and poverty.

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*S5M-14348 Ross Greer: Repression of Kurdish People in Turkey—That the Parliament condemns the recently reported raids against offices and homes and the detention of over 200 Kurdish politicians and journalists by the Turkish authorities; understands that these acts are set in the broader context of a long-running campaign by the authorities to repress the Kurdish people and culture; notes reports of an escalation of this campaign in the run-up to the 2019 local elections; express grave concerns regarding what it understands is the role in this of senior politicians in the ruling Justice and Development Party, including President Erdogan, including reports of inciting violence and repression against Kurdish politicians, party staff and activists, in particular those of the national People's Democratic Party and regional Democratic Regions Party, and calls for the suspension of civic links between Scotland and Turkey, with the exception of those with municipalities controlled by the democratic opposition, until it believes that respect for democracy and the rights of political, ethnic and religious minorities are restored.

*S5M-14347 John Mason: Fighting Food Deserts—That the Parliament notes the findings of a study carried out by the Social Mobility Fund in conjunction with Kellogg's, What are the barriers to

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eating healthily in the UK?; understands that it describes one-in-10 of the country's most deprived areas as being so-called food deserts, which are places where poverty, poor transport and that a lack of big supermarkets limit the availability of fresh fruit and vegetables; deplores the finding that, in Scotland, 80% of these areas are in Glasgow; notes that the report suggests that 39% of people with a household income under £10,000, and 23% with one between £10,000 and £20,000, stated that groceries were a strain on finances; believes that the study also found that healthy products cost three times as much per calorie than those that are less healthy; considers that more needs to be done to ensure that people in the most deprived communities can afford healthy food, and calls on all levels of government to act to tackle the problems that this report has highlighted.

*S5M-14346 Stuart McMillan: More Europeans Visiting Scotland—That the Parliament welcomes the news that the number of overseas visitors from Europe increased sharply by 39% in the 12 months to the end of June 2018, according to official statistics; notes that, in the same period, spending by European visitors jumped by 21% to £1.6 billion compared to £959 million in the previous 12 months; recognises that across all international markets there was a 23% increase in overseas overnight visits, with almost 3.6 million visitors choosing Scotland as a destination in the 12 months to the end of June 2018; understands that, as part of the Glasgow City Region Deal, a new visitors centre at the Ocean Terminal in Greenock will be built, which is expected to welcome over 150,000 passengers to Scotland and, in turn, deliver £26 million in annual visitor and crew spend to the Scottish economy; considers that this new terminal will increase Greenock and Inverclyde's capacity for cruise ships and provide a boost to the local economy, and believes that Scotland offers an unrivalled and memorable visitor experience for people who choose this country as their holiday destination.

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*S5M-14345 Alexander Burnett: Chelsea Rocks PCA British Finals—That the Parliament congratulates MSP staffer, Chelsea Rocks, who was placed 4th in the Ladies Junior Bikini Tall category at the Physical Culture Association (PCA) British Finals on 13 October 2018; commends Chelsea on now being invited to compete in the upcoming PCA World Finals in Birmingham, and wishes her all the best at these finals

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*S5M-14344 Rachael Hamilton: Isabel Cowe Exhibition—That the Parliament welcomes the Isabel Cowe Exhibition that runs from 6 to 18 October 2018 in St Abbs in the Scottish Borders and commemorates the life of Isabel Cowe; notes that Isabel, who was born in 1867 in St Abbs, was an active supporter of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) as a member of the lifeboat committee, holding parties for, and accommodating in her hotel lifeboatmen and the fishermen that the they saved at sea; acknowledges that her contribution was ultimately recognised with the award of the RNLI Gold Brooch; notes that Isabel was also an active support of votes for women, as she was a member of the Women's Freedom League, and made the 400-mile journey to petition the Prime Minister on women having the vote, and wishes the organisers all the best in showcasing the life of Isabel Cowe to local people and those from further afield.

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*S5M-14343 Margaret Mitchell: World Restart a Heart Day—That the Parliament understands that 16 October every year is World Restart a Heart Day; understands that people who experience cardiac arrest outside of hospital have a less than one-in-10 chance of surviving; commends the actions of Susan Stewart, who is a nurse at University Hospital Wishaw, who saved the life of Dougie Waddell from Carluke by performing CPR ahead of the arrival of the emergency services; believes that a knowledge of how to perform CPR can double the chances of survival, and welcomes calls for more people to train to learn CPR.

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*S5M-14342 Alexander Burnett: Aboyne Academy and Glen Tanar, Inspiring Futures—That the Parliament congratulates Aboyne Academy and Glen Tanar on winning the Inspiring Futures category at the Northern Star Business Awards in recognition of the success of their ongoing partnership, which offers schoolchildren hands-on career experience to help raising their awareness of local and rural sector employment opportunities; acknowledges this has enabled the children to grow their knowledge and understanding of key sectors and strengthen their employability skills, and wishes the partnership continued success.

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*S5M-14341 Claire Baker: Investment in East Fife by SP Energy Networks—That the Parliament welcomes the £5.67 million investment in east Fife by SP Energy Networks, with support from Ofgem, to help trial what it sees as an innovative online smart energy project for the financial benefit of customers; understands that this could make more effective use of the electricity network, help the transition to a low-carbon economy and assist with meeting climate change targets; welcomes the partnership approach of the project, which also includes the University of St Andrews and Fife Council; believes that the east Fife area has a rich and diverse range of energy resources, including onshore and offshore wind and hydrogen storage, and looks forward to the results of the trial.

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*S5M-14340 Tom Mason: Home-Start Aberdeen—That the Parliament congratulates Home-Start Aberdeen on being awarded £16,000 by Aberdeen Standard Investment's charitable foundation; understands that the money will go towards its Big Hopes Big Future initiative, which helps parents to give their children extra support before they start school; notes that this involves specially-trained volunteers visiting families to provide them with information and resources; recognises the importance of early years in a child's development; values what it sees as the charity's important work in supporting disadvantaged children, and wishes it well.

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*S5M-14339 Tom Mason: CLAN Cancer Support's Wanderlust Ball—That the Parliament congratulates CLAN Cancer Support on raising £45,000 at its Wanderlust Ball; notes that the north east-based charity is celebrating its 35th anniversary of providing support; understands that the

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ball, which was held on 6 October 2018 at the Aberdeen Exhibition and Conference Centre, attracted over 300 attendees; believes that the money will help CLAN Cancer Support to continue carrying out its excellent specialised work, and wishes it well.

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*S5M-14338 Colin Smyth: Seafarer Jobs on Offshore Supply Vessels—That the Parliament is concerned at what it sees as the potential impact on Scotland's economy and seafarer employment from the planned merger in the United States of the offshore supply vessel (OSV) operators, Gulfmark and Tidewater; understands that Gulfmark operates 30 British-registered OSVs, representing the last source of major employment for up to 300 ratings on collectively-bargained rates of pay in the North Sea oil and gas sectors; believes that Tidewater's global crewing model employs Filipino ratings on a basic wage of \$614 per month; is concerned at the RMT's estimate that up to 1,000 seafarers, mainly in Scotland, have lost jobs on North Sea OSVs in the last four years; expresses alarm at cases such as the Indian crew of Malaviya 7 OSV who were reportedly left abandoned and unpaid in Aberdeen for nearly a year; understands that 166 OSVs across the North Sea are currently laid up; believes that, while oil companies have largely returned to profit after prices collapsed in 2014, OSV companies have forecast ongoing deficits, and calls on the Scottish Government to support the RMT's campaign for guarantees from Gulfmark and Tidewater for ratings' jobs on OSVs working from Aberdeen to be protected if this merger goes through.

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*S5M-14337 David Stewart: Single-use Plastic on Cigarette Filters—That the Parliament understands that almost all cigarette filters are made of cellulose acetate plastic, and that cigarette butts take years to degrade, releasing toxins that are a significant threat to the marine environment; believes that around four billion of these are disposed of in Scotland each year; understands that Keep Scotland Beautiful and Zero Waste Scotland are concerned about the prominence of them on the country's streets and beaches; believes that, although a majority of smokers consider that filters reduce the heath impact of smoking, they do not in fact do so and that, instead, they make smoking easier and more palatable; acknowledges the wishes of many to reduce the presence of waste in the environment through action to tackle single-use plastics and shift the balance toward more environmentally-friendly alternatives, and believes that these discussions should include finding alternatives to health-neutral plastic cigarette filters, which, it considers, bring no health benefits and are one of the main components of waste in seas, streets and beaches.

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*S5M-14336 Margaret Mitchell: The Earl and Countess of Dumbarton—That the Parliament congratulates the Earl and Countess of Dumbarton on their announcement of Her Royal Highness's pregnancy; wishes them well on their first official overseas tour as a couple, and welcomes what it sees as the positive role that the couple play in being role models both domestically and internationally.

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*S5M-14335 Elaine Smith: Fuel Poverty Advice—That the Parliament acknowledges a report by Citizen Advice Scotland (CAS) showing that 26.5% of households in Scotland are in fuel poverty; considers that this problem can be tackled more effectively if more resources are made available for impartial, expert advice to be delivered; understands that organisations struggle to offer these services due to a lack of funding, and supports CAS's call for the Scottish Government to invest more in face-to-face fuel poverty advice services.

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*S5M-14334 Neil Findlay: West Lothian Council Partnership with Macmillan—That the Parliament welcomes a new local partnership between West Lothian Council and Macmillan Cancer Support; notes that the service is largely run by volunteers, which has led to helping 1,000 people over the course of a year; acknowledges that drop-in advice and information sessions resulted in those in need, or affected by cancer, being referred to partner services; understands that the service has launched different awareness months covering a range of cancer-related issues, and praises this new partnership on delivering much needed assistance for cancer patients and their families, and raising awareness of the illness.

*S5M-14333 Neil Findlay: Blackridge Primary Remembers James Crichton—That the Parliament commends pupils and staff at Blackridge Primary School, on marking the centenary weekend of the life-saving actions of former Blackridge Primary pupil, James Crichton; notes that James was awarded the Victoria Cross, a prestigious military award, for his actions during the First World War when he risked his own life to call for help for his platoon; welcomes the presentation, prepared by P7 pupils, and acknowledges the importance of such events for local communities.

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*S5M-14332 Neil Findlay: Home Start is 18—That the Parliament congratulates Home-Start, a local West Lothian organisation, on 18 years of dedicated service; understands that Home-Start has helped, and continues to help, families who are experiencing difficulties; notes that, over its lifetime, Home-Start West Lothian has provided support to over 1,000 local families who are struggling with issues such as bereavement, isolation and mental or physical ill-health; acknowledges that staff, families and volunteers have recently come together to discuss how Home-Start remains relevant to the needs of local families, and wishes the organisation all the very best for continuing its vital work.

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*S5M-14331 Rachael Hamilton: Recognising the Importance of the UK Film and TV Industry—That the Parliament acknowledges the significance of the UK film and TV industry, which it understands generated a record £7.9 billion in 2016; acknowledges that, with £632 million in tax relief from the UK Government, £2 billion was generated in returns for HM Revenue and Customs; notes the recent report by the British Film Institute (BFI), which highlighted that tax relief created additional spending of more than £3 billion on the production of films and TV programmes, such as *The Crown*; considers that Scottish tourism benefits from films, such as the Harry Potter series, using famous Scottish locations, and calls for action to ensure that Scotland has its own film studios, which it believes will benefit Scottish creative industries.

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*S5M-14330 Peter Chapman: Fundraising for Home Start Garioch—That the Parliament congratulates the success of the recent Ellon-based fundraiser that was held at the Victoria Hall in the town, which helped raise £750 towards the Home Start Garioch team's work in both Inverurie and Ellon; notes that this group offers advice, friendship and practical help to parents with young children, in particular by providing support to families struggling with postnatal depression, isolation, physical health problems, bereavement and many other issues; acknowledges that this group is driven by volunteers and therefore greatly relies on charitable contributions, and welcomes the positive impact that Home Start Garioch will continue to have in local communities.

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*S5M-14329 Miles Briggs: Wojtek Day 2018—That the Parliament is aware that a ceremony will be held in Edinburgh on 20 October 2018 to remember Wojtek, the famous Polish soldier-bear; understands that the ceremony, which is due to become an annual event, and is open to members of the public, will take place at the Wojtek Memorial in Princes Street Gardens at 10.45am and has been organised in association with St Cuthbert's and Wojtek Scotland; is further aware that Wojtek Day will also remember all soldiers who did not survive to see their freedom, their families and communities; encourages local people to attend the event, and considers that Wojtek's story remains an inspirational one that illustrates the enduring friendship between animals and humans.

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*S5M-14328 Stuart McMillan: Success for Inverciyde Swimming Pair in UK Team

Contest—That the Parliament congratulates the Inverclyde Amateur Swimming Club (IASC) pair, Aimee Watson and Matthew Garrity, who were part of the Scotland West team that came second in the recent National County Team Championships 2018, which it understands is the best ever result by a Scottish team at the event; understands that the UK-wide event for regional swimming teams was held in Sheffield, with 36 countries and more than 900 swimmers taking part; notes that the Scotland West team was predicted to finish in 11th place with 332 points, but ended up scoring 431 points and recording 16 top-10 finishes to secure second place; recognises that Aimee and Matthew, who attend Clydeview Academy, recorded a new personal best at the event and both became Scottish champions in their age group in March; commends the IASC head coach, Shirley Redford, for her commitment to helping young people from Greenock and Inverclyde compete at the top level in swimming, and wishes Shirley, Aimee and Matthew all the best in the future as they prepare to fly to Lanzarote for the club's annual training camp.

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*S5M-14327 Ross Greer: Tearfund Scotland Celebrates its 50th Anniversary—That the Parliament congratulates Tearfund Scotland on its 50th anniversary, having empowered millions of people to lift themselves out of poverty around the world; notes that the organisation works with more than four million people a year, in more than 50 countries, with up to 300 partners,

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responding to disasters, currently in countries such as Syria, Yemen, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Indonesia; acknowledges that it works alongside local churches and communities on long-term development, as well as peace-building in areas of conflict, and challenging poverty and unjust policies; notes that it also promotes sustainable economic and environmental solutions so that relief and development can take root through its advocacy and campaigning efforts; recognises the generosity of churches and people across Scotland who have given their support to Tearfund over the last 50 years, and welcomes the opportunity to celebrate its work and the communities that Tearfund works alongside at a reception in the Parliament on 30 October 2018.

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*S5M-14326 Colin Beattie: LASC Childcare Services—That the Parliament congratulates Loanhead After School Club's Childcare Services on receiving £107,000 from the Weston Anniversary Fund; understands that this funding will be used at the Link, the services' community centre premises, to extend and refurbish the main hall, install new kitchens and make the building more accessible for disabled people; considers that this initiative will provide substantial benefits to the services' users, and wishes all involved success with the improvements to the facilities and with future funding bids.

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*S5M-14325 Christine Grahame: Scottish Borders' Tourism and Hospitality Attractions Mean Business—That the Parliament recognises the achievements of the seven Borders businesses and individuals who have been shortlisted for the Scottish Thistle Awards Lothian and Borders regional finals; notes that these include Born in the Borders, which is in the running for the Best Visitor Attraction award, Fauhope Country House, near Melrose, which has been nominated in the Most Hospitable B&B or Guest House category, Windlestraw in Walkerburn, which is competing for Most Hospitable Hotel and Thirlestane Castle in Lauder, which is nominated for the Best Self-catering Experience; understands that the awards aim to celebrate success, innovation, excellence and best practice in the tourism and hospitality industry, while recognising those who have made a valuable contribution in the sector; believes that such a strong representation of Borders businesses demonstrates the high quality of tourism businesses and individuals working within the industry locally to promote the Borders as a prime tourist destination, and wishes all those shortlisted the best of luck at the awards ceremony, which will take place on 15 November 2018.

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*S5M-14324 Neil Findlay: Undercover Policing, Call for an Inquiry—That the Parliament notes with concern the list published by *The Guardian* newspaper on 15 October 2018 of over 200 community organisations, civil liberties groups, trade unions and political parties that are among the 1,000 understood to have been spied on and infiltrated by undercover police officers in the UK since 1968; understands that these groups' names have been identified by the undercover research group and *The Guardian*, which have been following the UK public inquiry into the activities of undercover police officers and their role in monitoring social justice organisations; is further concerned that many of these groups had, it understands, members or branches in

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Scotland that were active but that there is no access to any inquiry for victims from Scotland, and calls on the UK Government again to open up this inquiry to victims from Scotland and for the Scotlish Government to instruct a parallel inquiry.

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*S5M-14323 Alexander Stewart: Inaugural 2018 LGiU Scottish Councillor Achievement Awards—That the Parliament welcomes that the first Councillor Achievement Awards event in Scotland is to be held on 29 November 2018 in the City Chambers, Edinburgh, sponsored by CCLA, which manages local authority investments; acknowledges that the initiative was instigated by LGiU Scotland (Local Government Information Unit) in order to recognise and reward those councillors who go the extra mile for their constituents; believes that there are eight award categories celebrating the varied work of councillors and that a shortlist of councillors who demonstrate the best of Scottish local government has been drawn up; congratulates all those councillors nominated, and wishes those shortlisted the best of success at the awards ceremony.

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*S5M-14322 Angus MacDonald: INEOS and Petroineos Staff in Grangemouth Raise Funds for Local Charities—That the Parliament congratulates employees of INEOS and Petroineos on raising over 31,000 euros by taking part, for the second consecutive year, in a challenge to ride the Tour de France cycle race distance for charity, with teams covering the same distance as the Tour over the same stages in July 2018; further congratulates three INEOS/ Petroineos teams at the Grangemouth site that raised 1,000 euros each for Forth Valley Disability Sport, Cycling without Age Falkirk and Maggie's Forth Valley; understands that the money that INEOS has donated to Maggie's Forth Valley will help the charity provide its free programme of support to those people in the local community living with cancer, including their family and friends; notes that Forth Valley Disability Sport will use the donation to help provide sporting and physical activity sessions for people with physical, sensory and learning disabilities in Falkirk district; further notes that Cycling Without Age, which is based in Falkirk district, will use the funding to continue the roll out of its tri-shaws to new and expanding chapters of the charity throughout Scotland, and wishes all INEOS and Petroineos participants a well-earned rest and continued success with their charity fundraising efforts in the future.

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*S5M-14321 Fulton MacGregor: New College Lanarkshire's First Big Bang Fair—That the Parliament congratulates New College Lanarkshire on launching North Lanarkshire's first Big Bang Fair, a UK-wide initiative to get students excited about science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM); notes that the two-day event took place on 3-4 October 2018 and was opened by Boyd Tunnock, the head of the famed Uddingston-based confectioners, Tunnock's; understands that the first day was held at the Motherwell campus, which involved more than 140 pupils in S1 and S2, with a second day at the Coatbridge Campus attracting almost 160 pupils who enjoyed science and technology-related tasks, interactive workshops and a wide range of careers information from local and national employers; notes that the pupils also gained an insight into the breadth of STEM subjects offered by the college and how future STEM careers are vital to the future of Scotland's economy; praises ESP and Developing the Young Workforce, which worked in collaboration with the college to make this event a success, and wishes them all the best with future events.

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*S5M-14319 Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde HSCP Wins at COSLA Excellence Awards **2018—**That the Parliament congratulates Inverclyde Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) on achieving the Excellence Outcomes, Excellent People Award at the 19th COSLA Excellence Awards 2018, which celebrates and promote projects that are setting new standards of excellence by finding ways to transform local services, improve outcomes and reduce inequalities; understands that Inverclyde HSCP won this accolade for Compassionate Inverclyde (CI), which is a project that it ran in partnership with the Ardgowan Hospice; recognises that CI is a social movement, thought to be the first of its kind in Scotland, which seeks to change attitudes and behaviour around death, dying and loneliness; notes that CI uses a community development approach with hundreds of volunteers supporting and caring for one another at times of crisis and loss through its "No One Dies Alone" programme, which provides support to those in their last hours, and its "Back Home Boxes" initiative, which are community acts of kindness that provide essentials to people who live alone and are being discharged from hospital; appreciates that the role of the CI Programme Lead, held by Alison Bunce, is jointly funded by Ardgowan Hospice and Inverclyde HSCP; welcomesthat CI has helped foster a community of kindness in Inverclyde that promotes social inclusion in local care and hopes that more such initiatives are replicated elsewhere; thanks Alison and her team of volunteers for their dedication and kindness, and wishes CI, Inverciyde HSCP and Ardgowan Hospice all the best in the future.

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*S5M-14318 Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde's Kirsty Boyd Named Police Officer of the Year—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Community PC, Kirsty Boyd, from Inverclyde, has been named Police Officer of the Year 2018; understands that Kirsty received the award for her immeasurable contribution to the lives of young people in Greenock and Inverclyde district as she specialises in working with schools, residential units and youth clubs, providing positive guidance, advice and support to young people; recognises that the award comes as she celebrates 25 years in the police service, and thanks Kirsty for her hard work and dedication.

Supported by: Ruth Maguire*, Emma Harper*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, Tom Mason*, Alison Harris*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*, Angela Constance*, Fulton MacGregor*

*S5M-14317 Stuart McMillan: River Clyde Homes Wins at Herald Property Awards
2018—That the Parliament congratulates River Clyde Homes (RCH) on winning in the Best
Regeneration Project category at The Herald Property Awards for Scotland 2018 for its revamp of
the Broomhill estate; notes that the housing association, which it believes is the largest in
Inverclyde, has invested £26 million into the Broomhill area; understands that RCH plans to invest
£17 million in Inverclyde homes in 2018-19, and thanks the housing association for its investment
and efforts in the Greenock and Inverclyde parliamentary constituency.

Supported by: Graham Simpson*, Sandra White*, Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Gillian Martin*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*

*S5M-14303 Jenny Gilruth: Inspirational Katie Pake Launches Stand Up To Cancer Campaign—That the Parliament congratulates 10-year-old Katie Pake, from Coaltown of Balgonie, on being selected to launch the Stand Up To Cancer campaign in Scotland; recognises the incredible determination of the youngster who it understands has endured pioneering surgery

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to help her walk again after losing her leg to cancer; notes that Katie, a talented football player, aims to get back on the pitch in the near future to play alongside her teammates at Raith Rovers Ladies and Girls FC; understands that Stand Up To Cancer has raised more than £38 million across the UK since it was launched in 2012, and encourages people across Scotland to support and donate to the campaign throughout October 2018.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Bruce Crawford*, Alex Rowley*, Gillian Martin*, Angela Constance*, Fulton MacGregor*

S5M-14298 Rhoda Grant: Highland Public Toilets—That the Parliament notes The Highland Council's proposal to review its public toilet facilities; understands that this could lead to the closure of 29 toilets across the local authority area; believes that they are an essential public convenience for communities and tourists; understands that they are in greater demand as a result of what it sees as the welcome increase in tourism that the North Coast 500 has brought; believes with regret that Scottish Government cuts to council budgets has led to The Highland Council, and other local authorities, considering such options; notes that, in response to these cuts, writing in *The Press and Journal*, Dr Jim Hunter stated that, "Ministers and MSPs can keep councils on the tightest of tight reins, and, when services in consequence get slashed, they can arrange for councillors to get the blame. Perhaps, then, the time has come for councillors to quit council chambers, lock the doors and mail the keys to Holyrood. 'Since you guys insist on calling all the shots', their covering notes could say, 'it's high time you carried the can'"; understands that more than 20,000 people have signed a petition calling on the council not to go ahead with the closures; notes that the local authority has delayed a decision on this until 31 October 2018, and calls on it to do all that it can to keep all of the 29 public toilets open.

Supported by: Pauline McNeill, Monica Lennon, Iain Gray, David Stewart, Elaine Smith, Alex Rowley*

*S5M-14298.1 Gail Ross: Highland Public Toilets—As an amendment to motion S5M-14298 in the name of Rhoda Grant (Highland Public Toilets), leave out from first "; understands" to end and insert "as part of its revenue budget considerations; understands that this process will lead to less provision of public toilets throughout the local authority area; strongly believes that they are an essential public convenience for communities, tourists and people with protected characteristics; understands that more than 20,000 people from throughout Scotland and the world have signed a petition calling on the council to reconsider its programme of rationalisation; commends the campaigners who have gathered the petition and raised awareness of this situation; regrets that the council appears to have completely ignored public calls to keep these facilities open and notes that it has agreed to a later closure date of 31 October 2018 to discuss alternatives with stakeholders, and calls on the council to do all that it can to keep all 29 public toilets open."

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*, Joan McAlpine*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

<u>S5M-14316</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: Edinburgh Airport, UK Airport of the Year (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Tom Mason*

S5M-14315 Alasdair Allan: Success for Uig Smoked Salmon (lodged on 12 October 2018)

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New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Tom Mason*, Sandra White*, Jenny Gilruth*, Bruce Crawford*, Gillian Martin*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14314</u> Maurice Corry: Jean's Bothy, Helensburgh (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Liz Smith*, Liam Kerr*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Tom Mason*, Jeremy Balfour*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Bruce Crawford*, Bill Bowman*, Annie Wells*, Gordon Lindhurst*

<u>\$5M-14313</u> Mary Fee: Gaol is Call/Labour of Love Documentary (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Angela Constance*, Bill Kidd*, Bruce Crawford*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14312</u> Ruth Maguire: Day of the Imprisoned Writer (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Ross Greer*, Colin Smyth*, Angela Constance*, John Mason*, Alasdair Allan*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sandra White*, Patrick Harvie*, Daniel Johnson*, James Dornan*, Stuart McMillan*, Jenny Gilruth*, Margaret Mitchell*, Bruce Crawford*, Christine Grahame*, Alex Rowley*, Gillian Martin*, Richard Leonard*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14311</u> Christine Grahame: Happy 40th Birthday to the Talking Peeblesshire News (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Angela Constance*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Tom Mason*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Joan McAlpine*, Gillian Martin*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14310</u> David Torrance: Kirkcaldy High School LGBT+ Group, Award Winners (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Jenny Gilruth*, Alex Rowley*, Gillian Martin*, Angela Constance*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14309</u> Emma Harper: Newton Stewart, Home of Tambourelli (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Joan McAlpine*, Jenny Gilruth*, Bruce Crawford*, Angela Constance*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14308</u> Gordon MacDonald: Edinburgh Napier University Taking Steps to Reduce Waste (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Angela Constance*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Joan McAlpine*, Jenny Gilruth*, Gillian Martin*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14307</u> Jenny Gilruth: Michael Kelly's New Book Raises Funds for Victoria Hospital (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Joan McAlpine*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14306</u> Jenny Gilruth: Step By Step, Combating Loneliness (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Angela Constance*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Joan McAlpine*, Bruce Crawford*, Gillian Martin*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14305</u> Jenny Gilruth: VELUX Announces £7 million Expansion of Head Office in Glenrothes (lodged on 12 October 2018)

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New Support: Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14304</u> Gillian Martin: North East Charity, Inspire, Celebrates 30th Anniversary (lodged on 12 October 2018)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*, Liam Kerr*, Bill Kidd*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14301</u> Gillian Martin: Scaffies on Tour Raise £5,000 for Good Causes (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Bruce Crawford*

<u>S5M-14300</u> Jamie Halcro Johnston: Congratulating Longhope Lifeboat Museum Trust (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alison Harris*

<u>S5M-14299</u> James Dornan: Marking the Anniversary of the Assassination of Daphne Caruana Galizia (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Bruce Crawford*, Gillian Martin*

<u>S5M-14297</u> Gillian Martin: Magnus Sinclair, Farm Contractor of the Year (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Bruce Crawford*

<u>S5M-14296</u> Jamie Halcro Johnston: Merchant Navy Association of Shetland (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alison Harris*

<u>\$5M-14295</u> Andy Wightman: Streetreads (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Angela Constance*

<u>S5M-14294</u> Fulton MacGregor: Townhead Primary School's Education Scotland Report (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Bruce Crawford*, Gillian Martin*

<u>S5M-14293</u> Fulton MacGregor: Euan Barton, the Gartcosh Karate Kid (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Bruce Crawford*

S5M-14292 Colin Beattie: Project X's Chronicles (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14291</u> Sandra White: University of Glasgow Welcomes Students from Islamic University of Gaza (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14290</u> Stuart McMillan: Scotland's Boat Show 2018 Docks in Inverkip (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Neil Bibby*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Alex Rowley*

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<u>S5M-14287</u> Stuart McMillan: Barnardo's Awarded £113,625 to Support People Affected by Drugs or Alcohol (lodged on 11 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14286</u> George Adam: Pressure on Sub-postmasters (lodged on 10 October 2018)

New Support: Neil Bibby*, Jenny Gilruth*, Alex Rowley*, Christine Grahame*

<u>S5M-14284</u> Jenny Gilruth: St Ninian's Charity Shop and Community Cafe Awarded **Dementia-friendly Status** (lodged on 10 October 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S5M-14282 Andy Wightman: Golden Visas (lodged on 10 October 2018)

New Support: John Mason*

<u>\$5M-14281</u> Shona Robison: Stand Easy Awarded £4,000 by the Corra Foundation (lodged on 10 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>\$5M-14280</u> Shona Robison: Children 1st Awarded £211,359 by the Corra Foundation (lodged on 10 October 2018)

New Support: Alison Johnstone*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14279</u> Willie Coffey: Worksmart Contracts Ltd Wins Gold (lodged on 10 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-14278</u> Bill Kidd: Glasgow Clyde College Nominated for Awards (lodged on 11 October 2018)

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

<u>S5M-14277</u> Gail Ross: Camanachd Association Celebrates 125th Anniversary (lodged on 10 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-14275</u> Johann Lamont: Unacceptable Funding Cuts to Glasgow (lodged on 10 October 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

<u>S5M-14274</u> David Torrance: Clued Up Project (lodged on 10 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-14271 Maureen Watt: Plans for Charlie House Care Centre (lodged on 09 October 2018)

New Support: Angela Constance*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sandra White*, Jenny Gilruth*, Bruce Crawford*, Gillian Martin*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-14266</u> Brian Whittle: Transport Infrastructure in South West Scotland (lodged on 09 October 2018)

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New Support: John Scott*

<u>S5M-14263</u> Dean Lockhart: Meal Makers in Fife (lodged on 09 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-14262 Dean Lockhart: Talking Cafés (lodged on 09 October 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

<u>S5M-14258</u> lain Gray: Josh Taylor Named Boxer of the Year (lodged on 08 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-14254</u> Alison Johnstone: SCVO, What is a Modern Charity? (lodged on 08 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-14253 Pauline McNeill: 10 Years After the Crash (lodged on 08 October 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

<u>S5M-14252</u> Angela Constance: Riverside Community Wing Upgrade (lodged on 08 October

2018)

New Support: Alexander Stewart*

S5M-14251 Gil Paterson: International Stammering Awareness Day (lodged on 08 October

2018)

New Support: Mary Fee*

S5M-14250 Maurice Corry: 75th Anniversary of the Defence Medical Welfare Service (lodged

on 08 October 2018)

New Support: John Mason*

S5M-14245 Claire Baker: Kirkcaldy Foodbank (lodged on 08 October 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S5M-14244 Colin Smyth: Abellio Trade Union Recognition (lodged on 08 October 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

<u>S5M-14243</u> Liam McArthur: Kyle Linklater Wins Apprenticeship Award (lodged on 08 October

2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

<u>S5M-14230</u> Gil Paterson: Clydebank FC Qualifies for Next Round of Junior Cup (lodged on

11 October 2018)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-14195 Kenneth Gibson: Persecution of Human Rights Activists in Saudi Arabia (lodged

on 02 October 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

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<u>S5M-14177</u> Mary Fee: Baby Loss Awareness Week, 9 to 15 October 2018 (lodged on 02 October 2018)

New Support: John Mason*

<u>\$5M-14175</u> Neil Findlay: Fire Brigades Union's 100th Birthday (lodged on 02 October 2018)

New Support: John Mason*

S5M-14135 Jenny Gilruth: Move More Fife, Tackling Cancer (lodged on 27 September 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S5M-14133 Claire Baker: Save Tullibody Civic Centre and Tullibody Healthy Living (lodged

on 27 September 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S5M-14126 David Torrance: Fife Alcohol Support Service, Supporting Fifers for 40 Years

(lodged on 27 September 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

<u>S5M-14123</u> Monica Lennon: South Lanarkshire Care Homes Under Threat (lodged on 27

September 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

S5M-14122 Kenneth Gibson: First Anniversary of Catalan Independence Referendum

(lodged on 27 September 2018)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-14119 Michelle Ballantyne: Gala Remembers 2018 (lodged on 27 September 2018)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

S5M-14112 Ross Greer: Civilian Deaths in Yemen (lodged on 26 September 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

<u>S5M-14093</u> Rachael Hamilton: RDA Border Group, 50 Years of Supporting Disabled People

(lodged on 25 September 2018)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

<u>S5M-14032</u> Neil Findlay: The Need for TL Scanning in Scotland for Mesh-injured Patients

(lodged on 20 September 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S5M-13890 Oliver Mundell: The Cycle to Syracuse to Mark the 30th Anniversary of the

Lockerbie Disaster (lodged on 13 September 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S5M-13692 Annabelle Ewing: Our Wee Café in Kelty (lodged on 31 August 2018)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 24 October 2018

Health and Sport

- **1. Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde and what issues were discussed. (\$50-02459)
- **2. Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what action the health secretary is taking to support those most vulnerable to the effects of winter weather. (\$50-02460)
- 3. Michelle Ballantyne: [Not Lodged]
- **4. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to introduce a right to rehabilitation for patients with chest, heart and stroke conditions. (\$50-02462)
- **5. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that people who are homeless are not disadvantaged from accessing a GP. (\$50-02463)
- **6. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides to NHS boards to reinstate community health services. **(**\$50-02464**)**
- **7. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work of the Respiratory Improvement Taskforce. (S50-02465) R
- **8. Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how the extra funding that it announced in July 2018 to support breastfeeding services has been distributed. (S50-02466)
- **9. Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to ensure that there are more Changing Places toilet facilities throughout Scotland. (\$50-02467)
- **10. Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the proposed closure of the primary care emergency service facility in St Andrews. (\$50-02468)
- **11. Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what role the Minister for Public Health, Sport and Wellbeing is having with its plans to bring the Invictus Games to Scotland, and what discussions he has had with the culture secretary on this. (\$50-02469)
- **12. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve access to mental health services for LGBT+ people. (S50-02470)
- **13. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reach the 60% target of frontline staff immunised with the flu vaccine. (S50-02471)
- **14. James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of hip operations have been carried out within the 12-week treatment time guarantee in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde in 2018. (S50-02472)
- **15. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to reduce orthopaedic and ophthalmology waiting times in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde. (S50-02473)
- **16. Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to review the eightminute target ambulance service response time. (\$50-02474)
- **17. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it promotes women's football. (S50-02475)
- **18. Mark McDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance it issues to NHS boards regarding end-of-life planning for people with MND. (\$50-02476)

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- **19. David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with ACAS about it becoming involved in investigating allegations of bullying and harassment at NHS Highland. (\$50-02477)
- **20. Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact Sir Lewis Ritchie's review of out-of-hours primary care has had on the delivery of these services. (\$50-02478)

General Questions selected for answer on 25 October 2018

- 1. Colin Beattie: To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides to local communities where nearby rivers have been polluted by waste overflows from detritus flushed down toilets (\$50-02449)
- **2. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it is undertaking to make misogyny a crime. (S50-02450)
- **3. Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on legally obliging landowners to formally engage with communities affected by major changes in land use. (S50-02451)
- **4. Stewart Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has discussed with the UK Government raising the UK's proposed 10-megabit Universal Service Obligation for broadband to match Scotland's plans for universal availability of at least 30 megabits. **(\$50-02452)**
- **5. lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure equality of opportunity for young people across all local authorities. (\$50-02453)
- **6. Alison Harris:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported warnings from nursery providers that its planned expansion of childcare to 1,140 hours by 2020 is "about to implode". (S50-02454)
- **7. Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish its new economic action plan and whether it will include specific targets for improving the economy. (S50-02455)
- **8. Peter Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of fish landed in 2017 was in the north east. (\$50-02456)
- **9. Richard Lyle:** To ask the Scottish Government what its latest position is regarding Brexit negotiations and their impact on Scotland. **(\$50-02457)**
- **10. Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government what the latest position is on its roll-out of 1,140 hours of free childcare by 2020. (\$50-02458)

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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 from 14 October 2018 to 19 October 2018

<u>S5W-19463</u> **Maureen Watt:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on BSE (bovine spongiform encephalopathy) in Scotland.

Written questions lodged from 14 October 2018 to 19 October 2018

<u>S5W-19381</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance and processes are in place to assist NHS staff to recognise, treat and care for adults and young people with psychosis and coexisting substance misuse, and whether there are any plans to update these.

<u>\$5W-19382</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what provision is made within initial and ongoing teacher training that address mental health and wellbeing issues among teachers.

<u>\$5W-19383</u> **Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question \$5W-18767 by Roseanna Cunningham on 20 September 2018, what consideration was given to the results of the 2012-13 absorbent hygiene product collection pilot to ensure that these products were recycled in Scotland, rather than incinerated or landfilled. **R**

<u>S5W-19384</u> Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on what the average waiting times have been for wheelchair repairs for people (a) under and (b) over 18 in each year since 2007, also broken down by NHS board.

<u>\$5W-19385</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish an annual report on workforce planning and seek to hold an annual parliamentary debate on this.

<u>S5W-19386</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that seven NHS boards will change their chief executives in the next year, and how many boards currently (a) have a chief executive in post, (b) are recruiting a chief executive and (c) have an interim chief executive in post.

<u>\$5W-19387</u> **Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what the terms of reference are of the Directors of Planning Thrombectomy Advisory Group.

<u>S5W-19388</u> Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-18910 by Jeane Freeman on 27 September 2018, how consideration of evidence from acute stroke service reconfiguration elsewhere in the UK by the Thrombectomy Advisory Group will be used to improve aspects of acute stroke care, other than thrombectomy, such as access to thrombolysis and brain scanning.

<u>\$5W-19389</u> **Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will list public appointments that were taken up by Jeane Freeman in each year since 2007, also broken down by remuneration.

<u>\$5W-19391</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many bids have been made for funding support from the extra funding that it announced for breastfeeding services in July 2018, also broken down by NHS board.

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<u>S5W-19392</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what its previous performance target was for the prescribing of anti-depressants, and (a) when and (b) for what reason this performance target was ended.

<u>S5W-19393</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what the level of prescribing antidepressants was for the last year that its previous performance target was in place and in each year since.

<u>S5W-19394</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on concerns that there is an increased level of prescribing anti-depressants, and what action it will take in this regard.

<u>\$5W-19395</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has updated its guidance to health professionals regarding withdrawal from anti-depressants.

<u>\$5W-19396</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what services it has in place to help people suffering from withdrawal from anti-depressants.

<u>\$5W-19397</u> **Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the letter from the Minister for Public Health, Sport and Wellbeing to the Scottish Infected Blood Forum and Haemophilia Scotland of 27 September 2018, when it expects to obtain core participant status in the UK Infected Blood Inquiry.

<u>\$5W-19398</u> Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason reference to prong collars was removed from its final guidance on dog training aids, and whether it supports their use.

<u>S5W-19399</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it will receive from the DWP in cases where the earnings of a recipient of carer's allowance have breached the earnings threshold, and how Social Security Scotland will use this information for the purposes of recovering carer's allowance supplement.

<u>\$5W-19400</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government whether the carer's allowance earnings threshold will increase in 2019-20.

<u>\$5W-19401</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Fairer for Carers campaign by Carers UK.

<u>S5W-19402</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that recipients of carer's allowance may be prosecuted or fined where the DWP's Verify Earnings and Pensions system finds that the earnings threshold has been breached.

<u>S5W-19403</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will instruct the DWP, under its agency agreement, to increase the carer's allowance earnings threshold to match the (a) national living wage at 16 hours per week or (b) real living wage at 16 hours per week while the agreement remains in place.

<u>\$5W-19404</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has instructed the DWP, under its agency agreement, not to recover, fine or prosecute a recipient of carer's allowance whose earnings have breached the earnings threshold.

<u>S5W-19405</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners there are, broken down by (a) prison (b) gender and (c) age, and whether they (i) are untried, (ii) have been convicted and are awaiting sentence and (iii) are serving a sentence.

<u>\$5W-19406</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government who authorised the disposal of the car involved in the M9 crash on 5 July 2015; who made it aware that it had been disposed of, and when, and whether it was consulted regarding the disposal beforehand.

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<u>S5W-19410</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many two-prisoner cells there are in Scotland's prisons; of these, how many currently hold two prisoners, and how many prisoners this equates to, broken down by (a) prison and (b) prisoners' (i) gender, (ii) age, and (c) whether they (A) are untried, (B) have been convicted and are awaiting sentence and (C) are serving a sentence.

<u>\$5W-19412</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many cells there are in Scotland's prisons, broken down by prison.

<u>\$5W-19414</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government what the total prison capacity is, broken down by prison.

<u>\$5W-19415</u> **lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to extend the provision of student loans to postgraduate research degrees.

<u>\$5W-19416</u> **lain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have applied each year for student loans for postgraduate taught degrees, and how many loans were awarded.

<u>S5W-19417</u> Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what initiatives are in place to allow larger, national-based charities to take on the responsibility of obtaining funding for smaller, community-based ones.

<u>\$5W-19418</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what the economic impact of road closures has been in each year since 2007.

<u>S5W-19419</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure the timely reopening of the Rest and Be Thankful section of the A83, following the recent landslides.

<u>\$5W-19420</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to establish a long-term solution to the reliability of the A83, in particular at the Rest and Be Thankful section.

<u>\$5W-19421</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government how much of the reported £56 million that that has been spent on the A83 since 2007 has been allocated each year to landslide mitigation measures at (a) the Rest and Be Thankful and (b) other sections of that road.

<u>\$5W-19422</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what evaluation it has made of the effectiveness of its landslide mitigation measures for roads in each year since 2007.

<u>S5W-19423</u> **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent on repairing landslide mitigation infrastructure for roads since 2007.

<u>\$5W-19424</u> Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many people are waiting for (a) urgent and (b) non-urgent operations or procedures at the Edinburgh Western General Hospital urology hub; what the average waiting time is, and what action is being taken to reduce this.

<u>\$5W-19425</u> **Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what criteria it will use when allocating fishing opportunities (a) in 2019 and (b) following the Brexit transition period.

<u>\$5W-19427</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the STUC Women's Committee report, *Menopause and the Workplace*.

<u>\$5W-19428</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has carried out of the impact that the menopause has on women in employment.

<u>S5W-19429</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address stigma regarding the menopause in the workplace.

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<u>S5W-19430</u> Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government whether there is a mechanism in place whereby communities or individuals can claim compensation should wind farm developers be found to demonstrate an outstanding lack of integrity within the planning process.

<u>S5W-19431</u> **Tom Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recommendations set out in the paper, *The Best Start: A Five-Year Forward Plan for Maternity and Neonatal Care in Scotland*, by what date the Implementation Programme Board will conclude its options appraisal of neonatal intensive care.

<u>S5W-19432</u> **Tom Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-18959 by Jeane Freeman on 2 October 2018, what impact a reduction in the number of neonatal care centres in NHS Grampian, as recommended in the paper, *The Best Start: A Five-Year Forward Plan for Maternity and Neonatal Care in Scotland*, could have on the ability to ensure that babies requiring care receive this "as quickly as possible".

<u>S5W-19433</u> **Tom Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people in the NHS Grampian area could face increased travel times to neonatal care centres if the recommendations in the paper, *The Best Start: A Five-Year Forward Plan for Maternity and Neonatal Care in Scotland*, are enacted.

<u>S5W-19434</u> **Tom Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recommendations in the paper, *The Best Start: A Five-Year Forward Plan for Maternity and Neonatal Care in Scotland*, what contingency plans it has in place in the event of any closures of neonatal care centres in NHS Grampian.

<u>S5W-19435</u> **Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-19308 by Christina McKelvie on 15 October 2018, what proportion of its funding for tackling domestic abuse is allocated to services that support victims who identify as male.

<u>S5W-19436</u> **Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government how it measures the effectiveness of its approach to supporting victims of domestic abuse who identify as male.

<u>\$5W-19437</u> **Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the causes of domestic abuse against victims of domestic abuse who identify as male.

<u>S5W-19438</u> **Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had or plans to have with stakeholder groups on its approach to women who are perpetrators of domestic abuse.

<u>S5W-19439</u> **Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to break down the barriers of social stigma that prevent men from seeking support from professional services for victims of domestic abuse.

<u>\$5W-19440</u> Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government what the ScotRail franchise performance benchmarks are, broken down by sector.

<u>\$5W-19441</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many police-recorded common assaults on emergency workers there have been in each of the last five years, also broken down by type of emergency worker.

<u>S5W-19442</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many charges have been brought under (a) sections 1(1) and 2(1) of the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Act 2005, (b) section 41(1) of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967 and (c) other legislation for assaulting emergency workers in each of the last five years and how many (i) were dropped, (ii) were proceeded with and (iii) resulted in a conviction, also broken down by type of emergency worker.

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<u>S5W-19445</u> James Kelly: To ask the Scottish Government how many Communications Data Application Forms have been completed by officers working with the Football Coordination Unit for Scotland in each of the last five years.

<u>S5W-19446</u> James Kelly: To ask the Scottish Government how many applications have been made for an interception warrant by, or on behalf of, the Chief Constable in each of the last five years; whether any of these relate to the work of the Football Coordination Unit for Scotland, and, if so, how many there were each year.

<u>S5W-19447</u> Richard Lyle: To ask the Scottish Government what supporting measures it is planning to ensure the successful implementation of an opt-out organ donation system.

<u>\$5W-19448</u> Richard Lyle: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to any infrastructure and capacity implications for transplantation services arising from the implementation of an opt-out organ donation system, and what plans it has to address these.

<u>S5W-19450</u> **Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government what research it has carried out regarding the use in the health and social care sector of the exemptions under the Equality Act 2010.

<u>S5W-19451</u> **Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance it has issued or plans to issue to national and local public bodies regarding the use of the exemptions under the Equality Act 2010.

<u>\$5W-19455</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that (a) some pharmacies offering the flu jab have run out of supplies until November 2018 and (b) it will be unable to offer the adjuvanted trivalent flu vaccine to all over 65s; what impact this will have on infection rates in 2018-19, and what plans it has to review its vaccine procurement policies.

<u>S5W-19457</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5F-02629 by Nicola Sturgeon on 27 September 2018 (*Official Report*, c.10), what evidence it has to support the First Minister's comment that "that the vaccine that is being offered to 65- to 74-year-olds this winter still provides full flu protection".

<u>S5W-19458</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Cold Weather Payments Ten Minute Rule Bill, which is due to have its second reading in the UK Parliament on 23 November 2018 and which re-examines the way that weather data that triggers cold weather payments is gathered.

<u>S5W-19459</u> Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that data on the prevalence of health conditions, previously captured by the Quality Outcomes Framework, will continue to be made publicly available, and what will be done to ensure that this is available from the year 2016-17 onwards so that trends can continue to be monitored.

<u>S5W-19460</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-19090 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 17 October 2018, what the expected cost of delivery is of the carer's allowance supplement in future years, and whether the cost for 2018-19 includes one-off costs of delivery in the first year of payments being made.

<u>\$5W-19461</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions \$5W-19091 and \$5W-19090 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 17 October 2018, what the individual cost is per payment of (a) carer's allowance delivered by the DWP and (b) carer's allowance supplement delivered by Social Security Scotland, and which of these is more cost-effective.

<u>S5W-19462</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on developing guidance for local authorities regarding providing support for veterans aged (a) under 65 and (b) 65 or over who feel lonely or isolated.

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<u>S5W-19465</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-13171 by Jeane Freeman on 21 December 2017, for what reason the experience panels are required to consider precise eligibility of extending winter fuel payments to families with disabled children on the higher rate of Disability Living Allowance, in light of it having made this commitment in its Programme for Government 2016-17 and in its answer to question S5W-02679 by Jeane Freeman on 15 September 2016.

<u>S5W-19466</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-13172 by Jeane Freeman on 21 December 2017, at what rate Winter Fuel Payments will be made to families with disabled children on the higher rate of Disability Living Allowance, and, in light of its commitment to consult the experience panels, and according to the Experience Panels Research Plan 2018-19, for what reason this has not yet commenced.

<u>S5W-19467</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-13171 by Jeane Freeman on 21 December 2017, whether the commitment to extend Winter Fuel Payments to families with disabled children on the higher rate of Disability Living Allowance will be dependent on the higher rate of the care component, mobility component, either component or both, and, in light of the reference in the answer, when the ongoing policy development process on this proposal began, including direct engagement with engagement panels.

<u>S5W-19468</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions S5W-13172, S5W-13171 and S5W-13158 by Jeane Freeman on 21 December 2017, when direct engagement with the experience panels regarding (a) extending Winter Fuel Payments to families with disabled children on the higher rate of Disability Living Allowance and (b) winter fuel payment policy development, began, and for what reason this research project is not listed in the Experience Panels Research Plan 2018-19.

<u>\$5W-19473</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many health visitors there have been in each NHS board area in each year since 2007, and what progress it is making towards meeting its 2014 commitment to increase the number of health visitors by 500 by 2018.

<u>S5W-19475</u> Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) thrombolysis and (b) thrombectomy procedures have been carried out in the last year; what information it has regarding how this compares with the rest of the UK, and what plans it has to increase to the number.

<u>\$5W-19476</u> **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what the maintenance budget for the (a) A1, (b) A68 and (c) A7 for 2018 has been in each year since 2007.

<u>S5W-19477</u> Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how may (a) collisions and (b) other accidents there have been on the (i) A1, (ii) A68 and (iii) A7 in each year since 2007, also broken down by how many led to (A) fatal and (B) serious injury and the number of people (1) killed and (2) seriously injured.

<u>S5W-19478</u> Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how many farm businesses are awaiting outstanding CAP payments for (a) 2017 and (b) 2018.

<u>\$5W-19479</u> **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to control the spread of larch disease in the Scottish Borders.

<u>S5W-19480</u> Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) community mental health nurses, (b) mental health nurses, (c) consultant psychiatrists, (d) psychologists NHS Borders has employed in each year since 2007.

<u>S5W-19481</u> Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the First Minister's speech at the Scottish Tourism Alliance Conference on 1 October 2018, whether it will hold a

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public consultation regarding introducing a so-called tourism tax and if so, what the timeline for this will be. **R**

<u>S5W-19482</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on which influenza strains are likely to be prevalent this winter and what percentage of the population is protected against each.

<u>\$5W-19483</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason there is a reported shortage of flu vaccinations available to GP practices this year.

<u>S5W-19484</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure that people who are entitled to a flu vaccination receive it this winter, and when it expects the programme of vaccinations to be complete.

<u>\$5W-19485</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what the risks are to older people, those with health conditions and for children this winter in the event of a shortage of flu vaccinations.

<u>\$5W-19486</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to engage with GP practices to ensure that they receive the correct quantities of the flu vaccination this year and in subsequent years.

<u>S5W-19487</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government when GP practices can expect to receive sufficient flu vaccinations for (a) adults and (b) children.

<u>\$5W-19490</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to provide support to the tourism industry in Orkney.

<u>S5W-19491</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports that Orkney islanders lost £350,000 through online and phone crime in 2018, what it is doing to tackle such activity, including what discussions it has with Police Scotland, and whether it will publish details of the discussions.

<u>S5W-19492</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports that cases of drink-spiking have doubled in three years, what it is doing to tackle such activity, including what discussions it has with Police Scotland; whether it will publish details of the discussions, and what its position is on implementing a national anti-drinks spiking strategy.

<u>\$5W-19493</u> **Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it has set Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT) late return penalties higher than those for stamp duty.

<u>S5W-19494</u> **Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government how many penalties have been imposed each year on businesses that have failed to submit their Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT) returns on time.

<u>\$5W-19495</u> **Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government how many Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT) returns have been submitted following the three-year review return date that were (a) within one to three and (b) over three months late.

<u>\$5W-19496</u> **Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports of leases that were not notifiable for Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT) purposes being subject to penalties under the LBTT late returns review.

<u>\$5W-19497</u> **Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance it provides to businesses that are tenants and are being served with Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT) return reminders after their solicitors filed their initial returns.

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<u>\$5W-19498</u> **Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government whether a form was made available for businesses to complete if a lease was terminated or assigned to another party prior to the start of the three-year Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT) lease reviews.

<u>S5W-19499</u> **Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the Scottish Government how all tenants, including businesses, can notify Revenue Scotland that a lease has been terminated with regard to the Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT).

<u>\$5W-19500</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) regarding bringing forward winter fuel payments for 2018-19 to support older people who use off-grid energy and, what the outcome was.

<u>S5W-19501</u> **Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has asked the UK Government lay commencement regulations under section 23 of the Scotland Act 2016 for for the purposes of having executive competence for the delivery of (a) cold-spell heating assistance and (b) winter heating assistance by Social Security Scotland and, if so, what the outcome was.

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Scottish Crown Estate Bill – Stage 3

Section 3

John Scott

1 In section 3, page 2, line 2, at beginning insert < Subject to subsection (1A),>

John Scott

- 2 In section 3, page 2, line 8, at end insert—
 - <(1A) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations make provision for a list of assets that may only be managed by the persons mentioned in subsection (2)(a) or (b).
 - (1B) Before making regulations under subsection (1A), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) the persons mentioned in subsection (2),
 - (b) such other persons as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
 - (1C) The Scottish Ministers may not exercise the power under subsection (1) until regulations under subsection (1A) have come into force.>

After section 25

John Scott

3 After section 25, insert—

< Duty to maintain a list of Scottish Crown Estate assets

Duty to maintain a list of Scottish Crown Estate assets

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) maintain a list of all Scottish Crown Estate assets and associated liabilities,
 - (b) publish that list,
 - (c) make that list available for public inspection.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must make the list available for public inspection no later than one year after the day on which this section comes into force.
- (3) When preparing the list, the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) each manager,
 - (b) such other person as they consider appropriate.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision for—
 - (a) the publication of the list,
 - (b) the making of the list available for public inspection,

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(c) the notification of the inclusion of an asset and associated liability in, the amendment of an entry relating to an asset and associated liability in or the exclusion of an asset and associated liability from the list.>

Section 40

John Scott

4 In section 40, page 19, line 27, after < section > insert < 3(1A) or >

John Scott

5 In section 40, page 19, line 28, leave out <or 9(4)> and insert <, 9(4) or (*Duty to maintain a list of Scottish Crown Estate assets*)>

New amendments to Bills lodged on 19 October 2018

Planning (Scotland) Bill – Stage 2

Section 22

Graham Simpson

- 329 In section 22, page 35, line 30, at end insert—
 - <() In section 136A (fixed penalty notice where enforcement notice not complied with)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), after "(1)" insert "or (5)",
 - (b) in subsection (3)—
 - (i) for "more than one" substitute "a second or subsequent",
 - (ii) after "activity" insert "until the expiry of 6 months beginning with the date of service of the previous fixed penalty notice in relation to the particular step or activity",
 - (c) in subsection (4), for the words from "any" to the end substitute "liability to conviction for an offence under section 136 as respects that breach of the enforcement notice for a period of 6 months beginning with the date of service of that fixed penalty notice",
 - (d) in subsection (5), after "period" insert "of 30 days",
 - (e) in subsection (6), after first "period" insert "of 30 days",
 - (f) in subsection (8), after "period" insert "of 30 days",
 - (g) after subsection (9) insert—
 - "(9A) Despite subsection (9), it is competent to commence proceedings against the person for an offence under section 136 as respects that breach where, after the expiry of 6 months beginning with the date of payment of the amount, any step required by the enforcement notice to be taken has still not been taken or any activity required by the notice to cease is still being carried on.",
 - (h) in subsection (11)—
 - (i) after "Ministers" insert "—

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- (a) must make provision for increasing amounts to apply to a second and subsequent fixed penalty in the case of a continuing breach of an enforcement notice,"
- (ii) the words from "may" to the end become paragraph (b),
- (iii) in paragraph (b) so formed, after "make" insert "other".>

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Age of Criminal Responsibility (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 25 October 2018

Census (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 2 October 2018

Lead committee - Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Education and Skills)), 6 December 2017

Children (Equal Protection from Assault) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 25 October 2018

Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (evidence, Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 23 October 2018

Damages (Investment Returns and Periodical Payments) (Scotland) Bill (G)

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Stage 1 (lead committee (evidence, Economy, Energy and Fair Work)), 23 October 2018

Fuel Poverty (Target, Definition and Strategy) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 26 September 2018

Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (evidence, Health and Sport Committee)), 2 October 2018

Human Tissue (Authorisation) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health and Sport Committee)), 23 October 2018

Hutchesons' Hospital Transfer and Dissolution (Scotland) Bill (P)

Introduced, 25 June 2018

Committee - Hutchesons' Hospital Transfer and Dissolution (Scotland) Bill

Management of Offenders (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 26 June 2018

Planning (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 4) (Local Government and Communities Committee), 24 October 2018
Stage 2 (Day 5) (Local Government and Communities Committee), 31 October 2018
Amendments to remaining provisions of the Bill can be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation
Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot). Any amendments to remaining provisions up to the
end of section 26 (for consideration on Day 5) should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 25
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Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill (P)

Consideration Stage (Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill Committee), 24 October 2018

Prescription (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 25 September 2018

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

Restricted Roads (20 mph Speed Limit) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 21 September 2018

Lead committee - Rural Economy and Connectivity

Scottish Crown Estate Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 18 September 2018

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

Transport (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 23 October 2018 Stage 1 (evidence, Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 23 October 2018

UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Legal Continuity) (Scotland) Bill (G)

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Passed, 21 March 2018

The Bill has been referred to the Supreme Court under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland.

Vulnerable Witnesses (Criminal Evidence) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice Committee)), 26 June 2018

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

Crime (Overseas Production Orders) Bill

Lodged on 7 September 2018

Justice Committee, 23 October 2018

Holocaust (Return of Cultural Objects) (Amendment) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-15

Lodged on 15 March 2018

Motion agreed by the Parliament, 8 May 2018

Ivory Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-16

Lodged on 6 June 2018

Report (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee), 21 September 2018

Offensive Weapons Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-17

Lodged on 3 September 2018

Justice Committee, 23 October 2018

Parking (Code of Practice) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-13

Lodged on 5 March 2018

Motion agreed by the Parliament, 5 June 2018

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<u>Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Order 2018 (SSI 2018/215)</u> (29 June 2018) (Justice)

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