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followed by Members' Business — S5M-20029 Gail Ross: Unfair Delivery Charges

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Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

- **1. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to introduce a deposit return scheme for drinks containers. (S5O-03849)
- 2. Sarah Boyack: [Not Lodged] (S5O-03850)
- **3. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to Oil & Gas UK's *Environment Report 2018*, which highlights a commitment to "playing its part in building a sustainable industry that is progressively lowering its emission intensity". (S50-03851)
- **4. Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with stakeholders, including the Scottish SPCA, regarding reforming its animal welfare legislation. (S50-03852)
- **5. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding levels of puppy trafficking through the port of Cairnryan and how much revenue has been recovered by HMRC from this. (S5O-03853)
- **6. Anas Sarwar:** [Withdrawn] (<u>S5O-03854</u>)
- **7. Keith Brown:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that schemes to help improve the environment are given long-term certainty over their future. (S50-03855)
- **8. Jenny Marra:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recommendations in the Scottish Environment Link report, *Environmental Governance: effective approaches for Scotland post-Brexit.* (S50-03856)

Rural Economy

- **1. Colin Beattie:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making with plant passporting. (S5O-03857)
- **2. Adam Tomkins:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the support it is providing to the food and drink industry. (S5O-03858)
- **3. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure the welfare of farmed animals. (S50-03859)
- **4. Fulton MacGregor**: [Withdrawn] (<u>S5O-03860</u>)
- **5. Alison Johnstone:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it will take to reduce gear conflict in Scotland's fisheries. (S50-03861)
- **6. Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the rural economy secretary's offer to lead the end year fisheries negotiations in Brussels has been accepted by the UK Government. (\$50-03862)
- **7. Michelle Ballantyne:** To ask the Scottish Government how many applications from rural areas to the Community Asset Transfer Scheme have been refused following an appeal in the last three years. (S5O-03863)

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8. Brian Whittle: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure farmers are supported to operate in an environmentally sustainable way. (S50-03864)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Achieving a Fairer Scotland

<u>S5M-20110</u> Aileen Campbell: Achieving a Fairer Scotland—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the *Fairer Scotland Action Plan, Shifting the Curve and the Life Chances of Young People in Scotland, Progress Report 2019*; notes the steps being taken towards achieving a fairer and more prosperous Scotland, including the commitment to introduce the Scottish Child Payment, which is a brand new benefit to tackle child poverty head on; further notes the 2018 annual report on Welfare Reform's estimate that UK Government social security spending will reduce by up to £3.7 billion in Scotland by 2020-21, and acknowledges the UN Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights 2019 report, which stated that the UK Government's austerity cuts and welfare reforms are a key driver of serious hardship, increased food bank use and homelessness.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

<u>S5M-20110.1</u> Jeremy Balfour: Achieving a Fairer Scotland—As an amendment to motion S5M-20110 in the name of Aileen Campbell (Achieving a Fairer Scotland), leave out from "2018 annual report" to end and insert "concern of a number of early learning and childcare practitioners and stakeholders over the roll-out of 1,140 hours of childcare, while acknowledging the need for flexibility within the service so that parents have the most adaptable means for returning to work or study; acknowledges the importance of the safe transfer of disability benefits and the need for the Scottish Government to prioritise their transfer with no further delays; welcomes action by the UK Government to empower workers through an increase to the living wage, personal allowance rate and a decreasing disability unemployment rate, and supports the UK Government's target to have 4.5 million disabled people in employment by 2027."

<u>S5M-20110.3</u> Pauline McNeill: Achieving a Fairer Scotland—As an amendment to motion S5M-20110 in the name of Aileen Campbell (Achieving a Fairer Scotland), insert at end "; regrets the rise in poverty in Scotland and believes that more ambition is required across government to tackle inequality and improve people's quality of life; calls on the Scottish Government to address the barriers to benefit uptake and reduce housing costs; agrees that universal credit, the two-child cap and pernicious UK welfare reforms must be scrapped, and believes that tackling the climate emergency must be done in a fair way, recognising the growing inequalities and insecurities facing people across Scotland."

<u>S5M-20110.2</u> Alison Johnstone: Achieving a Fairer Scotland—As an amendment to motion S5M-20110 in the name of Aileen Campbell (Achieving a Fairer Scotland), insert at end "; calls for a review of the Scottish Welfare Fund to ensure that it can support those hardest hit by welfare reform; notes that the original report, *Shifting the Curve*, recommended that the Scottish Government should be 'bold on local tax reform', and believes it is imperative that ongoing crossparty talks on council tax reform result in a progressive local tax that will enable local authorities to better fund local services and promote fairness."

followed by Business Motions

<u>S5M-20119</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees—

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(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 10 December 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Queen Elizabeth University Hospital

followed by Ministerial Statement: Performance in Scottish education - the PISA 2018 Results and

Achievement of Curriculum for Excellence Level 2018/19 Statistics

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Reaffirming Scotland's Support for Human Rights

Defenders

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Changes to the Code of Conduct

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business

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1.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Justice and the Law Officers; Government Business and

Constitutional Relations; Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

followed by General Questions

followed by First Minister's Questions

3.05 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 17 December 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 3 Debate: UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 18 December 2019

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills; Health and Sport; Communities and Local Government

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followed by Stage 1 Debate: Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 19 December 2019

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

1.45 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1.45 pm Stage 3 Debate: Referendums (Scotland) Bill

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 9 December 2019, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

<u>S5M-20120</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 1 May 2020.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

<u>S5M-20121</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Health and Sport Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

<u>S5M-20122</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the review to be carried out under section 50 of the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 be referred to the Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee.

<u>S5M-20123</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Environment (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment etc.) (No. 2) Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.

<u>S5M-20124</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scotlish Ministers etc.) Order 2020 [draft] be approved.

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-20029 Gail Ross: Unfair Delivery Charges

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S5M-20029 Gail Ross: Unfair Delivery Charges—That the Parliament notes the increase in internet shopping and e-commerce that allows customers to order goods online for delivery to their own homes or businesses; acknowledges the ongoing campaigns that highlight the number of retailers and couriers that continue to apply very significant parcel delivery surcharges to many Scottish postcode areas, particularly in the north of the country, despite others offering free delivery or only modest surcharges; believes that the picture across the country is inconsistent and confusing; understands that many retailers continue to advertise free UK mainland delivery yet exclude parts of mainland Scotland from this definition, while others simply refuse to deliver to parts of the country; believes that discriminatory parcel delivery surcharges result in an additional cost to customers in Scotland, which has been estimated by the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) to be over £40 million annually compared with elsewhere in the UK, and acknowledges the calls for all relevant authorities to further address this issue as a matter of priority to ensure fair delivery charges.

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Committee Meetings

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

Local Government and Communities Committee 31st Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- 1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on The Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Ancillary Provision) Regulations 2019 [draft] from—
 - Kevin Stewart, Minister for Local Government, Housing and Planning, and Jean Waddie, Planning Reform Co-ordinator, Scottish Government.
- 2. **Subordinate legislation:** Kevin Stewart, Minister for Local Government, Housing and Planning, Scottish Government to move—
 - S5M-19958—That the Local Government and Communities Committee recommends that The Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Ancillary Provision) Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.
- 3. **Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 2).
- 4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument— The Charities Accounts (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/393)

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee 34th Meeting, 2019

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

 Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Pete Ritchie, Executive Director, Nourish Scotland, and Vicki Swales, Head of Land Use Policy, RSPB Scotland, on behalf of Scottish Environment LINK;

Nigel Miller, Co-Chair, Farming for 1.5 Degrees;

Professor Michael Keating, Fellow, Royal Society of Edinburgh;

Rachel Hunter, Director of Service Delivery, Highlands and Islands Enterprise; and then from—

Martin Morgan, Executive Manager, Scottish Association of Meat Wholesalers;

David Michie, Deputy Director, Soil Association Scotland;

Sarah Millar, Head of Industry Development, Quality Meat Scotland.

2. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard at today's meeting.

Education and Skills Committee 33rd Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Finance and Constitution Committee 28th Meeting, 2019

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

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

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 27 November 2019

Thursday 5 December 2019

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-19957 Claire Baker: SCAN Art in Action Campaign

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Disability Sport and Participation

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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

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee 5 December 2019 30th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 8:30 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. Arts Funding Inquiry (in private): The Committee will consider a draft report.

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For further information, contact Stephen Herbert, Clerk to the Committee: europe@parliament.scot or 0131 348 6226.

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 5 December 2019 28th Meeting, 2019

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

- 1. **Declaration of interests:** John Mason will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
- 2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
- 3. **Post-legislative Scrutiny The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Daren Fitzhenry, Scottish Information Commissioner; Lorraine Currie, Freedom of Information Officer (Policy and Information), Scottish Information Commissioner.

4. Section 23 report - Scottish Public Pensions Agency: Update on management of PS project: The Committee will take evidence from-

Leslie Evans, Permanent Secretary, Alyson Stafford, Director-General, Scottish Exchequer, Gordon Wales, Chief Financial Officer, and Colin Cook, Director Digital, Scottish Government.

5. Section 23 report - Scottish Public Pensions Agency: Update on management of PS project: The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 4 and take further evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Stephen Boyle, Audit Director, Audit Services, Audit Scotland.

6. **Post-legislative Scrutiny - The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3.

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Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lucy Scharbert at papls.committee@parliament.scot

Public Petitions Committee 5 December 2019 21st Meeting, 2019

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

- Consideration of new petitions: The Committee will consider the following new petitions— PE1760 on Clear Pricing for Train Fares;
 - PE1762 on End the killing of wildlife on grouse moors and elsewhere in Scotland;
 - PE1763 on Make the Scottish Police Federation comply with FOI legislation;
 - PE1764 on Include evolutionary studies within the primary school curriculum; and
 - PE1765 on Make those in Scottish public office accountable.
- 2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
 - PE1545 on Residential care provision for the severely learning disabled;
 - PE1637 on Ship to ship oil transfers and trust port accountability;
 - PE1682 on Access to specialist support for hidradenitis suppurativa sufferers in Scotland:
 - PE1689 on Hepatitis C Treatment Targets in Scotland;
 - PE1693 on Independent Water Ombudsman;
 - PE1712 on Soul and conscience letters:
 - PE1720 on Natural Flood Alleviation Strategy for Scotland; and
 - PE1721 on National tourism strategy for Scotland and the role of the National Trust for Scotland.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Russell, on 0131 348 5254 or petitions@parliament.scot

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 5 December 2019 23rd Meeting, 2019

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
- Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill: The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Dr James Gilmour;

and then from-

Graeme Dey, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans;

Alison Fraser, Legal Directorate, Iain Hockenhull, Elections Team, and Maria McCann, Elections Team, Scottish Government.

- 3. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider correspondence it has received.
- 4. **Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

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At its next meeting, on 19 December, the Committee expects to consider an annual update on Cross-Party Groups' compliance with the Code of Conduct.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katy Orr, on 0131 348 6924 or at SPPACommittee@parliament.scot.

Justice Sub-Committee on Policing 5 December 2019 11th Meeting, 2019

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Sub-Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
- 2. **Facial recognition: how policing in Scotland makes use of this technology:** The Sub-Committee will take evidence from—

Dr Ken Macdonald, Head of ICO Regions, Information Commissioner's Office;

Griff Ferris, Legal and Policy Officer, Big Brother Watch;

Matthew Rice, Scotland Director, Open Rights Group;

Tatora Mukushi, Legal Officer, Scottish Human Rights Commission.

- 3. **Scottish Crime and Drug Enforcement Agency (SCDEA):** The Sub-Committee will discuss issues relating to the former SCDEA.
- 4. **Facial recognition: how policing in Scotland makes use of this technology:** The Sub-Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- 5. **Work programme:** The Sub-Committee will consider its forward work programme.

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For further information, contact the Clerk to the Sub-Committee by emailing justicecommittee@parliament.scot or on 0131 348 6040.

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Motions

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Motions for Debate

<u>S5M-20110</u> Aileen Campbell: Achieving a Fairer Scotland—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the *Fairer Scotland Action Plan, Shifting the Curve and the Life Chances of Young People in Scotland, Progress Report 2019*; notes the steps being taken towards achieving a fairer and more prosperous Scotland, including the commitment to introduce the Scottish Child Payment, which is a brand new benefit to tackle child poverty head on; further notes the 2018 annual report on Welfare Reform's estimate that UK Government social security spending will reduce by up to £3.7 billion in Scotland by 2020-21, and acknowledges the UN Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights 2019 report, which stated that the UK Government's austerity cuts and welfare reforms are a key driver of serious hardship, increased food bank use and homelessness.

Supported by: Shirley-Anne Somerville, Christina McKelvie, Kevin Stewart

*S5M-20110.3 Pauline McNeill: Achieving a Fairer Scotland—As an amendment to motion S5M-20110 in the name of Aileen Campbell (Achieving a Fairer Scotland), insert at end "; regrets the rise in poverty in Scotland and believes that more ambition is required across government to tackle inequality and improve people's quality of life; calls on the Scottish Government to address the barriers to benefit uptake and reduce housing costs; agrees that universal credit, the two-child cap and pernicious UK welfare reforms must be scrapped, and believes that tackling the climate emergency must be done in a fair way, recognising the growing inequalities and insecurities facing people across Scotland."

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

*S5M-20133 Maurice Corry: Most Hospitable B&B/Guest House Award Winner for West Scotland—That the Parliament congratulates Arrochar's Ashfield House on receiving the award for Most Hospitable B&B/Guest House in the West Scotland Region of the Scottish Thistle Awards for its exceptional and personalised services offered to every guest; applauds the conscientious effort made by the Ashfield House Team to ensure that all of their guests have a unique and memorable experience, and wishes them continued success.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*

*S5M-20132 Stewart Stevenson: Very Good Rating for the Jarvis Court Sheltered Housing Complex, Fraserburgh—That the Parliament congratulates the staff of the Aberdeenshire Council-run Jarvis Court sheltered housing complex in Fraserburgh on the home's October 2019 Care Inspectorate report; understands that the inspectors concluded that the tenants enjoyed a very good quality experience and way of life, with the residents providing glowing reports, including that the facility made them feel useful; commends the staff at the complex for recognising the importance of gardening to its service users and working to improve its garden facilities, and wishes the home and its residents continued success.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Emma Harper*, Sandra White*

*S5M-20131 Alexander Stewart: Asda Dunfermline—That the Parliament welcomes the news that, thanks to that the quarterly Green Token Giving Programme, which is voted for by the store's customers and funded by the Asda Foundation, Asda Dunfermline has recently donated £500 to Oliver's Army in Cowdenbeath, which provides training for assistance dogs and other services and support, including advice with mental health issues, and £200 each to Duloch Juniors FC and Hill of Beath Community Council, and commends all of the staff and customers at the Dunfermline store for their highly magnanimous efforts.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*

*S5M-20130 Alexander Stewart: Asda Dalgety Bay—That the Parliament commends the two members of staff from Asda Dalgety Bay who organised a bake sale that raised £300 for Woodmill Department of Additional Support, which had been recently severely damaged by fire; understands that, in addition to this, one of their colleagues organised a Coffee Morning that raised £300 for Macmillan Cancer Support; acknowledges that, in the quarterly Green Token Giving Programme, which is voted by customers and funded by the Asda Foundation, the store donated £500 to the Inverkeithing-based amateur swimming group, InCAS, and £200 each to the Aberdour Heritage Centre and Station Gardens and the 1st Dalgety Bay Boys' Brigade, and commends all of the staff and customers involved with this fundraising for their extremely magnanimous and benevolent work. R

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Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*, Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Richard Lyle*

*S5M-20129 Alexander Stewart: Asda Alloa—That the Parliament congratulates Asda Alloa on its fundraising efforts; notes that seven members of its staff recently completed a sponsored walk that raised £700 for Forth Valley Royal Hospital and that 80 organised an event, with raffles and fundraising games, which collected £286 towards Cash for Kids; acknowledges that, as part of the quarterly Green Token Giving Programme, which is voted for by its customers and funded by the Asda Foundation, the store donated £500 to Redwell Primary School, with £200 each going to Stirling County Rugby Football Club and the charity, the Butterfly Day Centre, and commends all of the staff and customers involved with this fundraising for their extremely magnanimous and benevolent work.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Greene*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*

*S5M-20128 Christine Grahame: Borderline Helpline—That the Parliament notes with concern the proposal by Scottish Borders Council and NHS Borders to withdraw all funding from Borderline Helpline in six months' time despite, it understands, all independent valuations, including those carried out by the council itself, considering it exceptional value for money with its high-quality service; notes that it is a local mental health service providing a free telephone helpline to all adult residents in the Scottish Borders, which, during its 20-year operation, has received over 90,000 calls, with many experiencing extreme distress or feeling suicidal with the loss of the highly-skilled and experienced staff, who also provide training and education to volunteers; notes that there has been no consultation, particularly with those who use the service, and urges Scottish Borders Council and NHS Borders to pause this decision at the very least until a full independent appraisal of the service and wide-ranging consultation has taken place.

*S5M-20127 Maurice Corry: Regional Rising Star Award Winner for West Scotland—That the Parliament congratulates Dumbarton Castle's Joseph Sellors on receiving the Regional Rising Star award for the West Scotland Region at the Scottish Thistle Awards, at which he was recognised for his passion and dedication towards a successful career in the hospitality industry; considers that, during his time at Dumbarton Castle, the number of visitors to the Castle has soared as a result of the hard work put in under his management; applauds the endeavours of Joseph and his team, and wishes them success with their future work.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Jamie Greene*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*

*S5M-20126 Gil Paterson: Golden Jubilee Surgeons Perform Robotic-assisted Surgery—
That the Parliament congratulates the surgeons at the Golden Jubilee Hospital in Clydebank who recently carried out a robotically-assisted full knee replacement procedure for the first time by the NHS in Scotland; believes that, although joint replacement is one of the NHS's most common types of surgery, robotic arm-assisted surgery means that such operations can be performed with greater accuracy, resulting in less soft-tissue trauma and quicker recovery; understands that the robotic arm will assist in over 300 knee replacement procedures in its first year and will also be used with hip replacements, and commends the medical professionals at the Golden Jubilee, and their team, on their pioneering use of this cutting-edge technology.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Sandra White*, Rona Mackay*, Jeremy Balfour*, Richard Lyle*

*S5M-20125 Stewart Stevenson: Home-Start Deveron and the Spotty Bag Shop Launch the Deveron Giving Tree 2019 Appeal—That the Parliament congratulates Home-Start Deveron and

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the Spotty Bag Shop on the launch of the Deveron Giving Tree 2019 Appeal; understands that the mission of the appeal is to ensure that no north east children wake up on Christmas Day without a present; notes that customers at the Banff shop will be asked to add something to their basket for vulnerable children; acknowledges that Home-Start Deveron reached 130 families last year and that Des Cheyne of the Spotty Bag Shop hopes that they can build on that this year; considers the holiday season a particularly difficult time for vulnerable children and their families; recognises the vital support and hope that such initiatives provide to people at this time of the year; commends Home-Start Deveron and the Spotty Bag Shop on this important work, and encourages people to support the appeal and help brighten up the holiday season for children across the north east.

Supported by: Gil Paterson*, Emma Harper*, Sandra White*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*

- *<u>S5M-20124</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scotlish Ministers etc.) Order 2020 [draft] be approved.
- *S5M-20123 Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Environment (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment etc.) (No. 2) Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.
- *S5M-20122 Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the review to be carried out under section 50 of the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 be referred to the Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee.
- *<u>S5M-20121</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Health and Sport Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.
- *<u>S5M-20120</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 1 May 2020.
- *<u>S5M-20119</u> Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees—
- (a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 10 December 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Queen Elizabeth University Hospital

followed by Ministerial Statement: Performance in Scottish education – the PISA 2018 Results and Achievement of Curriculum for Excellence Level 2018/19 Statistics

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Reaffirming Scotland's Support for Human Rights Defenders

followed by Committee Announcements

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followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 11 December 2019

1.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Justice and the Law Officers; Government Business and

Constitutional Relations; Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

followed by General Questions

followed by First Minister's Questions

3.05 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 17 December 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 3 Debate: UEFA European Championships (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 18 December 2019

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills; Health and Sport; Communities and Local

Government

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business

Thursday 19 December 2019

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

1.45 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1.45 pm Stage 3 Debate: Referendums (Scotland) Bill

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 9 December 2019, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

*S5M-20118 Stewart Stevenson: Andrew Davidson's Fraserburgh Film Archive—That the Parliament congratulates Andrew Davidson, who is a student from Fraserburgh, for creating what Professor Peter Reid has described as the "best film archive that any town in Scotland has"; understands that Andrew undertook the project as part of his Masters' Degree in Library and Information Studies at Robert Gordon University; notes that he discovered a great deal of historic film footage depicting work and events in Fraserburgh, which he has sourced, researched, digitised and made available online; commends Andrew on this work; believes that it will help to protect the cultural heritage of Fraserburgh and Scotland, and looks forward to seeing what other important footage he can bring to light.

Supported by: Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*, Richard Lyle*, Emma Harper*

*S5M-20117 Maurice Corry: Scottish Submarine Centre Wins Innovation in Tourism Award—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Submarine Centre on receiving the Innovation in Tourism award for the West Scotland Region at the Scottish Thistle Awards, at which it was recognised by the judges for its creative X51 Stickleback immersion exhibit; applauds all of the volunteers involved in the development and operation of the Centre and the exhibit, and wishes them success as they continue to expand the Centre.

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*<u>S5M-20116</u> Peter Chapman: North East Woman Donates Pet Equipment to Inverurie Firefighters—That the Parliament congratulates Lorraine Cumming on donating lifesaving pet equipment to the fire service; notes that her charity, Boxer Welfare Scotland, donated 70 animal breathing kits that allow crews to potentially save lives of animals affected by smoke; considers that this is a significant development for animal welfare, and wishes Lorraine further success.

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*<u>S5M-20115</u> Peter Chapman: Buchan Community Farm Expanding Care Services—That the Parliament congratulates the Buchan Community Farm, which is a non-profit social enterprise that gives people with mental health issues the chance to relax in a countryside setting, on expanding its care services; notes that the farm plans to build four cabins and a riding school; recognises that working with animals allows the residents to gain confidence and self-esteem, and wishes the farm further success.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*, Annie Wells*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Jamie Greene*, Bill Kidd*, Gil Paterson*, Jeremy Balfour*

*S5M-20114 Maureen Watt: Asda Foundation's Green Token Giving Programme Winners— That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen and District Cerebral Palsy Association, which assists individuals and families in Aberdeen affected by cerebral palsy, and Rhythm Nation Dance Companies PTA, which supports a fun and enjoyable experience for children of all ages in the creative art of dance, on winning the Asda Bridge of Dee and Asda Portlethen Green Token Giving programmes' customer vote and award of £500 each; further congratulates the runners-up, NASS

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Aberdeen, which provides regular physiotherapy for people living with axial spondyloarthritis, Sunshine Partnership SCIO, which provides loss and bereavement support for children and young people, Home-Start Kincardine, which promotes the positive sides of family life, and Friends of Portlethen Primary, which fundraises to achieve school improvement priorities, with each receiving £200; notes that the programme gives local customers the chance to vote for projects that matter most to them; thanks the Asda Foundation for its continued support of local communities, which has seen more than £370,000 invested in community projects and worthy causes in 2018, and hopes that many more local organisations will continue to benefit from the awards.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Liam Kerr*, Stewart Stevenson*, Gil Paterson*

*S5M-20113 Donald Cameron: Top VisitScotland Award for Cruachan Power Station Visitor Centre—That the Parliament congratulates the staff of Cruachan Power Station Visitor Centre on achieving a score of 91% in VisitScotland's quality assurance scheme for the first time; notes that this outstanding result puts the visitor centre among Scotland's top 20 visitor attractions; commends its efforts in welcoming 50,000 visitors each year and for offering free educational visits to schools and higher education institutions, helping to inspire future engineers; welcomes this achievement on the 60th anniversary of the commencement of the construction of the power station; recalls that Cruachan is the world's first reversible pumped storage hydro system to be built on this scale and that it can store enough energy to power a city for more than 15 hours, and encourages visitors to explore Cruachan Power Station and learn more about its role in helping Scotland decarbonise its electricity. R

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*S5M-20112 Shona Robison: Asda Foundation's Green Token Programme—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Association for Mental Health, which provides mental health social care support for adults and young people in over 60 communities, on winning the Asda Dundee Milton Green Token customer vote and being awarded £500; further congratulates the runners up, Help for Kids, a local children's charity that aims to support disadvantaged children through individual funding and funding for clubs and organisations, and the Dundee Ducks Inline Roller Hockey Club, with each receiving £200; notes that the programme allows customers to express which local projects are the most meaningful to them; further notes that, as a celebration of the Asda Foundation's 30th anniversary, the winners of the campaign in the next quarter will see their donation doubled; thanks the Asda Foundation for providing continuous support to local communities, which have seen more than £370,000 invested in community projects since 2018, and hopes that many more local organisations will benefit from the awards.

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*S5M-20111 James Dornan: Awards Success for Glasgow Clyde College—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow Clyde College on its recent wins and commendations at both the SQA Star and College Development Network (CDN) Awards; notes that, at the Star Awards, Fathima Irshad, who is a hospitality student at the college, was recognised with a Lifelong Learning Candidate award, which are presented to celebrate people who have overcome obstacles and who demonstrate commitment to achieving continued learning and SQA qualifications, the college's Beauty with a Conscience project won the Innovation category and was highly commended in the Partnership category and its Mentally Healthy College Community initiative was highly commended in the category for Promoting Inclusion; acknowledges that this

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initiative also won the Health Promoting College prize and the overall Judges' Award at the CDN event, at which its schools' portal was commended in the Innovation category, and congratulates all at the College on this success.

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*S5M-20109 Bruce Crawford: Sheila Swan, Sportscotland's High Performance Coach of the Year—That the Parliament congratulates Sheila Swan of the National Curling Academy in Stirling on her achievement of becoming sportscotland's High Performance Coach of the Year, and notes that the accolade is awarded in recognition of sports coaching of a high standard, which it considers is evidenced by Sheila's immense impact on wheelchair curling, including her own accomplishments in the sport, the positive impact that she has had on the lives of others through her coaching, and her acknowledgement of the beneficial social impact that the sport can have on wheelchair users.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Liz Smith*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Rona Mackay*, Stewart Stevenson*, Donald Cameron*, Edward Mountain*, Gil Paterson*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

<u>S5M-20108</u> Ross Greer: TSB Branch Closures in the West of Scotland (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Elaine Smith*, John Mason*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-20107</u> Stuart McMillan: Vanda Nicholls of the Greenock Air Cadets Recognised for Long Service (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, Joan McAlpine*, Sandra White*, Gil Paterson*

<u>S5M-20106</u> Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde HSCP's Awards Success (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Joan McAlpine*, Sandra White*

<u>S5M-20105</u> Stuart McMillan: Kathleen Orr Recognised at the St Andrew's First Aid Awards (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*, Sandra White*

<u>S5M-20102</u> Neil Findlay: Call for a Parliamentary Inquiry into the Appointment of the SNIB Chair (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Claudia Beamish*

<u>S5M-20101</u> Richard Lyle: Taiwan's Professional, Pragmatic and Constructive Participation in the UNFCCC (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Rhoda Grant*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-20100</u> Richard Lyle: Taiwan Overseas Youth Engagement in Public, Social and Political Affairs (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Rhoda Grant*, Fulton MacGregor*

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<u>S5M-20098</u> Liam McArthur: Orkney Success at Scottish Young Farmers' Regional Competitions (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*

<u>S5M-20094</u> Sandra White: University of Strathclyde, University of the Year 2019 (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*, Richard Lyle*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-20092</u> Gordon MacDonald: Edinburgh College's Award Success (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Sandra White*, Joan McAlpine*, Fulton MacGregor*

<u>S5M-20091</u> Bill Bowman: University of Dundee Rowing Success (lodged on 28 November 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

<u>\$5M-20090</u> Bill Bowman: The Meze Grill, Broughty Ferry (lodged on 28 November 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

<u>S5M-20089</u> Peter Chapman: Ellon Ice Skater Invited to International Competition in Budapest (lodged on 28 November 2019)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

S5M-20084 Gail Ross: Year of Coasts and Waters 2020 (lodged on 28 November 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

S5M-20079 Alasdair Allan: Gaelic Added to Duolingo (lodged on 28 November 2019)

New Support: Rhoda Grant*

<u>S5M-20072</u> Lewis Macdonald: Azuma Trains Make Maiden Aberdeen Journey (lodged on 27 November 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

<u>\$5M-20068</u> Alexander Stewart: Closure of Dollar Golf Club (lodged on 27 November 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

<u>S5M-20067</u> Stewart Stevenson: Successful Renovation of Barclay Park Community Pavilion in Peterhead (lodged on 27 November 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

<u>S5M-20066</u> Stuart McMillan: Care Inspectorate Praises Inverclyde Nursery and Early Learning Services (lodged on 27 November 2019)

New Support: Neil Bibby*, Joan McAlpine*

<u>S5M-20060</u> Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Sports Council Awards 2020 (lodged on 27 November 2019)

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New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

<u>S5M-20057</u> Peter Chapman: Peterhead Club Tackles Hunger (lodged on 27 November 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

S5M-20056 Peter Chapman: Jarvis Court Sheltered Housing Complex Praised by Inspectors

(lodged on 27 November 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

S5M-20055 Gil Paterson: The Cochno Stone and the Social Value of Scotland's Prehistoric

Rock Art (lodged on 27 November 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

<u>\$5M-20041</u> Gillian Martin: Katie Low, Award-winning Film Maker (lodged on 26 November

2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

S5M-20040 Dean Lockhart: Burntisland High Street (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

S5M-20029 Gail Ross: Unfair Delivery Charges (lodged on 25 November 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

S5M-20017 Willie Coffey: Congratulations to the Darvel Music Festival (lodged on 22

November 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

<u>S5M-19999</u> Gail Ross: NHS Near Me Success (lodged on 21 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19998</u> Gil Paterson: Outcast Barbell Sanctuary Raises £3,000 for Kidney Kids Scotland

(lodged on 21 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19997</u> Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Gang Show 2019 (lodged on 21 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19996 Gillian Martin: Gordon Gibb Recognised for Contribution to Education and

Training at SQA Awards (lodged on 21 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19995 Margaret Mitchell: Dyslexia Unwrapped (lodged on 21 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19994 Rhoda Grant: Another Gruelling Challenge for Ally K (lodged on 21 November

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New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19993 Alasdair Allan: Murdo MacLeod, Outstanding Individual of the Year (lodged on

20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19991</u> Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen Schools Receive UNICEF Award on World

Children's Day (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19990 Alasdair Allan: R A Colby Cubbin No. 3 (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19989</u> Jenny Gilruth: Cadham Pharmacy Health Centre Wins Pharmacy Practice of the

Year 2019 (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19988</u> John Mason: Environmental Impact of Black Friday (lodged on 20 November

2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19987 Joan McAlpine: Dumfries and Galloway College SQA Star Award (lodged on 20

November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19984 Liam Kerr: The Queen's Guide Award for Aimee McLaggan (lodged on 20

November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19983 Liam Kerr: Kimberley Oliver Wins Women in Finance Award (lodged on 20

November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19981</u> Maureen Watt: National Tree Week (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19980 Peter Chapman: Eilidh Ewan Receives Duke of Edinburgh Award (lodged on 20

November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19978 Bill Bowman: Dundonians Among Winners at the Scottish Qualifications

Authority Star Awards (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19977</u> Bill Bowman: The McManus Awarded Best Visitor Attraction Prize at Scottish

Thistle Awards (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

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<u>S5M-19975</u> Bill Bowman: Broughty Ferry Shop Owner Raises More than £20,000 for Charity over 10 Years (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19973</u> Alexander Burnett: Aberdeen Donside Girls, 2019 U13 World Girls Football Cup Winners (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19972</u> Alexander Burnett: #kidsforCAMHS Volunteers Award 2019 Finalists (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19971</u> Peter Chapman: Relay for Life (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19970</u> Jenny Gilruth: Kinglassie's Busy Bees Youth Group and Kats Mission Help Homeless People (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19968</u> Gil Paterson: Chris Rankin Memorial Gymnastics Competition (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19965 Gillian Martin: Girls in Energy Conference (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19964</u> Liam McArthur: 10th Anniversary of the UHI Student Development Fund (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19960</u> Annabelle Ewing: PC Kathryn Murray Braves the Shave for Macmillan Cancer Support (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19959 Neil Findlay: Community Action Blackburn (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19957</u> Claire Baker: SCAN Art in Action Campaign (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Angela Constance*, Clare Adamson*

<u>S5M-19956</u> Alasdair Allan: Tighean Innse Gall, Installer of the Year (lodged on 19 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19945</u> Peter Chapman: Huntly Singer, Iona Fyfe, Shortlisted for Award (lodged on 19 November 2019)

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New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19944</u> Peter Chapman: Report Praises Aberdeenshire's Adoption Service (lodged on 19

November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19931 Daniel Johnson: Parentline, Celebrating 20 Years of Volunteer-led Family

Support (lodged on 18 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S5M-19920 Bruce Crawford: Shelter Scotland's Are You With Us? Campaign (lodged on 18

November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-19895</u> Angela Constance: Seafield Community Education Centre Management

Committee Receives Funding (lodged on 15 November 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

<u>S5M-19881</u> Angela Constance: West Lothian College Students Speak at National

Conference (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

S5M-19874 Gordon Lindhurst: Pentlands Men's Shed (lodged on 14 November 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S5M-18901</u> Jeremy Balfour: #PurpleLightUp, a Global Movement for Change (lodged on 16

September 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Stewart Stevenson*

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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 on 03 December 2019

<u>S5W-26588</u> **Maureen Watt:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the procurement of the next Northern Isles Ferry Services contract.

Written questions lodged on 03 December 2019

<u>S5W-26576</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, what its position is on whether the allegations of chaotic and potentially criminal activity within the special operations unit (SOU) at the former Scottish Crime and Drug Enforcement Agency (SCDEA) should be considered a legacy matter that does not merit further investigation, in light of a number of staff who held senior positions at the agency going on to hold senior positions within Police Scotland.

<u>S5W-26577</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports of burning of official documents by members of the special operations unit (SOU) at the former Scottish Crime and Drug Enforcement Agency (SCDEA) in 2011, which senior officer(s) (a) had responsibility for the SOU's finances, including telephone and banking accounts, and (b) ordered the burning of paperwork, and for what reason.

<u>S5W-26578</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government on what date the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (COPFS) was aware of allegations that the special operations unit (SOU) at the former Scottish Crime and Drug Enforcement Agency (SCDEA) had destroyed paperwork, and when COPFS made the decision that there was no criminality involved in this activity.

<u>S5W-26579</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the publication of the executive summary of the Metropolitan Police's review of the Police Scotland investigation, Operation Towering, into the disposal of files by the special operations unit (SOU) at the former Scottish Crime and Drug Enforcement Agency (SCDEA), what its position is on whether there are any unanswered questions regarding this matter.

<u>S5W-26580</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the publication of the executive summary, whether it will publish the full report on the Metropolitan Police's review of the Police Scotland investigation, Operation Towering, into the disposal of files by the special operations unit (SOU) at the former Scottish Crime and Drug Enforcement Agency (SCDEA).

<u>S5W-26581</u> Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on reported comments by the Chief Constable and others that the HM Inspectorate of Constabulary Scotland (HMICS) 2018 report into undercover policing gives Police Scotland's operations a clean bill of health, in light of the lead inspector for the report being the former head of intelligence at the Scottish Crime and Drug Enforcement Agency (SCDEA) in 2011 at a time when allegations were made regarding chaotic and potentially criminal activity within the agency's special operations unit (SOU).

<u>S5W-26583</u> **Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what due diligence it carried out prior to appointing the Chair of the Scottish National Investment Bank.

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<u>S5W-26584</u> **Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the recently-appointed Chair of the Scottish National Investment Bank had been the Chief Executive of Martin Currie Investment Management Limited and Martin Currie Inc, when they were fined £8.6 million by financial regulators in 2012.

<u>S5W-26585</u> **Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on Scotland-based companies relocating abroad to so-called tax havens.

<u>S5W-26586</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government how many newly-qualified educational psychologists entered the workforce in 2019, and how many it expects to do so in 2020.

<u>S5W-26587</u> **Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government what help is available for people requiring surgery to treat lipoedema.

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Negative Instruments

The following instrument was laid on 3 December 2019 and is subject to negative parliamentary procedure—

Official Controls (Agriculture etc.) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/412) Laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

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Proposals for Members' Bills

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

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

https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/12419.aspx

Final Proposals for Member's Bills

Claire Baker: Proposed Culpable Homicide (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to amend the law of culpable homicide to ensure that where loss of life is caused by the recklessness or gross negligence of individuals, companies or organisations that, where proved, the wrongdoer can be convicted of the offence that reflects the appropriate seriousness and moral opprobrium of what occurred.

(lodged 12 November 2019)

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

Supported by: Jenny Marra, Richard Leonard, Neil Findlay, Rhoda Grant, Daniel Johnson, Johann Lamont, Colin Smyth, Alex Rowley, Iain Gray, John Finnie, Mark Ruskell, Jackie Baillie, Claudia Beamish, Lewis Macdonald, Bill Kidd, Monica Lennon, Pauline McNeill, Sarah Boyack, James Kelly, Mark MacDonald, Alison Johnstone

Margaret Mitchell: Proposed Mediation (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to increase the use and consistency of mediation services for certain civil cases by establishing a new standardised process for mediation in Scottish courts which includes provision of a mandatory information process (lodged 12 November 2019)

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

Supported by:

Pauline McNeill MSP: Proposed Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to protect private sector tenants by introducing measures to limit rent increases and to increase the availability of information about rent levels (lodged 14 November 2019).

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

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

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For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 4 December 2019

Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 3 December 2019

Children (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (briefing, lead committee (Justice)), 26 November 2019

Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 31 October 2019

Consumer Scotland Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)), 26 November 2019

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 2 December 2019

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Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills Committee)), 20 November 2019

Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 14 November 2019

Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Health and Sport Committee), 3 December 2019

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 2) (Local Government and Communities Committee), 4 December 2019

Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities), 20 November 2019

Protection of Workers (Retail and Age-restricted Goods and Services) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 10 October 2019

Lead committee - Economy, Energy and Fair Work

Referendums (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 2) (Finance and Constitution Committee), 4 December 2019

Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice Committee)), 26 November 2019

Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 28 November 2019

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities Committee)), 5 Demeber 2019

Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 19 November 2019

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Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill (P)

Preliminary Stage (Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee), 26 November 2019

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 28 November 2019

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

Passed, 21 March 2018

Following a reference under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland, the Supreme Court has ruled that some provisions of the Bill are outwith the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its unamended form.

Legislative Consent Memorandums

The UK Parliament dissolved on 6 November 2019. There are currently no Legislative Consent Memorandums being considered by the Scottish Parliament.

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

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

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Lead Committee report due by 06 December 2019

Official Statistics (Scotland) Amendment Order 2019 (SSI 2019/draft) (25 October 2019) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work)

Lead Committee report due by 06 December 2019

Public Services Reform (The Scottish Public Services Ombudsman) (Healthcare Whistleblowing) Order 2020 (SSI 2019/draft) (28 October 2019) (Health and Sport)

Lead Committee report due by 09 December 2019

Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2020 (SSI 2019/draft) (31 October 2019) (Social Security)

Lead Committee report due by 10 December 2019

<u>Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 (Support for Vulnerable Persons) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/draft) (01 November 2019) (Justice)</u>

Lead Committee report due by 10 December 2019

<u>Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Ancillary Provision) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/draft)</u> (08 November 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

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Environment (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment etc.) (No. 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/draft) (08 November 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Lead Committee report due by 20 January 2019

Social Security Assistance (Investigation of Offences) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2019/draft) (26 November 2019) (Social Security Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 05 December 2019 Lead committee to report by 02 December 2019

Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Amendment (No. 2) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/320)

(11 October 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Environmental Impact Assessment (Transport) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/322) (11 October 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/325) (11 October 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 06 December 2019 Lead committee to report by 02 December 2019

National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Scotland) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/333)

(23 October 2019) (Health and Sport)

Public Health Scotland Order 2019 (SSI 2019/336) (25 October 2019) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 06 December 2019 Lead committee to report by 02 December 2019

Fishing Boats Designation (EU Exit) (Scotland) Order 2019 (SSI 2019/345) (28 October 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 08 December 2019 Lead committee to report by 02 December 2019

Scottish Dental Practice Board Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/346) (30 October 2019) (Health and Sport)

Agriculture Market Measures (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/347) (30 October 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

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Waste (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/356) (30 October 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Subject to annulment by 08 December 2019 Lead committee to report by 02 December 2019

<u>Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/357)</u> (31 October 2019) (Justice)

<u>Firefighters' Pension Schemes (Scotland) Amendment Order 2019 (SSI 2019/358)</u> (31 October 2019) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 10 December 2019 Lead committee to report by 09 December 2019

Robert Gordon University (Scotland) Order of Council 2019 (SSI 2019/375) (05 November 2019) (Education and Skills)

Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020 Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020

Police Pensions Amendment (Increased Pension Entitlement) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/380) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

<u>Firefighters' Pension Scheme Amendment (Increased Pension Entitlement) (Scotland) Order 2019 (SSI 2019/381)</u> (11 November 2019) (Justice)

<u>Firefighters' Pension and Compensation Schemes (Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2019 (SSI 2019/382) (11 November 2019) (Justice)</u>

Scottish Tribunals (Eligibility for Appointment) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/384) (14 November 2019) (Social Security)

Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020 Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020

<u>Charities Accounts (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/393)</u> (18 November 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 22 January 2020 Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020

Official Feed and Food Controls (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/407) (28 November 2019) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 26 January 2020 Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020 Today's Business
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Representation of the People Act 1983 Remedial (Scotland) Revocation Order 2019 (SSI 2019/408) (02 December 2019) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment by 27 January 2020 Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020

Official Controls (Agriculture etc.) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/412) (03 December 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Instruments/documents laid for consultation

Lead committee report due 06 February 2020

The following instruments/documents were laid before the Parliament on 15 November 2019 for approval—

Proposed Draft Order – The Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 (SG/2019/248) (15 November 2019) (Finance and Constitution)

Proposed Explanatory Document – The Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 ((S/2019/249) (15 November 2019) (Finance and Constitution)

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Committee Reports

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Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 3 December 2019 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd Annual Report & Accounts 2019 SG/2019/243 laid under Section 8(1) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 1989 2001

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