

Tuesday 17 December 2019

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Rev. Robert JM Anderson, Minister, Knockando, Elchies and Archiestown with Rothes Parish Church, Moray

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: 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 — S5M-20197 Alex Rowley: A Menu for Change's Report, Found Wanting

### Committee Meetings

**9:30am** Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

**10:00am** Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

**10:00am** Health and Sport Committee

**10:00am** Justice Committee

**10:30am** Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee

**10:45am** Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

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**1. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the outcome of COP25. ([S5T-01928](#))

**2. David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to research suggesting that one in 10 children will be deprived of warmth or fresh food this Christmas. ([S5T-01923](#))

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

**[S5M-20222](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limit indicated, that time limit being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended (other than a suspension following the first division in the stage being called) or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 3: 30 minutes.

**[S5M-20221](#) Ben Macpherson: UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill be passed.

**followed by Committee Announcements**

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**followed by Members' Business — [S5M-20197](#) Alex Rowley: A Menu for Change's Report, Found Wanting**

**[S5M-20197](#) Alex Rowley: A Menu for Change's Report, Found Wanting**—That the Parliament welcomes the report by A Menu for Change, *Found Wanting*, which looks at the pressures forcing people into food insecurity in Scotland; understands that A Menu for Change is a three-year initiative that is run by Oxfam Scotland, Nourish Scotland, the Child Poverty Action Group in Scotland and the Poverty Alliance, and is funded by the National Lottery Community Fund; notes

that its research was carried out in Fife, East Ayrshire and Dundee and tracked people with lived experience in and out of food insecurity; believes that, while people said that they found great support from community groups and the healthcare and education sectors, the report found that system changes are required to prevent the causes of food insecurity; considers that income shocks from insecure and inadequate wages from employment and social security are key drivers in pushing people to become food insecure; notes the report's recommendations for a review of the budget for the Scottish Welfare Fund, for the Scottish Government to use public procurement to deliver fair work and invest in low-paid sectors, and to ensure that devolved employability programmes are designed to provide person-centred support for people who are furthest from the labour market; recognises the significant barriers that people facing food insecurity can face, and, in doing so, notes the authors' recommendations for UK ministers to restore the value of key benefits, uprate all benefits in line with inflation, remove the two-child limit and benefit cap, eliminate measures creating income shocks, including the five-week wait for universal credit, and to improve in-work conditions through measures such as increasing the national living wage to the real living wage, banning exploitative zero-hours contracts and improving in-work support.

## Committee Meetings

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

### Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 35th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Mairi Gougeon, Minister for Rural Affairs and the Natural Environment;  
Andrew Voas, Veterinary Head of Animal Welfare, Leia Fitzgerald, Wildlife Management Team Leader, Hazel Reilly, Solicitor, and Grant McLarty, Solicitor, Scottish Government.
2. **Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee 36th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Energy Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Professor Rebecca Lunn, Energy Inquiry Deputy Chair, Professor Gareth Harrison, Energy Inquiry Committee Member, Professor John Underhill, Energy Inquiry Committee Member, Fellow, and Professor Gavin Little, Energy Inquiry Committee Member, Royal Society of Edinburgh.
3. **Energy Inquiry:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at today's meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Health and Sport Committee 30th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
The Official Feed and Food Controls (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/407).
2. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards - NHS Grampian:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Rhona Atkinson, Vice Chair, Dr Adam Coldwells, Deputy Chief Executive, and Alan Gray, Director of Finance, NHS Grampian;  
Pamela Dudek, Chief Officer, Moray Health and Social Care Partnership;  
Sandra Ross, Chief Officer, Aberdeen City Health and Social Care Partnership;  
Angie Wood, Chief Officer, Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnership.

3. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards - NHS Grampian (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Social Care Inquiry (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.

### Justice Committee 31st Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence, in a round-table discussion, on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Susie Dalton, Children's Policy Lead, Scottish Women's Aid;  
Sue McKellar, Improving Justice in Child Contact Project Coordinator, Scottish Women's Aid;  
Megan Farr, Policy Officer, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland;  
Dr Fiona Morrison, Lecturer in Child Protection and Wellbeing, Stirling University;  
Professor Kay Tisdall, Chair of Childhood Policy, University of Edinburgh;  
and then from—  
Professor Elaine Sutherland, Professor of Child and Family Law, Stirling University;  
Dr Richard Whitecross, Associate Professor in Dispute Resolution, Delict and Professional Practice, Edinburgh Napier University.
2. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting held on 5 December 2019.
3. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee 2nd Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Preliminary Stage from—  
Douglas Thomson, President, Society of Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (SSC Society);  
  
Sarah Erskine, Vice-President, SSC Society;  
  
Donald Skinner-Reid, Treasurer and Collector, SSC Society;  
  
Robert Shiels, Secretary, SSC Society;  
  
Christine Wilcox, Keeper of the Library, SSC Society;  
  
Gregor Clark, drafting adviser to the SSC Society.

3. **Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill:** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting, whether to seek any further evidence, and its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Preliminary Stage.

### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 34th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 10:45 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 7, 8 and 9 in private.
2. **Consideration of the work of the Committee during the parliamentary year 2018-19:**  
The Committee will take evidence from—  
Graeme Dey, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans;  
Gerald Byrne, Constitution and UK Relations Division, Alison Coull, Legal Directorate, Susan Herbert, Legislation Delivery Manager, Parliament and Legislation Unit, and Brian Peddie, EU Exit Legislation Delivery Manager, Parliament and Legislation Unit, Scottish Government.
3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider whether the following instruments have been laid under the appropriate procedure and given the appropriate categorisation—  
[Public Procurement etc. \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/414\);](#)  
[Environmental Impact Assessment \(Transport\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/415\)](#)
4. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Relevant Adjustments to Common Parts \(Disabled Persons\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#)
5. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Public Procurement etc. \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/414\);](#)
6. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Social Security \(Scotland\) Act 2018 \(Commencement No. 2, Transitory and Saving Provision and Commencement No. 4 and Saving Provision\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/406\);](#)  
[Management of Offenders \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/413 \(C.22\)\);](#)  
[Management of Offenders \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 3 and Transitory Provision\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/417 \(C.23\)\)](#)
7. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
8. **Referendums (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
9. **Consideration of the work of the Committee during the parliamentary year 2018-19:**  
The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 11 December 2019

### Wednesday 18 December 2019

**1:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:30 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

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-18859 James Dornan: Financial Abuse to be Recognised Fully as Coercive and Controlling Behaviour

### 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 Proceedings: Referendums (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

### Tuesday 7 January 2020

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Local Government and Communities Committee Debate: Empty Homes in Scotland

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### Wednesday 8 January 2020

**1:15 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:15 pm** Members' Business

**followed by** Portfolio Questions: Social Security and Older People; Finance, Economy and Fair Work

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### **Thursday 9 January 2020**

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**12:45 pm** Members' Business

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

### Local Government and Communities Committee

18 December 2019

32nd Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
 Nicola Bristow, Community and Grants Co-Ordinator, Plan International UK;  
 Eilidh Dickson, Policy and Parliamentary Manager, Engender;  
 Erin Campbell, MSYP for Midlothian North and Musselburgh and the Deputy Convener of SYP's Equalities and Human Rights Committee, Scottish Youth Parliament;  
 Siobhan McCready, Equalities Stand Down Officer, Unite the Union Scotland;  
 Erin Slaven, Co-founder, On the Ball;  
 and then from—  
 Sheena Stewart, University Secretary at Abertay University, Universities Scotland;  
 Councillor Alison Evison, President, COSLA;  
 Celia Hodson, Chief Executive, Hey Girls;  
 Gail Anderson, Chief Executive, The Orkney Partnership (by video link);  
 Carolyn Hope, Acting Senior Manager, Facilities Management, North Ayrshire Council.
3. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 8 January, the Committee will take evidence on; the Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill; the Financial overview Report from the Accounts Commission and the Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill from COSLA. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5232 or [LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot](mailto:LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot)

### Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

18 December 2019

35th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
 Jonnie Hall, Director of Policy, NFU Scotland;

Lizzy Baxter, NFU Scotland Next Generation Representative, NFUS Next Generation Committee;

Yvonne White, Chair, Scottish Crofting Federation;

Christopher Nicholson, Chairman, Scottish Tenant Farmers Association;

Eleanor Kay, Policy Adviser (Agriculture & Forestry), Scottish Land & Estates.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—the Official Controls (Agriculture) (Scotland) Regulations 2019.
3. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard at agenda item 1.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 8 January, the Committee expects to take evidence on the Queensferry Crossing and Public Transport Strategy.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at [rec.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:rec.committee@parliament.scot)

### **Finance and Constitution Committee**

**18 December 2019**

**29th Meeting, 2019**

The Committee will meet at 11:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Budget Submission 2020/2021:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body's Budget Submission 2020/2021 from—  
Liam McArthur, MSP, Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body;  
David McGill, Clerk/Chief Executive, Derek Croll, Group Head of Finance Resources, and Michelle Hegarty, Assistant Chief Executive, Scottish Parliament.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to developing its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jim Johnston at [Finance.Constitution@parliament.scot](mailto:Finance.Constitution@parliament.scot)

### **Public Petitions Committee**

**19 December 2019**

**22nd Meeting, 2019**

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—  
PE1690 on Review treatment of people with ME in Scotland and will take evidence from Jeane Freeman, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Anita Stewart, Team Leader, Clinical Priorities and Dr Catherine Calderwood, Chief Medical Officer, Scottish Government;  
PE1711 on First Aid Training for All Primary School Children in Scotland and will take evidence from John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and Laura Meikle, Head of Support and Wellbeing Unit, Scottish Government;

PE1548 on National Guidance on Restraint and Seclusion in Schools and will take evidence from John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and Melanie Lowe, Supporting Learners Team Leader, Scottish Government; and PE1596 on In Care Survivors Service Scotland and will take evidence from John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and Jamie MacDougall, Deputy Director Social Care Support, Scottish Government.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the clerk to the Committee, Lynn Russell, on 0131 348 5254 or [petitions@parliament.scot](mailto:petitions@parliament.scot)

### **Social Security Committee**

**19 December 2019**

**27th Meeting, 2019**

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Social Security Assistance (Investigation of Offences) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] from—  
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People, Scottish Government;  
Meg Fowler, Head of Fraud and Error Resolution Division, Social Security Scotland;  
Paul Curtis, Team Leader, Fraud, Overpayments and Uprating Policy, and Colin Brown, Senior Principal Legal Officer, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Shirley-Anne Somerville (Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People) to move—  
S5M-20206—That the Social Security Committee recommends that the Social Security Assistance (Investigation of Offences) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
The Scottish Tribunals (Eligibility for Appointment) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/384)
4. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take work programme discussions in private.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 16 January, the Committee expects to consider its work programme in private. For further information contact Anne Peat, Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5182 or at [SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot)

### **Equalities and Human Rights Committee**

**19 December 2019**

**30th Meeting, 2019**

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

1. **Race equality in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Christina McKelvie, Minister for Older People and Equalities, Hilary Third, Race Equality Team Leader, and Paul Johnston, Director-General of Education, Communities and Justice, Scottish Government.
2. **Race equality in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

The Committee's next meeting will take place on 16 January 2020. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 6040 or by emailing [equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot](mailto:equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot)

### **Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee**

**19 December 2019**

**29th Meeting, 2019**

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 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether its consideration of draft reports on post-legislative scrutiny of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, the 2018/19 audit of the Scottish Prison Service, and the Scottish Public Pensions Agency: Update on management of PS project, should be taken in private at future meetings.
3. **Post-legislative Scrutiny - The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Graeme Dey MSP, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans, Gerry Hendricks, Head of the FOI Unit, and Graham Crombie, Head of Policy and Casework, Scottish Government.
4. **Post-legislative Scrutiny - The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme, including its future scrutiny of the Auditor General for Scotland's reports on Social Security: Implementing the devolved powers; the 2018/19 audit of Social Security Scotland; Superfast broadband for Scotland: Further progress update; and Transport Scotland's ferry services.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lucy Scharbert at [papls.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:papls.committee@parliament.scot)

### **Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee**

**19 December 2019**

**24th Meeting, 2019**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 on revisions to the Code of Conduct in private at this meeting and at future meetings.
2. **Cross-Party Groups - annual report:** The Committee will consider an annual update on Cross-Party Groups' compliance with the Code of Conduct.
3. **Sexual harassment and sexist behaviour:** The Committee will consider revisions to the Guidance on the Code of Conduct.
4. **Sexual harassment and sexist behaviour:** The Committee will consider revisions to the Direction to the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.

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5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
[Representation of the People Act 1983 Remedial \(Scotland\) Revocation Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/408\)](#)
6. **Code of Conduct:** The Committee will consider potential revisions to the Code of Conduct.

**Proposed future business**

The Committee will next meet on 9 January 2020. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katy Orr, on 0131 348 6924 or at [SPPACCommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:SPPACCommittee@parliament.scot).

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## Motions

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

### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

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

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

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

## Motions for Debate

**\*[S5M-20223](#) Christina McKelvie: Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill.

Supported by: Shirley-Anne Somerville\*

**\*[S5M-20221](#) Ben Macpherson: UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill be passed.

Supported by: Fiona Hyslop\*

## Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

**\*[S5M-20229](#) John Mason: Child Obesity and Deprivation**—That the Parliament understands from a recent Information Services Division (ISD) report that child obesity figures hardly changed between 2001-02 and 2018, with 10.1% of five-year-olds being obese 17 years ago, compared with 10.2% last year; considers, however, that these figures mask a widening health inequality between five-year-old children living in the most deprived 20% of the population and those from the most affluent backgrounds; understands that, for the most deprived 20% of the population, the obesity rate for five-year-old children is 13.7%, while, for those from the most affluent backgrounds, this rate is 6.5%; believes that, in 2001-02, the difference in obesity for this age group between these two populations was only 0.2%; considers that a widening gap of obesity rates between wealthy and deprived areas is a cause for serious concern in the Glasgow Shettleston constituency, which contains some of Scotland's most deprived areas, and notes the view that action must be taken, not only to reduce obesity levels but also to reduce the widening health inequalities experienced by young people.

## Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S5M-20228](#) David Stewart: Mental Healthcare for Diabetes**—That the Parliament welcomes the call from Diabetes Scotland for all people with diabetes to have access to the appropriate

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psychological, emotional and mental healthcare to help them manage their condition; notes that a recent survey found that seven out of 10 people have felt overwhelmed by the demands of living with diabetes; understands that people living with diabetes have to manage their condition 365 days a year, which demands constant attention and awareness, which can be a challenge to cope with, and hopes that the next Diabetes Improvement Plan will make access to emotional and mental health support a key component.

**\*S5M-20227 Jenny Gilruth: Jennifer Grant from Fife, Queen's Nurse—**That the Parliament congratulates Jennifer Grant, who is a school nurse from Fife, on being presented with the prestigious title of Queen's Nurse; understands that Jennifer, who is a member of the team covering schools in Glenrothes and north east Fife, took part in a nine-month development programme run by the Queen's Nursing Institute Scotland; acknowledges that she was nominated by her employer, NHS Fife, for providing high quality, compassionate care to people in the community, and wishes Jennifer all the best.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Richard Lyle\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Rona Mackay\*

**\*S5M-20226 Jenny Gilruth: Kingdom Centre Wins Environmental Best Practice Scotland Award—**That the Parliament congratulates The Kingdom Shopping Centre in Glenrothes on winning the Environmental Best Practice Scotland Award; understands that the award was in recognition of the centre's continuous efforts to deliver responsible and proactive sustainable measures by reducing energy consumption with the installation of a destratification fan system throughout the centre; notes that the gold award was received at the Green Apple Awards 2019 at the Houses of Parliament in London, and wishes all at The Kingdom Shopping Centre the very best going forward.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing\*, Bill Kidd\*, Richard Lyle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Joan McAlpine\*

**\*S5M-20225 Jenny Gilruth: Bravery Awards for Fife Police Officers—**That the Parliament commends constables Paul Stather, Sarah Hay, Ashleigh Archer and Andrew Gillies for each earning a Scottish Police Federation Bravery Award; understands that the four officers were given this prestigious award in recognition of them saving the life of a woman in Glenrothes earlier in 2019, and thanks Paul, Sarah, Ashleigh and Andrew for their selfless and brave actions.

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Groups 1 to 3: 30 minutes.

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**S5M-20220 Emma Harper: Leading Lights in Dumfries and Galloway** (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*

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**[S5M-20219](#) Ruth Maguire: Cunninghame South Restaurants Win Top Asian Food Awards** (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20218](#) Ruth Maguire: Shewalton Wood Reserve** (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Alex Rowley\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20217](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Midwife is a Modern-day Angel** (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20216](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Gran Braves the Shave** (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20215](#) Brian Whittle: Ochiltree Community Hub Wins 2019 SURF Award** (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Finlay Carson\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Peter Chapman\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S5M-20214](#) Sandra White: 225th Anniversary of the Glasgow Royal Infirmary** (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: John Mason\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, Neil Findlay\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20211](#) Shona Robison: Dundee and Angus College Wins Herald Pioneer Climate Neutral Award** (lodged on 11 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20210](#) Mark McDonald: 700th Anniversary of the Stocket Charter** (lodged on 11 December 2019)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-20209](#) Miles Briggs: Research Projections into Place of Death in 2040** (lodged on 11 December 2019)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Alex Rowley\*, Colin Smyth\*, Liam McArthur\*, Mark McDonald\*

**[S5M-20208](#) Mark McDonald: Charlie House's Big Build Ball** (lodged on 11 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, Bob Doris\*

**[S5M-20207](#) Linda Fabiani: Gold for East Kilbride Gymnastics Club** (lodged on 11 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jenny Gilruth\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20205](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney's Shannon Leslie Bags a Badminton Treble** (lodged on 10 December 2019)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Tom Arthur\*

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**[S5M-20204](#) Maurice Corry: Bagpiping Stunt Raises Funds for CHAS** (lodged on 10 December 2019)

New Support: Finlay Carson\*, Alex Rowley\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20203](#) Rona Mackay: Kirkintilloch Man Publishes Book on Scottish Creatures** (lodged on 10 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Alex Rowley\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20196](#) Monica Lennon: Rape Crisis Scotland, 16 Pounds for 16 Days Campaign** (lodged on 10 December 2019)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-20195](#) Bill Kidd: Sanna Marin** (lodged on 09 December 2019)

New Support: Alex Rowley\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20194](#) Christine Grahame: The Trussell Trust** (lodged on 09 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Colin Smyth\*, Tom Arthur\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S5M-20193](#) Angus MacDonald: Westquarter & Redding Cricket Club's Scottish Sport Awards Success** (lodged on 09 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20191](#) Rona Mackay: Lenzie Academy Recognised for Holocaust Education** (lodged on 09 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20190](#) Ross Greer: Bearsden Academy's Harry Talbot Reaches Debate Final** (lodged on 11 December 2019)

New Support: Rona Mackay\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20188](#) Alexander Stewart: The Welcome Café Initiative Comes to Alloa** (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

**[S5M-20187](#) Neil Findlay: 20 Years of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust** (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-20186](#) Gil Paterson: Morrison Community Care Group Named the World's Best** (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20185](#) Gil Paterson: West College Scotland Success at College Development Network Awards** (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

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**[S5M-20183](#) Angela Constance: West Lothian Good Causes Benefit from Co-op Customer Donations** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20181](#) John Finnie: Poor Industrial Relations and Safety on Network Rail in Scotland** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-20180](#) John Mason: Falling Alcohol Death Rate** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20178](#) Willie Coffey: The Beeches, 2020 Good Hotel Award Winner** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20176](#) Monica Lennon: Scottish Parliament Women's Network, Championing Gender Equality** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

**[S5M-20175](#) Mark McDonald: Check for Mouth Cancer Campaign** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Annabelle Ewing\*

**[S5M-20174](#) Miles Briggs: Braille Rugby Programme** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Bill Bowman\*

**[S5M-20173](#) George Adam: Davy Provan and his Valuable Support for the Tartan Army Sunshine Appeal** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20172](#) Peter Chapman: Animal Sanctuary** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

**[S5M-20170](#) Gail Ross: Ross-shire Graduate Recognised for Engineering Excellence** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20169](#) Gil Paterson: St Margaret of Scotland Hospice's Christmas Bus** (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20166](#) Neil Findlay: Blackburn United's Food Bank Donation** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

**[S5M-20164](#) Gil Paterson: Mummers Theatre Group Performs Chicago** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

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New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20163](#) Emma Harper: Wilson Auto Repairs in Stranraer and NHS Dumfries and Galloway Receive MoD Award** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20162](#) Beatrice Wishart: Start-up Award for Glansin Glass** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20161](#) Angela Constance: West Lothian Chamber of Commerce Awards** (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20156](#) Maureen Watt: Becca's Care Packages Reaches 500 People** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20155](#) Gil Paterson: Roma St Andrew's Day Celebrations in Clydebank** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20154](#) David Stewart: Target for OUTREACH4CLAN Campaign More than Doubled** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Liam McArthur\*

**[S5M-20151](#) Keith Brown: Decrease in the Projected Life Expectancy of Children Born in the UK** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20149](#) Angela Constance: West Calder High School, Education Building Project of the Year** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20145](#) Stewart Stevenson: Fraserburgh Academy Success at the Shell's Girls in Energy Conference** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20143](#) Elaine Smith: End the Injustice for Mitie Cleaners** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-20142](#) Bill Kidd: Anne Glass, Community Coach of the Year** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20139](#) Willie Coffey: Kieran McMaster, Young Coach of the Year** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

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New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20138](#) Angela Constance: CEDAW's 40th Anniversary** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20137](#) Liam McArthur: Congratulating Rachel Evans on Winning the Uspardie Trophy** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20134](#) Annabelle Ewing: Mowi Rosyth British Retail Consortium Audit** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20132](#) Stewart Stevenson: Very Good Rating for the Jarvis Court Sheltered Housing Complex, Fraserburgh** (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20128](#) Christine Grahame: Borderline Helpline** (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20126](#) Gil Paterson: Golden Jubilee Surgeons Perform Robotic-assisted Surgery** (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20125](#) Stewart Stevenson: Home-Start Deveron and the Spotty Bag Shop Launch the Deveron Giving Tree 2019 Appeal** (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20114](#) Maureen Watt: Asda Foundation's Green Token Giving Programme Winners** (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20112](#) Shona Robison: Asda Foundation's Green Token Programme** (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20111](#) James Dornan: Awards Success for Glasgow Clyde College** (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20109](#) Bruce Crawford: Sheila Swan, Sportscotland's High Performance Coach of the Year** (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20108](#) Ross Greer: TSB Branch Closures in the West of Scotland** (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

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Motions   Gluasadan				

**[S5M-20107](#) Stuart McMillan: Vanda Nicholls of the Greenock Air Cadets Recognised for Long Service** (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20106](#) Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde HSCP's Awards Success** (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20105](#) Stuart McMillan: Kathleen Orr Recognised at the St Andrew's First Aid Awards** (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20104](#) Keith Brown: University of Stirling Receives Queen's Anniversary Prize 2019** (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20098](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Success at Scottish Young Farmers' Regional Competitions** (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20094](#) Sandra White: University of Strathclyde, University of the Year 2019** (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-20092](#) Gordon MacDonald: Edinburgh College's Award Success** (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19675](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Lavender Touch to Open Festive Shop in Galashiels** (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-19411](#) Gil Paterson: Dynamite Gymnastics Club, Clydebank** (lodged on 11 October 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-19387](#) Gil Paterson: Golden Jubilee Cardiology Specialists** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-19385](#) Gil Paterson: The Get Up and Go Youth Club, Dalmuir** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-19250](#) Gil Paterson: NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Welcomes 450 New Recruits** (lodged on 03 October 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

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Motions   Glusadan				

[S5M-19240](#) **Peter Chapman: Matthew Sim, Best Young Volunteer Award Winner** (lodged on 03 October 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

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Questions   Ceistean				

## Oral Questions

### Topical Questions selected for answer on 17 December 2019

**1. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the outcome of COP25. ([S5T-01928](#))

**2. David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to research suggesting that one in 10 children will be deprived of warmth or fresh food this Christmas. ([S5T-01923](#))

### First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 19 December 2019

**1. Jackson Carlaw:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03795](#))

**2. Richard Leonard:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03796](#))

**3. Willie Rennie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03797](#))

**4. Bruce Crawford:** To ask the First Minister when the Scottish Government expects to publish its Budget. ([S5F-03813](#))

**5. Michelle Ballantyne:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to help pupils with additional support needs. ([S5F-03811](#))

**6. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to prevent people with mental health conditions becoming homeless. ([S5F-03806](#))

**7. Edward Mountain:** To ask the First Minister what alternative holiday arrangements have been made for staff from the emergency services who will be working over the festive period. ([S5F-03803](#))

### Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 08 January 2020

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 18 December 2019. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 19 December 2019.

#### Social Security and Older People

1. Joan McAlpine
2. Jenny Gilruth
3. Willie Rennie
4. Ruth Maguire
5. Alison Harris
6. Monica Lennon
7. Gordon Lindhurst
8. Daniel Johnson

#### Finance, Economy and Fair Work

1. Alexander Stewart

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Questions   Ceistean				

2. John Mason
3. Maureen Watt
4. Gillian Martin
5. Finlay Carson
6. Pauline McNeill
7. Michelle Ballantyne
8. Gordon MacDonald

### Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 09 January 2020

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 18 December 2019. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 19 December 2019.

### Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

1. David Torrance
2. Liam Kerr
3. Maurice Corry
4. Stuart McMillan
5. Willie Coffey
6. Colin Smyth
7. Sandra White
8. Lewis Macdonald

### Members selected for General Questions on 09 January 2020

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 18 December 2019. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 19 December 2019.

1. Bill Kidd
2. Keith Brown
3. Angus MacDonald
4. Anas Sarwar
5. David Stewart
6. Johann Lamont
7. Claudia Beamish
8. Gil Paterson
9. Richard Lyle
10. Jackie Baillie

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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 16 December 2019

**[S5W-26735](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on actions in relation to gender recognition reform set out in the statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People on 20 June 2019.

### Written questions lodged on 16 December 2019

**[S5W-26719](#) John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-26541 by Aileen Campbell on 12 December 2019, for what reason it is unable to provide details of all its wider engagements with the Community Security Trust or specific details of what has been discussed with the organisation.

**[S5W-26720](#) John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-26542 by Aileen Campbell on 12 December 2019, for what reason it is unable to provide details of all its wider engagements with the Scottish Council of Jewish Communities or specific details of what has been discussed with the organisation.

**[S5W-26721](#) John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding it has provided to the (a) Community Security Trust and (b) Scottish Council of Jewish Communities in each of the last five years; for what reason, and whether any service level agreements were published.

**[S5W-26732](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to publish a draft Climate Change Plan, and what time period will be allocated for parliamentary scrutiny of this.

**[S5W-26733](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will respond to the independent review of the policing of the miners' strike in Scotland.

**[S5W-26734](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-26596 by Fergus Ewing on 16 December 2019, who will take on the role of Chief Forester when Jo O'Hara leaves her position as Chief Executive of Scottish Forestry.

**[S5W-26736](#) Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to continue the non-domestic rates exemption for private nurseries after 2020.

**[S5W-26737](#) Beatrice Wishart:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills to the Education and Skills Committee, which was referred to at the meeting of the Public Petitions Committee on 19 September 2019 (*Official Report*, c.10), whether officials have reviewed the guidance on home education, which the Cabinet Secretary indicated would be undertaken in 2019, and whether any changes have been made.

## Progress of Legislation

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

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/576.aspx>

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 18 December 2019

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 10 December 2019

### **Children (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (briefing, lead committee (Justice)), 17 December 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

### **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 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 18 December 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 completed, 4 December 2019

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities), 18 December 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 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 19 December 2019

### **Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 9 January 2020

*Stage 1 Report (Justice Committee) published, 9 December 2019*

### **Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)**

*Stage 2 (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee), 16 January 2020*

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 10 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

### **Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)**

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

### **Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 19 November 2019

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

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

Preliminary Stage (Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee), 17 December 2019

### **UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 17 December 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 20 January 2019**

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

**Lead Committee report due by 29 January 2019**

[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (05 December 2019) (Justice Committee)

**Lead Committee report due by 30 January 2019**

[Relevant Adjustments to Common Parts \(Disabled Persons\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (06 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

### Negative instruments

**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)

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Plant Health (Official Controls and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/421) (11 December 2019)

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme Amendment \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/381\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

[Firefighters' Pension and Compensation Schemes \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/382\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

Sea Fish (Prohibited Methods of Fishing) (Firth of Clyde) Order 2019 (SSI 2019/419) (12 December 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[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**

[Charities Accounts \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/393\)](#) (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**

[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)

**Subject to annulment by 29 January 2020**  
**Lead committee to report by 27 January 2020**

[Public Procurement etc. \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/414\)](#) (05 December 2019) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

[Environmental Impact Assessment \(Transport\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/415\)](#) (05 December 2019) (Rural economy and Connectivity)

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## Instruments/documents laid for consultation

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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)

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### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 16 December 2019 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Inspectorate of Prosecution in Scotland Annual Report 2018-19 SG/2019/260** laid under Section 79(8) of the Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Act 2007

**Strategic Police Priorities for Scotland: December 2019 SG/2019/259** laid under Section 33 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

**Restraint and seclusion of children in schools CCYP/2019/3** laid by the Commissioner for Children and Young People in Scotland in pursuance of section 12 of the Commissioner for Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2003

**Scottish Commission for Human Rights Annual Report and Financial Statements Year Ended 31 March 2019 SG/2019/270** laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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