

Wednesday 6 November 2019

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

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Scotland's Ferry Network

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Unionist Party Debate: Curriculum for
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Meeting of the Parliament

1:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:15 pm Members' Business — S5M-18574 Bill Kidd: World Day Against the Death Penalty

S5M-18574 Bill Kidd: World Day Against the Death Penalty—That the Parliament recognises World Day Against the Death Penalty 2019 on 10 October; considers that the death penalty is the ultimate denial of human rights; notes that Amnesty International's most recent annual report on the death penalty recorded at least 690 executions in 20 countries in 2018, a decrease of 31% compared with 2017, which is the lowest number of executions recorded by Amnesty International in the last decade; further notes that most executions took place in China, Iran, Saudi Arabia and Vietnam in that order; welcomes news that Amnesty International's overall assessment of the use of the death penalty in 2018 indicates that the global trend is towards its abolition, despite regressive steps from a small number of countries; notes the statement from UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres in October 2018 calling for all nations to abolish the practice of executions, and stands against the death penalty in all circumstances.

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Finance, Economy and Fair Work

1. **Gil Paterson:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the impact on Scotland of the cancellation of the 2019 UK Budget. ([S5O-03703](#))
2. **Shona Robison:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress on the future of the Michelin site in Dundee, in light of the first anniversary of the announcement to close it in 2020. ([S5O-03704](#))
3. **Monica Lennon:** [Withdrawn] ([S5O-03705](#))
4. **Keith Brown:** [Not Lodged] ([S5O-03706](#))
5. **Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to publish an assessment of the possible economic impact on Scotland of it leaving the UK. ([S5O-03707](#))
6. **Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether COSLA has made any suggestions regarding additional financial powers that it seeks during the remainder of the parliamentary session. ([S5O-03708](#))
7. **Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it and Scottish Enterprise have provided to companies as part of the £500 million Scottish Growth Scheme. ([S5O-03709](#))
8. **Gail Ross:** [Not Lodged] ([S5O-03710](#))

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

1. **Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it tackles non-native invasive species. ([S5O-03711](#))
2. **Alison Johnstone:** To ask the Scottish Government how many carbon credits will be generated for Shell as part of its partnership with Forestry and Land Scotland. ([S5O-03712](#))

3. Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on flood resilience plans ahead of winter. ([S5O-03713](#))

4. Brian Whittle: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address issues regarding pollution management at the Tarbolton landfill site. ([S5O-03714](#))

5. Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made on improving farm-level emissions and carbon sequestration data. ([S5O-03715](#))

6. Jackie Baillie: [Not Lodged] ([S5O-03716](#))

7. Jamie Halcro Johnston: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the management of the geese and stoat populations in Orkney. ([S5O-03717](#)) **R**

8. Bob Doris: To ask the Scottish Government how it supports community recycling initiatives in Glasgow. ([S5O-03718](#))

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network

[S5M-19715](#) Jamie Greene: The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network—That the Parliament notes its growing concern with the resilience of Scotland's ferry network; highlights that over 82,000 delays and cancellations have occurred since 2007; believes that the combination of an ageing fleet of vessels, mechanical breakdowns and the late arrival of new operational vessels for the network have resulted in avoidable disruption to services to the detriment of Scotland's island communities, their inhabitants, business and tourism; expresses disappointment at the absence of a long-term strategy to procure or build replacement vessels, and calls on the Scottish Government to urgently outline how it will address the Parliament's concerns.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

[S5M-19715.3](#) Paul Wheelhouse: The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network—As an amendment to motion [S5M-19715](#) in the name of Jamie Greene (The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network), leave out from "notes its growing concern" to end and insert "recognises the improving performance of the ferry services that are directly supported by the Scottish Government; acknowledges the inconvenience that disruption can cause, but notes that only 873, or 0.67%, of the 130,184 sailings on Scottish Government-subsidised ferry services have been cancelled due to technical reasons in 2019; commends the hard-working and dedicated staff and crew in delivering these reliability improvements; notes the improvements, including new routes, more sailings and lower fares, that have helped drive passenger growth on an annual basis, with these ferry services now carrying over six million passengers, or an increase of some 16.1% since 2012; acknowledges that, despite facing real-terms funding reductions by the UK Government, the Scottish Government has invested more than £2 billion in ferry services and infrastructure since 2007; notes that investment has been made in accordance with the published Vessel Replacement and Deployment Plan and that the next Ferries Plan will be taken forward following the finalisation of the National Transport Strategy and in parallel with the Strategic Transport Projects Review, and notes that, in the context of the need for renewal of the fleet, the Scottish Government has continued to support vessel investment and the commercial shipbuilding sector in Scotland through the construction of the MV Glen Sannox and Hull 802 at Ferguson Marine and through public ownership of the yard, which is supported by the trade unions, and will work to safeguard and create shipbuilding jobs at the yard."

[S5M-19715.2](#) Colin Smyth: The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network—As an amendment to motion S5M-19715 in the name of Jamie Greene (The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network), insert at end "; notes the challenges many routes face with regard to capacity and the impact this has on connectivity and access to services; commends the work of the dedicated and resourceful ferry workers to deliver another winter timetable in difficult weather and technical conditions on ageing fleets; welcomes the decision to save Ferguson Marine by taking it into public ownership and reiterates the importance of delivering the MV Glen Sannox and Hull 802 as quickly as possible; recognises the importance of the Scottish shipbuilding sector and the jobs it provides; believes that there should be a Scottish ferry building programme; regrets that the ferry services procurement policy review has not made more progress, and believes that Scotland's lifeline ferry services should be publicly owned."

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Curriculum for Excellence

[S5M-19717](#) Liz Smith: Curriculum for Excellence—That the Parliament is committed to the principles of excellence and equity to underpin policy approaches to education and to improve the delivery of the curriculum for excellence (CfE), but notes with growing concern the recent analysis of CfE, including the recent publication from Professor Jim Scott, which draws the conclusion that the attainment gap is widening and highlights that there are failures in the delivery of CfE; notes in particular that these failures are imposing proportionately greater barriers to success among the pupil cohort who come from disadvantaged backgrounds, and calls on the Scottish Government to urgently address these concerns.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

[S5M-19717.2](#) John Swinney: Curriculum for Excellence—As an amendment to motion S5M-19717 in the name of Liz Smith (Curriculum for Excellence), insert at end "by conducting the review supported by the Parliament on 1 May 2019, called for by the Education and Skills Committee in its cross-party report into the senior phase of Scottish education, which was published in September 2019, and previously committed to by the Scottish Government, and notes that the independent review will draw on evidence from education stakeholders and partners, including the latest data on young people's progress through CfE and the outcomes they achieve when they leave school."

[S5M-19717.1](#) Iain Gray: Curriculum for Excellence—As an amendment to motion S5M-19717 in the name of Liz Smith (Curriculum for Excellence), after "delivery of CfE;" insert "recognises that such failures have resulted in, for example, a narrowing of subject choice in the senior phase, a prevalence of multi-level teaching and an increased workload for many teachers;"

followed by Business Motions

[S5M-19731](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 12 November 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Protecting the Rights of EU Citizens 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 13 November 2019

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity; Justice and the Law Officers

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Artificial Intelligence and Data Driven Technologies: Opportunities for the Scottish Economy and Society

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 14 November 2019

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Government Business and Constitutional Relations

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Implications of the Imposition of US Tariffs on Scottish Products

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 19 November 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 20 November 2019

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Culture, Tourism and External Affairs; Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 21 November 2019

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

followed by Portfolio Questions: Health and Sport

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 12 November 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-19732](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 6 March 2020.

[S5M-19733](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill at stage 2 be completed by 13 December 2019.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S5M-19734](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2019 [draft] be approved.

[S5M-19735](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014 (Supplementary Provision) Order 2019 [draft] be approved.

[S5M-19736](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Victim Surcharge (Scotland) Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.

[S5M-19737](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Investigations: Code of Practice) (Scotland) Order 2019 [draft] be approved.

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — **S5M-18960 Angus MacDonald: UN Year of Indigenous Languages and European Day of Languages**

[S5M-18960](#) Angus MacDonald: UN Year of Indigenous Languages and European Day of Languages—That the Parliament recognises that 2019 is the UN Year of Indigenous Languages, and that the European Day of Languages will take place on 26 September; acknowledges the strong contribution that indigenous languages bring to Scotland's rich and varied culture; notes that it is through language that we communicate with the world, define identity, express history and culture, learn, defend human rights and participate in all aspects of society; believes that, through language, people preserve their community's history, customs and traditions, memory, unique modes of thinking, meaning and expression; notes that language is pivotal in the areas of human rights protection, good governance, peace building, reconciliation and sustainable development; praises the work of Bòrd na Gàidhlig for its efforts to promote, encourage and grow indigenous Gaelic language and culture through supporting local learning groups and events, as well as supporting the national Gaelic Language Plan and providing support for Gaelic-medium education; highlights the work of the Scots Language Centre in promoting and encouraging Scots and the regional dialects of the language throughout Scotland and, in doing so, raising the understanding of Scots, Doric and Lallans and how Scotland's language came to be; notes the work of the Scots Language Society in its efforts to promote and encourage the Scots leid, best known for its "Lallans" journal and annual "Sangschaw", which is a competition of singing and writing in Scots equivalent to the Scottish Gaelic Mod or Welsh Eisteddfod; understands that the Council of Europe declared 26 September the annual Day of Languages after the success of the European Year of Languages in 2001, and is marked across all 47 member states of the Council of Europe; recognises that the aims of the European Day of Languages are to alert the public to the importance of language learning and diversifying the range of languages learnt in order to increase plurilingualism and intercultural understanding, promoting the rich linguistic and cultural diversity of Europe, which must be preserved and fostered, and encouraging lifelong language learning in and out of school, whether for study purposes, professional needs, purposes of mobility or pleasure and exchanges; considers that Scotland's colourful, multicultural society is only enhanced by the languages that bridge its diverse communities together, from Polish, Indian, Chinese, Italian and many more to the languages of Scotland's culture in Scots and Gaelic; believes that, by celebrating the European Day of Languages, people are promoting the objectives of raising awareness of Europe's rich linguistic diversity, the need to diversify the range of languages people learn and the need for people to develop some degree of proficiency in two languages or more to be able to play their full part in democratic citizenship in Europe, while fully understanding that language skills are a necessity and a right for everyone; notes the calls for people to celebrate both the 2019 UN Year of Indigenous Languages and the European Day of Languages across all communities in Scotland, and looks forward to celebrating Scotland's indigenous languages and what it considers Scotland's diversity and acceptance of other cultures in the future.

Committee Meetings

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

Finance and Constitution Committee 25th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Budget (Scotland) Act 2019 Amendment Regulations 2019 [draft] from—
Kate Forbes, Minister for Public Finance and Digital Economy, and Scott Mackay, Head of Finance Co-ordination, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Kate Forbes, Minister for Public Finance and Digital Economy to move—S5M-19330—That the Finance and Constitution Committee recommends that the Budget (Scotland) Act 2019 Amendment Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.
4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2020/21:** The Committee will consider a draft report on its Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2020/21.

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee 30th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Pre-Budget/Financial scrutiny on roads maintenance in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter on its pre-budget/financial scrutiny on roads maintenance in Scotland.
2. **Agriculture and Fisheries update:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy, Allan Gibb, Head of Sea Fisheries, John Kerr, Head of Agricultural Policy Division, and Mike Palmer, Deputy Director ACRE – Aquaculture, Crown Estate, Recreational Fisheries, EMFF and Europe, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
M8 Motorway (Junction 29A Off Slip Road) (40mph Speed Limit) Regulations 2019;
Environmental Impact Assessment (Transport) (Scotland) Regulations 2019.
4. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposals—
The European Rail Network for Competitive Freight and Trans-European Transport Network (Amendment and Revocation) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019.

Local Government and Communities Committee 27th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private. The committee will also decide whether to take consideration of a draft letter

making recommendations to the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee on the Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill in private at a future meeting.

2. **Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence, with a view to making recommendations to the lead committee on the Bill at Stage 1 at a later date, from—
Willie Sullivan, Senior Director (Campaigns and Scotland), Electoral Reform Society;
Ronnie Hinds, Chair, Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland.
3. **Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Education and Skills Committee 29th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether its consideration of its work programme should be taken in private at its next meeting.
2. **Disclosure (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Ben Hall, Scottish Development Manager, Shared Lives Plus;
Oisín Murphy-Lawless, Policy, Parliamentary & Programme Support Officer, Coalition of Care and Support Providers in Scotland (CCPS);
Adam Dillon, Convener Safeguarding Committee, Church of Scotland;
Florence Witherow, National Secretary, Scottish Youth Football Association;
Sarah Latto, Chair of the Scottish Volunteering Forum and Volunteer Development Manager, Shelter;

and then from—

Dughall Laing, Director, Recruit With Conviction;
Rose McConnachie, Policy Development Lead, Community Justice Scotland;
Dr Cynthia Marks, Senior Manager- Operations and Policy, Business in the Community (BITC);
Dr Beth Weaver, Vice Convener, Howard League Scotland.

3. **Review of evidence (in private):** The committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier.
4. **STEM in early years education (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 30 October 2019

Thursday 7 November 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-18772 George Adam: Recognition for Nuclear Test Veterans

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Rural Economy

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Referendums (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Referendums (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 12 November 2019

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 13 November 2019

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity; Justice and the Law Officers

followed by Scottish Government Business

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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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>

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

7 November 2019

19th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.
2. **The Representation of the People Act 1983 Remedial (Scotland) Order 2019 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
3. **Sexual harassment and sexist behaviour (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report and draft rule changes.
4. **Sexual harassment and sexist behaviour (in private):** The Committee will consider revisions to the guidance on the Code of Conduct.
5. **Sexual harassment and sexist behaviour (in private):** The Committee will consider revisions to the Direction to the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.
6. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 14 November, the Committee expects to oral evidence on the Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill

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

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

7 November 2019

25th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Post-legislative Scrutiny - The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee will take evidence in a roundtable format from—
Sheena Brennan, Information Manager (Disclosure), Police Scotland;
Calvin Brown, Director of Communications, NHS Lanarkshire;
Jackie Buchanan, Director of Legal and Democratic Services, Angus Council;
Graeme Forrester, Deputy Head of Board Administration, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde;
Anne Grzybowski, Information Compliance Manager, University of Edinburgh;

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Leanne Jobling, Head of Information Governance and Data Protection Officer, Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service;

Lucy Mackenzie, Senior Customer Experience Officer, Aberdeen City Council;

Dr Kenneth Meehan, Chair, Data Protection and FOI Working Group, Society of Local Authority Lawyers and Administrators in Scotland.

3. **Section 23 Report - NHS in Scotland 2019:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, and Fiona Watson, Audit Manager, Performance and Best Value, Audit Scotland.

4. **Section 23 Report - NHS in Scotland 2019:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, and Fiona Watson, Audit Manager, Performance and Best Value, Audit Scotland.

5. **Post-legislative Scrutiny - The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2.

Proposed future business

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

Social Security Committee

7 November 2019

24th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:00 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. **Benefit Take-up:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Professor Paul Spicker, Emeritus Professor of Public Policy, Robert Gordon University;

Professor Mark Shucksmith, Professor of Planning, Newcastle University;

Professor David Bell, Professor of Economics, University of Stirling;

and then from—

Catherine Henry, Financial Health Check Service Project Manager, Citizens Advice Scotland;

Fiona Moss, Head of Health Improvement and Equalities, Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership;

Peter Hastie, Policy Manager, Macmillan Cancer Support.

3. **Benefit Take-up:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 21 November, the Committee will continue to take evidence on its Benefit Take-up inquiry. For further information, contact Anne Peat, the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5182 or at SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot.

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee

7 November 2019

26th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **BBC annual report and accounts:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Donalda MacKinnon, Director, and Mr Steve Carson, Head of Multiplatform Commissioning, BBC Scotland;

Mr Glyn Isherwood, Group Finance & Operations Director, BBC.

2. **Consideration of evidence heard (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard.

3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 14 November, the Committee expects to continue taking evidence on its Arts Funding Inquiry. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Herbert: Europe@parliament.scot

Public Petitions Committee

7 November 2019

19th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—

PE1548 on National Guidance on Restraint and Seclusion in Schools and will take evidence from Bruce Adamson, Commissioner, Nick Hobbs, Head of Advice and Investigations, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland and the petitioner, Beth Morrison;

PE1319 on Improving youth football in Scotland and will take evidence from Bruce Adamson, Commissioner and Diego Quiroz, Acting Head of Strategy, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland; and

PE1715 on Closed-Containment for Salmon Farms in Scotland.

2. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—

PE1753 on Moratorium on the roll out of 5G technology;

PE1754 on Ensure any referendum on constitutional change has a two thirds majority for it to succeed; and

PE1755 on Ban all single use plastics across Scotland.

Proposed future business

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

Equalities and Human Rights Committee

7 November 2019

26th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Witness Diversity:** The Committee will consider the Scottish Parliament's committee witness diversity statistics for 2018-19.
2. **Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Leethen Bartholomew, Head of National FGM Centre, National FGM Centre.
3. **Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard.
4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny - Correspondence (in private):** The Committee will consider a letter to the Minister for Older People and Equalities.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 14 November, the Committee will continue hearing evidence on the Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot or 0131 348 6040

Justice Sub-Committee on Policing

7 November 2019

9th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 1.00 pm 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. **Police Scotland's custody provision:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Chief Superintendent Garry McEwan, Criminal Justice Services Division, Police Scotland;
Calum Steele, General Secretary, Scottish Police Federation;
Lucille Inglis, UNISON Police Staff Scotland Branch Chairperson, UNISON Scotland.
3. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider a draft report on its Pre-Budget Scrutiny.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

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

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Motions

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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-19743](#) Michael Russell: Referendums (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Referendums (Scotland) Bill.

Supported by: Graeme Dey*

[S5M-19717](#) Liz Smith: Curriculum for Excellence—That the Parliament is committed to the principles of excellence and equity to underpin policy approaches to education and to improve the delivery of the curriculum for excellence (CfE), but notes with growing concern the recent analysis of CfE, including the recent publication from Professor Jim Scott, which draws the conclusion that the attainment gap is widening and highlights that there are failures in the delivery of CfE; notes in particular that these failures are imposing proportionately greater barriers to success among the pupil cohort who come from disadvantaged backgrounds, and calls on the Scottish Government to urgently address these concerns.

***[S5M-19717.2](#) John Swinney: Curriculum for Excellence**—As an amendment to motion S5M-19717 in the name of Liz Smith (Curriculum for Excellence), insert at end "by conducting the review supported by the Parliament on 1 May 2019, called for by the Education and Skills Committee in its cross-party report into the senior phase of Scottish education, which was published in September 2019, and previously committed to by the Scottish Government, and notes that the independent review will draw on evidence from education stakeholders and partners, including the latest data on young people's progress through CfE and the outcomes they achieve when they leave school."

Supported by: Maree Todd*

***[S5M-19717.1](#) Iain Gray: Curriculum for Excellence**—As an amendment to motion S5M-19717 in the name of Liz Smith (Curriculum for Excellence), after "delivery of CfE;" insert "recognises that such failures have resulted in, for example, a narrowing of subject choice in the senior phase, a prevalence of multi-level teaching and an increased workload for many teachers;"

[S5M-19715](#) Jamie Greene: The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network—That the Parliament notes its growing concern with the resilience of Scotland's ferry network; highlights that over 82,000 delays and cancellations have occurred since 2007; believes that the combination of an

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ageing fleet of vessels, mechanical breakdowns and the late arrival of new operational vessels for the network have resulted in avoidable disruption to services to the detriment of Scotland's island communities, their inhabitants, business and tourism; expresses disappointment at the absence of a long-term strategy to procure or build replacement vessels, and calls on the Scottish Government to urgently outline how it will address the Parliament's concerns.

Supported by: Michelle Ballantyne*

***S5M-19715.3 Paul Wheelhouse: The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network**—As an amendment to motion S5M-19715 in the name of Jamie Greene (The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network), leave out from "notes its growing concern" to end and insert "recognises the improving performance of the ferry services that are directly supported by the Scottish Government; acknowledges the inconvenience that disruption can cause, but notes that only 873, or 0.67%, of the 130,184 sailings on Scottish Government-subsidised ferry services have been cancelled due to technical reasons in 2019; commends the hard-working and dedicated staff and crew in delivering these reliability improvements; notes the improvements, including new routes, more sailings and lower fares, that have helped drive passenger growth on an annual basis, with these ferry services now carrying over six million passengers, or an increase of some 16.1% since 2012; acknowledges that, despite facing real-terms funding reductions by the UK Government, the Scottish Government has invested more than £2 billion in ferry services and infrastructure since 2007; notes that investment has been made in accordance with the published Vessel Replacement and Deployment Plan and that the next Ferries Plan will be taken forward following the finalisation of the National Transport Strategy and in parallel with the Strategic Transport Projects Review, and notes that, in the context of the need for renewal of the fleet, the Scottish Government has continued to support vessel investment and the commercial shipbuilding sector in Scotland through the construction of the MV Glen Sannox and Hull 802 at Ferguson Marine and through public ownership of the yard, which is supported by the trade unions, and will work to safeguard and create shipbuilding jobs at the yard."

Supported by: Michael Matheson*

***S5M-19715.2 Colin Smyth: The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network**—As an amendment to motion S5M-19715 in the name of Jamie Greene (The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network), insert at end "; notes the challenges many routes face with regard to capacity and the impact this has on connectivity and access to services; commends the work of the dedicated and resourceful ferry workers to deliver another winter timetable in difficult weather and technical conditions on ageing fleets; welcomes the decision to save Ferguson Marine by taking it into public ownership and reiterates the importance of delivering the MV Glen Sannox and Hull 802 as quickly as possible; recognises the importance of the Scottish shipbuilding sector and the jobs it provides; believes that there should be a Scottish ferry building programme; regrets that the ferry services procurement policy review has not made more progress, and believes that Scotland's lifeline ferry services should be publicly owned."

***S5M-19715.1 John Finnie: The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network**—As an amendment to motion S5M-19715 in the name of Jamie Greene (The Resilience of Scotland's Ferry Network), insert at end ", and urges the Scottish Government to continue to work closely with communities, ferry users groups and the trade unions on routes and procurement to bring about enhanced public transport connectivity."

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

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***S5M-19741 Tom Arthur: St Andrew's Day 2019**—That the Parliament welcomes the celebration of St Andrew's Day on 30 November 2019; notes that this will also mark the start of Scotland's winter festivals; recognises that the national day is an opportunity to celebrate Scotland's culture, heritage and national identity both at home and worldwide in an inclusive, compassionate and outward-looking manner; celebrates St Andrew's Fair Saturday, which this year falls on the national day itself; notes that this is a global movement that encourages communities to follow the consumerism of "Black Friday" with a response through cultural activity in support of social causes in a spirit of social empathy; understands that the All About Barrhead Business Improvement District is hosting an event, the Awfy Scottish Winter Wonderland, as part of the initiative; notes that this will be a festive fair featuring Scottish entertainment in aid of Barrhead Christmas Dinner packs; acknowledges that the Johnstone's Christmas Lights Switch On, which is being organised by Renfrewshire Council and is also part of the Fair Saturday initiative, will support St Vincent's Hospice and Active Communities; believes that a diverse programme of events will be taking place across the country, and commends the efforts of all communities the length and breadth of Scotland in getting involved in the Fair Saturday movement on St Andrew's Day.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-19745 Iain Gray: #InvestInYouthWork Campaign**—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of a major national campaign, #InvestInYouthWork, which seeks the support of all of Scotland's political parties to ensure that significant investment is made in the youth work sector; understands that it is supported by youth work organisations across the country and is calling for a return of investment in their services to pre-austerity levels and a strengthening of their statutory basis; notes with concern what it sees as the scale of the reductions faced by the sector that were set out in Unison's recent report, *Youth Services at Breaking Point*, which suggests that, in the last three years alone, youth service spending in Scotland has fallen by over £11 million, and calls on all parties to come together, support the campaign and work with the sector to restore youth work budgets and strengthen the statutory basis for providing youth work services.

Supported by: James Kelly*, Colin Smyth*

***S5M-19744 Gil Paterson: Mark Clougherty Selected for Invictus Games Team**—That the Parliament congratulates the Clydebank-born veteran, Mark Clougherty, on being chosen to represent the UK at the Invictus Games in the Hague in 2020; understands that the former Royal Military Policeman will compete in a racing wheelchair in the time trial and criterium events over 100, 200, 400 and 1,500 metres, as well as the one-minute and four-minute rowing events; understands that Mark, who served in Iraq and has a range of complex physical and mental health challenges, will take his place as one of 65 men and women selected to represent the UK at the Games; recognises the tremendous dedication and determination necessary to reach this level; believes that Mark and his teammates are an inspiration to others with life-changing injuries or illness, and wishes him success at Invictus 2020.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-19742 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Scotland Cricket Team Qualify for T20 World Cup 2020**—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Cricket Team on securing a place at the T20 World Cup, and wishes the team the very best of luck in their preparations for the tournament in October 2020 in Australia.

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***S5M-19740 Maurice Corry: Opening of Males Tales**—That the Parliament welcomes the opening of Males Tales, a men’s mental health hub, in Helensburgh; understands that Males Tales is designed to provide men aged 16 and over with an environment where they can talk without any pressure or judgement in a comfortable informal setting; recognises that the group was created in response to the five-year high of suicide numbers in 2018, with men making up 74% of those who took their own lives; acknowledges the work that Males Tales does to help fill the gap in the mental health support network for men by providing them with this important setting to express themselves, and supports Males Tales in its crucial work.

***S5M-19739 Emma Harper: Scottish Affairs Committee Report into Drug Deaths in Scotland**—That the Parliament overwhelmingly welcomes the report published on 4 November 2019 by the UK Parliament’s Scottish Affairs Committee into drug-related deaths in Scotland; notes that the committee concluded that a public health, and not a criminal, approach must be taken to inform government policy on tackling drug addiction; further notes that drug-related deaths in Scotland reached an all-time high of 1,187 last year and that, in what has been one of the most extensive inquiries ever conducted into problem drug use in Scotland, the committee heard directly from agencies, health services, academics, governments and those with lived experience, as well as families who have been affected by problem drug use, all of whom it believes agree that urgent reform is needed; understands that the committee also visited Portugal, Germany and Canada to examine the evidence from international examples of countries taking a progressive public health, and not a punitive approach, to tackling problem drug use, and found the levels of drug deaths and addiction there to have reduced significantly; agrees with the committee’s recommendations that personal amounts of drugs should be decriminalised, and that the UK Government must urgently bring forward legislation that will allow for the devolution of power to the Scottish Parliament to allow it to establish safe consumption rooms in Scotland, and agrees with the report’s conclusion that the UK Government’s approach to drug use must be substantially reformed. **R**

Supported by: Rona Mackay*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-19738 Alexander Stewart: The Clackmannanshire Befriending Project**—That the Parliament acknowledges that the Clackmannanshire Befriending Project (CBP) has been celebrating its achievements to mark National Befriending Week 2019; understands that the CBP is a volunteering programme that was set up in 2018 by the UK-wide charity, Volunteering Matters, in 2018, which supports isolated and disadvantaged young people; notes that its adult volunteers dedicate hours of their time to befriending young people aged from eight upwards; understands that the awareness week, which is held annually during the first week in November, sees befriending programmes across the UK celebrate their impact and offers a chance to thank the volunteers involved with them, and welcomes the work that the CBP does to provide young people with a new direction in life by opening up a range of activities that aim to lead to increased self-esteem and self-confidence.

Supported by: Edward Mountain*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Annie Wells*, Murdo Fraser*, Gordon Lindhurst*, David Torrance*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*

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*[S5M-19737](#) **Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Investigations: Code of Practice) (Scotland) Order 2019 [draft] be approved.

*[S5M-19736](#) **Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Victim Surcharge (Scotland) Regulations 2019 [draft] be approved.

*[S5M-19735](#) **Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014 (Supplementary Provision) Order 2019 [draft] be approved.

*[S5M-19734](#) **Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2019 [draft] be approved.

*[S5M-19733](#) **Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill at stage 2 be completed by 13 December 2019.

*[S5M-19732](#) **Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 6 March 2020.

*[S5M-19731](#) **Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion**—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 12 November 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Protecting the Rights of EU Citizens 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 13 November 2019

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity; Justice and the Law Officers

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Artificial Intelligence and Data Driven Technologies: Opportunities for the Scottish Economy and Society

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followed by Members' Business

Thursday 14 November 2019

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Government Business and Constitutional Relations

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Implications of the Imposition of US Tariffs on Scottish Products

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 19 November 2019

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 20 November 2019

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Culture, Tourism and External Affairs; Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 21 November 2019

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

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2.30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

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followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 12 November 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-19730 Gil Paterson: £3.5 Million Funding for the Cancer Research UK Glasgow**

Centre—That the Parliament congratulates the Cancer Research UK Glasgow Centre on being awarded £3.5 million over the next five years to pioneer new radiotherapy technologies and techniques that could help more people survive cancer; understands that this award is part of a £56 million investment by the charity's UK-wide RadNet scheme, which is its biggest ever investment in radiotherapy; believes that the Glasgow-based researchers will develop and test new radiotherapy/drug combinations and techniques to help improve radiotherapy treatment for patients with hard-to-treat cancers and cancers with poor prognoses, and wishes everyone involved success with this vital cutting-edge work.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Rona Mackay*, Edward Mountain*, Alexander Stewart*, John Mason*, Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-19728 Jenny Gilruth: The Fish Hoose in Thornton Achieves a Good Food**

Award—That the Parliament congratulates The Fish Hoose in Thornton on achieving a Good Food Award; notes that it has achieved this award just two years after opening, following customer feedback, nominations and votes; understands that it has already won best fish and chip shop in Fife, as well as being a finalist at the Seafish national awards, and wishes the staff at The Fish Hoose all the best in their future endeavours.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan*, Emma Harper*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Annabelle Ewing*

***S5M-19727 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Grayson Perry Exhibition in Shetland**

—That the Parliament notes the recent exhibition by Grayson Perry, which was held in Shetland Museum; understands that two ceramic vases by the award-winning artist were displayed alongside works from Shetlanders; considers that access to culture and the arts, particularly in remote and rural areas, is very important, and commands the organisers of the exhibition and the volunteers at the museum for their work in bringing this event to the islands.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, David Stewart*, Edward Mountain*, Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Jamie Greene*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-19726 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Aberlour, a Fairtrade and Traidcraft Town**

—That the Parliament notes that Aberlour recently celebrated five years as a Fairtrade town and 40 years of Traidcraft status; understands that, as part of the Moray town's celebrations, a coffee morning in Aberlour Parish Church raised £200 for Fairtrade and £500 for Traidcraft, and commends the town's residents for their commitment to ethically-produced goods that give a fair price to producers from across the globe.

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***S5M-19725 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Orkney Boat Society Gifted Two Vessels—**That the Parliament congratulates the Stromness-based Orkney Historic Boat Society (OHBS) on being gifted two vessels to add to its collection; understands that Martin Foulis from Deerness presented it with a North Isles yole, Waterlily, which had been owned for five generations by his family, and that the Annal family from South Ronaldsay gifted a lifeboat from the Norwegian tanker, M/T Arne Kjøde, which was sunk in 1939 by U-41 under the command of Kapitänleutnant Gustav-Adolf Mugler; commends the donors for their generosity; believes that the preservation of maritime historical record to be paramount to the cultural heritage of Orkney, and sends its best wishes to the OHBS.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, David Torrance*, Edward Mountain*, Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Liam McArthur*, Jeremy Balfour*, Margaret Mitchell*, Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-19724 Annabelle Ewing: Mouth Cancer Awareness Month—**That the Parliament notes that November marks Mouth Cancer Awareness Month; praises the work of mouth cancer charities and fundraisers in improving awareness of this oral disease; underlines that, while mouth cancer is the sixth most prevalent cancer worldwide, it remains that nine out of 10 cases could be prevented by adopting lifestyle changes; recognises that self-examination can improve early detection and ensure a greater chance of survival; notes the tremendous fundraising efforts by the Kelly cancer survivor, Barbara Boyd, of over £1,900 on behalf of Let's Talk About Mouth Cancer, and welcomes all efforts to raise awareness of such a preventable life-threatening disease.

Supported by: Sandra White*, Emma Harper*, David Torrance*, Mark McDonald*, John Mason*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Monica Lennon*, Alexander Stewart*

***S5M-19723 Alexander Stewart: Strathcarron Hospice Starts its Christmas Raffle—**That the Parliament welcomes the news that the charity shop of the Strathcarron Hospice in Alloa has started its Christmas raffle; acknowledges that as the shop has had not had to spend any of its own money on purchasing items, with the prizes being donated by customers and businesses from the area, all of the money raised will be going back to the Hospice; understands that the store's manager, Helen McLachlan, is hoping to raise at least a three-figure sum from this, and wishes Helen, her staff and everyone involved with the raffle, all the very best.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*, Murdo Fraser*, Bill Kidd*, Jamie Greene*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

***S5M-19722 Neil Bibby: Star Project's 20th Anniversary—**That the Parliament congratulates the Paisley-based Star Project on its 20th anniversary; recognises that the project, which has helped over 5,000 people in Renfrewshire, provides comprehensive support for whatever its service users might need; celebrates its initiatives, including the Community Fridge, which handed out over a tonne of food to almost 500 people over six months, and wishes all at the project the best of luck for the next 20 years and beyond.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-19721 Alexander Stewart: Complimentary Remembrance Day Bus Travel on FirstBus for Veterans, Cadets and Serving Armed Forces Personnel—**That the Parliament welcomes the news that Clackmannanshire veterans are to be among those able to travel for free to

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memorial events around the country this Remembrance Sunday; understands that First Scotland is providing free travel to all armed forces personnel, veterans and cadets travelling to services and events; notes that all those showing their uniform and badges, or a recognised ID badge, can claim free travel on 10 November 2019 as they travel to and from Remembrance Day events; acknowledges that the concession is in honour of all the fallen and surviving veterans of conflict, and that the three operating companies, First Aberdeen, First Glasgow and First Scotland East, will be honouring the offer, and commends First Scotland on its highly magnanimous gesture. **R**

Supported by: Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Margaret Mitchell*, Jackson Carlaw*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Bowman*, Richard Lyle*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Bill Kidd*, Jamie Greene*, Stuart McMillan*, Annie Wells*, Maurice Corry*, Michelle Ballantyne*

***S5M-19720 Bill Bowman: International Award for Karate Instructor from Dundee, Roy O'Kane**—That the Parliament congratulates Roy O'Kane, who is a karate instructor from Dundee, on being presented with a top honour for his promotion of the martial art; understands that Roy received the Elite Manager award from EurETHICS, which is a Brussels-based organisation that supports high-quality training, at the recent World Union of Karate-Dol Federations Championships in Denmark, and thanks Roy for all his work in promoting the sport.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Finlay Carson*, Edward Mountain*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Jamie Greene*, Stuart McMillan*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

***S5M-19719 Colin Beattie: Loanhead Restaurant Raises Funds for Cancer Charity**—That the Parliament congratulates the Loanhead curry restaurant, Radhuni, on raising £550 for the cancer charity, Macmillan; acknowledges that Radhuni raised the funds by donating a pound for every sit-in and takeaway meal ordered during UK Curry Week, which took place between 7 and 13 October 2019; recognises that this effort was motivated by the diagnosis of the waitress, Carole O'Reilly; praises the restaurant for its community support and initiative to help others; wishes all involved the best, and thanks them for their generous donation.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*, Murdo Fraser*, Richard Lyle*, Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-19718 Mark McDonald: Down's Syndrome Scotland's Christmas Card Design Winner Announced (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Monica Lennon*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Alasdair Allan*, Annie Wells*, David Torrance*, Alex Rowley*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jackie Baillie*, Fulton MacGregor*, Neil Findlay*

S5M-19716 Angela Constance: Kids Gone Wild, Best Children's Attraction in Scotland (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Stewart Stevenson*, Neil Findlay*, Jeremy Balfour*, David Torrance*

S5M-19714 Gail Ross: Flows to the Future Project (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*

S5M-19713 Bill Kidd: The Return of Gorbachev (lodged on 04 November 2019)

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New Support: Alison Johnstone*, Maureen Watt*, Emma Harper*, Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, Christine Grahame*, John Mason*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19712](#) Gil Paterson: Dance Off Academy, Clydebank (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, Alasdair Allan*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19711](#) Gil Paterson: Skiing Success for Isla Cameron (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19710](#) Gil Paterson: Skiing Success for Grace Cameron (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19709](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney's Success at the Highlands and Islands Tourism Awards (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19708](#) Bill Bowman: Carnoustie Golf Links Named World's Best Course 2019 (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Annie Wells*

[S5M-19706](#) Christine Grahame: Dogs Trust Firework Code (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Alison Johnstone*, Annie Wells*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19705](#) John Mason: CBD Oil and Consumer Protection (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19704](#) Neil Findlay: Skolie Burn Clean-up Success (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-19703](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian Towns and Villages to Receive Council Funding (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-19702](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian Courier Local Hero (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-19699](#) Alison Johnstone: Save Gorgie City Farm (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Ross Greer*, Mark Ruskell*, Patrick Harvie*, Andy Wightman*

[S5M-19698](#) David Stewart: Eilean Dorcha Festival Generates £2 Million for Island Economy (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19697](#) Lewis Macdonald: Reopening of Aberdeen Art Gallery (lodged on 01 November 2019)

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New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19696 Jackie Baillie: Anthony Nolan Trust Helps Save Lives in Dumbarton and Across Scotland](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S5M-19695 Peter Chapman: Banffshire Tourist Hub](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Annie Wells*

[S5M-19694 Kenneth Gibson: 55 Years in Prison for Not Being Veiled](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19693 Bill Bowman: V&A Dundee Wins Civic Trust Award](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-19692 Liam McArthur: Congratulating Harve Symonds on Scottish Health Award Nomination](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19691 Jenny Gilruth: 30th Anniversary of the UNCRC](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19690 Clare Adamson: Billy Kay Recognised by the Saint Andrew's Society of the State of New York](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19689 Gil Paterson: Leading Netflix Role for Oli Keenan](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19688 Gil Paterson: Karate Success for Adam Richards](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19687 Richard Lyle: Jordan Fairlamb, Apprenticeship Awards Finalist](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19686 Dean Lockhart: Award for St Ninian's Primary School in Stirling](#) (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*, Annie Wells*

[S5M-19685 George Adam: Positive Impact of St Mirren Community Trust](#) (lodged on 04 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-19683](#) David Torrance: eCom Scotland Recognised at Digital Business Awards (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19682](#) David Torrance: Norman Clark's 45 Years of Service at Linton Lane (lodged on 01 November 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19681](#) Angela Constance: Open Door Accommodation Project Offered Help by B&Q Staff (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt*

[S5M-19677](#) Neil Findlay: Decline in Breast Cancer Screening in NHS Lothian (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*

[S5M-19674](#) Gil Paterson: Golden Friendships' Holiday Fun Days (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19672](#) Edward Mountain: Dounreay and Team UK (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Annie Wells*

[S5M-19667](#) John Mason: Review of the Scottish Fiscal Commission by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19664](#) Finlay Carson: Councillor Graham Nicol (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-19660](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Awarded a Silver Gilt at Britain in Bloom (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19659](#) David Torrance: Marjory McHattie Presented with Long-service Award (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19658](#) David Torrance: Methil Service Creates Support Group for People with Cancer (lodged on 30 October 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19657](#) David Torrance: The Friends of the Victoria and Whyteman's Brae Hospitals' Charity 50th Anniversary (lodged on 30 October 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19656](#) David Torrance: Flexible Scope Recommendation for NHS Fife Lab (lodged on 30 October 2019)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19655](#) David Torrance: Kingdom FM Launches DAB Digital Radio Service (lodged on 30 October 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19652](#) John Finnie: Israeli Soldier Receives One-month Sentence Over Death of Gaza Teenager (lodged on 30 October 2019)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-19611](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: The #InTheLoop City Recycling Project, Edinburgh (lodged on 29 October 2019)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-19583](#) Iain Gray: Congratulations to Josh Taylor (lodged on 28 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19582](#) Gordon MacDonald: Archimedes Screw Installation at Saughton Park (lodged on 28 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19580](#) Patrick Harvie: Re-energising Manufacturing (lodged on 28 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19579](#) Gil Paterson: Raenbow Productions 20th Anniversary (lodged on 28 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19571](#) Gordon MacDonald: Lothian Thistle Hutchison Vale FC 50th Anniversary (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19570](#) Gordon MacDonald: Edinburgh Hospitality Students Runners-up in International Student Culinary Competition (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19569](#) Gillian Martin: Ellon Primary School Nursery Praised by Inspectors (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19568](#) Annabelle Ewing: Fundraising by Wee Jimmies in Cowdenbeath (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19567](#) Annabelle Ewing: Fundraising by Coaledge Tavern Quizzers (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-19566](#) Annabelle Ewing: Fundraising Efforts for Child Bereavement UK (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19565](#) Annabelle Ewing: St Ninian's RC Primary School Silver Success for School Sport (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19564](#) Annabelle Ewing: St Joseph's RC Primary School Silver Success for School Sport (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19563](#) Annabelle Ewing: St Bride's RC Primary School Silver Success for School Sport (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19562](#) Annabelle Ewing: Foulford Primary School Silver Success for School Sport (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19561](#) Annabelle Ewing: Cowdenbeath Primary School Silver Success for School Sport (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19560](#) Annabelle Ewing: Cardenden Primary School Silver Success for School Sport (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19558](#) Annabelle Ewing: St John's RC Primary School Gold Success for School Sport (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19557](#) Annabelle Ewing: Lumphinnans Primary School Gold Success for School Sport (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19556](#) Annabelle Ewing: Kelty Primary School Gold Success for School Sport (lodged on 25 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19517](#) Emma Harper: Women, Peace and Security (lodged on 22 October 2019)

New Support: Claudia Beamish*, David Torrance*

[S5M-19516](#) Jenny Gilruth: Balbirnie House Hotel, the Best Destination Wedding Hotel on the Planet (lodged on 22 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-19514](#) Angela Constance: Lisamaria Purdie of St Ninian's, Livingston, Primary Head of the Year (lodged on 22 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19512](#) Bill Bowman: University of Dundee's Festival of the Future (lodged on 22 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19510](#) Colin Beattie: ELCAP Chair, Morag Alexander, Stands Down after Influential Career (lodged on 22 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19498](#) Sarah Boyack: World Town Planning Day (lodged on 21 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-19459](#) Annie Wells: New Community Garden in Calton Aims to Help People in Addiction Recovery (lodged on 16 October 2019)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S5M-18960](#) Angus MacDonald: UN Year of Indigenous Languages and European Day of Languages (lodged on 19 September 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt*

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Questions Ceistean				

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 05 November 2019

[S5W-26194](#) Tom Arthur: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made in reporting on Fair Start Scotland.

Written questions lodged on 05 November 2019

[S5W-26179](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports of disruption to the childhood flu immunisation programme due to a shortage of supply in some batches of the nasal spray flu vaccine, what action it is taking to support NHS boards.

[S5W-26180](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many members of the Air Discount Scheme have had their membership cards blocked or cancelled in each of the last five years.

[S5W-26181](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many fines or repayments have been imposed for the alleged misuse of Air Discount Scheme (ADS) membership cards in each of the last five years, also broken down by how many times the difference between the full price and the ADS fare has been sought as a penalty.

[S5W-26182](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has carried out into the effectiveness of current arrangements for ensuring that address and contact details for Air Discount Scheme members are kept up to date.

[S5W-26183](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that Air Discount Scheme membership cards that have been blocked or cancelled cannot still be used to book flights.

[S5W-26184](#) Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been allocated from the Connect Local Regional Food Fund to businesses and projects in (a) the Ettrick, Roxburgh and Berwickshire constituency and (b) each local authority.

[S5W-26185](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support job creation and retention in the Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse constituency.

[S5W-26186](#) Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what recent meetings Transport Scotland has had with Highways England to discuss signage to help improve cross-border tourism.

[S5W-26187](#) Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how VisitScotland engages with smaller businesses in developing tourism strategies. **R**

[S5W-26188](#) Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how VisitScotland ensures that less popular tourist destinations are given appropriate funding to assist with boosting visitor numbers.

[S5W-26189](#) Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how VisitScotland engages with VisitEngland to develop cross-border tourism links.

[S5W-26190](#) Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what funding is available to help develop tourism in the Scottish Borders, and how much it has provided to the area in each of the last 10 years. **R**

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Questions Ceistean				

[S5W-26191 James Kelly](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the extension of VISOR vetting to local authority social workers is a proportionate means of fulfilling the obligations of councils to keep the public safe.

[S5W-26192 James Kelly](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the extension of VISOR vetting to local authority social workers is an intrusion into their private life, and whether any assessment was carried out of the process being a potential breach of Article 8 of the Human Rights Act 1998 regarding the right to privacy, including family life, home life and correspondence.

[S5W-26193 James Kelly](#): To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it undertook when taking the decision to transfer the vetting of offenders away from Police Scotland and placing it with local authority social workers.

[S5W-26200 Daniel Johnson](#): To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of any state pension inequality for women in Scotland who were born in the 1950s who are affected by the increase in the state pension age.

[S5W-26201 Daniel Johnson](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it is within its legislative competence to create a benefit for women in Scotland aged over 60 who are not eligible for the basic state pension.

[S5W-26202 Daniel Johnson](#): To ask the Scottish Government what feasibility and financial assessment it has carried out regarding mitigating the impact on women in Scotland of the changes made to eligibility for the basic state pension as a consequence of the Pensions Act 2011.

[S5W-26203 Colin Smyth](#): To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-25898 by Fergus Ewing on 31 October 2019, whether the successor to the interim Chief Executive of the South of Scotland Enterprise Agency will be appointed by ministers or by the agency.

[S5W-26204 Colin Smyth](#): To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-25898 by Fergus Ewing on 31 October 2019, by what date it will appoint the interim Chief Executive of the South of Scotland Enterprise Agency.

[S5W-26208 Finlay Carson](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many hen harrier nests there have been on (a) RSPB and (b) non-RSPB reserves in each of the last seven years, and what information it has on how many failed to have any chicks fledge, broken down by the reason for the failure.

[S5W-26209 Finlay Carson](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) hen harrier nests, (b) hen harrier nests that failed to have any chicks fledge and (c) stoats there have been in Orkney in each of the last seven years, and what it estimates the figure will be for 2019.

[S5W-26211 David Stewart](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many more district nurses will be required to meet its commitment to deliver more healthcare in the community.

[S5W-26212 David Stewart](#): To ask the Scottish Government by what date it plans to publish its integrated health and social care workforce plan.

[S5W-26213 David Stewart](#): To ask the Scottish Government what investment will be required to grow the district nursing workforce in line with its commitment to deliver more healthcare in the community.

[S5W-26218 Rachael Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many staff in the last six months have worked in its (a) Brexit and (b) constitutional affairs policy area, broken down by how many were (i) transferred from its other policy fields, (ii) seconded from its agencies and national public bodies and (iii) hired from external sources.

New Subordinate Legislation

New Subordinate Legislation

Negative Instruments

The following instrument was laid on 05 November 2019 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Robert Gordon University (Scotland) Order of Council 2019 (SSI 2019/375)

Laid under section 60(1) of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992

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.

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 29 October 2019

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

Passed, 3 October 2019

Children (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 2 September 2019

Lead committee - Justice

Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill

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

Consumer Scotland Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)), 5 November 2019

Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills Committee)), 6 November 2019

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 7 November 2019

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 10 October 2019

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team

(LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

Introduced, 23 April 2019

Lead committee - Local Government and Communities

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 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 7 November 2019

Stage 1 Report - Finance and Constitution Committee (7th Report, 2019)

Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice Committee)), 29 October 2019

Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 7 November 2019

Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities Committee)), 6 November 2019

Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)

Stage 2, 19 November 2019

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 13 November with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

Introduced, 26 September 2019

Transport (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 10 October 2019

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 5 November 2019

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team

(LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

Passed, 21 March 2018

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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

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>

Birmingham Commonwealth Games Bill LCM-S5-25

Lodged on 19 June 2019

Meeting of the Parliament, 31 October 2019

At the end of the 2017-2019 session the Bill was [carried over](#) into the next session.

Domestic Abuse Bill LCM-S5-27

Lodged on 22 August 2019

Meeting of the Parliament, 31 October 2019

At the end of the 2017-2019 session the Bill was [carried over](#) into the next session.

European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill LCM-S5-28

Lodged on 22 October 2019

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 29 October 2019

Lead committee - Finance and Constitution

Sentencing (Pre-Consolidation Amendments) Bill LCM-S5-26

Lodged on 25 July 2019

Meeting of the Parliament, 31 October 2019

At the end of the 2017-2019 session the Bill was [carried over](#) into the next session.

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

Affirmative instruments

Lead Committee report due by 6 November 2019

[Victim Surcharge \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI draft/2019\)](#)

(12 September 2019) (Justice)

[Victims and Witnesses \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Supplementary Provision\) Order 2019 \(SSI draft/2019\)](#) (12 September 2019) (Justice)

Lead Committee report due by 11 November 2019

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (17 September 2019) (Health and Sport Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 13 November 2019

[Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 \(Investigations: Code of Practice\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (19 September 2019) (Justice)

Lead Committee report due by 20 November 2019

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2019 Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (26 September 2019) (Finance and the Constitution Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 20 November 2019

[Conservation \(Natural Habitats, &c.\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (10 October 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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

[Criminal Justice \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Support for Vulnerable Persons\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (01 November 2019) (Justice)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 06 November 2019

Lead committee to report by 04 November 2019

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Enforcement of Fines \(Relevant Penalty\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 2019/280](#)

(12 September 2019) (Justice)

[Victim Surcharge Fund \(Prescribed Relatives\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 SSI 2019/282](#)

(12 September 2019) (Justice)

[National Health Service \(Serious Shortage Protocols\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 SSI 2019/284](#)

(12 September 2019) (Health and Sport)

[Food Information, Labelling and Standards \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 2019/285](#)

(12 September 2019) (Health and Sport)

[Animal Health and Welfare and Official Controls \(Animals, Feed and Food\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 2019/288](#)

(12 September 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Seed, Propagating Material and Common Agricultural Policy \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 2019/289](#)

(12 September 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Plant Health \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/290\)](#)

(12 September 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 14 November 2019
Lead committee to report by 11 November 2019

[Caravan Sites Act 1968 \(Amendment of Definition of Caravan\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/295\)](#) (20 August 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 28 November 2019
Lead committee to report by 25 November 2019

[M8 Motorway \(Junction 29A Off Slip Road\) \(40mph Speed Limit\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/312\)](#) (04 October 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

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)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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)

[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

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/357\)](#)
(31 October 2019) (Justice)

[Firefighters' Pension Schemes \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/358\)](#) *(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)

Instruments/documents laid for consultation

Lead committee report due 02 December 2019

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

The following instruments/documents were laid before the Parliament on 28 October 2019 for approval—

[Public Services Reform \(The Scottish Public Services Ombudsman\) \(Healthcare Whistleblowing\) Order 2020](#) - Explanatory Documents SPSO/2019/s16A (28 October 2019) (Health and Sport)

New Documents

Committee Reports

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 5 November 2019 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Borders Health Board Annual Report and Accounts 2018/19 SG/2019/177 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Ayrshire and Arran Health Board Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2019 SG/2019/176 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Ambulance Service Annual Report and Accounts for year ended 31 March 2019 SG/2019/189 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Tayside Health Board Annual Report and Accounts for year ended 31 March 2019 SG/2019/235 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Highland Health Board Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2019 SG/2019/233 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The 2018/19 audit of NHS Highland SG/2019/234 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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