

Monday 14 October 2019

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

### Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

Today's Business  
*Gnothaichean an-diugh*

Future Business  
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Motions & Questions  
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## Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

## Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 9 October 2019

### Tuesday 29 October 2019

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Promoting the Safe and Appropriate use of Fireworks in Scotland

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Improving Disability Assistance in Scotland

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-18479 Pauline McNeill: Asda Walmart, Contract Imposition

### Wednesday 30 October 2019

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Health and Sport; Communities and Local Government

**followed by** Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee Debate: Glasgow School of Art Fire

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-18693 Margaret Mitchell: Charities, Scotland and Holyrood

### Thursday 31 October 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-19293 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Hong Kong

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Social Security and Older People

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: The Scottish Greenhouse Gas Emissions Annual Target Report for 2017

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**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Forestry Centenary

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

### **Tuesday 5 November 2019**

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### **Wednesday 6 November 2019**

**1:15 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:15 pm** Members' Business

**followed by** Portfolio Questions: Finance, Economy and Fair Work; Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### **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

**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

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**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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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.

## Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*S5M-19415 Gil Paterson: Crafting Together Launches Online Shop**—That the Parliament commends former pupils of Kilpatrick School in Clydebank who have launched a new online shop to showcase their latest jewellery collection inspired by the bold colours of Turkey red textile designs traditionally printed in West Dunbartonshire in the 1700s; understands that the group of school friends attend Crafting Together twice a week to develop their jewellery design and manufacture skills in a bid to boost their chances of employment, as well as tackling social isolation; notes that the project sources recycled beads from family-run enterprises in Uganda and Ghana, and wishes all involved success with this and future ventures.

**\*S5M-19414 Monica Lennon: Sportscotland Awards for Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse Schools**—That the Parliament congratulates schools in the Hamilton, Larkhall, and Stonehouse areas that have been presented with a sportscotland School Sport Award; commends Craighbank, Hareleeshill, Netherburn, Newfield, St Anne's, St Bride's RC (Bothwell), St Mary's RC (Hamilton), Stonehouse and Townhill primary schools on achieving Gold awards, Chatelherault Primary School, Larkhall Academy, St Elizabeth RC Primary School, St John's Primary School (Hamilton) on achieving Silver awards, and St Cuthbert's Primary School on achieving a Bronze award; understands that sportscotland has set up this initiative to encourage schools to continuously improve the PE that they offer, increase opportunities for their pupils to take part in sport and build sporting links with their communities; believes that this has a positive impact on the lives of young people by improving their confidence and motivating them; acknowledges that 2019 has seen a record number of awards presented across the country, with 747 schools now holding a sportscotland School Award; supports the Active Schools programme, which aims to ensure that young people have access to opportunities to play sport before, during and after the school day, and sends its best wishes to the staff and pupils of all participating schools.

**\*S5M-19413 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Cameron Bryant Motorsport Success**—That the Parliament congratulates Cameron Bryant from Dalmeny in Edinburgh Western constituency, on his success in the 2019 Scottish Celtic Speed Mini Championship; understands that Cameron recorded three top 10 finishes at Knockhill recently, coming fifth overall; applauds Cameron on winning the Newcomers award; understands that this comes after a difficult start to 2019 in which technical problems with his Mini meant that he was not able to participate in the first half of the season;



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acknowledges that Martin Armstrong, owner of East Coast Tyres became Cameron's sponsor, enabling him to join the team for the last four races of the season, and wishes Cameron the best of luck in future seasons.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour\*, Miles Briggs\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Alexander Stewart\*

**\*S5M-19412 Gail Ross: Rock Rose Gin, Scottish Gin Distillery of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Rock Rose Gin on its success at the 2019 Scottish Gin Awards at which it was named the distillery of the year and its Winter Edition and Pink Grapefruit Old Tom won Gold and Silver awards respectively, and wishes the company continued success.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Colin Beattie\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Richard Lyle\*

**\*S5M-19411 Gil Paterson: Dynamite Gymnastics Club, Clydebank**—That the Parliament congratulates the Clydebank-based Dynamite Gymnastics Club on its success at the 2019 Scottish National Trampoline, Tumbling and Double Mini Trampoline Championships, which were held recently in Perth; understands that the club, which was named the Scottish team champions earlier in the year, was the only one to have members qualifying in all three disciplines, with 36 finishing in medal positions, 17 of whom won titles; acknowledges the commitment, hard work and dedication required to reach this level of achievement, and wishes the club's gymnasts and coaches continued success.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Richard Lyle\*

**\*S5M-19410 Alex Cole-Hamilton: International Day of the Girl Child 2019**—That the Parliament notes that International Day of the Girl Child 2019 is on 11 October and aims to "highlight and address the needs and challenges girls face, while promoting girls' empowerment and the fulfilment of their human rights"; recognises that this day was declared by the UN in 2011 in order to empower girls and promote change; understands that many women across the world are deprived of the basic right to education and that this year's campaign aims to tackle this issue through the theme, GirlForce: Unscripted and unstoppable, which will celebrate achievements by, with and for girls since the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action; notes that the Beijing Declaration, which was the result of the Fourth World Conference on Women nearly 25 years ago, is the most comprehensive policy agenda for the empowerment of women, and welcomes the theme, which it considers recognises the immense impact that empowerment, particularly of women, can have on improving communities.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Elaine Smith\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Mark McDonald\*, Mark Ruskell\*

**\*S5M-19409 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Barnton Park Padel Court**—That the Parliament welcomes the opening of Barnton Park Tennis Club's new padel court on 22 September 2019 in partnership with Game4Padel, which provides expert padel support and finance; understands that the open day included an exhibition of padel tennis, children's coaching clinics and an official ribbon cutting; understands that padel, which is the fastest growing sport in the world, is a cross between tennis and squash, which uses the tennis scoring system but is played on a court with enclosed class walls; congratulates everyone involved in launching the club, which is the first to offer padel tennis in the Edinburgh Western constituency, and hopes that other current projects are successful in enabling padel to continue growing as a sport across the UK.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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**\*S5M-19408 Margaret Mitchell: New Lidl Distribution Centre at Eurocentral**—That the Parliament congratulates Lidl on the opening of its state-of-the-art regional distribution centre at Eurocentral in Motherwell; understands that the 58,500 sq m warehouse is the company's largest in the UK and will support its current 99 stores in Scotland and the 100th, which is scheduled to open by the beginning of 2020; commends Lidl on the warehouse, which is bringing new jobs and investment to the area, and wishes Lidl continued success in Scotland.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Alison Harris\*

**\*S5M-19407 Gillian Martin: Ellon Academy Earns Fair Achiever Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Ellon Academy on earning the Fair Achiever Award, which is the highest national Fairtrade award that a school can be given; acknowledges that it is presented to schools that fully embedded Fairtrade's principles into their daily life and work to raise awareness of these in their community; recognises that the Academy's success follows years of hard work undertaken by its Fairtrade Committee; notes that an assessor praised the school for its very strong learning engagement across a range of curricular areas, including geography, home economics, business studies, English and physics; understands that becoming a Fairtrade School gives the pupils an opportunity to look at global issues regarding food production, to understand the connections between themselves and farmers in some of the poorest countries in the world through the products they buy and to help make trade fairer; commends the staff and pupils on this success, and wishes them all well.

**\*S5M-19406 George Adam: Renfrewshire's Team Up to Clean Up Wins Excellence Award**—That the Parliament applauds the Renfrewshire Council initiative, Team Up to Clean Up, on its success at the 2019 COSLA Excellence Awards, at which it won the Strong and Sustainable Communities category; understands that the volunteer-run project sees its members work tirelessly across Renfrewshire picking up litter, transforming parks and public spaces and encouraging others to join in and think about their natural surroundings; praises everyone involved with this on what it sees as their steadfast commitment to improving the environment in the area's towns and villages; acknowledges that these awards celebrate innovative and effective responses to the major challenges that councils and their partners face and that each project was thoroughly scrutinised by the judging panel, which included a number of experts from across the media, local and national government, the Parliament and the private sector; commends all of the other finalists in the category for their dedicated commitment to their communities, and sends its best wishes to all at Team Up to Clean Up.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Rona Mackay\*, Tom Arthur\*, Richard Lyle\*

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**S5M-19403 Fulton MacGregor: Sportscotland School Sport Award for Coatbridge Schools** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Sandra White\*, Richard Lyle\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-19402 Gil Paterson: Monadh Kitchen Awarded Michelin Bib Gourmand Status** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**S5M-19401 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Shetland Schools Receive Sportscotland Awards** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

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New Support: Peter Chapman\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Alison Harris\*

**[S5M-19400](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Orkney Schools Receive Sportscotland Awards** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Peter Chapman\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Alison Harris\*

**[S5M-19398](#) Gil Paterson: Jack Smythe, Prince's Trust Homesense Young Achiever** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19397](#) Gordon MacDonald: Edinburgh Pentlands-based Schools Win Sport Awards** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19396](#) Colin Beattie: St John's & King's Park Church, Dalkeith** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19394](#) Maurice Corry: Clyde Shopping Centre Wins Gold at Green World Environment Awards** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst\*

**[S5M-19393](#) Dean Lockhart: Wallace High Pupil Scoops Young Entrepreneur Award** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Peter Chapman\*

**[S5M-19392](#) Gillian Martin: Keith and Pauline Marley Given Wildlife Rescue Award** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19389](#) James Dornan: Battlefield Rest Celebrates 25 Years** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Johann Lamont\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19388](#) Kenneth Gibson: Arran Mountain Rescue** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Alexander Stewart\*, Rona Mackay\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Richard Lyle\*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19383](#) Annie Wells: World Mental Health Day** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*

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**[S5M-19381](#) Angela Constance: Signpost Benefits from Make Some Noise Appeal** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19370](#) Jenny Gilruth: The Otter's Head Wins Best Food Award** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S5M-19369](#) Jenny Gilruth: Glenrothes Marie Curie Fundraising Group Hits £70,000** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Liam McArthur\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Rona Mackay\*, Bill Kidd\*, Richard Lyle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S5M-19368](#) Monica Lennon: Girlguiding Plastic Promise Campaign** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*, Johann Lamont\*

**[S5M-19367](#) Liam McArthur: Bank of Scotland Kirkwall Branch Introduces Twice-weekly Autism Hour** (lodged on 10 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19362](#) Fulton MacGregor: Bargeddie Primary Pupils Protect Marine Environment** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19361](#) Fulton MacGregor: Glenboig Schools' Walking Bus Hits the Road** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19360](#) Fulton MacGregor: Darren McGhee from Coatbridge, Britain's Top Tradesperson** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19359](#) Fulton MacGregor: National Award for Baby Loss Retreat** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19355](#) Gil Paterson: Arnold Clark Defibrillators** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19354](#) Gil Paterson: Clyde Shopping Centre Wins Global Gold** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19353](#) Gil Paterson: Poverty, A Work in Progress** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

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**[S5M-19352](#) Angela Constance: Baby Loss Awareness Week** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Neil Findlay\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19350](#) Gil Paterson: Strathclyde Autistic Society Fundraising Event** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19349](#) Liam McArthur: Welcoming Marinus Tidal Energy Platform to Orkney** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19347](#) Christine Grahame: The Queen's Award to Grandparents Parenting Again** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19344](#) Stuart McMillan: Road Safety Week 2019** (lodged on 09 October 2019)

New Support: Neil Findlay\*, Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19343](#) Gil Paterson: Autism Hour Campaign** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19340](#) Gail Ross: NSPCC Scotland Campaign, Fight for a Fair Start** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19334](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Edinburgh Zoo Chimpanzee Unit** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19333](#) Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde Nurse Wins Caring for Others Award** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19332](#) Stuart McMillan: Success for Morton Ladies** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19331](#) Gil Paterson: Recycling Rates in East Dunbartonshire** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19328](#) Sandra White: Red Watch Firefighters Support for Kelbourne Park School** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19327](#) Angela Constance: British Heart Foundation Opens Superstore in Livingston** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

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New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19325](#) Angela Constance: New Community Hub for Livingston** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19313](#) Colin Beattie: 900 Cyclists Take Part in the Poppyscotland Sportive** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19307](#) Beatrice Wishart: Shetland Wool Week** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19299](#) Angus MacDonald: Dennis Canavan Scholarship Awards** (lodged on 07 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19295](#) Mary Fee: Baby Loss Awareness Week 2019** (lodged on 07 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19294](#) Gil Paterson: Margaret Campbell, Fundraising for the St Margaret of Scotland Hospice** (lodged on 07 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19291](#) Gillian Martin: North East Men Raise £5,000 for Cancer Charities** (lodged on 07 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19289](#) Gillian Martin: Monquhitter Primary School's Third Green Flag** (lodged on 07 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19288](#) Gillian Martin: Ceremonial Opening of Inverurie Health and Care Hub** (lodged on 07 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19246](#) Elaine Smith: The Positive Contribution of Catholic Schools** (lodged on 03 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19153](#) Colin Beattie: Adam Stitt, Bus Driver of Year** (lodged on 08 October 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

**[S5M-19063](#) John Finnie: Termination of the Serco Caledonian Sleeper Franchise** (lodged on 24 September 2019)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

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**[S5M-19037](#) Shona Robison: Asda Foundation's Green Token Giving Programme Winners**  
(lodged on 24 September 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-18892](#) Shona Robison: Humans of Scotland** (lodged on 16 September 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*, Johann Lamont\*



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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 11 October 2019

**[S5W-25810](#) Bruce Crawford:** To ask the Scottish Government what legislative consent motions it will lodge in the Parliament in connection with the legislative programme of the UK Government to be announced in The Queen's Speech on 14 October 2019.

### Written questions lodged on 11 October 2019

**[S5W-25664](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5F-03625 by Nicola Sturgeon on 10 October 2019 (*Official Report*, c.12), what its response is to reports that the US mesh surgeon, Dr Veronikis, is no longer planning to come to Scotland.

**[S5W-25665](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether (a) it and (b) NHS Scotland was represented at the International Continence Society Conference in Gothenburg and, if so, whether an attempt was made to contact the US mesh surgeon, Dr Veronikis, at that event.

**[S5W-25666](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether (a) it and (b) NHS Scotland made an attempt to contact the US mesh surgeon, Dr Veronikis, when he was in the UK in September 2019, in light of the reports that he offered a meeting.

**[S5W-25667](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5F-03625 by Nicola Sturgeon on 10 October 2019 (*Official Report*, c.12), in light of the First Minister's comment that "clinicians will visit the United States in November...and remain willing to meet [the mesh surgeon] Dr Veronikis, if he agrees to reconsider his position", if this meeting does go ahead and Dr Veronikis agrees to come to Scotland, what the earliest possible date could be for him to start carrying out operations.

**[S5W-25668](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5F-03626 by Nicola Sturgeon on 10 October 2019 (*Official Report*, c.15), what its response is to reports that some mesh patients have been advised, and have had recorded on their notes, that they had a full mesh removal only to find out subsequently that this was not the case, resulting in some having residual and remaining mesh removed and, in light of these reports, what action is being taken to ensure that patients are given accurate information.

**[S5W-25671](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what sanctions are available where clinicians are found to have provided misleading information to patients or have recorded this on patients' notes.

**[S5W-25672](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding the five issues that have attracted the largest amount of legal actions against NHS Scotland since 1999.

**[S5W-25673](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how many women have registered with lawyers to seek compensation for injuries and disability caused by mesh implants.

**[S5W-25674](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5F-03625 by Nicola Sturgeon on 10 October 2019 (*Official Report*, c.12), what its position is on holding a full public inquiry into mesh removal practice in Scotland.



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**[S5W-25675](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding whether Scotland-based surgeons have provided the US mesh surgeon, Dr Veronikis, with portfolios of their mesh removal skills.

**[S5W-25676](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Scotland-based mesh surgeons regarding the uses of techniques that are reportedly higher-risk, such as muscle-cutting approaches.

**[S5W-25677](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the (a) Chief Medical Officer and (b) the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport has discussed with counterparts from the rest of the UK the possibility of the US mesh surgeon, Dr Veronikis, coming to Scotland.

**[S5W-25678](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether mesh patients will be offered a choice between tissue- and muscle-sparing removal, non-tissue and muscle-cutting removal or full and partial removal.

**[S5W-25679](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5F-03625 by Nicola Sturgeon on 10 October 2019 (*Official Report*, c.12), whether it will fund mesh removal surgery in the US for women if they do not opt for tissue- and muscle-sparing removal or non-tissue and muscle-cutting removal.

**[S5W-25680](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what statistical information the Scottish mesh clinician team will gather prior to its visit to the US in November 2019.

**[S5W-25682](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress had been made in obtaining budget approvals for mesh removal from women in Scotland by the US surgeon, Dr Veronikis.

**[S5W-25684](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what type of employment contract has been discussed for the commissioning of international mesh expertise.

**[S5W-25685](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what the process is for commissioning partners in international mesh expertise, and how it ensures that bias is not an influencing factor.

**[S5W-25686](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5F-03625 by Nicola Sturgeon on 10 October 2019 (*Official Report*, c.12), what action it plans to deal with the volume of women who have had partial mesh removal and now seek the remainder removed.

**[S5W-25687](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether it is ethically bound to grant legal aid to the mesh-injured women seeking legal recourse for their injuries.

**[S5W-25688](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how many legal cases related to mesh injury have been settled out of court.

**[S5W-25689](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether mesh-injured women who settle legal cases out of court are required to sign non-disclosure agreements.

**[S5W-25798](#) Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding the Comprehensive Spending Review.

**[S5W-25799](#) Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the expenditure for capital projects reported in the Scottish Water annual report and accounts in each of the last three years that has been published in accordance with Section 45(2) of the Water Industry (Scotland) Act 2002 represents unplanned expenditure each year above that anticipated for each listed project.

**[S5W-25800](#) Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the number of households there have been in each of the last five years, and what annual rate of growth in household numbers this represents.

**[S5W-25801](#) Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government how many properties in each of the last five years have been subject to council tax, broken down by the proportion in each band.

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**[S5W-25802 Rhoda Grant:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government in what form of (a) investments and (b) other assets are the retained earnings reserve reported in the 2018-19 Scottish Water annual report held.

**[S5W-25807 Lewis Macdonald:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the effects of constraint payments to offshore wind farm developers on (a) clean energy production and (b) consumer energy bills in Scotland.

**[S5W-25808 Lewis Macdonald:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with (a) oil and gas operating companies and (b) Tier 1 contractors in the oil and gas industry regarding the adoption of its Fair Work Framework.

**[S5W-25809 Lewis Macdonald:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what progress the Oil and Gas Leadership Group has made on strategic issues relating to the future employment prospects for offshore oil and gas workers in the context of transition to a net-zero carbon economy.

**[S5W-25811 Alex Cole-Hamilton:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-25314 by Jeane Freeman on 25 September 2019, what its position is on introducing a national database that identifies support for people experiencing poor mental health that can be accessed by schools and other agencies to allow them to signpost this support.

**[S5W-25812 Rhoda Grant:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-23670 by Paul Wheelhouse on 7 June 2019, by what date it will publish the revised intervention area list.

## New Subordinate Legislation

### New Subordinate Legislation

#### Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid on 11 October 2019 and are subject to the negative procedure—

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

Laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

Environmental Impact Assessment (Transport) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/322)

Laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/325)

Laid under section 113(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992

### Members' Bills Proposals

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## Proposals for Members' Bills

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

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

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

### Final Proposal for Member's Bill

**Jackie Baillie MSP: Proposed Wheelchairs (Short-term Access) (Scotland) Bill** – A proposal for a Bill to ensure the provision of wheelchairs to anyone assessed as needing one on a short-term basis. (lodged 23 September 2019)

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

Supported by: **Maurice Golden, Monica Lennon, Neil Findlay, Alison Johnstone, Annie Wells, Finlay Carson, Daniel Johnson, Jeremy Balfour, Rhoda Grant, Alex Rowley, Mark MacDonald, Mary Fee, Willie Rennie, David Stewart, Iain Gray, James Kelly, Elaine Smith, Mark Griffin, Anas Sarwar, Neil Bibby, Pauline McNeill, Claire Baker, Colin Smyth, Jenny Marra, Lewis MacDonald, Richard Leonard, Andy Wightman, Ross Greer, Alison Johnstone, Sarah Boyack, Maurice Corry, Peter Chapman, Bill Bowman, Liam McArthur, Beatrice Wishart, Claudia Beamish, Graham Simpson, Oliver Mundell**

**Graham Simpson: Proposed New-Build Homes (Buyer Protection) (Scotland) Bill**—Proposal for a Bill to establish standard clauses for the sale of new-build homes, including redress for purchasers in respect of defects in construction (lodged 30 September 2019)

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

Supported by: **Maurice Golden, Annie Wells, Iain Gray, Bill Bowman, Elizabeth Smith, Alison Harris, Jamie Halcro Johnson, Peter Chapman, Donald Cameron, Finlay Carson, Jeremy Balfour, Andy Wightman, Angela Constance, Maurice Correy, Brian Whittle, Dean Lockhart, Murdo Fraser, Rachel Hamilton, Edward Mountain, Oliver Mundell, Claudia Beamish, Monica Lennon, Gordon Lindhurst, \*Elaine Smith, \*Neil Bibby**

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## 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)), 8 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**

*Lead committee – Equalities and Human Rights*

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

Passed, 25 September 2019

### **Consumer Scotland Bill (G)**

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

### **Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills Committee)), 4 September 2019

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 10 October 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](mailto: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

### **Referendums (Scotland) Bill (G)**

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

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

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 3 October 2019

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

Introduced, 2 September 2019

*Lead committee - Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments*

### **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](mailto: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 (evidence, lead committee (Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs)), 10 October 2019

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 5 November 2019

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

Passed, 21 March 2018

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

## Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

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

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

Lodged on 25 July 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 28 October 2019

[Fuel Poverty \(Targets, Definition and Strategy\) \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/277\)](#)

*(05 September 2019)* (Local Government and Communities)

#### 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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[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)

### Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment by 29 October 2019**  
**Lead committee to report by 28 October 2019**

[Management of Extractive Waste \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/273\)](#) (04 September 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

[Town and Country Planning and Electricity Works \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/274\)](#) (04 September 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

**Subject to annulment by 30 October 2019**  
**Lead committee to report by 28 October 2019**

[Environmental Liability etc. \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/276\)](#) (05 September 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Plant Health \(Forestry\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/278\)](#) (05 September 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

**Subject to annulment by 06 November 2019**  
**Lead committee to report by 04 November 2019**

[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)



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[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)

**Instruments/documents laid for consultation**

**Lead committee report due 04 November 2019**

The following instruments/documents were laid before the Parliament on 10 September 2019 for consultation—

[Proposed Draft Regulations – Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2019/164\)](#) (10 August 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Regulations 2020 – Accompanying Statement \(\(SSI 2019/165\)](#) (10 August 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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