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Business Bulletin

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Portfolio Questions – Groupings

The Presiding Officer has grouped the following questions at Portfolio Questions on Thursday 20 August: Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity: Questions 2 and 5; Justice and the Law Officers: Questions 2 and 3, and Constitution, Europe and External Affairs: Questions 2, 3, 7 and 8.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 12 August 2020

Tuesday 18 August 2020

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Rev Dr David J Graham, Minister, Abbey Church of Scotland, North Berwick, and Dirleton Parish Church

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Internal Market

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Wednesday 19 August 2020

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Preliminary Stage Debate: Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill

followed by Ministerial Statement: Health

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scotland's Redress Scheme for Survivors of Historical Child Abuse in Care

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:00 pm Decision Time

Thursday 20 August 2020

12:20 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

12:20 pm First Minister's Questions

2:45 pm Portfolio Questions: Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity; Justice and the Law Officers; Constitution, Europe and External Affairs

followed by Ministerial Statement: Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan – Second Year Progress Report

4:15 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 25 August 2020

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Children (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Wednesday 26 August 2020

12:20 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

12:20 pm First Minister's Questions

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Stage 3 Proceedings: Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:00 pm Decision Time

Thursday 27 August 2020

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions (Virtual): Economy, Fair Work and Culture; Education and Skills; Health and Sport

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>

Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

18 August 2020

24th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a virtual meeting and will be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Tom Stainer, Chief Executive, CAMRA;
Keir Greenaway, Organiser, GMB Scotland;
Jamie Delap, Scotland Regional Director, Society of Independent Brewers;
Paul Waterson, Scottish Licensed Trade Association;
Greg Mulholland, Campaign Director of the Campaign for Pubs, Chair, British Pub Confederation;
Chris Wright, Head, Pubs Advisory Service;
and then from—
Lawson Mountstevens, Managing Director, Star Pubs & Bars;
Emma McClarkin, CEO, British Beer & Pub Association;
Edith Monfries, Chief Operating Officer, Hawthorn Leisure;
and then from—
Jamie Hepburn, Minister for Business, Fair Work and Skills, Aileen Bearhop, Head of Good Food Nation, Public and Third Sector Team, and Dr George Burgess, Deputy Director, Food & Drink, Scottish Government.
3. **Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at today's meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

The Committee is likely to next meet on 25 August. For further information, contact Alison Walker the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are economy@parliament.scot.

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

18 August 2020

17th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Professor Campbell Gemmill, University of Strathclyde;
Professor Eloise Scotford, University College London;
Professor James Harrison, University of Edinburgh;
and then from—
Isobel Mercer, Senior Policy Officer at RSPB Scotland and member of Governance Group, Scottish Environment LINK;
Alison McNab, Policy Executive, Law Society of Scotland.
2. **UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Tullis at lynn.tullis@parliament.scot.

Justice Committee 18 August 2020 17th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Update on the impact of Covid-19 on the justice sector and policing:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Eric McQueen, Chief Executive, Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service;
Teresa Medhurst, Interim Chief Executive, Scottish Prison Service;

and then from—

Humza Yousaf, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Neil Rennick, Director of Justice, and Clare Hicks, Deputy Director, Police Division, Scottish Government.

3. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.
4. **Review of evidence:** The Committee will review the evidence taken on Covid-19 at today's meeting.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie at stephen.imrie@parliament.scot

Committee on the Scottish Government Handling of Harassment Complaints 18 August 2020 3rd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 11:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private, whether to take review of evidence items in private at future meetings, and whether to take its work programme discussion on 25 August in private.

2. **Phase 1 - development of the Scottish Government policy on handling harassment complaints involving current and former Ministers:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Leslie Evans, Permanent Secretary, Scottish Government.

3. **Review of evidence:** The Committee will review the evidence it heard at agenda item 2.

Proposed future business

For more details, please email the Clerks to the Committee: SGHHC@parliament.scot

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

18 August 2020

24th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 12.30 pm in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to the made affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
 - [Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 8\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/235\);](#)
 - [Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 10\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/236\)](#)
3. **Instruments subject to draft affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
 - [International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\);](#)
 - [Rent Arrears Pre-Action Requirements \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\);](#)
 - [Scottish Parliament \(Disqualification\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#)
4. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
 - [Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/239\)](#)
5. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
 - [Victims and Witnesses \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Commencement No. 6\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/237 \(C.18\)\)](#)
6. **UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
7. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
8. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider a response from the Scottish Government on the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
9. **Immigration and Social Security Co-ordination (EU Withdrawal) Bill 2019-21 (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the powers to make subordinate

legislation conferred on Scottish Ministers in the Immigration and Social Security Co-ordination (EU Withdrawal) Bill 2019-21 (UK Parliament legislation).

10. **Fisheries Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider a response from the Scottish Government on the powers to make subordinate legislation conferred on Scottish Ministers in the Fisheries Bill (UK Parliament legislation).

Proposed future business

For further information on the work of the Committee, please contact Andrew Proudfoot, Clerk to the Committee via email at dplr.committee@parliament.scot

Education and Skills Committee

19 August 2020

18th Meeting, 2020

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 to take agenda items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
SSI 2020/183: The Period Products in Schools (Scotland) Regulations 2020
SSI 2020/213: The Education (Fees, Awards and Student Support) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2020
3. **Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill- consideration of approach:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For details of the Committees future business please contact Gary Cocker the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are gary.cocker@parliament.scot the end of the Bulletin.

Finance and Constitution Committee

19 August 2020

16th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in a virtual meeting and will be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on The Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Tax Rates and Tax Bands) (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) (Coronavirus) Order 2020 (SSI 2020/215) from—
Ben Macpherson, Minister for Public Finance and Migration, and Ewan Cameron-Nielsen, Team Leader, Devolved Taxes, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Ben Macpherson, the Minister for Public Finance and Migration to move—S5M-22290—That the Finance and Constitution Committee recommends that the Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Tax Rates and Tax Bands) (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) (Coronavirus) Order 2020 (SSI 2020/215) be approved.
3. **UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 from—

Emma Lopinska, Constitutional Policy Manager, Charles Stewart Roper, Head of Environmental Strategy, Lorraine Walkinshaw, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, and Francesca Morton, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.

Proposed future business

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

19 August 2020

17th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in a virtual meeting which will be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **Fisheries Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM(S5)41 from—
Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for Rural Economy and Tourism, Caroline Cowan, Head of EU Exit (Marine Scotland), Paul McCarthy, Policy Manager, and Marie Penman, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
2. **Digital Connectivity:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Energy, Connectivity and the Islands, Clive Downing, R100 Programme Director, and Robbie McGhee, Deputy Director, Digital Connectivity, Scottish Government.

Proposed future business

The Committee is likely to next meet on 26 August. For further information, contact Steve Farrell the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are rec.committee@parliament.scot.

Social Security Committee

20 August 2020

13th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on scottishparliament.tv

1. **Assessing the Feasibility of Citizen's Basic Income Pilots in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Neil Craig, Acting Team Head Evaluation, Public Health Scotland, Public Health Scotland;
Andy White, Senior Officer, Welfare Rights and Money Advice, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership, Glasgow City Council;
Julie McLachlan, Senior Manager – Economic Policy, North Ayrshire Council.
2. **Assessing the Feasibility of Citizen's Basic Income Pilots in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting the Committee will consider a report by the Scottish Commission on Social Security on Child Winter Heating Allowance. It will also consider SSI 2020/218: The Personal Independence Payment (Transitional Provisions) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2020. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

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Motions Glusadan				

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-22433](#) Lewis Macdonald: FSB Backs Campaign to Reschedule Eat Out to Help Out Scheme in Aberdeen**—That the Parliament welcomes the calls from the Federation of Small Businesses for the Eat Out to Help Out scheme to be reintroduced in Aberdeen after local restrictions are lifted in the city; notes that the online petition launched by Khalis Miah of the Riksha restaurant has gained over 1,100 signatures within its first five days, and is, it believes, attracting increasing cross-party support; looks forward to the lifting of local restrictions in Aberdeen as soon as that can be done safely, and agrees that the Eat Out to Help Out scheme should be reintroduced in the city at that time.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*

***[S5M-22432](#) Peter Chapman: Aberdeenshire Rapid Relief Team**—That the Parliament acknowledges the efforts of the Aberdeenshire Rapid Relief Team (RRT), which mobilised within three hours to attend the site of the recent train crash in support of the emergency services and accident investigation teams; understands that a field base was established and 220 meals were provided in the first eight hours, with a further 600 hot meals with drinks being provided since then to provide sustenance and uplift the spirits of those dealing with the traumatic scenes; commends the efforts that the RRT has made in adapting to COVID-19; congratulates the team in continuing to be active in communities, and recognises that, during these last three months, RRT UK has provided over 60,000 meals to some of the UK's most vulnerable families.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, Monica Lennon*

***[S5M-22431](#) Liam McArthur: John Budge Retires after 50 Years as an RNLI Volunteer**—That the Parliament congratulates John Budge, who is from Orkney, on his retirement following 50 years of dedicated service as an RNLI volunteer; understands that John began volunteering as a reserve crew member in 1970, following the Longhope Lifeboat disaster in 1969, and has supported the work of the RNLI through a number of invaluable roles since then, including as the Orkney station mechanic and, more recently, lifeboat operations manager; acknowledges that John's exceptional commitment and support for the RNLI also extends beyond his work at the station; applauds his incredible fundraising efforts over the years; notes that John is well-known for his entertainment at social occasions for the RNLI, through his popular accordion playing and

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Motions Gluasadan				

sharing of great tales from his time with the lifeboat; thanks him for his outstanding contribution to the lifesaving work of the RNLI; pays tribute to this remarkable milestone of half a century of service to keeping communities in Orkney safe, and wishes John a very long and happy retirement, as well as a very happy 70th birthday.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Monica Lennon*

***[S5M-22430](#) Maureen Watt: Extend Eat Out to Help Out Scheme in Aberdeen**—That the Parliament notes the petition, Reschedule Eat Out to Help Out in Aberdeen, on change.org, established by a local restaurateur and supported by over a thousand local residents, calling on the UK Government to extend the discount scheme in light of the reintroduction of lockdown restrictions, which have seen restaurants and pubs closed in an effort to contain the spread of COVID-19; supports the aims of the petition to extend the discount scheme in Aberdeen for the time lost due to the localised outbreak; believes that local hospitality venues need every measure of support available to recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and hopes that the UK Government will support these calls.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Mark McDonald*, Clare Adamson*

***[S5M-22429](#) John Mason: Concern About Belarus**—That the Parliament denounces recent events in Belarus regarding the contested result of President Lukashenko's re-election; sends its best wishes to Svetlana Tikhanovskaya, the main opponent in the election, who has reportedly fled Belarus and is safe in Lithuania; believes that one of the central pillars of a free and democratic society is the right to peaceful protests; condemns reports from Amnesty International of arrests being made resulting in beatings of prisoners and the threat of rape; understands that Amnesty International's director for Eastern and Central Europe has stated that "they (released prisoners) described being stripped naked and subjected to sadistic beatings while listening to the screams of other victims"; believes that international pressure should be placed on Belarus for what it considers its flagrant violations of human rights, and stands in solidarity with the people of Belarus and their right to peaceful protest and to democratically choose their next leader.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*

***[S5M-22428](#) Christine Grahame: TD 1 Youth Hub Galashiels Delivers**—That the Parliament commends and recognises the contribution of the young people at TD1 Youth Hub in Galashiels, which, since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, has delivered over 800 food parcels to 116 families, providing an estimated 4,800 meals for over 300 people; notes that it has also supplied emergency immediate cash grants of £15 toward electric, shopping or internet costs to over 35 families that were struggling the most, delivered 520 arts and crafts packs to children and young people, providing hours of activities for families, and provided 150 young people with treat bags fortnightly throughout to keep their spirits up and as a reward for obeying rules; notes that it has delivered an average of four online digital group work sessions each week, with young people who could not see each other face to face, and over 250 hours of one-to-one support, and urges the Scottish Government to provide an indicative date regarding when vital indoor youth services, such as those provided by TD1 Galashiels, might resume.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*

***[S5M-22427](#) Michael Russell: Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 11) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/241)**—That the COVID-19 Committee recommends that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 11) Regulations 2020 Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/241) be approved.

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Motions Glusadan				

Supported by: Graeme Dey*

***[S5M-22426](#) Michael Russell: Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions) (Scotland) Amendment (No.9) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/232)**—That the COVID-19 Committee recommends that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions) (Scotland) Amendment (No.9) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/232) be approved.

Supported by: Graeme Dey*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S5M-22423](#) Edward Mountain: Major Chris Brannigan (lodged on 13 August 2020)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

[S5M-22414](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Funding for Pilkington Buildings Repair Work (lodged on 12 August 2020)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

[S5M-22413](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Melrose Rugby Coaches' Fundraiser (lodged on 12 August 2020)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

[S5M-22412](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Craig Lowrie's Charity Running Tour (lodged on 12 August 2020)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

[S5M-22411](#) Alex Rowley: Disappearances of Birds of Prey Over Driven Grouse Moors (lodged on 12 August 2020)

New Support: Lewis Macdonald*, Sarah Boyack*, John Mason*

[S5M-22403](#) Liz Smith: Dunfermline Cub Scout, Liam King (lodged on 12 August 2020)

New Support: David Torrance* R

[S5M-22401](#) Alasdair Allan: New Gaelic Worship Resource from the Church of Scotland (lodged on 11 August 2020)

New Support: John Mason*

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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 14 August 2020

[S5W-31223](#) Stewart Stevenson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its proposed voucher scheme for access to superfast broadband, which it plans to complement its three R100 programme contracts.

Written questions lodged on 14 August 2020

[S5W-31203](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to (a) implement the repeal of the sections of schedule 6, part 2 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020 that sought to extend the deadlines for responding to FOI requests and reviews and (b) respond to FOI requests within 20 working days, and how many (i) FOI requests (A) were and (B) were not responded to within 20 working days during the period that these sections were in force, (ii) FOI requests it has not responded to within 20 working days in each of the last six months, (iii) requests for an FOI request internal review it is currently processing and (iv) FOI request appeals the Scottish Information Commissioner has received in the last six months as a result of a refusal or partial refusal by the Scottish Government to provide information to the public.

[S5W-31209](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of it currently being subject to enforcement action by the Scottish Information Commissioner, underpinned by an FOI improvement action plan, whether it will provide an update on which of the FOI targets and improvements in practice (a) are and (b) are not being met.

[S5W-31216](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out of the response rate to 101 calls, and what action it is taking to address reported concerns that many go unanswered.

[S5W-31217](#) Murdo Fraser: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions S5O-04462 and S5O-04463 by Kate Forbes on 13 August 2020 (*Official Report*, c. 5), whether it will provide a breakdown of all additional funding that it has received from the UK Government in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and how it has allocated this.

[S5W-31220](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether deeds on retirement homes that require confirmation that the resident is capable of independent living includes people who require intensive social care packages.

[S5W-31221](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what financial assistance is in place for the coach industry, and whether it plans to (a) review and (b) increase this.

[S5W-31222](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason indoor karting centres are categorised as indoor sports courts, in light of provisions for social distancing and ventilation being met.

[S5W-31225](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government, what its response is to the proposals set out by the Confederation of Passenger Transport (CPT) Scotland at the recent event, Honk for Hope, which was organised to highlight the issues facing the coach sector.

[S5W-31226](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason dyslexia assessments were reportedly determined to be non-essential during the COVID-19 lockdown, and what action it is taking to resume these services as soon as possible.

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Questions Ceistean				

[S5W-31227](#) Iain Gray: To ask the Scottish Government whether courts will prioritise domestic violence cases as they reopen following the COVID-19 lockdown.

[S5W-31228](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to review legislation around dog behaviour in public places.

[S5W-31229](#) Christine Grahame: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an indicative timeline for resumption of (a) outdoor and (b) indoor pipe band practice.

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New Bills Bilean Ùra				

New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New Accompanying Documents reprinted on 14 August 2020

Children (Scotland) Bill (As Amended at Stage 2)—A Supplementary Financial Memorandum has been printed. (SP Bill 52A-FM) (Government Bill).

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

New Subordinate Legislation

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Made Affirmative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 14 August 2020 and is subject to the made affirmative procedure—

Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 9) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/242)

Laid under section 122(6) and (7) of the Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008

Negative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 14 August 2020 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Representation of the People (Absent Voting at Local Government Elections) (Amendment) (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/240)

Laid under section 61(3) of the Local Electoral Administration and Registration Services (Scotland) Act 2006

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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.

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

Stage 3 debate (meeting of the Parliament), 26 August 2020

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 19 August 2020 with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Children (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 3 debate (meeting of the Parliament), 25 August 2020

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Tuesday 18 August 2020 with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Culpable Homicide (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 1 June 2020

Lead Committee – Justice

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice Committee)), 17 March 2020

Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee, Rural Economy and Connectivity), 24 June 2020

European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (M)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Introduced, 5 May 2020

Lead Committee – Local Government and Communities

Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 1 June 2020

Lead Committee – Local Government and Communities

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health and Sport Committee)), 23 June 2020

Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 23 April 2020

Lead committee – Justice

Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work)), 23 June 2020

Liability for NHS Charges (Treatment of Industrial Disease) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 9 March 2020

Lead committee – Health and Sport

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

Stage 1 completed, 25 February 2020

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

(LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Post-mortem Examinations (Defence Time Limit) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 21 May 2020

Lead Committee - Justice

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work)), 16 June 2020

Stage 1 Report – Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee (6th report, 2020)

Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 13 August 2020

Scottish Parliament (Assistance for Political Parties) Bill (C)

Introduced, 24 June 2020

Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Social Security Committee), 10 September 2020

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 4 September with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

Preliminary Stage report, 15 January 2020

Preliminary Stage debate (meeting of the Parliament), 19 August 2020

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)), 24 August 2020

Travelling Funfairs (Licensing) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 29 April 2020

Lead committee – Local Government and Communities

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 18 August 2020

Stage 1 (evidence, (Finance and Constitution Committee)), 19 August 2020

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.

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 1 June 2020

Lead committee – Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

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>

Agriculture Bill LCM-S5-38

Lodged on 4 May 2020

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee report, 15 May 2020

Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill LCM-S5-34

Lodged on 26 February 2020

Lead committee – Justice

Meeting of the Parliament, 24 March 2020

Corporate Insolvency and Governance Bill LCM-S5-40

Lodged on 2 June 2020

Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee, 9 June 2020

Meeting of the Parliament, 16 June 2020

Domestic Abuse Bill LCM-S5-35

Lodged on 16 March 2020

Justice Committee, 2 June 2020

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Meeting of the Parliament, 17 June 2020

Environment Bill LCM-S5-39

Lodged on 27 May 2020

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee Report, 19 June 2020

Fisheries Bill LCM-S5-41

Lodged on 15 June 2020

Lead committee – Rural Economy and Connectivity

Immigration and Social Security Coordination (EU Withdrawal) Bill LCM-S5-42

Lodged on 25 June 2020

Private International Law (Implementation of Agreements) Bill LCM-S5-37

Lodged on 30 March 2020

Justice Committee, 2 June 2020

Meeting of the Parliament, 17 June 2020

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

Made affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 25 August 2020

[Social Care Staff Support Fund \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/188\)](#) (25 June 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

Subject to approval by 27 August 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 5\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/190\)](#) (26 June 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

Subject to approval by 28 August 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 6\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/199\)](#) (2 July 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

[The Care Homes Emergency Intervention Orders \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/201\)](#) (3 July 2020) (COVID-19 Committee – please note that this was originally listed as the Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to approval by 29 August 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 7\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/210\)](#) (9 July 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

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[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/209\)](#) (10 July 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to approval by 30 August 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 8\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/211\)](#) (14 July 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

[Land and Buildings Transaction Tax \(Tax Rates and Tax Bands\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) \(Coronavirus\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/215\)](#) (15 July 2020) (Finance and the Constitution Committee)

Subject to approval by 31 August 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 4\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/221\)](#) (22 July 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to approval by 1 September 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 5\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/224\)](#) (27 July 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 6\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/229\)](#) (28 July 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to approval by 2 September 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 9\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/232\)](#) (31 July 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 7\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/233\)](#) (31 July 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus, Restrictions\) \(Aberdeen City\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/234\)](#) (5 August 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

Subject to approval by 3 September 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 8\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/235\)](#) (7 August 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 10\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/236\)](#) (7 August 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

Subject to approval by 9 September 2020

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[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 11\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/241\)](#) (13 August 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

Subject to approval by 10 September 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 9\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/242\)](#) (14 August 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Affirmative instruments

Lead committee approval by 7 September 2020

[Abertay University and Robert Gordon University \(Change of Names\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(25 June 2020\)](#) (Education and Skills Committee)

[Advice and Assistance \(Assistance by Way of Representation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(25 June 2020\)](#) (Justice Committee)

[Representation of the People \(Electoral Registers Publication Date\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(25 June 2020\)](#) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Lead committee approval by 11 September 2020

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme Order 2020 \(13 July 2020\)](#) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

Lead committee approval by 18 September 2020

[International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (10 August 2020) (Justice Committee)

[Rent Arrears Pre-Action Requirements \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (10 August 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

[Scottish Parliament \(Disqualification\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (10 August 2020) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 24 August 2020

Lead Committee report due by 17 August 2020

[Glasgow Caledonian University Amendment Order of Council 2020 \(SSI 2020/172\)](#) (11 June 2020) (Education and Skills Committee)

Subject to annulment by 4 September 2020

Lead Committee report due by 31 August 2020

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Period Products in Schools \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/183\)](#) (22 June 2020)
(Education and Skills Committee)

Subject to annulment by 11 September 2020
Lead Committee report due by 7 September 2020

[Education \(Fees and Student Support\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/213\)](#) (16 July 2020) (Education and Skills Committee)

Subject to annulment by 12 September 2020
Lead Committee report due by 7 September 2020

[Personal Independence Payment \(Transitional Provisions\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/218\)](#) (17 July 2020) (Social Security Committee)

[The Scotland Act 1998 \(Agency Arrangements\) \(Specification\) \(Coronavirus\) Order 2020 \(SI 2020/776\)](#) (22 July 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

[The Scotland Act 1998 \(Agency Arrangements\) \(Specification\) \(Coronavirus\) \(No. 2\) Order 2020 \(SI 2020/777\)](#) (22 July 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 13 September 2020
Lead Committee report due by 7 September 2020

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Coronavirus Reliefs\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/230\)](#) (29 July 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Subject to annulment by 19 September 2020
Lead Committee report due by 14 September 2020

[Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/239\)](#) (11 August 2020)
(Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment by 22 September 2020
Lead Committee report due by 21 September 2020

[Representation of the People \(Absent Voting at Local Government Elections\) \(Amendment\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/240\)](#) (14 August 2020) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Petitions

The following petitions were lodged with the Parliament on 13 August 2020;

PE1816: Reform of local authority financial powers; and

PE1817: End Conversion Therapy

A full list of petitions can be viewed on the Scottish Parliament website at:

<http://www.parliament.scot/gettinginvolved/petitions/ViewPetitions.aspx>

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Committee Reports

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Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 14 August 2020 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Coronavirus (Scotland) (No.2) Act 2020: Report on the steps taken to ensure that the solemnisation of marriages and registration of civil partnerships continues to be available, and on the number of marriages and civil partnerships that have taken place during the reporting period. (SG/2020/153)

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