

Tuesday 7 January 2020

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Rev Sarah Nicol, Minister, St Cuthbert's Church, Saltcoats

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

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

followed by Committee Announcement: Inquiry into Construction and Procurement of Ferry Vessels in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-19268 Tom Arthur: Celebrating the Work of the Levern Valley Defibrillator Community Partnership

Committee Meetings

10:00am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

10:00am Justice Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Rev Sarah Nicol, Minister, St Cuthbert's Church, Saltcoats

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

- 1. Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that drug-related deaths are continuing to increase. ([S5T-01931](#))
- 2. Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the ferry cancellations that have led to visitors being stranded on the Isle of Arran. ([S5T-01930](#))
- 3. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take in response to reports that ATMs are increasingly charging for taking out cash. ([S5T-01934](#))

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

[S5M-20280](#) James Dornan on behalf of the Local Government and Communities Committee: Empty Homes in Scotland—That the Parliament notes the conclusions and recommendations in the Local Government and Communities Committee's 10th Report 2019 (Session 5), *Empty Homes in Scotland* (SP Paper 618).

followed by Committee Announcement: Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee - Inquiry into Construction and Procurement of Ferry Vessels in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

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5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — [S5M-19268](#) Tom Arthur: Celebrating the Work of the Lavern Valley Defibrillator Community Partnership

[S5M-19268](#) Tom Arthur: Celebrating the Work of the Lavern Valley Defibrillator Community Partnership—That the Parliament congratulates the Lavern Valley Defibrillator Community Partnership (LVDCP) on its ongoing efforts to install public access defibrillators (PAD) across Barrhead; understands that, after discovering that Barrhead had no PADs in August 2019, Barrhead Rotary Club spearheaded the community partnership and now, thanks to the partnerships forged with local businesses and East Renfrewshire Council, which has invested £25,000 in equipment, 23 devices have been put in place and are now available round the clock; notes that members of LVDCP also offer free Heart Start Defibrillator Awareness courses to

anyone in the local area who wishes to learn how to perform CPR and operate a PAD device; recognises that this project feeds into wider local commitments to improve first-aid training, including the recent announcement that every school pupil is set to be taught CPR in the classroom through the British Heart Foundation's Nation of Lifesavers campaign; believes that PADs, as well as first-aid and CPR training, are vital life-saving resources that should be universally accessible, and commends all those involved in promoting their importance in Barrhead and the surrounding area.

Committee Meetings

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

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 1st Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6, 7, 8 and 9 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2020
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
Environmental Impact Assessment (Transport) (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2019 (2019/415)
Plant Health (Official Controls and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (2019/421)
Restriction of Liberty Order etc. (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (2019/423)
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (Commencement No. 9) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/420 (C. 24))
5. **Instruments/documents laid for consultation:** The Committee will consider the following—
Proposed draft order - Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 (SG/2019/248)
Proposed Explanatory Document – Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 (SG/2019/249)
6. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
7. **Scottish National Investment Bank Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
8. **European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the delegated powers in the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill.
9. **Scottish Law Commission Bills Working Group:** The Committee will consider an update from the Scottish Law Commission Bills working group.

Justice Committee 1st Meeting, 2020

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

1. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Chloe Riddell, Policy Manager, Children 1st;
Megan Farr, Policy Officer, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland;
Joanna Barrett, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, NSPCC Scotland;

and then from—

Fiona McMullen, Operations Manager, ASSIST;

Dr Marsha Scott, Chief Executive, Scottish Women's Aid.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
Firefighters' Pension and Compensation Schemes (Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2019 (SSI 2019/382)
3. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 1 January 2020

Wednesday 8 January 2020

1:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:15 pm Members' Business — S5M-20209 Miles Briggs: Research Projections into Place of Death in 2040

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

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Improving the Lives of Gypsy/Travellers

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-19517 Emma Harper: Women, Peace and Security

Thursday 9 January 2020

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-19234 Maurice Corry: Commonwealth War Graves Commission

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 14 January 2020

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 15 January 2020

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Economy; Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 16 January 2020

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Justice and the Law Officers

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Disclosure (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

Finance and Constitution Committee

8 January 2020

1st Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:30 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.
2. **European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM(S5) 29 from—
Michael Russell, Cabinet Secretary for Government Business and Constitutional Relations, Scottish Government.
3. **European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the UK Government and the Scottish Government.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee.

Local Government and Communities Committee

8 January 2020

1st Meeting, 2020

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 item 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Aileen Campbell, Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Local Government, and Dr Elaine Moir, Team Leader – Access to Sanitary Products and Social Innovation Partnerships, Scottish Government.
3. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will take evidence on the Accounts Commission report "Local Government in Scotland: Financial Overview 2018/19" from—
Graham Sharp, Chair, Fraser McKinlay, Controller of Audit, Brian Howarth, Audit Director, Christopher Lewis, Auditor, and Lisa Duthie, Auditor, Accounts Commission.
4. **Public Petitions:** The Committee will consider the following petition—
PE01719 by Rachel Gibson, on Review of fire safety stay-put policy
5. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
6. **Budget Scrutiny 2020/21:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 15 January, the Committee will take evidence from Monica Lennon MSP on the Period Products Bill. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5232 or LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

8 January 2020

1st Meeting, 2020

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Queensferry Crossing public transport strategy:** The Committee will take evidence from-

John Mitchell, Service Manager (Sustainable Transport & Parking), Fife Council;
Jim Grieve, Partnership Director, SESTRAN;
Douglas Robertson, Managing Director of Stagecoach East Scotland, Stagecoach;
Alison Irvine, Director of Transport Strategy and Analysis, and Hugh Gillies, Director of Roads, Transport Scotland;
Ewan Kennedy, Transport Policy and Planning Manager, City of Edinburgh Council.

3. **Work programme:** The Committee will review its work programme.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 15 January, the Committee expects to take evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy on the Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill. For further information, contact the Clerk at rec.committee@parliament.scot.

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

9 January 2020

1st Meeting, 2020

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Section 22 report - The 2018/19 audit of the Scottish Police Authority:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark Roberts, Audit Director, Performance Audit and Best Value, and Stephen Boyle, Audit Director, Audit Services, Audit Scotland.

3. **Section 22 report - The 2018/19 audit of the Scottish Police Authority:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark Roberts, Audit Director, Performance Audit and Best Value, and Stephen Boyle, Audit Director, Audit Services, Audit Scotland.

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- Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme including its future scrutiny of the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "Social Security: Implementing the devolved powers" and follow-up work on its Key Audit Themes report.

Proposed future business

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

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee

9 January 2020

1st Meeting, 2020

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

- National Records of Scotland – Census Order:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Pete Whitehouse, Director of Statistical Services, National Records of Scotland;
Scott Matheson, Senior Principal Legal Officer, Scottish Government;
Scott McEwen, Head of Policy and Legislation, Scotland's Census 2021, and Jill Morton, Senior Business Lead, Questions and Collection Instruments, National Records of Scotland.

- Scottish Government Reports:** The Committee will consider a bi-annual report from the Scottish Government in relation to a range of EU issues.
- Consideration of evidence heard (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 16 January 2020, the Committee expects to continue to take evidence on its Article 50 inquiry. For further information, contact Stephen Herbert, Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 6226 or europe@parliament.scot.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

9 January 2020

1st Meeting, 2020

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

- Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 16 January, the Committee expects to consider the Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representations) Bill at Stage 2.

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

Public Petitions Committee

16 January 2020

1st Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
PE1770 on Improving Water Safety and will take evidence from the petitioner, Margaret Spiers and
PE1767 on Scottish fire and rescue legislation and human rights;
PE1771 on Potential abuse within Scottish local authorities;
PE1774 on Formally record vaping-related illnesses and deaths; and
PE1775 on Introduce statutory allergy care legislation in nurseries and schools.
2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
PE1577 on Adult Cerebral Palsy Services;
PE1629 on MRI scans for Ocular Melanoma sufferers in Scotland;
PE1683 on Support for families with multiple births;
PE1699 on Release of murder victim bodies for funeral arrangements;
PE1722 on Parking charges at island lifeline ferry ports;
PE1723 on Essential tremor treatment in Scotland;
PE1724 on Equal rights for Commercial Attorneys and Party Litigants in the legal system;
PE1725 on Suicide awareness and support for young people; and
PE1731 on Permit audio recording of local government public meetings.

Proposed future business

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

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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-20318 Michael Russell: European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill**—That the Parliament notes the legislative consent memorandum on the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill lodged by the Scottish Government on 20 December 2019; further notes that people in Scotland voted remain and for remain parties, most recently at the UK General Election on 12 December 2019; considers that the Withdrawal Agreement negotiated by the UK Government would cause damage to Scotland's environment, economic and social interests; regrets that the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill has been amended to remove important protections from workers' rights and asylum-seeking children, and to prohibit an extension of the implementation period to negotiate the future relationship with the EU; regrets that the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill is to proceed through the UK Parliament with minimal scrutiny, failing to respect the significance of the decision to be taken by, or the role of, the Scottish Parliament in scrutinising legislation requiring its legislative consent; is determined to respect and uphold the views of the people of Scotland on this crucial issue to the future of the nation, and therefore does not support the Withdrawal Agreement and Political Declaration negotiated by the UK Government, and does not consent to the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill that would implement that agreement.

Supported by: Graeme Dey*

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***S5M-20317 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Underbelly's Management of Edinburgh's Christmas and Hogmanay Events**—That the Parliament expresses its concern regarding the management of the Edinburgh Christmas and Hogmanay events since their acquisition by Underbelly and the impact of this on residents throughout the city and the reputation of the events; understands that this includes insufficient planning consent and building control being obtained for the Christmas market, several memorial benches being moved from Princes Street Gardens and some residents experiencing difficulty in accessing their properties on Hogmanay, with them being required to provide their personal details to private companies in order to obtain a pass; acknowledges what it sees as the disappointment that was caused by the premature removal of the Norwegian Christmas tree and the Nativity scene from the Mound and notes that many people

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hoping to raise funds for charity by participating in the Loony Dook event at South Queensferry were unable to do so due to the cap on participant numbers; further understands that this has doubled in price since 2011; notes calls for increased planning and construction oversight of future markets, for respect and consideration to be observed for monuments and memorial structures, and further notes calls for the City of Edinburgh Council to review the management of these events to help ensure that residents can participate fully and access their homes unimpeded.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-20316 Jackie Baillie: West Dunbartonshire and Argyll and Bute-based Nominees for Wedding Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates the finalists that have been shortlisted for the 2020 Scottish Confetti Wedding Awards, which aim to recognise and reward the best businesses in the wedding sector for their hard work, including those that go the "extra mile" for their customers; notes that the businesses are nominated and voted upon by customers before being judged by a panel of industry specialists; acknowledges the premier wedding services offered by all of the nominees; congratulates the 12 businesses from across West Dunbartonshire and Argyll and Bute that have been shortlisted, All Dressed Up, 1500 Photography, Helensburgh Flowers, The Wedding Planner, Elegance Boutique of Helensburgh, Carr's Loch Lomond, Get it Glam, Colin Lawrie Bagpiping Services, Totally Tartan Kilt Makers, Jennifer Thomson Hair, The Loch Lomond Arms Hotel and Make up by Debbie, and wishes them good luck for the awards ceremony in Glasgow on 26 January.

***S5M-20315 Colin Beattie: Condemning Cyprus Sentencing of a British Teenager**—That the Parliament condemns the decision regarding the sentencing of a 19-year-old British teenager in Cyprus following her claim that she was raped by 12 Israelis; expresses concern at the justice system in Cyprus and the judge for punishing this teenager after she was reportedly questioned without access to a lawyer and forced into retracting her claim without any legal representation; stands by victims of sexual assault and rape, and acknowledges their right to report these abhorrent acts; believes in victims having the right to adequate support from the justice system and proper legal representation; sends its support to the teenager, as well as all those who have been distressed by this case; hopes that the matter is dealt with quickly and fairly, and urges the UK Government and EU to intervene and ensure that justice is sought.

***S5M-20314 James Dornan: Congratulating Dr Tara Quasim MBE**—That the Parliament congratulates Dr Tara Quasim MBE, who is from Mansewood in the Glasgow Cathcart constituency and works at the Glasgow Royal Infirmary, on being appointed an MBE for her work with the InS:PIRE (Intensive Care Recovery: Supporting and Promoting Independence and Return to Employment) programme, which supports patients recovering after being in intensive care; acknowledges the invaluable work that Dr Quasim and her colleagues do with ICU patients with persistent physical and psychological problems; notes that the InS:PIRE project is a five-week rehabilitation and support initiative for ICU patients and their families, which has been running in the Glasgow Royal Infirmary since 2014, and acknowledges the support that it receives from the Health Foundation and University of Glasgow.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Edward Mountain*, Rona Mackay*, Richard Lyle*, Jackie Baillie*

***S5M-20313 Liam McArthur: Congratulating John Copland and Jean Leonard on their New Year Honours**—That the Parliament congratulates John Copland and Jean Leonard, both from Orkney, on being named in The Queen's New Year Honours List; recognises that John Copland,

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who worked at Orkney Auction Mart for over 50 years and served as the Chief Auctioneer during some of this time, was awarded an MBE for services to agriculture and the rural community in Scotland; acknowledges that John has been involved with many of the Mart's major milestones and successes during his 50 years of service, including the amalgamation of Kirkwall Auction Mart and the West Mainland Mart to form the Orkney Auction Mart in 1993; believes that his contribution to island life and the Orkney community, however, extends much further, whether through his passionate support of local rugby, football and, of course the Ba, to the time and energy he commits to a wide range of local charities and voluntary organisations; recognises that Jean Leonard, who was Head of Music at Stromness Academy for 30 years, was awarded an MBE for services to music and the community in Orkney; understands that Jean has worked tirelessly to bring music to communities across Orkney and make events more accessible and inclusive for young musicians during this time, including providing free individual tuition to hundreds of children and young people; acknowledges the role that Jean has played in organising prominent events such as the Stromness Christmas music pageant, while also serving on the Orkney Arts Society Committee for 40 years, as well as many other extra-curricular and community groups; believes that Orkney's strong and growing reputation as a hub for musical and artistic talent owes a great deal to the hard work, commitment and enthusiasm shown by Jean over many years; thanks both Jean Leonard and John Copland for their many years of dedicated service that has seen them make such a significant contribution to the Orkney community and the lives of others; welcomes this well-deserved recognition of those outstanding efforts, and wishes them both the very best in their future endeavours.

Supported by: Edward Mountain*

***S5M-20312 Maureen Watt: Norwood Hall Hotel, Wedding Venue of the Year 2019**—That the Parliament congratulates Macdonald Norwood Hall Hotel on its recent success at the Top Tier Awards; understands that the hotel, which is in Garthdee, Aberdeen, won the Wedding Venue of the Year 2019 award, which it also won last year alongside the 2018 Scottish VOWs Awards and Scottish Wedding Awards respectively; notes that Norwood Hall Hotel has also been shortlisted for Local Wedding Exhibition of the Year at the Scottish Wedding Awards due to take place on 25 February 2020 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Glasgow; recognises that its sister hotel, Pittodrie House Hotel, has also been nominated for the award, and wishes the management and staff at both hotels every success in the future.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-20311 Colin Beattie: Stoats Completes Asda Scottish Supplier Development Academy**—That the Parliament congratulates Stoats, a company based in Loanhead, on successfully completing Asda's Scottish Supplier Development Academy; understands that the Academy is run in partnership with Scotland Food and Drink, and is supported by the Scottish Government; acknowledges that the Supplier Development Academy supports Scottish food and drink businesses by offering advice on supermarket trading disciplines; understands that Stoats has also reduced its plastic packaging and now produces its cereal bars in plastic-free packaging; congratulates Stoats on its successful completion of the Scottish Supplier Development Academy, and wishes the company the best for the future.

Supported by: Gordon Lindhurst*, Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-20310 Neil Findlay: Peter Wright, Darts World Champion**—That the Parliament congratulates Livingston's Peter Wright on his 7-3 triumph over Holland's Michael van Gerwen in

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the PDC World Darts Championship; recognises Peter's achievement, and hopes that this victory will inspire players across Scotland and the UK to play the game.

Supported by: Gordon Lindhurst*, Miles Briggs*, Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, Liam McArthur*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bob Doris*, Bill Kidd*, John Mason*, Edward Mountain*, Finlay Carson*, Neil Bibby*, Iain Gray*

***S5M-20303 Monica Lennon: Hamilton Advertiser Annual Christmas Toy Appeal**—That the Parliament congratulates the *Hamilton Advertiser's* annual Christmas toy appeal; thanks all the local readers, organisations, churches and businesses across South Lanarkshire who took part in the fundraising drive to ensure that no-one is left out at Christmas; commends the Christmas spirit of the toy appeal co-ordinator, Leona Greenan, and the appeal bases, Salvation Army Hamilton, Happy Feet Nursery in Larkhall, Starbucks, the Rocca Restaurant and Hays Travel, which are all based in Hamilton, and notes that everyone from babies to young adults will receive gifts this Christmas.

***S5M-20213 Gail Ross: Gordon Ross Humanist of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Paul Miller on being named Gordon Ross Humanist of the Year; understands that Paul has been instrumental in furthering the work of StreetCare, which collects, distributes and donates food to homeless and vulnerable people in Glasgow on a weekly basis; notes that Paul has achieved all of this while being a living kidney donor, from which it took months to recover; understands that Paul makes a "legendary lentil soup" with just the right amount of pepper, which is appreciated by volunteers and those who interact with StreetCare, and acknowledges that the award Paul has received is only given to those who extol the virtues of ethics, rationalism, human rights, social responsibility and democracy.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, Graham Simpson*, Rona Mackay*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-20309 Neil Findlay: End the Honours System (lodged on 03 January 2020)

New Support: Bob Doris*, Patrick Harvie*

S5M-20308 Stewart Stevenson: Estonian e-Residency Week 2019 (lodged on 03 January 2020)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-20307 Stewart Stevenson: 75 Years of the Scottish White Fish Producers' Association (lodged on 03 January 2020)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-20306 Sandra White: Alasdair Gray, a Creative Force (lodged on 03 January 2020)

New Support: Adam Tomkins*, Joan McAlpine*, John Mason*, Emma Harper*, Liam McArthur*, Angus MacDonald*, Stewart Stevenson*, Rona Mackay*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Alison Johnstone*, Alex Neil*, James Dornan*, Kenneth Gibson*, Christine Grahame*, Neil Findlay*, Jenny Gilruth*, Rachael Hamilton*, Bob Doris*, Alasdair Allan*, Patrick Harvie*, Mark McDonald*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Baillie*

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[S5M-20305](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa Academy Fundraises for Strathcarron Hospice (lodged on 03 January 2020)

New Support: Dean Lockhart*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Margaret Mitchell*, Finlay Carson*

[S5M-20300](#) Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway College Taking Mental Health Seriously (lodged on 23 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20299](#) Gordon MacDonald: Scotland Captain Retires from International Career (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Neil Findlay*, Finlay Carson*

[S5M-20295](#) John Finnie: Celebrating Scotland's Wetlands on World Wetlands Day 2020 (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Ross Greer*, Patrick Harvie*, Andy Wightman*, Liam McArthur*

[S5M-20294](#) Gil Paterson: Creatovators Christmas Playscheme (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20293](#) Gil Paterson: St Peter the Apostle High School Christmas Community Event (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20292](#) Gil Paterson: Free Food at The Cabin on Christmas Day (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20291](#) Clare Adamson: New College Lanarkshire Shortlisted for Building Information Modelling (BIM) Awards (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20289](#) Gil Paterson: Martin Fallone (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20288](#) Gil Paterson: Edinbarnet Nursing Home (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20287](#) Gil Paterson: Recycling over the Holiday Period (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Mark McDonald*

[S5M-20285](#) Emma Harper: We Hae Meat Agrees Asda Contract (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20282](#) Gil Paterson: First DCD Heart Transplant in Scotland Carried Out at the Golden Jubilee National Hospital (lodged on 19 December 2019)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20281](#) Liam Kerr: Families Outside (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton*

[S5M-20279](#) John Finnie: ASLEF's Call for Rail Powers to be Devolved (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Neil Findlay*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20271](#) Alison Johnstone: Tackling Food Insecurity in West Lothian (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-20270](#) Richard Lyle: The Showmen's Guild of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20265](#) Claudia Beamish: Lessons from COP25 (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-20264](#) Annabelle Ewing: NHS Fife Performs Scotland's First 12-hour Knee Replacement Operation (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20263](#) Jackie Baillie: USDAW Boxing Day Survey 2019 (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-20262](#) Willie Coffey: Eco-Schools Green Flag Award Status for Onthank Primary School, Kilmarnock (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20260](#) Clare Adamson: NHS Lanarkshire's Coorie-In Project Wins at 2019 Quality Improvement Services Awards (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20259](#) Clare Adamson: Asda Foundation Supports Seven Local Community Projects in Motherwell and Wishaw (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20258](#) Clare Adamson: 600 Students Attend New College Lanarkshire Awards Ceremonies at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20256](#) Maureen Watt: Inchgarth Community Centre, National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-20255](#) Alexander Stewart: 180th Anniversary of the Scottish SPCA (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Pauline McNeill*

[S5M-20251](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Doddie Weir Wins the Helen Rollason Award (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-20249](#) Emma Harper: Galloway Community Hospital (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20240](#) Rona Mackay: 100 Years of Bishopbriggs Boys' Brigade (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20238](#) Shona Robison: Principal of Dundee and Angus College to Retire (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20236](#) Beatrice Wishart: Queen's Nurse Award for Steve Mullay (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20234](#) Colin Beattie: Jack Calder's Legacy Continues with Posthumous Volunteer Award (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20233](#) Angela Constance: Green Future for West Lothian Council (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20232](#) Angela Constance: Law Society Boost for West Lothian Foodbank (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20231](#) Angela Constance: Double Success for Brewster Bros (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20230](#) Beatrice Wishart: Chris Walks the UK (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20228](#) David Stewart: Mental Healthcare for Diabetes (lodged on 16 December 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*

[S5M-20227](#) Jenny Gilruth: Jennifer Grant from Fife, Queen's Nurse (lodged on 16 December 2019)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20226](#) Jenny Gilruth: Kingdom Centre Wins Environmental Best Practice Scotland Award (lodged on 16 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20225](#) Jenny Gilruth: Bravery Awards for Fife Police Officers (lodged on 16 December 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-20224](#) Richard Lyle: World's Big Sleep Out 2019 (lodged on 17 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton*

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

New Support: Neil Findlay*

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

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-20184](#) Monica Lennon: World Cancer Day 2020 (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Mark McDonald*

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

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-20055](#) Gil Paterson: The Cochno Stone and the Social Value of Scotland's Prehistoric Rock Art (lodged on 27 November 2019)

New Support: Mark McDonald*, Rachael Hamilton*, Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-20041](#) Gillian Martin: Katie Low, Award-winning Film Maker (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt*

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Questions Ceistean				

Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 07 January 2020

- 1. Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that drug-related deaths are continuing to increase. ([S5T-01931](#))
- 2. Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the ferry cancellations that have led to visitors being stranded on the Isle of Arran. ([S5T-01930](#))
- 3. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take in response to reports that ATMs are increasingly charging for taking out cash. ([S5T-01934](#))

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 09 January 2020

- 1. Jackson Carlaw:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03814](#))
- 2. Richard Leonard:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03815](#))
- 3. Patrick Harvie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03816](#))
- 4. Willie Rennie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03817](#))
- 5. George Adam:** To ask the First Minister whether she will provide an update on the proposed Glasgow Metro rail system that will connect Glasgow Airport to the rail network. ([S5F-03831](#))
- 6. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that local authorities are having to spend millions of pounds from cash reserves in order to balance their budgets. ([S5F-03824](#))
- 7. Iain Gray:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that 14,000 applicants missed out on a place at university last year. ([S5F-03840](#))

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 15 January 2020

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 08 January 2020. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 09 January 2020.

Rural Economy

1. Sandra White
2. Tom Arthur
3. Jeremy Balfour
4. Stewart Stevenson
5. Liz Smith
6. Emma Harper
7. Maurice Corry
8. Graham Simpson

Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

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Questions Ceistean				

1. Rachael Hamilton
2. Lewis Macdonald
3. Maureen Watt
4. Willie Coffey
5. Joan McAlpine
6. Rhoda Grant
7. Alexander Stewart
8. Murdo Fraser

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 16 January 2020

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 08 January 2020. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 09 January 2020.

Justice and the Law Officers

1. Johann Lamont
2. David Stewart
3. Donald Cameron
4. Peter Chapman
5. Claire Baker
6. Gail Ross
7. Gordon MacDonald
8. Alexander Burnett

Members selected for General Questions on 16 January 2020

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 08 January 2020. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 09 January 2020.

1. Ruth Maguire
2. Jamie Halcro Johnston
3. Neil Findlay
4. Gordon Lindhurst
5. Gillian Martin
6. Michelle Ballantyne
7. Margaret Mitchell
8. Liam Kerr
9. Angela Constance
10. Sarah Boyack

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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 06 January 2020

[S5W-26851](#) Emma Harper: To ask the Scottish Government when the interim chief executive of South of Scotland Enterprise will be appointed.

Written questions lodged on 06 January 2020

[S5W-26817](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle bogus callers who pretend to be meter readers in (a) the Mid Scotland and Fife region and (b) Scotland.

[S5W-26818](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government which guidelines it uses to underpin stroke care, and to what degree these guidelines have been embedded into the care that patients receive in each NHS board.

[S5W-26819](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason SIGN guideline 108 has been withdrawn; how this decision was made; what the impact of its withdrawal is on (a) health professionals providing care and (b) patients being treated for stroke, and what plans it has to update stroke guidelines.

[S5W-26820](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what tools and methodologies it uses to understand best practice in stroke care; how this knowledge and best practice is embedded into the care that patients receive when recovering, and how stroke patients and their families are made aware of how this knowledge has informed the care that they receive.

[S5W-26821](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what long-term forecasts it uses for predicting the incidence of stroke, and what plans it has to manage stroke care services against these predictions.

[S5W-26825](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government how many commercial properties in each local authority area are subject to the large business supplement in 2019-20, broken down by business sector, and how much revenue it expects will be generated.

[S5W-26827](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with banks regarding the cost of operating ATMs at their branches.

[S5W-26828](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides to protect rural nurseries from the threat of closure.

[S5W-26829](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how many (a) accidents and (b) fatalities there have been on the A84 between Stirling and Doune in each of the last five years.

[S5W-26830](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of (a) adults and (b) children in the NHS Forth Valley area have access to an NHS dentist.

[S5W-26831](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will set up a fund to provide financial assistance to women injured or disabled by transvaginal mesh.

[S5W-26832](#) Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to commemorate the bi-centenary of the Scottish Insurrection of 1820.

[S5W-26833](#) Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to commemorate the 700th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Arbroath.

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S5W-26834 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the City of Edinburgh Council's recent announcement of support for Shelter Scotland's campaign to have the right to a home enshrined in Scots law, whether it supports this policy, and what plans it has to introduce such a law.

S5W-26836 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners identified as falling within the Scottish Prison Service Gender Identity and Gender Reassignment Policy have requested accommodation according to self-declared identity in a (a) men's or (b) women's prison, also broken down by how many requests were approved.

S5W-26837 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners identified as falling within the Scottish Prison Service Gender Identity and Gender Reassignment Policy have never requested accommodation according to self-declared identity in a (a) men's or (b) women's prison.

S5W-26838 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many times prisoners who have been accommodated according to their self-declared identity under the Scottish Prison Service Gender Identity and Gender Reassignment Policy have been moved from a (a) women's to a men's and (b) men's to a women's prison, also broken down by how many of these moves were at a prisoner's request.

S5W-26839 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how possessing a gender recognition certificate impacts on a prisoner's legal entitlement to be accommodated in the prison estate in a manner that is consistent with their acquired gender.

S5W-26841 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government how much financial support it provides to the Celtic Connections festival.

S5W-26842 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government what the economic impact is of the Celtic Connections festival on (a) Glasgow and (b) the rest of Scotland.

S5W-26843 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government whether the organiser of the Celtic Connections festival has sought advice or support from it regarding any difficulties faced by foreign artists coming to Scotland since the EU membership referendum.

S5W-26844 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government what challenges (a) the Celtic Connections festival and (b) other Scotland-based international arts and cultural events are expected to face post-Brexit.

S5W-26845 John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-13794 by Humza Yousaf on 23 January 2018, whether it will provide the same information regarding the (a) cancellations and (b) delays that were recorded on ScotRail services in (i) 2018 and (ii) 2019, also broken by down the stations affected.

S5W-26846 John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-21130 by Michael Matheson on 29 January 2019, whether it will provide the same information regarding incidences of stop-skipping on ScotRail services in 2019, also broken by down the stations affected.

S5W-26847 John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-21129 by Michael Matheson on 30 January 2019, whether it will provide the same information regarding ScotRail Service Quality Incentive Regime (SQUIRE) audits in 2019.

S5W-26848 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government how many tourists are expected to visit Glasgow to attend the Celtic Connections festival.

S5W-26849 Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government how many businesses in Glasgow are expected to benefit directly from the Celtic Connections festival.

S5W-26850 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government when it expects the one-year review of the Queensferry Crossing to be published.

S5W-26852 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that, since 2009, the number of GP practices in NHS Lothian has fallen from 126 to 119, while the average practice list size has increased.

Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Children (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (briefing, lead committee (Justice)), 7 January 2020

Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (G)

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

Consumer Scotland Bill (G)

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

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 2 December 2019

Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 16 January 2020

Stage 1 Report (Education and Skills Committee) published, 17 December 2019

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

Stage 1 completed, 18 December 2019

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

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

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

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 4 December 2019

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities), 8 January 2020

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)

Passed, 19 December 2019

Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)

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

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

Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)

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

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

Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)

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

Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 19 November 2019

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

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

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

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UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 17 December 2019

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>

European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill LCM-S5-29

Lodged on 20 December 2019

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 7 January 2020

Evidence (Finance and Constitution Committee), 8 January 2020

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

Affirmative instruments

Lead Committee report due by 20 January 2019

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

Lead Committee report due by 30 January 2019

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

Lead Committee report due by 10 February 2020

Fuel Poverty (Enhanced Heating) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/Draft) (17 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Fuel Poverty (Additional Amount in respect of Remote Rural Area, Remote Small Town and Island Area) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/draft) (17 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

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Lead Committee report due by 11 February 2020

Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2020 (SSI 2019/draft) (18 December 2019) Justice Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020

Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020

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

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

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

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

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

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

Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020

Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020

[Charities Accounts \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/393\)](#) (18 November 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 22 January 2020

Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020

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

Subject to annulment by 26 January 2020

Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020

[Representation of the People Act 1983 Remedial \(Scotland\) Revocation Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/408\)](#) (02 December 2019) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment by 27 January 2020

Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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

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

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

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

Restriction of Liberty Order etc. (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/423) (17 December 2019) (Justice)

Lead Committee report due by 17 February 2020

Conservation of Salmon (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/426) (19 December 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/427) (19 December 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/425) (19 December 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

Local Government Pension Scheme (Increased Pension Entitlement) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/438) (20 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Instruments/documents laid for consultation

Lead committee report due 06 February 2020

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

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

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

Petitions

The following petitions were lodged with the Parliament on 3 January 2020;

PE1769 on Higher Education in Scotland;

PE1768 on Children Hearing proceedings should be minuted and or recorded; and

PE1772 on Ban Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender teaching and sexual pictures from the school curriculum.

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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