

Thursday 9 January 2020

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

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- 11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
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- 2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
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- 9:15am** Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee
- 10:00am** Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

1. Bill Kidd: To ask the Scottish Government what the impact might be on NHS staffing levels in Scotland from the reported drop in the number of EU citizens applying to live and work in the UK. ([S5O-03975](#))

2. Keith Brown: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the Stirling and Clackmannanshire City Region Deal. ([S5O-03976](#))

3. Angus MacDonald: To ask the Scottish Government when it last discussed the Falkirk and Grangemouth Investment Zone with the UK Government. ([S5O-03977](#))

4. Anas Sarwar: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the independent review of the issues at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital. ([S5O-03978](#))

5. David Stewart: [Not Lodged] ([S5O-03979](#))

6. Johann Lamont: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether Glasgow City Council has received appropriate support from the Ending Homelessness Together Fund. ([S5O-03980](#))

7. Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is taking to address the reported crisis in primary care services and lack of GPs in Lanark and other rural areas. ([S5O-03981](#))

8. Gil Paterson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the development of the broadband infrastructure in the Clydebank and Milngavie constituency. ([S5O-03982](#))

9. Richard Lyle: To ask the Scottish Government what support it gave to charities and councils to help homeless people over the festive period. ([S5O-03983](#))

10. Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what the current average and longest waiting time is for paediatric ear, nose and throat treatment in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, and what action is being taken to reduce these waiting times. ([S5O-03984](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

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](#))

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

S5M-19234 Maurice Corry: Commonwealth War Graves Commission—That the Parliament recognises the work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission in honouring the 1.7 million men and women of the Commonwealth forces who died during the First and Second World Wars, through construction and perpetual maintenance of war cemeteries, memorials and plots; understands that this work consists of immaculately planned and groomed landscapes and the conservation of headstones and memorials through teams of specialists around the world; acknowledges the extensive effort that the Commonwealth War Graves Commission makes to properly identify and respectfully bury all remains, ensuring that every individual is memorialised by name whether it be on a personal headstone or memorial; commends these vital efforts by the Commission in remembering the fallen; understands that over 175,000 Scots are respectfully commemorated and remembered by the commission in foreign countries, while over 20,000 of the total war graves cared for by the commission are spread across 1,200 locations in Scotland, including in West Scotland, and notes calls for all MSPs to join the Commission in its active remembrance of all those who paid the ultimate price.

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Ministerial Statement: Enhancing Scotland's Digital Connectivity

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

1. David Torrance: To ask the Scottish Government what support is available to businesses that are committed to lowering carbon emissions and improving air quality. ([S5O-03967](#))

2. Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is on track to meet net zero emissions by 2045. ([S5O-03968](#))

3. Maurice Corry: To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to maximise the Crown Estate's coastal assets, including enhancing the opportunities for marine sport and tourism activities. ([S5O-03969](#))

4. Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government what flood prevention action will take place following the completion of the Inverclyde integrated catchment study. ([S5O-03970](#))

5. Willie Coffey: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to uphold environmental standards in Scotland when the UK leaves the EU. ([S5O-03971](#))

6. Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government whether the timetable for its proposed legislation on fox hunting allows sufficient time for it to be passed within the current parliamentary session. ([S5O-03972](#))

7. Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government when it last met representatives of SEPA, and what issues were discussed. ([S5O-03973](#))

8. Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to protect open ground habitats, such as peatlands and grasslands, which are critical to the conservation of curlew. ([S5O-03974](#))

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill

[S5M-20331](#) **Humza Yousaf: Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill**—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill.

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 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.
4. **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.

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee 1st Meeting, 2020

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

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

Pete Whitehouse, Director of Statistical Services, 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;

Scott Matheson, Senior Principal Legal Officer, Scottish Government.

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

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 1st Meeting, 2020

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

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

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 8 January 2020

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 Debate: Improving the Lives of Gypsy/Travellers

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business — S5M-20270 Richard Lyle: The Showmen's Guild of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Wednesday 15 January 2020

1:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:15 pm Members' Business — S5M-19364 Alexander Stewart: The Valuable Role of Independent Prison Monitors

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Rural Economy

Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-20295 John Finnie: Celebrating Scotland's Wetlands on World Wetlands Day 2020

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 — S5M-20261 Lewis Macdonald: Sustainable Development Goals in Scotland, On Target for 2030?

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 Financial Resolution: Disclosure (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 21 January 2020

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Scottish National Investment Bank Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 22 January 2020

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Government Business and Constitutional Relations; Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 23 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: Education and Skills

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Consumer Scotland Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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Future Committee Meetings

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

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Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- * before the number indicates publication for the first time
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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.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S5M-20355](#) Jeremy Balfour: Scottish Churches Housing Action's 25th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Scottish Churches Housing Action (SCHA) in Edinburgh on reaching its 25th anniversary; considers that the continuation of homelessness across Scotland is no cause for celebration but recognises the work of SCHA and church communities in supporting people experiencing homelessness over these years; notes that SCHA is a small organisation but, through the work of the church community, it supports and achieves outcomes way beyond its size; understands that there are a number of projects that have been established to help prevent homelessness by assisting people in their new tenancies through the provision of starter packs and befriending projects; notes that SCHA has also developed new affordable homes from church properties, helping to meet Scotland's need to house people struggling to find homes that they can afford to live in and reaching thousands of people in need; commends everyone involved with SCHA, and wishes them all continued positive outcomes in this 25th anniversary year.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alison Harris*, Stuart McMillan*, Kenneth Gibson*, Finlay Carson*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Murdo Fraser*, Margaret Mitchell*

***[S5M-20354](#) Jackie Baillie: More Nominees for the 2020 Scottish Confetti Wedding Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates The Rosslea Hall Hotel, Events by TLC, Fairytale Photography, The Dumbuck Country House Hotel, Gowns & Crowns, Pictureyou Photography, Christine Fyfe at Bridal Atelier and Diz Stratton Make Up on becoming finalists for the 2020 Scottish Confetti Wedding Awards; notes that these businesses come from across West Dunbartonshire and Argyll and Bute; acknowledges the work that they do in providing the very best wedding services to customers; understands that the Scottish Confetti Wedding Awards aim to recognise and reward the best businesses in the wedding sector for their hard work; recognises the array of nominees making West Dunbartonshire and Argyll and Bute a premier wedding destination, and wishes everyone good luck for the upcoming awards ceremony in Glasgow.

***[S5M-20353](#) Mark McDonald: Emergency Food Parcel Provision in Scotland**—That the Parliament recognises the work carried out by A Menu for Change (AMFC), in partnership with the Independent Food Aid Network (IFAN), to measure the scale of emergency food parcel provision in Scotland; understands that, until recently, the only national data available had come from the Trussell Trust, the UK's largest network of food banks; notes that in March 2019 the AMFC and

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IFAN published statistics suggesting that the number of emergency parcels distributed by the country's independent food banks was nearly double the previous figure recorded by the Trussell Trust; understands that further research published on 8 January 2020 records 596,472 emergency parcels were handed between April 2018 and September 2019, an increase of 22%; believes with sadness that these statistics represent only the tip of the food insecurity iceberg, as they do not reflect the other types of emergency food aid provision or the number of people going hungry without accessing help at all, and calls for renewed efforts to tackle food poverty and its damaging effects on families and communities across Scotland.

***[S5M-20352](#) Claire Baker: Lizzy Halstead, TPAS Tenant Participation Champion 2019**—That the Parliament congratulates Lizzy Halstead of Kirkcaldy who won Champion of the Year for a Tenant or Resident in the National Good Practice Awards 2019, which was organised by the Tenant Participation Advisory Service Scotland; recognises that Lizzy has worked tirelessly to improve her community, the Linktown area of Kirkcaldy, over the last 25 years; highlights her work supporting those experiencing poverty and social isolation; applauds the numerous events that she has organised to ensure her community is a better place to live, work and play for everyone; commends her fundraising for Help The Homeless; believes Lizzy always puts the needs of others first, and wishes her all the very best for the future.

***[S5M-20351](#) Clare Adamson: Kerrs Bakery, Motherwell, Completes the Scottish Supplier Development Academy**—That the Parliament congratulates Kerrs Bakery, which is in Motherwell, on completing Asda's Scottish Supplier Development Academy 2019; understands that the Academy, which is run in partnership with Scotland Food and Drink and is supported by the Scottish Government, aims to help the country's food and drink businesses grow by providing expert advice and insight into supermarket trading disciplines; believes that Kerrs has grown into one of the main suppliers of caramel cake in Scotland, and wishes the company well for the future. Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*, Emma Harper*, David Torrance*

***[S5M-20350](#) Alexander Stewart: Refurbished Café and Community Hub at Tullibody Civic Centre**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Tullibody Civic Centre is set to open a new refurbished café and community hub as part of an overhaul to make the venue more inviting; understands that, further to securing funding, the centre was able to purchase essentials, including a fridge and freezer as well as a new table, chairs and coffee-making facilities; notes that, currently, the café is only open when there are events on for the youth club or the dance academy and to serve juice and refreshments to parents, however the funding will enable more regular hours to be established; acknowledges that all the catering will be done by volunteers, six of whom have already completed their food hygiene training, and that all money raised will go back into the centre to continue its development; believes that the centre recently had a bid approved by Clackmannanshire Council to buy the building and that it is now applying for funding to become owners, and congratulates everyone involved on their sterling work and determination for the café to succeed.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Finlay Carson*, Alison Harris*, Brian Whittle*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Margaret Mitchell*, Murdo Fraser*, Jeremy Balfour*

***[S5M-20349](#) Clare Adamson: Awards for St Andrew's First Aid Volunteers**—That the Parliament congratulates volunteers from St Andrew's First Aid on being recognised by HRH The Princess Royal for their outstanding work in the organisation; understands that Tom Donaldson and David McLean, both from Wishaw Company, and Christine Sommerville, Gerry Docherty and John Ritchie of Motherwell Company, received awards for 30 years' service, while Iain

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Cuthbertson of Motherwell Company and Ian Holmes of Hamilton Company received awards for 55 years' service; understands that the charity, which was formed in 1882, provides first aid training and supplies, volunteering opportunities and first aiders for events; recognises the commitment of all St Andrew's First Aid volunteers, and wishes them well for the future.

Supported by: Bruce Crawford*, Sandra White*, Monica Lennon*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*

***S5M-20348 Clare Adamson: New Year Honour for Elizabeth Seaton**—That the Parliament congratulates Elizabeth Seaton, from Wishaw, on being awarded the British Empire Medal for services to the Carers Network in Scotland; notes that Elizabeth has been chair of Motherwell-based North Lanarkshire Carers Together (NLCT) for over 15 years; understands that she founded NLCT having been both a young and adult carer herself; notes that NLCT provides care and support for some of the 46,000 carers in North Lanarkshire, and wishes Elizabeth and all at NLCT well in all their future endeavours.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*

***S5M-20347 Jamie Halcro Johnston: The Country Quines Raise Funds for Moray Hospital**—That the Parliament commends the Keith schoolgirls, Cassie Findlay, Kirstie Lowe and Rachel Lowe, who, as local traditional music trio, The Country Quines, have raised £655 for Friends of Turner Memorial Hospital in Keith and Friends of Jubilee Hospital in Huntly; understands that The Country Quines played folk music outside Keith Tesco on Hogmanay, with local residents generously supporting their efforts with donations, and thanks Cassie, Kirstie and Rachel for their fantastic efforts for their local communities.

Supported by: Brian Whittle*, Miles Briggs*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Finlay Carson*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Bill Bowman*, Annie Wells*, Alison Harris*, Jackson Carlaw*, Margaret Mitchell*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Jeremy Balfour*

***S5M-20346 John Mason: Growing Tensions in the Middle East**—That the Parliament expresses its concern regarding the risk of increased violence in the Middle East following the assassination by the US of the Iranian, Qasem Soleimani, near Baghdad airport; acknowledges the recent escalation of violence, with Iran's first direct act of aggression towards the US since 1979 coming in the form of ballistic missile attacks on two bases in Iraq that house US and coalition troops; questions whether the assassination of Soleimani can legitimately be considered defensive; considers that the US being a Western, mainly white, English-speaking country does not offer grounds for Scotland and the UK to automatically support it; recognises the long-term tensions in the Middle East; believes that only through serious peace talks with no pre-conditions can there be long-term peace, and considers that such talks must include representatives of the US, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Israel, Palestine, Egypt, Russia and the EU.

***S5M-20345 Gail Ross: Strathnaver Museum**—That the Parliament congratulates Strathnaver Museum on being awarded £650,000 from the National and Cultural Heritage Fund, which is led by Scottish Natural Heritage; understands that this will be used for the redevelopment and conservation of the historic church building, including building an annex to explore the agricultural story of the area that it serves, improving its layout to allow more items to be put on show and running a three-year community programme of activities to share and gather information about Mackay Country; notes the importance of the building and the area, including their significance to the Highland clearances, and wishes the project every success.

Supported by: Liam McArthur*, Rona Mackay*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, Emma Harper*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*, Kenneth Gibson*

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***[S5M-20344](#) Gail Ross: Caithness General Hospital Awarded the Alliance of Water Stewardship Standard**—That the Parliament congratulates Caithness General Hospital on it being given the Alliance of Water Stewardship Standard for reducing the amount of pollution from waste medicines; understands that it is the first hospital in the world to undertake this type of project, which is a collaboration between NHS Highland, the Environmental Research Institute, Glasgow Caledonian University, Scottish Water and the University of the Highlands and Islands; notes that the project looks to assess the impact of waste medicines on wildlife and the environment, with the aims of investigating ways to capture and remove pollutants from the water supply and developing advice for clinicians regarding how they can prescribe medicines that are more environmentally friendly; believes that this work is essential to further develop the knowledge of the country's water courses, and wishes the project every success. **R**

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, David Torrance*

***[S5M-20343](#) Iain Gray: Life of Scott Glynn MBE**—That the Parliament notes with sadness the recent untimely passing of well-known and much loved East Lothian entertainer and charity fundraiser, Scott Glynn; notes that Scott, who was originally from Port Seton but lived in Tranent, was highly regarded for the important work that he had carried out on a variety of community matters, including his long involvement with Ross High RFC in Tranent; believes that he will be most fondly remembered for his role in establishing and leading the Walk With Scott Foundation, for which he was appointed an MBE in the 2019 Queen's Birthday Honours List; understands that the Foundation has raised more than £300,000 for a wide range of charities and good causes, making a positive impact on the lives of countless people and groups, and sends its condolences to Scott's family and friends for their loss.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Bob Doris*

***[S5M-20342](#) Jenny Gilruth: Glenrothes Teen to Play in World Championship**—That the Parliament congratulates the 15-year-old Fife Flames ice hockey player, Mirren Foy, who is from Glenrothes, on her success in securing a place in the Team GB Under-18 Women's World Championship Division I Group B tournament in Poland; understands that this follows Mirren's success in being called up to the Team GB squad for the Youth Olympics, and wishes the ice hockey player the best of luck in the tournament and all future endeavours.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

***[S5M-20341](#) Jenny Gilruth: Gillytree Studio Florist in Glenrothes Nominated for Business Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the Gillytree Studio in Glenrothes on being nominated in the Best Florist category at the Fife Retail Business Awards 2020; understands that the shop is committed to working hard to offering customers in the Glenrothes and Fife area the best quality flowers, gifts and services and is very popular among residents, and wishes its team the best of luck at the awards.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

***[S5M-20340](#) Jenny Gilruth: Lewis Baker Signs Deal with East Fife Football Club**—That the Parliament congratulates Lewis Baker from Glenrothes on signing a deal with East Fife FC; acknowledges that Lewis has been playing football professionally in Sweden for the last three years with IFK Mora Fk and IFK Östersund; understands that the footballer is committed to coaching the sport too, having experience as head football coach for the Abertay University men's

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football first team, as well as coaching the AM Soccer Club in Fife for over four years, and wishes him the best of luck going forward with his endeavours and new contract.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

***[S5M-20339](#) Jenny Gilruth: Glenrothes Students Benefit from Adam Smith Foundation Scholarships**—That the Parliament congratulates the Glenrothes students, Lewis Morrison and Beccy Watts, on becoming the latest recipients of the Adam Smith Foundation's Independent Living Scholarship; understands that the scholarships support care experienced young people and young carers; notes that the funds will be used to help pay for materials and equipment to aid the students in their studies; acknowledges that the extra financial support and recognition will go a long way in helping them achieve their goals, and wishes them all the best going forward.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

***[S5M-20338](#) Alexander Burnett: Macdonalds of Alford Business Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Macdonalds of Alford on its nomination for the Best New Business Award at the Aberdeen Business Awards 2020; recognises that the shop, which opened in May 2019, sells the very best of Scottish food and drink, including local and homemade products; acknowledges that Macdonalds of Alford was nominated by members of the public, and wishes the business good luck for the awards ceremony on 29 March.

***[S5M-20337](#) Alasdair Allan: Keep the EU Flag Flying**—That the Parliament believes that it should continue to fly the EU flag on its grounds, in line with the democratic decisions of Scotland's voters and MSPs to remain in the EU.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, John Finnie*, Patrick Harvie*, Bob Doris*, James Dornan*, Emma Harper*, John Mason*, Colin Beattie*, George Adam*, Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, Willie Coffey*, Mark McDonald*, Shona Robison*, David Torrance*, Mark Ruskell*

***[S5M-20336](#) Stuart McMillan: Becky Munley Named Inverclyde's Young Person of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates 14-year-old Becky Munley on being named Inverclyde's Young Person of the Year in recognition of her role as a young carer; understands that Becky looks after her mum who experiences epileptic seizures almost every day, as well as supporting her 17-year-old brother who requires round-the-clock care; recognises that Becky, who attends St Columba's High School in Gourock, was nominated for the accolade by the young carers group that she attends, winning the Young Carer of the Year award at the Legacy Awards and then at the end of the night being announced as the overall winner; understands that Becky is a star pupil at school and dreams of becoming a paramedic or joining the police; believes that she, and other young carers in Scotland, are an inspiration to others and thanks them for so diligently carrying out caring duties for their family members, and considers that the Young Carers Grant will enable young people like Becky to enjoy a release from their caring responsibilities.

Supported by: Rona Mackay*, Jackie Baillie*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Emma Harper*, Colin Beattie*, Alexander Burnett*, Neil Bibby*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*

***[S5M-20335](#) Stuart McMillan: David Stevens Hailed at Duke of Edinburgh Awards Ceremony**—That the Parliament congratulates David Stevens, who is 18, on being presented with the Wilma Bain Award at a recent Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) awards ceremony; appreciates that the award was established in memory of Inverclyde Council's corporate director of education, communities and organisational development, who tragically lost her life in April 2018 as a result of cancer; understands that the prize recognises outstanding achievement throughout the DofE

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scheme, which David, who attended St Columba's High School in Gourrock, had shown throughout; believes that the DofE scheme encourages young people to engage in expeditions and residential events that help them develop new skills, and thanks all the staff and volunteers who organise and arrange DofE activities in Inverclyde and across Scotland.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Jackie Baillie*, Fulton MacGregor*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*, Emma Harper*, Colin Beattie*, Bob Doris*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-20334 Alexander Stewart: June Anderson OBE (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Margaret Mitchell*, Alison Harris*, Colin Beattie*, Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Jackson Carlaw*, Jeremy Balfour*

S5M-20333 Bill Kidd: Shabir Beg OBE (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Bob Doris*, Fulton MacGregor*

S5M-20330 Colin Beattie: Midlothian Bowlers Selected for the World Championships (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Alasdair Allan*, Jeremy Balfour*

S5M-20329 Finlay Carson: Mark Jardine MBE (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Alison Harris*, Colin Beattie*, Maurice Corry*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Jackson Carlaw*, Jeremy Balfour*

S5M-20328 Finlay Carson: Kate Picken MBE (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Alison Harris*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Jackson Carlaw*, Colin Beattie*, Maurice Corry*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Emma Harper*

S5M-20323 Angus MacDonald: Grangemouth's Zetland Park (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Alison Harris*, Colin Beattie*, Fulton MacGregor*

S5M-20322 Jackie Baillie: Dumbarton MV Second Snark Saved (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

S5M-20321 Shona Robison: Brian Cox Wins Gold (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Fulton MacGregor*

S5M-20320 Liam McArthur: Record-breaking Erica Clarkson (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

S5M-20312 Maureen Watt: Norwood Hall Hotel, Wedding Venue of the Year 2019 (lodged on 06 January 2020)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

S5M-20311 Colin Beattie: Stoats Completes Asda Scottish Supplier Development Academy (lodged on 06 January 2020)

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Motions Glusadan				

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-20310](#) Neil Findlay: Peter Wright, Darts World Champion (lodged on 06 January 2020)

New Support: Monica Lennon*, Jeremy Balfour*

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

New Support: Elaine Smith*

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

New Support: Sarah Boyack*

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

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20304](#) Anas Sarwar: Recognising the Life and Achievements of Bashir Maan CBE (lodged on 24 December 2019)

New Support: Rona Mackay*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Elaine Smith*, Andy Wightman*, Annabelle Ewing*, Clare Adamson*, Alex Neil*, James Dornan*, Mark Griffin*, Bob Doris*, Sandra White*, John Mason*, Neil Bibby*, James Kelly*, Monica Lennon*

[S5M-20302](#) Alexander Burnett: Local Organisations Receive Co-op Funding (lodged on 23 December 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

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

New Support: Bruce Crawford*

[S5M-20296](#) Colin Beattie: Musselburgh Eatery, East Coast, Receives Multiple Awards (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Bruce Crawford*

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

New Support: Claudia Beamish*

[S5M-20284](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Conservation of Blairfindy Castle (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

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

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20278](#) Margaret Mitchell: Scullion LAW Debating Competition and Commitment to the Community (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S5M-20275](#) Liam Kerr: Asda, Bridge of Dee (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20274](#) Liam Kerr: The Men's Emporium Barber, Aberdeen (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

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

New Support: Colin Beattie*

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

New Support: Mark McDonald*, Liam McArthur*

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

New Support: Neil Bibby*

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

New Support: Neil Bibby*

[S5M-20213](#) Gail Ross: Gordon Ross Humanist of the Year (lodged on 06 January 2020)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

[S5M-20071](#) Gil Paterson: Awards for West College Scotland (lodged on 27 November 2019)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

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

New Support: Neil Findlay*, Sarah Boyack

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 15 January 2020

Rural Economy

- Sandra White:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to encourage women into agriculture. ([S5O-03985](#))
- Tom Arthur:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports forestry in the Renfrewshire South constituency. ([S5O-03986](#))
- Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the rural economy secretary has had with the finance secretary regarding how much will be allocated to farmers in the next Budget. ([S5O-03987](#))
- Stewart Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential impact on the forestry sector of increased fire hazard due to long-term environmental changes. ([S5O-03988](#))
- Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the problems farmers encounter with the inclusion of FAME in red diesel. ([S5O-03989](#))
- Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what the impact could be on meat products imported to Scotland as part of a future UK trade deal of the reported plans by the US to introduce a system of self-regulation and policing for slaughterhouses. ([S5O-03990](#))
- Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that planned developments in fish farming consider any risks they may pose to the marine environment, such as natural fish migration routes. ([S5O-03991](#))
- Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the outcome of the recent EU fisheries negotiations. ([S5O-03992](#))

Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

- Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government when new rolling stock will be in operation on the Borders Railway. ([S5O-03993](#))
- Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made in resolving the outstanding issues in relation to the AWPR. ([S5O-03994](#))
- Maureen Watt:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the £30 million link road project at the Haudagain roundabout in Aberdeen. ([S5O-03995](#))
- Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress being made to resolve the reported long-standing and escalating traffic flow issues at the Bellfield interchange in Kilmarnock. ([S5O-03996](#))
- Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the performance of the rail services in the South Scotland region that are regulated by the Department for Transport. ([S5O-03997](#))
- Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government when it expects to be able to proceed with the R100 procurement for the North area, in light of the legal challenge from Gigaclear Ltd. ([S5O-03998](#))

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7. Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government how the development and delivery of planned and ongoing road infrastructure projects take environmental issues into account. ([S50-03999](#))

8. Murdo Fraser: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with potential buyers for the ScotRail franchise. ([S50-04000](#))

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 16 January 2020

Justice and the Law Officers

1. Johann Lamont: To ask the Scottish Government whether acquiring a gender recognition certificate gives a prisoner any new legal rights regarding the decisions made by the Scottish Prison Service about their accommodation. ([S50-04001](#))

2. David Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has for a new women's community integration unit in the Highlands and Islands. ([S50-04002](#))

3. Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners were released early in 2018-19 who had previously been released early and recalled to prison for breach of licence. ([S50-04003](#))

4. Peter Chapman: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reduce crime in and around court buildings. ([S50-04004](#))

5. Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government what progress the Scottish Sentencing Council is making with the development of multiple guidelines on sexual offences. ([S50-04005](#))

6. Gail Ross: To ask the Scottish Government what access and communication provisions will be made in the new Justice Centre in Inverness for people from remote rural communities. ([S50-04006](#))

7. Gordon MacDonald: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider specific measures for parole in "no body" murder cases. ([S50-04007](#))

8. Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what progress is being made with the Police Scotland digital, data and ICT strategy. ([S50-04008](#))

General Questions selected for answer on 16 January 2020

1. Ruth Maguire: To ask the Scottish Government how it evaluates the delivery of alcohol and drug services. ([S50-04009](#))

2. Jamie Halcro Johnston: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the delivery of foundation apprenticeships. ([S50-04010](#))

3. Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will establish a mesh-injured women's fund. ([S50-04011](#))

4. Gordon Lindhurst: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that a record number of people are waiting over 12 hours in A&E departments. ([S50-04012](#))

5. Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the potential impact on Scotland-based armed forces personnel and their families, what its response is to any UK involvement with US military action against Iran. ([S50-04013](#))

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- 6. Michelle Ballantyne:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made on resolving the issues preventing the opening of the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People in Edinburgh. ([S50-04014](#))
- 7. Margaret Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to identify children, young people and adults with dyslexia. ([S50-04015](#))
- 8. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to figures from the EIS stating that one in three teachers in Aberdeen are considering leaving the profession. ([S50-04016](#))
- 9. Angela Constance:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will make a clear commitment and implementation plan to enshrine the right to food in Scots law. ([S50-04017](#))
- 10. Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it has overturned the City of Edinburgh Council's rejection of planning permission for a series of boat hotels on the Union Canal. ([S50-04018](#))

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Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

Government Initiated Questions are initiated by the Scottish Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

Government initiated questions lodged on 08 January 2020

[S5W-26887](#) Fulton MacGregor: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the arrangements for the management of clinical waste across NHS Scotland.

Written questions lodged on 08 January 2020

[S5W-26878](#) Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide details of the consultation that it undertook to establish appropriate measures on the poverty-related attainment gap, and for what reason it has not included achievement of fourth level at S3 among the measures.

[S5W-26879](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what guidance it provides to local authorities about charging for social care services.

[S5W-26880](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what advice it provides to local authorities about the assessment of affordability in the application of fees for social care services.

[S5W-26881](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether social care charges for (a) people with learning disabilities, (b) people with physical disabilities and (c) elderly care have increased in the last three years, and, if so, by what percentage.

[S5W-26883](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the holding reply to question S5W-26005 by Humza Yousaf on 11 November 2019, whether it is in a position to provide a substantive answer and when.

[S5W-26884](#) Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5O-03882 by Derek Mackay on 5 December 2019, in light of the cabinet secretary's comment that funding to companies involved in the arms trade is focused "toward helping [them] diversify into non-military and civilian applications", whether it considers the missile defence system for the Royal Canadian Air Force, which was referred to by the First Minister in response to question S5F-02258 on 26 April 2018 (*Official Report*, c. 20) and is in receipt of support through Scottish Enterprise, to be non-military.

[S5W-26885](#) Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government who will lead the review of co-ordinated support plans for children with additional support needs.

[S5W-26886](#) Alison Harris: To ask the Scottish Government whether the 100% business rates relief for day nurseries will continue after 2020-21.

[S5W-26888](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what meetings Transport Scotland has organised with electric vehicle owners in the last 12 months regarding the ChargePlace Scotland contract, and what communications there have been.

[S5W-26890](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what workshops Transport Scotland has organised with local authorities in the last 12 months regarding the expansion and improvement of the ChargePlace Scotland network.

[S5W-26891](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government which organisation is contracted to provide (a) GP and (b) nursing services at HMP Addiewell.

[S5W-26892](#) James Kelly: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to recently reported alcohol-related brain damage statistics, which suggest that the number of people with this condition is at a 10-year high.

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[S5W-26893](#) James Kelly: To ask the Scottish Government what alcohol-related brain damage treatment services there are in the (a) NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde area and (b) rest of Scotland, and what action it plans to improve the level of services available.

[S5W-26896](#) James Kelly: To ask the Scottish Government how many people in the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde area have been recorded as having alcohol-related brain damage in each of the last 10 years.

[S5W-26897](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government where the Water Industry Commission for Scotland reports Scottish Water's performance against the tramlines set in the determination of charges for the period 2015-21.

[S5W-26898](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-26535 by Roseanna Cunningham on 9 December 2019, what the estimated expenditure is to complete (a) the Amlaird and Corsehouse strategic mains project from the September 2019 date referred to and (b) phase three of the wider Ayrshire Resilience Scheme.

[S5W-26899](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-26120 by Roseanna Cunningham on 13 November 2019, whether it will publish the Scottish Water Governance Direction 2009.

[S5W-26900](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-26120 by Roseanna Cunningham on 13 November 2019, whether the sums referred to as being reconciled on a regulatory accounting basis exclude any other capital expenditure incurred by Scottish Water in the period and which may not fall within the definition of "reconciled on a regulatory accounting basis".

[S5W-26901](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government whether Scottish Water is expected to meet the capital expenditure for the period 2015-21 that was agreed prior to that period commencing, and whether it considers that all the capital projects planned at the outset for the period for delivery within 2015-21 are capable of being delivered for the capital expenditure allowed.

[S5W-26902](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government how much a 1% increase in water charges raises from (a) household and (b) business customers.

Amendments

New amendments to Bills lodged on 8 January 2020

Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill – Stage 2

After section 3

Neil Findlay

4 After section 3, insert—

<PART

PERSONS WHO RECEIVED A SEVERANCE PAYMENT UNDER SECTION 12 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNANCE (SCOTLAND) ACT 2004

Repeal of disqualification for nomination, election and holding office as member of a local authority for persons who received a severance payment under section 12 of the Local Governance (Scotland) Act 2004

In section 29 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (qualifications for nomination, election and holding office as member of local authority) subsection (1A) is repealed.>

Section 6

Michael Russell

5 In section 6, page 4, line 29, leave out from <an> to <institution)> in line 31 and insert <the address in Scotland at which the person was resident immediately before the person's detention (but not the address of a penal institution) or, if the person was homeless at that time, the address of, or which is nearest to, a place in Scotland where the person commonly spent a substantial part of the person's time (whether during the day or at night)>

Michael Russell

6 In section 6, page 4, line 36, after <detained> insert <unless the person has a home outwith Scotland or would otherwise not be resident in Scotland but for the person's detention>

After section 7

Michael Russell

7 After section 7, insert—

<Consequential modifications

Consequential modifications

The schedule contains modifications of enactments in consequence of Part 2.>

Section 9

Michael Russell

8 In section 9, page 5, line 39, leave out from <This> to <10> and insert <Part 2 and this Part>

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Amendments Atharrachaidhean				

After section 10

Michael Russell

9 After section 10, insert—

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(introduced by section (Consequential modifications))

MODIFICATIONS OF ENACTMENTS IN CONSEQUENCE OF PART 2

The Representation of the People (Absent Voting at Local Government Elections) (Scotland) Regulations 2007

1 (1) The Representation of the People (Absent Voting at Local Government Elections) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 (S.S.I. 2007/170) are amended as follows.

(2) After regulation 9, insert—

“9A Additional requirements for applications for a proxy vote for a particular or indefinite period based on detention in a penal institution

(1) An application to vote by proxy for a particular or indefinite period under paragraph 3(3)(e) (absent vote at elections for definite or indefinite period – offenders sentenced to term not exceeding 12 months) of Schedule 4 must state—

(a) that the applicant is eligible to vote by proxy at local government elections on grounds relating to the applicant’s detention in a penal institution, and

(b) the name of the penal institution at which the applicant is detained.”.

(3) In regulation 10 (additional requirements for applications for a proxy vote in respect of a particular election), after paragraph (5D) insert—

“(5E) Paragraph (5F) applies where an application under paragraph 4(2) of Schedule 4—

(a) is made on grounds relating to the applicant’s detention in a penal institution, and

(b) is made after 5pm on the sixth day before the date of a poll at the election for which it is made.

(5F) The application must, in addition to providing the information required by paragraph (1), state—

(a) that the applicant is detained in a penal institution, and

(b) the name of the penal institution at which the applicant is detained.”.

The Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) Order 2015

2 (1) The Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) Order 2015 (S.S.I. 2015/425) is amended as follows.

(2) In article 7(6) (manner of voting at Scottish parliamentary elections)—

(a) the word “or” at the end of sub-paragraph (a) is revoked,

(b) at the end of sub-paragraph (b), insert “; or

(c) a person to whom section 3(1A) of that Act (exception to disenfranchisement for offenders sentenced to term not exceeding 12 months) applies, and such a person may only vote by post or by proxy (where the person is entitled as an elector to vote by post or, as the case may be, by proxy at the election).”.

(3) In article 8(3) (absent vote at Scottish parliamentary elections for an indefinite period or a particular period)—

(a) the word “or” at the end of sub-paragraph (d) is revoked,

(b) at the end of sub-paragraph (e), insert “; or

(f) is a person to whom section 3(1A) of the 1983 Act (exception to disenfranchisement for offenders sentenced to term not exceeding 12 months) applies.”.

(4) In article 10 (proxies at Scottish parliamentary elections), after paragraph (4) insert—

“(4A) A person is not capable of voting as proxy at a Scottish parliamentary election if on the date of the election the person is a person to whom section 3(1A) of the 1983 Act (exception to disenfranchisement for offenders sentenced to term not exceeding 12 months) applies.”.

(5) In schedule 3 (absent voting)—

(a) after paragraph 6, insert—

“Additional requirements for applications for a proxy vote for a particular or indefinite period based on detention in a penal institution

6A An application to vote by proxy for a particular or indefinite period under article 8(3)(f) (application by offender sentenced to term not exceeding 12 months) must state—

(a) that the applicant is eligible to vote by proxy at Scottish parliamentary elections on grounds relating to the applicant’s detention in a penal institution, and

(b) the name of the penal institution at which the applicant is detained.”.

(b) in paragraph 7 (additional requirements for applications for a proxy vote in respect of a particular election), after sub-paragraph (7) insert—

“(7A) Sub-paragraph (7B) applies where an application under article 9(2) to vote by proxy at a particular election—

(a) is made on grounds relating to the applicant’s detention in a penal institution, and

(b) is made after 5pm on the sixth day before the date of a poll at the election for which it is made.

(7B) The application must, in addition to providing the information required by sub-paragraph (1), state—

(a) that the applicant is detained in a penal institution, and

(b) the name of the penal institution at which the applicant is detained.”.>

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Progress of Legislation

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

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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)), 17 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 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 23 January 2020

Stage 1 Report (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee) published, 28 December 2019

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)

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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 2 (*Equalities and Human Rights Committee*), 23 January 2020

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 17 January 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 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 21 January 2020

Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Tuesday 14 January 2020 with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

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

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

Debate, meeting of the Parliament, 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

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[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)

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

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Subject to annulment by 29 January 2020
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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)

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

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