

Monday 27 January 2020

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 22 January 2020

Tuesday 28 January 2020

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Mr Stephen Stone, Head Teacher, St Roch's Secondary School, Glasgow, Vision Schools Scotland Programme

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Queen Elizabeth University Hospital Oversight Board Update

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Holocaust Memorial Day 2020 – 75th Anniversary

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-20306 Sandra White: Alasdair Gray, a Creative Force

Wednesday 29 January 2020

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Health and Sport

Communities and Local Government

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Future

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-19252 David Stewart: Right to Full Care to Die at Home

Thursday 30 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-19810 Keith Brown: Public Works Loan Board Rate

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Social Security and Older People

followed by Ministerial Statement: EU Exit

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Drugs and Alcohol – Preventing and Reducing Harms

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followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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Tuesday 4 February 2020

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 5 February 2020

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Finance, Economy and Fair Work; Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 6 February 2020

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Economy

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scottish Budget for 2020-21

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

28 January 2020

3rd 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 4 and all future consideration of the Climate Change Plan in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Conservation of Salmon (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2019 from—
Dr Antje Branding, Policy Team Leader, and Keith Main, Policy Manager, Salmon and Recreational Fisheries, Marine Scotland;
Dr John Armstrong, Director of Freshwater Fisheries Laboratory, Marine Scotland Science.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
The Conservation of Salmon (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2019; and
The Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019.
4. **Climate Change Plan:** The Committee will consider its Climate Change Plan approach.
5. **EU exit and the environment (in private):** The Committee will consider correspondence relating to the Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

For further information contact the Clerk to the Committee Lynn Tullis on 0131 348 85240, or at ecclr.committee@parliament.scot.

Health and Sport Committee

28 January 2020

2nd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **The supply and demand for medicines inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Dr Ewan Bell, National Clinical Lead, Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee Collaborative, Healthcare Improvement Scotland;
Matt Barclay, Director of Operations, Community Pharmacy Scotland;
Dr Scott Jamieson, Royal College of General Practitioners;
David Coulson, Assistant Director of Pharmacy, NHS Tayside;

and then from—

Eileen McKenna, Associate Director Professional Practice, Royal College of Nursing Scotland;

Jonathan Burton, Chair, Scottish Pharmacy Board, Royal Pharmaceutical Society in Scotland;

Lewis Morrison, Chair of BMA Scotland, British Medical Association.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
The Foods for Specific Groups (Infant Formula and Follow-on Formula) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/6);

The Foods for Specific Groups (Medical Foods for Infants) and Addition of Vitamins, Minerals and Other Substances (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/7).

3. **The supply and demand for medicines inquiry (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 4 February, the Committee expects to consider the Supply and Demand for Medicines inquiry.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, David Cullum on 0131 348 5210 or by email HealthandSport@parliament.scot.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

28 January 2020

4th 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 item 4, 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Representation of the People \(Annual Canvass\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\);](#)

[Representation of the People \(Data Matching\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#)

3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Water and Sewerage Services to Dwellings \(Collection of Unmetered Charges by Local Authority\) \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/4\)](#)

4. **Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
5. **Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
6. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill :** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard at last week's meeting.
7. **Census (Scotland) Order 2020** The Committee will consider the parliamentary procedure for this instrument.

Proposed future business

For further information on the work of the committee, please contact Andrew Proudfoot, Clerk on 0131 3485212 or via email dplr.committee@parliament.scot

Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

28 January 2020

3rd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Energy Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Neil Swanson, Director, Electric Vehicle Association Scotland;
Scott Mathieson, Network Planning and Regulation Director SP Energy Networks, Scottish Power;
Stephen Vere, Programme Director – Low Carbon, Scottish Futures Trust;
Ross Kirkland, Senior Programme Manager, Technical Projects, Energy Saving Trust.
3. **Protected Trust Deeds:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Mike Holmyard, Financial Health Policy Manager, Citizens Advice Scotland;
Bob Russell, Debt Advice Officer, Falkirk Council;
Anna Hamilton, Money Advice Manager, Citizens Advice Edinburgh;
Lee Kilgallon, Debt Advisor, City of Edinburgh Council.
4. **Energy Inquiry:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at today's meeting.
5. **Protected Trust Deeds:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at today's meeting.

Proposed future business

The Committee will next meet on 4 February. For further information, contact Alison Walker the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are economy@parliament.scot on extension 0131 348 5403.

Justice Committee

28 January 2020

4th 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 4 in private.
2. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Janet Cormack, Legal Policy Manager, Clan Childlaw;
Susan Edington, Edingtons WS;
Ruth Innes QC, Faculty of Advocates;
Jennifer Gallagher, Chair, Family Law Association;
Nadine Martin, Harper Macleod LLP.
3. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact Stephen Imrie, Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email stephen.imrie@parliament.scot

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

29 January 2020

4th Meeting, 2020

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

1. **Construction and procurement of ferry vessels in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Andrew Alexander, naval architect;
Alf Baird, Member of Ferry Industry Advisory Group;
Roy Pederson, Author and Consultant, Pedersen Consulting;
Angus Campbell, Chair, CalMac Community Board;
Councillor Uisdean Robertson, Chair, Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar.

2. **Digital Connectivity:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Energy, Connectivity and the Islands, Claire Blake, R100 Commercial Director, and Robbie McGhee, Head of Digital Connectivity Division, Scottish Government.

3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposals—

The Rules for Direct Payments to Farmers (Amendment) Regulations 2020
The Financing, Management and Monitoring of Direct Payments to Farmers (Amendment) Regulations 2020

4. **Construction and procurement of ferry vessels in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard at agenda item 1.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 5 February, the Committee expects to consider evidence for its inquiry on construction and procurement of ferry vessels in Scotland. For further information, contact the clerk at: rec.committee@parliament.scot

Local Government and Communities Committee

29 January 2020

4th 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 4 in private.
2. **Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Annual Report and Accounts 2018-19:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Rosemary Agnew, Ombudsman, Niki Maclean, Director, and John Stevenson, Head of Improvement, Standards and Engagement, Scottish Public Services Ombudsman.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
The Local Government Pension Scheme (Increased Pension Entitlement) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2019.
4. **Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Annual Report and Accounts 2018-19:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on Wednesday 5 February, the Committee will consider the Stage 1 report on the Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill (if required). The Committee will also consider Affirmative SSIs on Fuel Poverty.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5232 or LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot

Finance and Constitution Committee

29 January 2020

2nd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will take evidence on the strategic context of the Scottish Government's Budget 2020-21 from—
Mairi Spowage, Deputy Director, Fraser of Allander Institute.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jim Johnston at Finance.Constitution@parliament.scot

Public Petitions Committee

30 January 2020

2nd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
PE1319 on Improving youth football in Scotland and will take evidence from Ian Maxwell, Chief Executive and Alyson Evans, Child Wellbeing and Protection Manager, Scottish FA;
PE1600 on Speed Awareness Courses;
PE1671 on Sale and use of glue traps;
PE1674 on Managing the Cat Population in Scotland; and
PE1709 on Install CCTV cameras and provide full time social work support in all additional support needs schools.
2. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
PE1766 on Legal aid for private criminal prosecutions for unwaged and/or learning-disabled victims of abuse;

PE1768 on Children Hearing proceedings should be minuted and or recorded;
PE1769 on Higher Education in Scotland;
PE1772 on Ban Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender teaching and sexual pictures from the school curriculum;
PE1773 on Reform rape law; and
PE1777 on To introduce British Sign Language (BSL) into the Curriculum for Excellence.

Proposed future business

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

Social Security Committee

30 January 2020

3rd Meeting, 2020

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Scottish Child Payment:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Commission on Social Security's scrutiny report on draft regulations from—
Dr Sally Witcher, Chair, and Dr Mark Simpson, Member, Scottish Commission on Social Security.
3. **Scottish Child Payment:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 6 February, the Committee expects to hold the final evidence session on its Benefit Take-up inquiry. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Anne Peat on 0131 348 5182 or at SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot.

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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.

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Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

***S5M-20588 Alasdair Allan: Gaelic-medium Education in the Western Isles**—That the Parliament welcomes Comhairle nan Eilean Siar's decision to enrol pupils entering P1 into Gaelic-medium education (GME) as the default choice; recognises that parents can still choose to put their children into English-medium education (EME); further recognises that this decision was taken as a majority of parents were expected to enrol their children into GME in 2020; notes that the percentage of children entering GME in Na h-Eileanan an Iar has steadily increased over the last decade; further notes that increasing the level of GME enrolment to 55% was an action in the council's statutory Gaelic Language Plan; commends Comhairle nan Eilean Siar for becoming the first council in Scotland to take this policy decision; further commends the council for taking what it sees as this progressive step to consolidate the national language in its heartland communities; understands that there is an overwhelming consensus among academics and researchers in support of the cognitive benefits of bilingual education, and reiterates the findings of the 2010 study by the University of Edinburgh, which it understands outlined evidence that GME pupils, on a whole, outperform their EME peers in English reading by P5.

Supported by: John Finnie*, John Mason*, Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, Rona Mackay*, Willie Coffey*, Sandra White*, Clare Adamson*, Mark Ruskell*, Kenneth Gibson*, Donald Cameron*, Ruth Maguire*, Maureen Watt*, Bill Kidd*, Stewart Stevenson*, Fulton MacGregor*, Angus MacDonald*, Edward Mountain*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-20596 Peter Chapman: Cruden Bay Golf Club**—That the Parliament congratulates Cruden Bay Golf Club on raising more than £5,000 for Macmillan Cancer Support; understands that the golf club picks a new charity to fundraise each year, and that, in the last 12 months, members have taken part in the longest day golf challenge, a kiltwalk and many other fundraising events, and wishes the club further success in its charity work.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Finlay Carson*, Brian Whittle*, Jackson Carlaw*

***S5M-20595 Rona Mackay: Bravehound Charity Donation**—That the Parliament commends Barratt Homes, which recently donated £1,000 to Bravehound, a charity based in Lennoxton, as

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part of the company's Community Fund programme; acknowledges that Bravehound provides companion dogs to military veterans across Scotland to assist with their transition back to civilian life; understands that the provision of a companion dog can increase the confidence of military veterans; notes that Bravehound offers training sessions for veterans and dogs to undertake together, and, in addition, offers support to cover the cost of veterinary bills, feeding and equipment, and understands that this welcome donation will be allocated to these costs.

***S5M-20594 Peter Chapman: RNLI Strongman**—That the Parliament congratulates Vic Sutherland on aiming to raise £1,350 towards new personal protection equipment for crew members for the RNLI Fraserburgh Lifeboat Station; understands that Vic will attempt to lift 135 tonnes, which is the combined weight of the five active lifeboats used by the RNLI, and wishes him well in his endeavour.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Brian Whittle*, Finlay Carson*, Miles Briggs*, Jackson Carlaw*

***S5M-20593 Alison Harris: Julia Marshall Awarded the Jimmy Murphy Memorial Trophy**—That the Parliament congratulates Julia Marshall, who is from Grangemouth, on being awarded the 2020 Jimmy Murphy Memorial Trophy for her lifetime devotion to helping others, including through her 30 years in roles at the Red Cross, her 20 years helping out at The Dolphins Club at Grangemouth Sports Complex, which provides swimming sessions for people with special needs, physical disabilities or recovering from injuries or illnesses, and her current work with Zetland Parish Church in supporting the local community; understands that the award was created in memory of Jimmy Murphy, who was also from Grangemouth, who went above and beyond the call of duty for his community, and celebrates the lifetime effort made by Julia and all those who help others in their communities.

***S5M-20592 Maureen Watt: 25 Years of the Elphinstone Institute**—That the Parliament notes the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the Elphinstone Institute at the University of Aberdeen; commends the immense contribution of staff and students throughout this period towards the study of identity, heritage and culture, including that of travellers; recognises the Institute's commitment to public engagement, which it considers enriches north east society's bonds with its Doric vernacular; notes the important role that celebrating heritage and culture can play in supporting tourism, economic growth and population retention for the region; understands that a celebratory event marking the anniversary took place on 23 January 2020 at the Institute, and included a poetry recital from the north east makar, Sheena Blackhall, and a special composition played by the fiddler, Paul Anderson; congratulates all involved at the Institute on a successful and productive 25 years, and sends its best wishes for continued success in the years to come.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Emma Harper*, Stewart Stevenson*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-20591 David Torrance: Fife Flyers Celebrate Pride Weekend**—That the Parliament acknowledges the Fife Flyers for launching their first Pride event to promote the message that all are welcome and valued in the sport; recognises the historic occasion of having all 10 teams within the league celebrate Pride Weekend; understands that the Flyers have teamed up with Fife Pride and Kirkcaldy High School's LGBT+ group; further understands that the Flyers are motivated to work with their junior club coaches to make sure that they are able to support young hockey players; notes that the team will also welcome members of the Fife Pride organisation rink-side at a forthcoming game, and commends the groups for working together to raise awareness of LGBT+ causes and organisations.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Mary Fee*, Stuart McMillan*

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***S5M-20590 Mark McDonald: Lottery Funding Saves Community Group's Services**—That the Parliament congratulates Printfield Community Project on receiving £10,000 from the National Lottery's Awards for All Scotland programme; understands that the project's youth groups were under threat of closure due to lack of funds and that this lottery money will allow all four schemes to continue; notes that the project caters for children and young people aged five to 25 who otherwise might not have the opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities, and encourages Printfield Community Project to continue its excellent work, which it considers makes a huge difference to the lives of so many young people.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-20589 Margaret Mitchell: GOLF Award for Coatbridge Salon Owner**—That the Parliament congratulates Ryan Robert McGill and his mum, Marian, on being presented with a GOLF (giving, opportunity, leaping, forward) award; acknowledges that the award includes funding to invest in Ryan's business, RM's Hair Salon, A Crown of Glory; notes that Marian attended college with her son Ryan to support him in mainstream education where he achieved NQ levels 5 and 6, SVQ level 3 and an HNC in hairdressing, and wishes Ryan and Marian all the best with their hairdressing business.

Supported by: Brian Whittle*, Finlay Carson*, Alexander Stewart*, Ruth Maguire*, Peter Chapman*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-20587 Gil Paterson: Clydebank Drug Recovery Project Awarded Top Marks**—That the Parliament congratulates the drug recovery project, Alternatives, which is based in Clydebank and West Dunbartonshire, on receiving a glowing report from the Care Inspectorate; notes that Alternatives was assessed in various areas as being either excellent or very good by the inspectors who visited the service; understands that they found that "people experienced excellent, compassionate, and high quality support from the service", and applauds the manager, Donnie McGilveray, and his team, for their hard work and dedication to their roles.

Supported by: Rona Mackay*, Jackie Baillie*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*, Ruth Maguire*, Maureen Watt*, Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Stewart Stevenson*, Willie Coffey*

***S5M-20586 Neil Findlay: Mat Wrack Re-elected Fire Brigades Union General Secretary**—That the Parliament welcomes the re-election of Matt Wrack as the General Secretary of the Fire Brigades Union (FBU), with an overwhelming 67% of the vote, which it believes is the highest proportion of votes in any such election; understands that Matt was first elected in 2005 and that this will be his fourth term in office, and wishes him well.

***S5M-20585 Colin Beattie: Rosslyn Chapel Attracts Tourism to Midlothian**—That the Parliament congratulates Rosslyn Chapel on attracting approximately 181,500 visitors to Midlothian in 2019; acknowledges that the chapel was featured in Channel 5's travel programme, *Secret Scotland*, and consequently the site saw its busiest spring season ever, leading to an increase of 3,750 visitors from 2018; recognises the importance of the site, which has been a destination of gathering for centuries and supports the growth and preservation of Scottish cultural and historical landmarks; hopes to see the tourism industry continue to thrive in Midlothian in 2020, and further hopes that this remarkable historical site continues to be appreciated.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Stewart Stevenson*, Willie Coffey*

***S5M-20584 Liam McArthur: Eion Ballantine Wins First Cap for Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates Eion Ballantine, from Orkney, on winning his first Scottish international

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badminton cap; understands that Eion was called up to represent the Scotland 40-45 age-group team that competed against England in the 21st Robert McCoig Trophy match in Glasgow; recognises that Eion was selected for the team following his success in the Scottish National Masters Doubles Championship in the same age group in November 2019; acknowledges that Eion partnered with Mark Mackay, from Caithness, for the match, which was eventually won overall by a strong England side; notes that Eion and Mark also took part in the Scottish International Masters Championships together, where they won matches against pairs from across the UK and Europe, before finishing as runners-up in a closely fought final; congratulates Eion on his success and great run of form, which it considers is testament to his continued hard work and determination, and hopes that this will be the first of many international caps to come.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Kenneth Gibson*, Ruth Maguire*, Bill Kidd*, Stewart Stevenson*

***S5M-20583 Clare Adamson: Young Carers Awareness Day**—That the Parliament notes that 30 January 2020 marks Young Carers Awareness Day; understands that the annual initiative, led by the Carers Trust and Carers Trust Scotland, seeks to raise awareness of the challenges faced by young carers and calls for greater support; acknowledges research, conducted by the University of Nottingham, which estimates that as many as one-in-five secondary school children may be a young carer; commends the immense contribution that young carers make to society by caring for their family or friends who are ill, disabled or misuse drugs or alcohol; recognises young carers as a vulnerable group of learners and that caring for someone can be isolating and stressful, have a negative impact on the carer's educational experiences and outcomes, and have a lasting effect on their life chances; supports the CountMeIn! Campaign, which calls on compulsory education providers to do more to proactively identify young carers to ensure that they receive the support they need and deserve; believes that young carers across Scotland must have a fair chance to prosper in education so that they can achieve their true potential in all aspects of their lives, and wishes all those involved in this year's initiative the very best of luck in their endeavours.

***S5M-20577 Bill Kidd: 100 Seconds to Midnight**—That the Parliament acknowledges that, on 23 January 2020, the *Bulletin of Atomic Scientists* moved its Doomsday clock to just 100 seconds to midnight, from its previous setting of two minutes to; notes that the clock has been set annually since 1947; acknowledges that the Bulletin contends that, the closer the hands are to midnight, the higher the risk is of nuclear and environmental catastrophe; understands that this year's clock setting was announced by three highly-esteemed people, the former UN Secretary General, Ban Ki-moon, the former Irish President, Mary Robinson, and the Governor of California and Executive Chair of the Bulletin, Jerry Brown, and considers this annual exercise to be a useful indicator of significant risks facing humanity that parliamentarians must strive to tackle productively and collaboratively.

Supported by: John Mason, Rona Mackay, Sandra White, James Dornan*, Stewart Stevenson*, Richard Lyle*, Willie Coffey*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-20581 Neil Findlay: Broxburn Athletic's Supporters Follow their Club to Paisley (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, George Adam*

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[S5M-20580](#) Neil Findlay: Garry Stevenson Stars in Open University Advert (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*

[S5M-20579](#) Willie Coffey: Gold UNICEF Award for Kilmarnock Academy (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20578](#) Liam McArthur: Neil Ackerman Wins the Robertson Medal (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Stuart McMillan*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Ruth Maguire*, Bill Kidd*

[S5M-20576](#) Mark McDonald: Supporting the Musical and Literary Traditions of the North East (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20575](#) Annabelle Ewing: Benarty Citizens of the Year (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20574](#) Sandra White: The Lasting Legacy of the Iron Horse (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Bob Doris*, Joan McAlpine*, Bill Kidd*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20573](#) Angela Constance: Polbeth Community HUB Awarded Lottery Funding (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20572](#) Jeremy Balfour: Dr Christine Campbell, Winner of the Scottish Cancer Foundation Prize 2020 (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Peter Chapman*, Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20571](#) Gil Paterson: Mother Walks 5,000 Miles for Charity (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20570](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Grandmother Celebrates 100th Birthday (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20569](#) Ruth Maguire: Award Success for Local Bakers (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20568](#) Gil Paterson: Linnvale Eco Warriors Win Environmental Award (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*, Joan McAlpine*

[S5M-20567](#) Gil Paterson: Pioneering New Service Launched by West Dunbartonshire Council and Macmillan Cancer Support (lodged on 23 January 2020)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20566](#) Gordon MacDonald: Mercedes Maroto-Valer Appointed Decarbonisation Champion (lodged on 23 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*, Joan McAlpine*

[S5M-20562](#) Maureen Watt: Introduction of Drinks Covers at Siberia Bar and Hotel (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*, Joan McAlpine*

[S5M-20558](#) Jenny Gilruth: Leven Links to Host 2020 PGA Event (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20557](#) Angus MacDonald: Opening of £78 Million Forth Valley College Falkirk Campus (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20556](#) Angus MacDonald: Webhelp UK Fundraising for Together for Short Lives (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20555](#) Jeremy Balfour: Scottish Women's Football and the Heritage of Hibernian Women's Football Team Project (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20554](#) Rachael Hamilton: Smoking Ban for Play Parks and Outdoor Sports Facilities (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Peter Chapman*, Jackson Carlaw*, Margaret Mitchell*, Finlay Carson*

[S5M-20553](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Tesco Bank Creating 100 New Jobs in Edinburgh (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20552](#) Maurice Corry: Helensburgh Dance Teacher Awarded BEM (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20551](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Pensioner Celebrates 100th Birthday (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20550](#) Monica Lennon: LGBT History Month, What Have We Learned? (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Mary Fee*

[S5M-20549](#) David Torrance: Fins CSC's 40th Anniversary (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

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[S5M-20548](#) Maurice Golden: Tackling Climate Change, the Role of Scottish Agriculture (lodged on 22 January 2020)

New Support: Peter Chapman*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S5M-20547](#) Angela Constance: Livingston Rotary Club Raises Funds for Charities (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20542](#) Richard Lyle: 100th Birthday of Helen Muir from Uddingston (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20541](#) Bill Kidd: Anniversary of the First United Nations Resolution (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20540](#) Annabelle Ewing: Fife Concert Promoter Recognised as Unsung Hero (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Mark Ruskell*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20539](#) Gil Paterson: Golden Jubilee Hospital Pharmacist Gives Up Six Christmases to Help Homeless and Vulnerable People (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20537](#) Shona Robison: The Sky's the Limit for V&A Dundee (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20536](#) Stewart Stevenson: David Chappell's Golden Globes Debut (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20534](#) Stuart McMillan: Breast Cancer Ball in Greenock Raises over £20,000 (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20533](#) Stuart McMillan: Clydeview Academy Pupils Win Scottish Junior Titles in Swimming (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20532](#) Stuart McMillan: Success for the Inverclyde Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Team (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20531](#) Alexander Stewart: Rotary Club of Alloa (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

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[S5M-20530](#) Alexander Stewart: Bargains and Bites, Clackmannan (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20529](#) Mark McDonald: Bucksburn Academy's Kindness Challenge (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20527](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Outfit Moray (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20526](#) David Torrance: Amy King Bridal and Beauty, Confetti Awards Finalist (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20525](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Success at World Gin Awards (lodged on 21 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20524](#) Maureen Watt: Big Energy Saving Week (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20523](#) Alexander Stewart: Forth Valley College Shortlisted in Three TES UK Awards (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20522](#) Sandra White: People's Palace Celebrates 122nd Anniversary (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20518](#) Christine Grahame: Stobo Helps Australia (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20517](#) Donald Cameron: Prestigious UNICEF Awards for Mull Schools (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20516](#) Alison Johnstone: Children 1st Achieves Silver Level of LGBT Charter (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Mary Fee*

[S5M-20515](#) Maureen Watt: Impact of Universal Credit on Aberdeen City Council Tenants (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20513](#) Kenneth Gibson: UN Ruling to be Issued on Rohingya Genocide (lodged on 20 January 2020)

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New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20512](#) Gil Paterson: Skills Development Scotland in East Dunbartonshire (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Willie Coffey*

[S5M-20511](#) Mary Fee: Lourdes Pupils Win £3,000 for Brightest Star (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20510](#) Kenneth Gibson: Five Years of Extreme Weather in Central America (lodged on 20 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20509](#) Alexander Stewart: The Man Cave Mental Health Support Group in Alloa (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20508](#) Alexander Stewart: Strathcarron Hospice's Light Up A Life Campaign (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20507](#) Dean Lockhart: Turn Blue Monday into Brew Monday at Kirkcaldy Railway Station (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20506](#) Alison Harris: Forth Valley College Shortlisted for UK Awards (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20505](#) Peter Chapman: Dark Island Ceilidh Band (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20504](#) Peter Chapman: Shane Strachan Performance of Foo the Grinch Swicked Christmas (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20503](#) Alasdair Allan: Loganair Saves Celtic Connections Performance (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20502](#) Alasdair Allan: Stornoway RNLI (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20501](#) Angela Constance: Livingston Runners Raise Funds for John Hartson Foundation (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

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[S5M-20500](#) Angela Constance: Home Start West Lothian Secures Funding (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20499](#) Maureen Watt: National Lottery Funding for Pathways (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20496](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: SAMH and Edinburgh Airport (lodged on 17 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20493](#) Rachael Hamilton: New Groundbreaking MND Drug Trial (lodged on 16 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20482](#) Gail Ross: Changing Places Toilet on Orkney Ferry (lodged on 16 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S5M-20467](#) Annie Wells: EHRC Guidance on Sexual Harassment in the Workplace (lodged on 15 January 2020)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

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Questions Ceistean				

Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 24 January 2020

S5W-27133 Jamie Halcro Johnston: To ask the Scottish Government what regulations are in place governing the operation of landowning maintenance companies, which charge people in residential developments for maintenance.

S5W-27134 Jamie Halcro Johnston: To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take in relation to the imposition of unfair management charges in residential developments by landowning maintenance companies.

S5W-27135 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government whether its Non-Profit Distributing (NPD) programme has ceased, and, if so, (a) what programme has replaced it, and (b) how much money was returned to it through the capping of NPD profits.

S5W-27136 Murdo Fraser: To ask the Scottish Government what the average waiting time is to access a paediatrician appointment in the NHS Fife area.

S5W-27137 Murdo Fraser: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on how many paediatric clinics are run in NHS Fife each month.

S5W-27138 Murdo Fraser: To ask the Scottish Government what pathways are in place for children diagnosed with autism to access specialist support.

S5W-27139 Beatrice Wishart: To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides for island musicians to attend events on the mainland and for musicians to visit the islands.

S5W-27140 Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what steps have been taken to reduce the volume of traffic on the A85 through Crieff.

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Amendments

New amendments to Bills lodged on 24 January 2020

Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill – Stage 2

Section 2

James Kelly

- 3 In section 2, page 1, line 14, at end insert—
- <(c) local authorities,
 - (d) health boards,
 - (e) the Scottish Ministers (in respect of their powers with regard to the provision of prisons),
 - (f) a person who has entered into a contractual or other arrangement with one of the persons mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (e) who is not acting in the course of employment by that person.>

John Finnie

- 4 In section 2, page 1, line 20, after <data> insert <(including the technologies used to acquire, retain, use and destroy that data)>

After section 5

Margaret Mitchell

- 5 After section 5, insert—
- <Complaints procedure
- (1) The Commissioner must establish a procedure by which a person, or someone acting on a person's behalf, may make complaints (or other representations) to the Commissioner in relation to the acquisition, retention, use and destruction of biometric data by or on behalf of—
 - (a) the Police Service of Scotland,
 - (b) the Scottish Police Authority.
 - (2) The procedure must provide for it to be available whether or not procedures established by the persons referred to in subsection (1) for making complaints (or other representations) about the acquisition, retention, use and destruction of biometric data have been or are being pursued.
 - (3) Before establishing a procedure under subsection (1) the Commissioner must consult—
 - (a) the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman,
 - (b) the Information Commissioner,
 - (c) the persons referred to in subsection (1), and
 - (d) such other persons, or groups of persons, as the Commissioner considers appropriate,

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on the Commissioner's proposals for such a procedure.

- (4) The Commissioner must keep the procedure under review and must vary it whenever, after such consultation, the Commissioner considers it appropriate to do so.
- (5) The Commissioner must give such publicity to the procedure (including the procedure as varied under subsection (4)) as the Commissioner considers appropriate and must give a copy of the procedure to any person who requests it.
- (6) For the avoidance of doubt, nothing done under this section affects the powers conferred on the Information Commissioner under the Information Commissioner Act 2000 and any other legislation.>

Section 7

John Finnie

- 6 In section 7, page 3, line 27, leave out <have regard to> and insert <comply with>

James Kelly

- 7 In section 7, page 3, line 30, at end insert—
 - <(c) local authorities,
 - (d) health boards,
 - (e) the Scottish Ministers (in respect of their powers with regard to the provision of prisons),
 - (f) a person who has entered into a contractual or other arrangement with one of the persons mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (e) who is not acting in the course of employment by that person.>

John Finnie

- 8 In section 7, page 3, line 33, leave out subsection (3)

Section 11

John Finnie

- 9 In section 11, page 5, line 6, leave out <have regard to> and insert <comply with>

Section 12

John Finnie

- 10 In section 12, page 5, line 32, leave out subsection (2)

John Finnie

- 11 In section 12, page 5, line 35, leave out <or (2)>

Section 15

John Finnie

- 12 In section 15, page 6, line 30, leave out <have regard to> and insert <comply with>

John Finnie

13 In section 15, page 6, line 37, at end insert—

<(3A) Where a report under subsection (1) includes recommendations in relation to new technologies used to acquire, retain, use and destroy biometric data, the persons mentioned in section 2(1)(a) and (b) must publish a document setting out the steps they will take as a result of the report's recommendations.

(3B) A document published under subsection (3A) must be—

- (a) sent to the Scottish Ministers, and
- (b) laid before the Scottish Parliament.

(3C) Where a report under subsection (1) recommends that that a new technology is not to be used for a purpose mentioned in subsection (3A), the persons mentioned in section 2(1)(a) and (b) must not use that technology for that purpose.>

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3

Section 3A

Peter Chapman

22 Leave out section 3A

Section 8C

Andy Wightman

23 Leave out section 8C and insert—

<Setting of non-domestic rates

Setting of non-domestic rates by rating authorities

(1) After section 7 of the 1975 Act insert—

“7ZA Provisions as to setting of non-domestic rates

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations make such provision as they consider appropriate to provide that the rate levied by a rating authority under section 7 in respect of lands and heritages for the financial year beginning on 1 April 2024 shall be levied according to such rate as may be determined by the rating authority.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations amend the date for the time being specified in subsection (1).
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may (in particular) make provision for or about—
 - (a) the process by which a rating authority is to determine the non-domestic rate to apply to the authority's area,
 - (b) arrangements for rating authorities to wholly retain the non-domestic rates collected in the authority area,

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- (c) revenue support grants to be paid by the Scottish Ministers to local authorities.
- (4) Regulations under subsections (1) and (2) may—
 - (a) make different provision for different purposes,
 - (b) make incidental, supplementary, consequential, transitional, transitory or saving provision,
 - (c) modify any enactment (including this Act).
- (5) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative procedure.
- (6) References (however expressed) in any enactment to the non-domestic rate prescribed by the Scottish Ministers shall be construed as references to the non-domestic rate determined by a rating authority in accordance with regulations under subsection (1).”.
- (2) The 1975 Act is amended as follows.
- (3) Section 7B (provisions as to setting of non-domestic rates) is repealed.
- (4) In section 37 (interpretation) in the definition of “non-domestic rate” for “7A” substitute “7ZA”.
- (5) The Local Government Finance Act 1992 is amended as follows.
- (6) Section 108 (payments to local authorities by Secretary of State) and schedule 12 (payments to local authorities by Secretary of State: Scotland) are repealed.>

After section 8C

Andy Wightman

24 After section 8C, insert—

<Progressive rate

Progressive rate

- (1) Section 7B of the 1975 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In subsection (2), after “area —” insert—
 - “(za) in accordance with the non-domestic progressive rate set under subsection (2A), and”.
- (3) After subsection (2), insert—
 - “(2A) The non-domestic progressive rate is calculated as follows.
 - Step 1 x pence in the pound on the first £10,000 of rateable value.
 - Step 2 x pence in the pound on the £50,000 thereafter of rateable value.
 - Step 3 x pence in the pound on rateable value above that specified in step 2.
 - (2B) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations set the pence in the pound values set out in subsection (2A), but in so doing—
 - (a) the pence in the pound value prescribed for Step 2 must be greater than the pence in the pound values for Step 1, and

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- (b) the pence in the pound value for Step 3 must be greater than the pence in the pound values for Step 2.
- (2C) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations amend the rateable value figures for the time being specified in steps 1 and 2 of subsection (2A).”.
- (4) For subsection (5) substitute—
 - “(5) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.>

Before section 9

Andy Wightman

- 25** Before section 9, insert—

<Mandatory minimum payment

- (1) After section 7B of the 1975 Act, insert—

“7C Mandatory minimum payment

- (1) This section applies in place of any other provision of this Act or any other enactment which specify non-domestic rates relief.
- (2) Any person who is liable for rates in respect of the occupation of lands and heritages must pay a minimum payment of 2.5 percent of the valuation of the lands and heritages, before any rate relief is to apply.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations amend the minimum payment figure for the time being specified in subsection (2).
- (4) Regulations under subsection (3) are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.>

Before section 13C

Andy Wightman

- 26** Before section 13C, insert—

<Procedure for prescribing a non-domestic rate

In section 7B of the 1975 Act (provisions as to setting of non-domestic rates) in subsection (5) for “shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament” substitute “is subject to the affirmative procedure”.>

Section 13C

Andy Wightman

- 27** In section 13C, page 19, line 19, leave out from <in> to end of line 21 and insert <for subsection (6) substitute—

- “(6) Regulations under this section that the Scottish Ministers consider are likely to result in a decrease or an increase in the amount of non-domestic rates collected in excess of £10,000,000 per annum are subject to the affirmative procedure.
- (7) Otherwise, regulations under this section are subject to the negative procedure.”.>

Section 30

Andy Wightman

28 In section 30, page 28, line 33, at end insert—

<(2A) Before laying a draft of a Scottish statutory instrument containing regulations under subsection (2) before the Scottish Parliament appointing a day for section 8C to come into force the Scottish Ministers must—

(a) consult—

(i) local authorities,

(ii) assessors,

(iii) representatives of the business sector, and

(iv) such other persons as they consider appropriate, and

(b) lay a report on that consultation before the Scottish Parliament.

(2B) No regulations appointing a day for section 8C to come into force may be made after the end of the period of 5 years beginning with the day of Royal Assent.

(2C) Regulations under subsection (2) appointing a day for section 8C to come into force are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Andy Wightman

29 In section 30, page 28, line 34, at end insert—

<() Regulations may not appoint a day for section 8C(2) to (6) to come into force that is earlier than the day on which section 8C(1) comes into force.>

New Subordinate Legislation

New Subordinate Legislation

Affirmative Instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 24 January 2020 and are subject to the affirmative procedure—

Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Consumer Scotland as Specified Authority) Order 2020 (SSI 2020/draft)

Laid under section 18(4) of the Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003

Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act 2014 Amendment Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/draft)

Laid under section 254(3) of the Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act 2014

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)), 15 January 2020

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 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 28 January 2020

Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (G)

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

Consumer Scotland Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 23 January 2020

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

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Justice Committee), 14 January 2020

Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Education and Skills Committee), 4 March 2020

Amendments up to the end of Part 1 of the Bill should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 27 February with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

(Amendments to the remainder of the Bill should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 5 March)

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

Stage 2 Completed, 23 January 2020

Stage 3 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 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 4 February 2020

Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Tuesday 28 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities), 15 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 2 (Justice Committee), 4 February 2020

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 29 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 16 January 2020

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

Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 6 February 2020

Stage 1 Report (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee) published, 14 January 2020

Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)

Passed, 21 January 2020

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), 14 January 2020

Preliminary Stage Report, 15 January 2020

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Royal Assent, 23 January 2020

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

Passed, 21 March 2018

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

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) Bill LCM-S5-30

Lodged on 13 January 2020

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 14 January 2020

Evidence (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee), 15 January 2020

Debate, meeting of the Parliament, 16 January 2020

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 30 January 2020

[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 19 February 2020

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[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)

Lead Committee report due by 20 February 2020

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

Lead Committee report due by 2 March 2020

[Representation of the People \(Annual Canvass\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (14 January 2020) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

[Representation of the People \(Data Matching\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (14 January 2020) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 11 March 2020

[Census \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (23 January 2020) (Culture, Tourism and External Affairs Committee) [Some parts of the Order are subject to modification. Should Members wish to propose modifications to the Order, please contact the Parliamentary Business Team.]

Lead Committee report due by 12 March 2020

[Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Treatment of Consumer Scotland as Specified Authority\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (24 January 2020) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work)

[Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act 2014 Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (24 January 2020) (Finance and the Constitution Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 27 January 2020
Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020

[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)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[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)

[Royal Conservatoire of Scotland Amendment Order of Council 2020 \(SSI 2020/3\)](#) (09 January 2020) (Education and Skills)

[Water and Sewerage Services to Dwellings \(Collection of Unmetered Charges by Local Authority\) \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/4\)](#) (09 January 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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 petition was lodged with the Parliament on 23 January 2020;

PE1780: Consultation on the closure of large shops on New Year's Day

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

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