

Thursday 17 September 2020

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**12:20 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**12:20 pm** First Minister's Questions

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

**followed by** Portfolio Questions

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Employment Support

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:05 pm** Decision Time

### Committee Meetings

**9:00am** Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee

**9:00am** Equalities and Human Rights Committee

**9:30am** Public Petitions Committee

**9:30am** Social Security Committee

**9:30am** Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

**10:00am** Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

**10:30am** Justice Sub-Committee on Policing

## Meeting of the Parliament

### 12:20 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

#### 12:20 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Ruth Davidson:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04376](#))
- 2. Richard Leonard:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04377](#))
- 3. Alison Johnstone:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04378](#))
- 4. Willie Rennie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04379](#))
- 5. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that the highest proportion of positive COVID-19 tests is among young adults. ([S5F-04388](#))
- 6. Brian Whittle:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that several of Scotland's leisure trusts, which operate sports and other leisure facilities, are close to financial collapse. ([S5F-04384](#))
- 7. Monica Lennon:** To ask the First Minister what urgent action the Scottish Government is taking to restore and support contact between family carers and older and disabled people living in care homes, which is considered essential to their mental, emotional and physical wellbeing. ([S5F-04387](#))

### 2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

#### 2:30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

- 1. Bill Kidd:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what consideration it has given to re-establishing Members' ability to vire an element of office cost provision to staff cost provision so that they can make their own spending decisions using these allowances. ([S5O-04606](#))
- 2. Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it will pursue establishing an account to allow for the costs of COVID-19-related requirements at local offices to be paid directly by the Parliament. ([S5O-04605](#))
- 3. Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it has confidence in the hybrid system of voting. ([S5O-04607](#))
- 4. James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body when it will publish the terms of reference and timeline of its review into the staff cost provision. ([S5O-04608](#))

### followed by Portfolio Questions

#### Economy, Fair Work and Culture

- 1. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial assistance it has made available for cultural organisations in the north east since the start of the COVID-19 lockdown. ([S5O-04597](#))
- 2. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress with Scottish Enterprise's strategic approach to regional economic development in Ayrshire. ([S5O-04598](#))

**3. Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government what additional action it is taking to protect apprenticeship schemes in the Highlands and Islands, and how this compares with the rest of Scotland. ([S5O-04599](#))

**4. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government how much of the £97 million in UK Government consequentials announced on 5 July for the arts, culture and heritage sectors is still to be allocated, and when a decision will be made on the allocation of any remaining funding. ([S5O-04600](#))

**5. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is giving to businesses that have been impacted the most by COVID-19 restrictions. ([S5O-04601](#))

**6. Alasdair Allan:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports home working in the public sector. ([S5O-04602](#))

**7. Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to stimulate greater investment in Scotland's economy in the wake of COVID-19. ([S5O-04603](#))

**8. Johann Lamont:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has provided to grassroots music venues in Glasgow since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S5O-04604](#))

### followed by Scottish Government Debate: Employment Support

**[S5M-22731](#) Jamie Hepburn: Employment Support**—That the Parliament believes that the UK Government's furlough scheme should be extended to provide support and certainty to employers and workers in Scotland for as long as public health restrictions are required to control the spread of COVID-19, recognising that there are specific sectors that will be affected for a longer period.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**[S5M-22731.2](#) Maurice Golden: Employment Support**—As an amendment to motion [S5M-22731](#) in the name of Jamie Hepburn (Employment Support), leave out from "believes" to end and insert "welcomes the protection of more than 900,000 jobs in Scotland as part of the UK Government's Job Retention and Self-Employment Income Support schemes; notes that the Chancellor's scheme has already ensured that more than 50% of those furloughed since May 2020 had returned to work by August; welcomes that, at the height of the pandemic, more than a third of Scotland's workforce was furloughed as part of the Job Retention Scheme; further welcomes the UK Government's Job Retention Bonus that will pay £1,000 to employers for every employee that is retained; recognises that continuing interventions will be necessary from the UK Government, and calls on the Scottish Government to protect Scottish jobs now by setting out specific support for businesses and sectors most affected by COVID-19, particularly given the guaranteed additional £6.5 billion from the UK Government."

**[S5M-22731.1](#) Jackie Baillie: Employment Support**—As an amendment to motion [S5M-22731](#) in the name of Jamie Hepburn (Employment Support), insert at end "; calls on the Scottish Government to act quickly to put in place a range of measures to support employment that are coherent and targeted at businesses at risk and those who find themselves out of work, in particular young people, women, disabled people and ethnic minorities; recognises the existing fragility and inequality in Scotland's labour market, and calls on the Scottish Government to produce an industrial strategy that lays out increased investment in housebuilding, green energy and transport, to put Scotland back on track and ensure fairer, greener and sustainable jobs for all."

**followed by Business Motions**

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**[S5M-22737](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Aberdeen City) Amendment Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/253) be approved.

**5:05 pm Decision Time**

## Committee Meetings

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

### Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee 21st Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a virtual meeting and will be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv)

1. **Future relationship negotiations: external research on checks on goods imported into the European Union:** The Committee will take evidence from-  
  
Anna Jerzewska, Customs and Trade Consultant.
2. **Scotland's Census:** The Committee will take evidence from-  
  
Paul Lowe, Chief Executive and Registrar General for Scotland, Pete Whitehouse, Director of Statistical Services, and Anne Slater, Director of Operations, National Records of Scotland;  
Jamie MacQueen, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
3. **Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### Equalities and Human Rights Committee 17th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv).

1. **Race Equality, Employment and Skills:** The Committee will take evidence from-  
  
ACC Gary Ritchie, Partnership, Prevention and Community Wellbeing, and Jude Helliker, Director of People & Development, Police Scotland;  
Elaine Lorimer, Chief Executive, Revenue Scotland;  
Liz Barnes, Director of People and Organisational Development, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service;  
and then from—  
Lynda Thomson, Head of People & Organisational Development, NatureScot;  
Chris McCoy-Lavery MBE, Equality Diversity & Wellbeing Specialist & Head of Mediation Partnership Team, Visit Scotland;  
Louise McGunnigle, HR Manager, Highland Council.
2. **Race Equality, Employment and Skills (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at item 1.
3. **Pre-budget scrutiny 2021-22 – impact of COVID-19 on equalities and human rights (in private):** The Committee will consider future witnesses for its inquiry.

### Public Petitions Committee 13th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in a virtual meeting and will be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv)

- 1. Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
  - PE1683: Support for families with multiple births and will take evidence from the Minister for Children and Young People, Maree Todd; Chris Graham, Head of Welfare Fund and Winter Benefits Policy; Carolyn Wilson, Team Leader, Supporting Maternal and Child Wellbeing, Scottish Government.
  - PE1577: Adult Cerebral Palsy Services;
  - PE1671: Sale and use of glue traps;
  - PE1682: Access to specialist support for hidradenitis suppurativa sufferers in Scotland;
  - PE1725: Suicide awareness and support for young people;
  - PE1731: Permit audio recording of local government public meetings; and
  - PE1770: Improving Water Safety.
- 2. Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
  - PE1789: Learning Difficulties and Disability Qualifications;
  - PE1810: Replace the European Union Flag with the Commonwealth Flag; and
  - PE1812: Protect Scotland's remaining ancient, native and semi-native woodlands and woodland floors.

### **Social Security Committee 16th Meeting, 2020**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on [scottishparliament.tv](http://scottishparliament.tv)

- 1. Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
- 2. Scottish Child Payment:** The Committee will take evidence on the draft Scottish Child Payment Regulations from —
  - Mhoraig Green, Strategic Lead Social Justice, Citizens Advice Scotland;
  - Anne Baldock, Financial Inclusion Team Leader, One Parent Families Scotland;
  - Jon Shaw, Welfare Rights Adviser, Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG).
- 3. Scottish Child Payment (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- 4. The role of Scottish Social Security in Covid-19 recovery (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to community engagement for its inquiry.

### **Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 15th Meeting, 2020**

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

- 1. Complaint (in private):** The Committee will consider a report from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.

### **Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 19th Meeting, 2020**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda item 3 in private.
2. **Section 23 report - Privately financed infrastructure investment: The Non-Profit Distributing (NPD) and hub models:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
  
Peter Reekie, Chief Executive, and Kerry Alexander, Director of Infrastructure Investment Finance and Programmes, Scottish Futures Trust;  
Dr Jim Cuthbert, independent statistician and former Scottish Office Chief Statistician.
3. **Section 23 report - Privately financed infrastructure investment: The Non-Profit Distributing (NPD) and hub models:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—  
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Graeme Greenhill, Senior Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland.

### **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing 8th Meeting, 2020**

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Sub-Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Pre-budget scrutiny of the police budget for 2021-22:** The Sub-Committee will take evidence from—  
Lynn Brown, Interim Chief Executive, Scottish Police Authority;  
James Gray, Chief Financial Officer, and David Page, Deputy Chief Officer, Police Scotland.
3. **Pre-budget scrutiny of the police budget for 2021-22:** The Sub-Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 16 September 2020

### Tuesday 22 September 2020

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Complaints Against MSPs – Amendment of the Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner Act 2002

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Promoting Equality and Human Rights for Minority Ethnic People and Communities

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### Wednesday 23 September 2020

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills; Health and Sport

**followed by** Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**5:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### Thursday 24 September 2020

**12:20 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Communities and Local Government

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Draft Infrastructure Investment Plan 2021-22 to 2025-26

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Protection of Workers (Retail and Age-restricted Goods and Services) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions



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**5:05 pm** Decision Time

## **Tuesday 29 September 2020**

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Wednesday 30 September 2020**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Social Security and Older People; Finance

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**5:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Thursday 1 October 2020**

**12:20 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**12:20 pm** First Minister's Questions

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Financial Resolution: Financial Resolution: Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:05 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

### Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

**21 September 2020**

**23rd Meeting, 2020**

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a virtual meeting

1. **UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (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 at

[lynn.tullis@parliament.scot](mailto:lynn.tullis@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.

### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

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

## Motions for Debate

**[S5M-22731](#) Jamie Hepburn: Employment Support**—That the Parliament believes that the UK Government's furlough scheme should be extended to provide support and certainty to employers and workers in Scotland for as long as public health restrictions are required to control the spread of COVID-19, recognising that there are specific sectors that will be affected for a longer period.

Supported by: Fiona Hyslop, Ivan McKee

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Supported by: Alex Rowley\*

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## Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

**\*S5M-22736 Rona Mackay: National Adoption Week 2020**—That the Parliament acknowledges National Adoption Week 2020, which runs from 14 to 20 October; understands that there are a range of events being held online, including fun family activities, as well as information sessions on foetal alcohol spectrum disorder and sibling relationships; commends the organisers for raising awareness of the benefits of adoption, including Adoption UK, which recently published the results of its April 2020 survey into the effects of lockdown on care experienced children, which highlighted that young people are experiencing increased anxiety and emotional distress, while many families reported enjoying spending more time together and some children appearing calmer than when attending school; acknowledges other research that highlighted that adopted children are 20 times more likely to be excluded than their peers, and notes the importance of these findings in tackling this inequality so that all children may have an equal start in life.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Edward Mountain\*, Liam McArthur\*, Monica Lennon\*, Bill Kidd\*, David Torrance\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Mark McDonald\*

## Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*S5M-22740 Neil Findlay: S5M-22731** —That the Parliament believes that it is essential for rail passenger and rail worker safety that Scotland's railway infrastructure is properly renewed and maintained; is therefore concerned at reports that the publicly-owned rail infrastructure manager, Network Rail, is carrying hundreds of vacancies in Scotland while private rail infrastructure companies contracted to Network Rail, such as Babcock Rail, SPL Powerlines, AMCO and Story Plant are implementing and planning redundancies; is alarmed that these reported rail infrastructure redundancies and unfilled vacancies will adversely impact on the quality of the rail network and passenger safety; is further concerned that reported redundancies being introduced by some of the private contractors could be used as a mechanism to introduce new employment models such as zero-hour contracts, which it considers are less safe and less fair; believes that it is wholly unacceptable that this is taking place on publicly-procured contracts; further believes that this breaches the Scottish Government's Fair Work principles, and calls on the Scottish Government to protect rail safety, services and skills by urgently intervening to prevent job losses in the rail infrastructure sector and ensure that all vacancies are filled.

Supported by: Iain Gray\*, Elaine Smith\*

**\*S5M-22739 Bruce Crawford: World Cleanup Day**—That the Parliament recognises that 19 September 2020 is World Cleanup Day; acknowledges the valuable work of Let's Do It World in organising and coordinating this globally important green civic action; endorses the five key principles that underpin the environmental work of Let's Do It World, including cooperation, positivity, leadership, technology and fun; recognises the need for Scotland to play its full part in tackling the global waste crisis, and supports further efforts to bring about more sustainable and environmentally conscious attitudes towards consumption and waste.

**\*S5M-22738 Bruce Crawford: Recycle Week 2020**—That the Parliament recognises that 21 to 27 September is Recycle Week 2020; endorses the theme of this year's Recycle Week, "Thanking the nation: Together - We Recycle", which aims to thank the general public and employees in the recycling and waste sector for their continuing commitment to recycling amidst disruption caused by COVID-19; recognises the need for Scotland to play its full part in tackling this endeavour, and supports further efforts to ensure that Scotland meets its target of becoming a zero waste society.

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**\*S5M-22737 Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—**That the Parliament agrees that the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Aberdeen City) Amendment Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/253) be approved.

**\*S5M-22735 Jackie Baillie: The Drop the Tariffs Campaign —**That the Parliament believes that the imposition of the 25% tariff by the United States on single malt whisky adversely affects the whisky and spirits industry in Scotland and creates significant barriers in UK-US trade relations; understands that this is costing the sector £30 million per month with the total cost so far being £300 million; notes the 30% decrease of whisky export to the US, which was recorded shortly after the introduction of the tariff; understands that this puts at risk around 20,000 jobs in the UK and threatens the wellbeing of many families across Scotland; believes that, coupled with the post-Brexit context and COVID-19 pandemic, the tariff might cause even greater harm to the sector, and calls on the UK Government to support the Drop the Tariffs campaign, which has been initiated by GMB Scotland, and to cooperate with the Scotch Whisky Association to demand that the US ends this tariff.

**\*S5M-22734 Jackie Baillie: Scottish SPCA—**That the Parliament believes that the Scottish SPCA demonstrates outstanding performance in the protection of animal rights across the country, including the rescue and rehabilitation of domestic, wild and farm animals, the provision of educational resources and ongoing advice for people; appreciates that it has reached around 50,000 children with its free educational programmes and has responded to nearly 200 reports every day from the beginning of 2020; understands that the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted on its activities; welcomes the launch of its free online educational resource, its helpline for distance support and its campaigning for the improvement of animal welfare legislation; recognises its exceptional role in the rehabilitation and rehoming of animals, at the Milton Animal Home and across Scotland, particularly during the COVID-19 lockdown measures, when the risks of domestic abuse and mistreatment of animals is particularly high; acknowledges its efforts in disruption of the low-welfare puppy trade through awareness raising campaigns and community dialogue; believes that its activities and programmes should be supported, and encourages the Scottish Government to ensure that the Scottish SPCA receives the funding that it needs and deserves.

**\*S5M-22733 Claudia Beamish: Scottish Water Route Map to Net Zero—**That the Parliament welcomes the publication by Scottish Water of its route map to net-zero emissions as a helpful high-level statement of the components of meeting a net-zero emissions ambition; welcomes in particular commitments to recover heat from sewers, a new carbon intensity of investments measure, the requirement of necessary progress by supply partners, the auditing of land assets for their carbon storage and greater bio-diversity potential, greater energy recovery from bio-resources, the recovery of raw materials from waste and real-time control systems for electricity use reductions; looks forward to progress reports on the delivery of these ambitions, and encourages the development of firmer targets for progress within future reporting.

Supported by: Rona Mackay\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Liam McArthur\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*, Elaine Smith\*, David Stewart\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Mark McDonald\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Iain Gray\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Sarah Boyack\*

**\*S5M-22732 Maurice Corry: 80th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain—**That the Parliament remembers that 15 September 2020 marks the 80th anniversary of the Battle of Britain; understands that this airborne battle between the RAF and the Luftwaffe involved a huge contribution from not only "The Few" fighter pilots, but also vital support on the ground, such as the members of the Royal Observer Corps and the Women's Auxiliary Air Force; recognises that,

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although the Battle of Britain took place from 10 July until 31 October 1940, it was the 15 September that proved to be the RAF's decisive victory from the Luftwaffe's most concerted attack against London; welcomes the national tribute made by the RAF Benevolent Fund in the form of a light show held at a historic Battle of Britain radar site to honour those who played a critical role in the battle, and profoundly appreciates the work of the RAF Benevolent Fund and the many other Armed Forces organisations that continue to shine a light on what it sees as the importance of veterans and the value of nationwide remembrance.

Supported by: Brian Whittle\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Miles Briggs\*, Liam Kerr\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Annie Wells\*, Liz Smith\*, Bill Kidd\*, Alison Harris\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bob Doris\*, Donald Cameron\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, David Torrance\*, David Stewart\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Mark McDonald\*, Peter Chapman\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, John Scott\*, Bill Bowman\*

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S5M-22726 Rhoda Grant: Supporting Student Carers at College](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Iain Gray\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Pauline McNeill\*

**[S5M-22724 Colin Beattie: Fifth Anniversary of the Borders Railway](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-22722 Shona Robison: Scottish Cancer Patient Experience Survey](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Stewart Stevenson\*

**[S5M-22721 Sandra White: Annexe Communities COVID-19 Response](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Stewart Stevenson\*

**[S5M-22720 Alasdair Allan: Luskentyre Beach Ranked the 13th Best Beach in the World](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Sandra White\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Rona Mackay\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Donald Cameron\*, David Torrance\*, Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22719 Alexander Burnett: Grampian Women's Aid, New Logo](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne\*, Donald Cameron\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[S5M-22718 Emma Harper: Asthma UK Annual Survey](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22717 Gail Ross: Kishorn Port Ltd Secures Investment from Highlands and Islands Enterprise](#)** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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**[S5M-22716](#) Stewart Stevenson: Doric to be Taught at the University of Aberdeen** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Sandra White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22715](#) Mark McDonald: World Alzheimer's Day** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*, Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22714](#) Brian Whittle: Hospital Acquired Venous Thromboembolism** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne\*, Peter Chapman\*, Donald Cameron\*

**[S5M-22712](#) Emma Harper: Kirkcudbright Coronavirus Community Help** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22710](#) Rona Mackay: Bishopbriggs Academy Beatson Cancer Charity Fundraiser** (lodged on 15 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-22709](#) Mary Fee: International Equal Pay Day** (lodged on 14 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Annabelle Ewing\*

**[S5M-22707](#) Rona Mackay: East Dunbartonshire Befriending Scheme Volunteers** (lodged on 14 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22702](#) Tom Arthur: Active Communities Funding Award** (lodged on 11 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-22701](#) Tom Arthur: Funding for Mossedge Village** (lodged on 11 September 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22696](#) Finlay Carson: Support Stranraer** (lodged on 10 September 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne\*

**[S5M-22692](#) Annie Wells: New Recovery Hub in Springburn Shopping Centre** (lodged on 10 September 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne\*

**[S5M-22691](#) Clare Adamson: Gas Safety Week 2020** (lodged on 10 September 2020)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22689](#) Liam Kerr: Poppies Pre-School, Laurencekirk** (lodged on 10 September 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne\*, Donald Cameron\*

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Motions   Gluasadan				

**[S5M-22686](#) Emma Harper: International Ataxia Awareness Day** (lodged on 09 September 2020)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22685](#) Donald Cameron: Thanking the Emergency Services** (lodged on 09 September 2020)

New Support: Peter Chapman\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[S5M-22684](#) Stewart Stevenson: Fraserburgh Community Heart Group Launches Fundraiser Supporting Those in Need During the Pandemic** (lodged on 09 September 2020)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22680](#) Annie Wells: World Suicide Prevention Day 2020** (lodged on 10 September 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Peter Chapman\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[S5M-22677](#) Fulton MacGregor: 61st Anniversary of the Auchengeich Mining Disaster** (lodged on 09 September 2020)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-22668](#) Alexander Burnett: St Fergus, Peterhead, to Lead in Carbon Capture Storage Projects** (lodged on 09 September 2020)

New Support: Peter Chapman\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[S5M-22653](#) Jeremy Balfour: Sense Scotland Celebrates its 35th Anniversary** (lodged on 08 September 2020)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

**[S5M-22652](#) Liz Smith: Residential Outdoor Centres** (lodged on 08 September 2020)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst\*

**[S5M-22650](#) Alexander Burnett: BP and Aberdeen City Council Partnership** (lodged on 08 September 2020)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

**[S5M-22641](#) Jackson Carlaw: Eight-year-old from Giffnock raises £6,459.75 for Charity** (lodged on 07 September 2020)

New Support: Donald Cameron\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[S5M-22639](#) Brian Whittle: Remembering Knockshinnoch Castle Colliery Disaster** (lodged on 07 September 2020)

New Support: Donald Cameron\*

**[S5M-22638](#) Margaret Mitchell: Blood Cancer Awareness Month** (lodged on 07 September 2020)

New Support: Donald Cameron\*



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**[S5M-22500](#) Alexander Burnett: Eddie Gillanders' Contribution to the Royal Northern Agricultural Society** (lodged on 24 August 2020)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*, Peter Chapman\* R

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## Oral Questions

### Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 23 September 2020

#### Education and Skills

- 1. Jackie Baillie:** [Not Lodged]
- 2. Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what additional measures it is considering to support pupils and teachers who were shielding before the return to school. ([S50-04610](#))
- 3. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has undertaken of the impact of COVID-19 on the attainment gap. ([S50-04611](#))
- 4. Bill Kidd:** To ask the Scottish Government what the procedure and timescale is for probationary teachers to secure posts in schools. ([S50-04612](#))
- 5. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it has put in place in schools to reinforce the message that pupils need to adhere to social distancing guidelines. ([S50-04613](#))
- 6. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made with its commitment to recruit 850 extra teachers and around 200 additional support staff to help schools deal with the pressures arising from their reopening following the lockdown. ([S50-04614](#))
- 7. Johann Lamont:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it has provided to disabled children and young people during the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S50-04615](#))
- 8. Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is working with Skills Development Scotland to develop programmes to support people who have lost their job due to COVID-19. ([S50-04616](#))

#### Health and Sport

- 1. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made on ensuring that a range of treatment options are available for people living with addiction. ([S50-04617](#))
- 2. Maureen Watt:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to reassure people in the north east and elsewhere that signing up to the Protect Scotland app does not make them more at risk of scamming. ([S50-04618](#))
- 3. Alison Johnstone:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to Common Weal's paper, *Warning Lights: Ten Actions for Covid Elimination*. ([S50-04619](#))
- 4. Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is taking to restore chronic pain treatment services, in light of official statistics for the quarter ending 30 June 2020, which recorded that over half of new patients waited over 18 weeks for a first appointment. ([S50-04620](#))
- 5. Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support it has put in place for NHS dentists during the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S50-04621](#))
- 6. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that suicide prevention support services are still available to people in light of the recent lockdown measures. ([S50-04622](#))
- 7. John Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with NHS Ayrshire and Arran regarding measures to control the spread of COVID-19. ([S50-04623](#))

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**8. Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is giving to small community-based football clubs that are facing financial difficulties and closure due to the COVID-19 crisis. ([S50-04624](#))

### Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 24 September 2020

#### Communities and Local Government

- 1. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to empower local authorities to take decisions that are right for their communities. ([S50-04625](#))
- 2. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that independent foodbanks have seen at least a doubling in demand for emergency food parcels compared with last year. ([S50-04626](#))
- 3. Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government whether community councils have been able to fully contribute to local government during the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S50-04627](#))
- 4. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to help local authorities recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S50-04628](#))
- 5. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it has taken since 2019 to ensure that social housing rents are affordable to tenants. ([S50-04629](#))
- 6. Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, how it is working with local authorities and third sector organisations to help protect vulnerable people. ([S50-04630](#))
- 7. Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the support it is providing to local authorities in their response to COVID-19. ([S50-04631](#))
- 8. Keith Brown:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of COVID-19 on local government services. ([S50-04632](#))

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## Written Questions

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

### Written questions lodged on 16 September 2020

**S5W-31834 Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-28018 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 30 March 2020, when the consultation will begin.

**S5W-31835 Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit Advisory Group last met, and whether the published minutes for the group are up to date.

**S5W-31836 Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what information and assistance is available to Members and staff who are experiencing difficulties with alcohol or drugs.

**S5W-31837 Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered including dementia on its list of shielding medical conditions, and to what extent it considers that people with dementia would benefit from support similar to that provided to those shielding at the height of the pandemic.

**S5W-31838 Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the delivery of COVID-19 guidance to people living with dementia.

**S5W-31839 Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the need to ensure that families are able to visit loved ones who are recovering from treatment in hospital during the current pandemic.

**S5W-31840 Beatrice Wishart:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-31185 by Jeane Freeman on 26 August 2020, whether it will provide an update on the consideration it is giving to introducing an official exemption card for people who are exempt from wearing a face covering.

**S5W-31841 Beatrice Wishart:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been diagnosed with a lung condition during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**S5W-31842 Beatrice Wishart:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to promote the flu vaccine to people living with lung disease during the 2020-21 flu vaccination programme.

**S5W-31843 John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the Member's letter of 4 August and its reply of 3 September 2020, whether it will provide an answer to the request for it to commission independent research into the social and environmental impact of tourism.

**S5W-31844 Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns that financial considerations have taken precedent over the safety of passengers and staff in respect to the management of rail infrastructure.

**S5W-31845 Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to concerns that allowing railway infrastructure contracting companies, including Babcock Rail, SPL Powerlines, AMCO and Story Plant, to work on the network risks making existing skilled infrastructure workers, including those who are working on contracts gained through the public procurement process, redundant, and what its position is on whether such redundancies would be compliant with its fair work principles.

**S5W-31847 Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding the reason that Network Rail Scotland reportedly has over 200 vacant maintenance posts.

**S5W-31848 Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what powers it has to intervene in rail infrastructure matters to help prevent redundancies.

**S5W-31849 Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether rail infrastructure employment (a) vacancies and (b) redundancies are a contributory factor to any failures of the infrastructure.

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**[S5W-31851 Alex Cole-Hamilton](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether people who collect friends and family from the airport who are returning from a country not on the exemption list also need to self-isolate.

**[S5W-31852 Donald Cameron](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what assessments it has made in relation to people living in care homes receiving a flu vaccination.

**[S5W-31853 Donald Cameron](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government between what dates it plans to make flu vaccinations available to the public in 2020-21.

**[S5W-31854 Donald Cameron](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has set a target for delivering flu vaccinations and, if so, what that is.

**[S5W-31855 Donald Cameron](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many people it estimates are eligible for a free flu vaccination in 2020-21.

**[S5W-31856 Donald Cameron](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what assessments it has made in relation to meeting demand for flu vaccinations in 2020-21.

**[S5W-31857 Donald Cameron](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many individual flu vaccinations it has in stock for 2020-21.

**[S5W-31858 Donald Cameron](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to administer flu vaccinations to the public in 2020-21.

**[S5W-31859 Donald Cameron](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what assessments it has made in relation to people who are in the shielding category receiving a flu vaccination, particularly in instances where they are unable to leave their home.

**[S5W-31860 Mark Griffin](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the UK Government consultation on changes to the Human Medicine Regulations to support the roll-out of COVID-19 vaccines, and whether it will publish any representation it has made to the Department of Health and Social Care on this matter.

**[S5W-31861 Liam McArthur](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government when it will provide updated COVID-19 health and safety guidance for taxi and private-hire car licensees.

**[S5W-31864 Liam McArthur](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what targets it has set for the electrification of ferry services; what progress has been made since 2016, and what contribution the electrification of ferries can make to achieving the plan for net-zero carbon emissions by 2045.

## New Subordinate Legislation

### New Subordinate Legislation

#### Made Affirmative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 16 September 2020 and is subject to the made affirmative procedure—

Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 (Meetings of Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/284)  
Laid under paragraph 8(2) of schedule 14 of the Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act

#### Affirmative Instrument

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 16 September 2020 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Welfare of Farmed Animals (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/draft)  
Laid under section 51(3) of the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006

#### Documents Subject to Approval

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 16 September 2020 and is subject to approval—

Code of Practice for the Welfare of Laying Hens (Revocation) (Scotland) Notice 2020 (SSI SG/2020/182)  
Laid under section 37(7)(a) of the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006

#### Laid Only

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 16 September 2020 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Management of Offenders (Scotland) Act 2019 (Commencement No. 5 and Saving Provisions) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/283 (C.24))  
Laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

## 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)**

Passed, 26 August 2020

### **Children (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 25 August 2020

### **Culpable Homicide (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 1 June 2020

*Lead Committee – Justice*

### **Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice Committee)), 15 September 2020

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

Stage 1 (lead committee, Rural Economy and Connectivity), 16 September 2020

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

Introduced, 5 May 2020

*Lead Committee – Local Government and Communities*

### **Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill (M)**



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Introduced, 1 June 2020

*Lead Committee – Local Government and Communities*

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

Stage 1 debate, (Meeting of the Parliament), 1 October 2020

*Stage 1 Report – Health and Sport Committee (9th report, 2020)*

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

Introduced, 23 April 2020

*Lead committee – Justice*

### **Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work)), 8 September 2020

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

Introduced, 9 March 2020

*Lead committee – Health and Sport*

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

Stage 2, 28 October 2020

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 8 October with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

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

Introduced, 21 May 2020

*Lead Committee - Justice*

### **Pre-release Access to Official Statistics (Scotland) Bill (C)**

Introduced, 8 September 2020

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

Stage 1 debate, (Meeting of the Parliament), 24 September 2020

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Education and Skills)), 19 August 2020

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

Stage 1 completed, 10 September 2020

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

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

Stage 3 debate (meeting of the Parliament), 29 September 2020

*Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Tuesday 22 September with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

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

Consideration Stage completed, 7 September 2020

*Final Stage amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))

### **Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill (M)**

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

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

Introduced, 29 April 2020

*Lead committee – Local Government and Communities*

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 21 September 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.*

### **United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 1 September 2020

*Lead Committee – Equalities and Human Rights*

### **Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 1 June 2020

*Lead committee – Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform*

## **Legislative Consent Memorandums**

**A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:**

<http://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/31313.aspx>

### **Agriculture Bill LCM-S5-38**

Lodged on 4 May 2020

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee report, 15 May 2020

### **Agriculture Bill Supplementary LCM-S5-38a**

Lodged on 18 August 2020

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee, 26 August 2020

Meeting of the Parliament, 1 September 2020

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

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Lodged on 26 February 2020  
Lead committee – Justice  
Meeting of the Parliament, 24 March 2020

#### **Domestic Abuse Bill LCM-S5-35**

Lodged on 16 March 2020  
Justice Committee, 2 June 2020  
Meeting of the Parliament, 17 June 2020

#### **Environment Bill LCM-S5-39**

Lodged on 27 May 2020  
Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee Report, 19 June 2020

#### **Fisheries Bill LCM-S5-41**

Lodged on 15 June 2020  
Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee Report, 24 August 2020  
Meeting of the Parliament, 9 September 2020

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

Lodged on 25 June 2020  
Social Security Committee, 20 August 2020

#### **Medicines and Medical Devices Bill LCM-S5-43**

Lodged on 18 August 2020  
Lead committee – Health and Sport

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

Lodged on 30 March 2020  
Justice Committee, 2 June 2020  
Meeting of the Parliament, 17 June 2020

#### **Trade Bill LCM-S5-44**

Lodged on 18 August 2020  
Lead committee – Finance and Constitution

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

#### **Made affirmative instruments**

**Subject to approval by 17 September 2020**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 10\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/252\)](#) (21 August 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 20 September 2020**

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[Health Protection \(Coronavirus, Restrictions\) \(Aberdeen City\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/253\)](#) (24 August 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

**Subject to approval by 23 September 2020**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 13\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/261\)](#) (27 August 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus, Restrictions\) \(Directions by Local Authorities\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/262\)](#) (27 August 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

**Subject to approval by 24 September 2020**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 11\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/263\)](#) (28 August 2020)

**Subject to approval by 29 September 2020**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 12\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/271\)](#) (2 September 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 1 October 2020**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 13\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/274\)](#) (4 September 2020)

**Subject to approval by 8 October 2020**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/279\)](#) (11 September 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 14\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/280\)](#) (11 September 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 27 October 2020**

[Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 \(Meetings of Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations\) \(Coronavirus\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/284\)](#) (15 September 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

## Affirmative instruments

**Lead committee approval by 18 September 2020**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

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

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

### **Lead committee approval by 29 September 2020**

[Management of Offenders \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Consequential Amendments\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (21 August 2020) (Justice Committee)

### **Lead committee approval by 2 October 2020**

[Equality Act 2010 \(Specification of Public Authorities\) \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (24 August 2020) (Justice Committee)

[Coronavirus \(Scotland\) Acts \(Amendment of Expiry Dates\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (24 August 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

### **Lead committee approval by 6 October 2020**

[Marine Licensing \(Exempted Activities\) \(Scottish Inshore Region\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (28 August 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

### **Lead committee approval by 9 October 2020**

[Winter Heating Assistance for Children and Young People \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (31 August 2020) (Social Security Committee)

[Scottish Parliament \(Constituencies and Regions\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (31 August 2020) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

### **Lead committee approval by 9 October 2020**

[Insolvency Act 1986 \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (2 September 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

### **Lead committee approval by 2 November 2020**

[Scottish Child Payment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (8 September 2020) (Social Security Committee)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Social Security Chamber \(Procedure and Composition\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (8 September 2020) (Social Security Committee)

### **Lead committee approval by 5 November 2020**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

[Children's Hearings \(Scotland\) Act 2011 \(Children's Advocacy Services\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (11 September 2020) (Education and Skills Committee)

**Lead committee approval by 10 November 2020**

[Welfare of Farmed Animals \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (16 September 2020) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

## Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment by 12 September 2020**

**Lead Committee report due by 7 September 2020**

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

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

**Subject to annulment by 29 September 2020**

**Lead Committee report due by 28 September 2020**

[Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland \(Practice and Procedure\) \(No. 2\) Amendment Rules 2020 \(SSI 2020/246\)](#) (21 August 2020) (Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 28 September 2020**

**Lead Committee report due by 2 October 2020**

[Coronavirus \(Scotland\) Acts \(Early Expiry of Provisions\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/249\)](#) (24 August 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 28 September 2020**

**Lead Committee report due by 3 October 2020**

[Town and Country Planning \(Emergency Period and Extended Period\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/254\)](#) (25 August 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

**Subject to annulment 5 October 2020**

**Lead Committee report due by 5 October 2020**

[National Health Service \(Free Prescriptions and Charges for Drugs and Appliances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/258\)](#) (27 August 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 6 October 2020**

**Lead Committee report due by 5 October 2020**

[Coronavirus \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Suspension: Muirburn\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/260\)](#) (28 August 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

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**Lead Committee report due by 9 October 2020**

[Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Rules 2020 \(SSI 2020/264\)](#) (31 August 2020) (Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment 10 October 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 5 October 2020**

[Coronavirus \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Suspension: Adults with Incapacity\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/267\)](#) (1 September 2020)(COVID-19 Committee)

[Homeless Persons \(Unsuitable Accommodation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(Coronavirus\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/268\)](#) (1 September 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

**Subject to annulment 29 October 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 26 October 2020**

[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Reverse Vending Machines\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/269\)](#) (4 September 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

[Coronavirus \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Eviction from Dwelling-houses\) \(Notice Periods\) Modification Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/270\)](#) (4 September 2020) (COVID-19 Committee)

**Subject to annulment 3 November 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 2 November 2020**

[Building \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/275\)](#) (9 September 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

**Subject to annulment 8 November 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 2 November 2020**

[Climate Change \(Duties of Public Bodies: Reporting Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/281\)](#) (14 September 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

### Documents Subject to Approval

**Subject to approval 10 November 2020**

[Code of Practice for the Welfare of Laying Hens \(Revocation\) \(Scotland\) Notice 2020 \(SSI SG/2020/182\)](#) (16 September 2020) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

## Petitions

The following petitions were lodged with the Parliament on 15 September 2020;

**PE1820: Compulsory bereavement education in schools; and**

**PE1821: Renovate unused buildings to create homes for homeless people.**

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

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



## New Documents

### Committee Reports

The following report was published on 15 September 2020—

Health and Sport Committee, 11th Report, 2020 (Session 5): Subordinate legislation considered by the Health and Sport Committee on 15 September 2020 (SP Paper 806)

The following report was published on 16 September 2020—

Covid-19 Committee, 7th Report, 2020 (Session 5): Subordinate Legislation Considered by the Covid-19 Committee on 16 September 2020 (SP Paper 808)

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 16 September 2020 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 13 September 2020 SG/2020/181** laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

**Care Inspectorate: Fortnightly report to the Scottish Parliament on Care Inspectorate inspections – 16 September 2020 SG/2020/180** laid under Section 53A of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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