

Tuesday 23 February 2021

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Topical Questions

The Presiding Officer has not selected any topical questions.

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Rt Rev Dr Martin Fair, Moderator, General Assembly of the Church of Scotland

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: COVID-19

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**6:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — John Finnie: Investing in Scotland's Railways

### Committee Meetings

**9:00am** Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

**9:00am** Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

**9:45am** Health and Sport Committee

**9:45am** Justice Committee

**11:45am** Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

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**[S5M-24196](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Stage 3 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limits indicated, those time limits being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended (other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called) or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 5: 30 minutes

Groups 6 to 8: 1 hour

Groups 9 to 11: 1 hour and 40 minutes.

**[S5M-24192](#) Paul Wheelhouse: Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill be passed.

**followed by Committee Announcements**

**followed by Business Motions**

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**6:00 pm Decision Time**

**followed by Members' Business — John Finnie: Investing in Scotland's Railways**

**[S5M-24139](#) John Finnie: Investing in Scotland's Railways**—That the Parliament believes that investing in expanding, upgrading and decarbonising the rail network could play an important role in Scotland's economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, creating jobs and reducing emissions from other forms of transport; welcomes the growing debate around future investment plans for rail, including the proposals set out in the *Rail for All* report; notes the view that upgrading and electrifying the Highland Main Line in particular could be of strategic importance, given its importance to Highland communities; understands that transport freight by rail to the Highlands

could make a significant contribution to reducing emissions and relieving congestion on roads, and notes calls for the rapid decarbonisation of Scotland's rail network in line with the country's climate targets.

## Committee Meetings

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

### Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee 6th Meeting, 2021

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).
3. **Climate Change Plan:** The Committee will consider its response to the Scottish Government.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 8th Meeting, 2021

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

1. **EU exit and the environment:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
  
Roseanna Cunningham, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform;  
Katriona Carmichael, Deputy Director, Future Environment (Environment and Forestry),  
Don McGillivray, Deputy Director, Environmental Quality and Circular Economy  
Division, and Euan Page, Head of UK Frameworks, Scottish Government.
2. **Public petitions:** The Committee will consider the following petitions—  
PE1490: Control of wild goose numbers;  
PE1615: State Regulated Licensing System for Gamebird Hunting;  
PE1636: Require single use drinks cups to be biodegradable;  
PE1664: Greater protection for mountain hares;  
PE1705: Wildlife crime - penalties and investigation;  
PE1750: Independent Monitoring of Satellite tags fitted to raptors;  
PE1751: Create no wild camp zones in Scotland;  
PE1755: Ban all single use plastics across Scotland;  
PE1758: End greyhound racing in Scotland;  
PE1762: End the killing of wildlife on grouse moors and elsewhere in Scotland; and  
PE1815: Translocate protected beavers to reduce licensed killing.
3. **EU exit and the environment (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Climate Change Plan (in private):** The Committee will consider its response to the Scottish Government.

### Health and Sport Committee

## 7th Meeting, 2021

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in a virtual meeting to be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv)

1. **Affirmative subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on The Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 (Adult Carers and Young Carers of Terminally Ill Persons: Timescales for Adult Carer Support Plans and Young Carer Statements etc.) Regulations 2021 [draft] from—  
Mairi Gougeon, Minister for Public Health and Sport, John Paterson, Solicitor and Deputy Director, Legal Directorate, Lindsey Henderson, Head of Carers Policy, and Joanne Pierce, Carers Policy Officer, Scottish Government.
2. **Affirmative subordinate legislation:** Mairi Gougeon, Minister for Public Health and Sport, to move—S5M-24035—That the Health and Sport Committee recommends that The Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 (Adult Carers and Young Carers of Terminally Ill Persons: Timescales for Adult Carer Support Plans and Young Carer Statements etc.) Regulations 2021 [draft] be approved.
3. **Affirmative subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on The Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2021 [draft] from—  
Mairi Gougeon, Minister for Public Health and Sport, Marianne Barker, Unit Head, Social Care Policy and Delivery Division, and Ian Golightly, Policy Officer, Social Care Policy and Delivery Division, Scottish Government.
4. **Affirmative subordinate legislation:** Mairi Gougeon, Minister for Public Health and Sport, to move—S5M-24001—That the Health and Sport Committee recommends that The Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2021 [draft] be approved.
5. **Social Care Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Viv Dickenson, Chief Executive Officer, CrossReach;  
Susan Dumbleton, Carer;  
Eddie Fraser, Chief Executive, East Ayrshire Council;  
Annie Gunner Logan, Director, Coalition of Care and Support Providers in Scotland;  
Cassie Hersee, Manager, Isle View Nursing Home, Aultbea;  
Dr Ann Wilson, individual in receipt of care.
6. **University of St. Andrews (Degrees in Medicine and Dentistry) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.
7. **Social Care Inquiry (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

## Justice Committee

### 8th Meeting, 2021

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 10 in private.
2. **Financial Services Bill and Counter-Terrorism and Sentencing Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the legislative consent memorandums lodged by Humza Yousaf (LCM(S5)51) and (LCM(S5)52) .
3. **Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).

4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003 (Supplemental Provisions) Order 2021 [draft] from—  
Humza Yousaf, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Zak Tuck, Victims and Witnesses Team Leader, John Wallace, Policy Officer, Victims and Witnesses, and Nicholas Duffy, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** Humza Yousaf (Cabinet Secretary for Justice) to move—  
S5M-23986—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003 (Supplemental Provisions) Order 2021 [draft] be approved.
6. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Community Orders (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 [draft] from—  
Humza Yousaf, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, David Doris, Community Interventions Team Leader, and Nicholas Duffy, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
7. **Subordinate legislation:** Humza Yousaf (Cabinet Secretary for Justice) to move—  
S5M-24033—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Community Orders (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 [draft] be approved.
8. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
The Restorative Justice (Prescribed Persons) (Scotland) Order 2021 (SSI 2021/40)
9. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting held on 15 February 2021.
10. **Malicious prosecutions and the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service:** The Committee will consider a note from the clerk.

### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 7th Meeting, 2021

The Committee will meet at 11:45 am in a virtual meeting and will be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv).

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 8 in private.
2. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider whether the following instruments have been laid under the appropriate procedure and given the appropriate categorisation—  
[Food, Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/66\)](#).
3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider whether the following instrument has been given the appropriate categorisation—  
[Plant Health \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#);  
[Trade in Animals and Related Products \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#).
4. **Instruments subject to made affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following —  
[Rural Support \(Controls\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/72\)](#).
5. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Trade in Animals and Related Products \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#);  
[Plant Health \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#);  
[Disability Assistance for Children and Young People \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#);

[Social Security \(Up-rating\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#);  
[Social Security Information-sharing \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#);  
[Scottish Parliament \(Elections etc.\) Amendment \(Coronavirus\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#).

6. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Food, Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/66\)](#);  
[Food Information \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/70\)](#);  
[Police Act 1997 and the Protection of Vulnerable Groups \(Scotland\) Act 2007 \(Fees\) \(Coronavirus\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/71\)](#);  
[Scotland Act 1998 \(Agency Arrangements\) \(Specification\) \(Overseas Production Orders\) Order 2021 \(SI 2021/144\)](#).
7. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session 1994 and Sheriff Court Rules Amendment\) \(Miscellaneous\) 2021 \(SSI 2021/75\)](#).
8. **Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the response from the Member in Charge, Pauline McNeill MSP, on points raised on the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 17 February 2021

### Wednesday 24 February 2021

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Economy, Fair Work and Culture  
Education and Skills

**followed by** Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Prisoner Voting

**followed by** Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Fair Funding for Local Government

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**4:50 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — Christine Grahame: Citizens Advice Scotland Helps More People

### Thursday 25 February 2021

**12:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**12:30 pm** First Minister's Questions

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Health and Sport

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Budget (Scotland) (No.5) Bill

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Rate Resolution

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**6:00 pm** Decision Time

### Tuesday 2 March 2021

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: COVID-19

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions



**5:30 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### **Wednesday 3 March 2021**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Communities and Local Government; Social Security and Older People

**followed by** Scottish Labour Party Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**4:50 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### **Thursday 4 March 2021**

**12:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**12:30 pm** First Minister's Questions

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Question Time

**followed by** Portfolio Questions: Finance

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Pre-release Access to Official Statistics (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Scottish Parliamentary Standards (Sexual Harassment and Complaints Process) Bill

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: International Women's Day - Inspiring Women

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**5:40 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.

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

### Education and Skills Committee

24 February 2021

7th Meeting, 2021

The Committee will meet at 8:30 am in a virtual meeting

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Johann Lamont MSP;  
Bill Scott, Senior Policy Advisor, Inclusion Scotland;  
Robert McGeachy, Policy and Engagement Manager, Camphill Scotland.
3. **Review of evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Proposed future business

For further information, contact Gary Cocker the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are [es.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:es.committee@parliament.scot)

### Local Government and Communities Committee

24 February 2021

9th Meeting, 2021

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
John Blackwood, Chief Executive, Scottish Association of Landlords;  
Tony Cain, Policy Manager, Association of Local Authority Chief Housing Officers;  
Gordon Maloney, National Committee Member, Living Rent;  
and then from—  
Nina Ballantyne, Strategic Lead, Social Justice, Citizen's Advice Scotland;  
Professor Douglas Robertson, Consultant & Housing researcher, Stirling University - retired.
3. **European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—

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Non-Domestic Rating (Valuation of Utilities) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2021 (SSI 2021/59);

Non-Domestic Rate (Scotland) Order 2021 (SSI 2021/63);

Non-Domestic Rates (District Heating Relief and Renewable Energy Generation Relief) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/64);

Non-Domestic Rates (Levying and Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/65).

5. **Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 3 March, the Committee expects to take evidence from Pauline McNeil on the Fair Rents Bill.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

### **Public Petitions Committee**

**24 February 2021**

**5th Meeting, 2021**

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. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
  - PE1662: Improve Treatment for Patients with Lyme Disease and Associated Tick-borne Diseases and will take evidence from Mairi Gougeon, Minister for Public Health and Sport; Dr Gill Hawkins, Senior Medical Officer Health Protection and Public Health; and Professor Tom Evans, CMO Specialty Adviser in Infectious Diseases, Scottish Government.
  - PE1804: Halt Highlands and Islands Airports Ltd's Air Traffic Management Strategy and will take evidence from Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity; and Gary Cox, Head of Aviation, Transport Scotland.
3. **Review of the Public Petitions system:** The Committee will consider a paper on the Review of the Public Petitions system.
4. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2020 to 24 March 2021.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the clerk to the Committee, Lynn Russell, on 0131 348 5254 or [petitions@parliament.scot](mailto:petitions@parliament.scot)

### **Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee**

**24 February 2021**

**7th Meeting, 2021**

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

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- Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
M8 and M9 Trunk Roads (Newbridge to Hermiston Gait) (Actively Managed Hard Shoulder and Speed Limit Amendment) Regulations 2021.  
  
Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Act 2018 (Consequential, Saving and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2021.  
  
Scottish Road Works Register (Prescribed Fees) Regulations 2021.
- 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 proposal—  
The Approved Lists (Animals and Animal Products) (Amendment) Regulations 2021.
- Climate Change Plan (in private):** The Committee will consider its response to the Scottish Government.

### **Proposed future business**

The Committee is likely to next meet on 3 March 2021. For further information, contact Steve Farrell the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are [rec.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:rec.committee@parliament.scot).

### **Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee**

**25 February 2021**

**7th Meeting, 2021**

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in a virtual meeting that will be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv)

- EU-UK trade and co-operation agreement:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
  
David McAllister MEP, Chair, UK Coordination Group in the European Parliament;  
and then from—  
Dr Richard Torbett, Chief Executive, Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry;  
Dr Darren Budd, Managing Director, UK and Ireland, BASF Ltd.
- Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### **Proposed future business**

The next meeting of the Committee is on 4 March. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Herbert, on [europe@parliament.scot](mailto:europe@parliament.scot).

### **Equalities and Human Rights Committee**

**25 February 2021**

**6th Meeting, 2021**

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a virtual meeting broadcast live on SPTV

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private and whether to consider a draft legacy report and draft annual report in private at future meetings.

2. **Evidence from Equality and Human Rights Commission and Scottish Human Rights Commission:** The Committee will take evidence from-

John Wilkes, Head of Scotland for the Commission, and Lynn Welsh, Head of Legal for the Commission, Equality and Human Rights Commission;  
and then from—  
Judith Robertson, Chair, and Dr Alan Mitchell, Commissioner, Scottish Human Rights Commission.

3. **Evidence from Equality and Human Rights Commission and Scottish Human Rights Commission:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at item 2.

4. **Independent Human Rights Act Review:** The Committee will consider a draft response to the Independent Human Rights Act Review.

**Proposed future business**

For information on the future work of the committee, please contact Claire Menzies the clerk to the Committee on [equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot](mailto:equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot).

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

**25 February 2021**

**7th Meeting, 2021**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 4, 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Major Capital Projects:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Alyson Stafford, Director-General, Scottish Exchequer, Gary Gillespie, Chief Economist, Rachel Gwyon, Deputy Director, Infrastructure and Investment, and Alan Morrison, Deputy Director, Health Infrastructure, Scottish Government;  
Bill Reeve, Director of Rail, Transport Scotland;  
Kerry Alexander, Director of Infrastructure Finance and Programmes, and Gemma Boggs, Senior Associate Director, Social Infrastructure, Scottish Futures Trust.

3. **Section 23 report - NHS in Scotland 2020:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Angela Canning, Audit Director, Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, and Eva Thomas-Tudo, Senior Auditor, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland.

4. **Section 23 report - NHS in Scotland 2020:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—

Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Angela Canning, Audit Director, Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, and Eva Thomas-Tudo, Senior Auditor, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland.

5. **Major Capital Projects:** 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.

- Post-legislative scrutiny - The Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016:** The Committee will consider responses to the consultation on its draft report.
- Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee Lucy Scharbert at [papls.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:papls.committee@parliament.scot)

### **Social Security Committee**

**25 February 2021**

**5th Meeting, 2021**

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private. The Committee is also invited to agree that consideration of draft legacy and annual reports will be taken in private at future meetings.
- Child Disability Payment:** The Committee will take evidence on the draft Child Disability Payment Regulations from members of the Scottish Campaign on Rights to Social Security

—  
Bill Scott, Senior Policy Advisor, Inclusion Scotland;  
Anne Baldock, Financial Inclusion Programme Co-ordinator, One Parent Families Scotland;  
Ed Pybus, Welfare Rights Worker, CPAG in Scotland.

- Child Disability Payment:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- The Social Security Response to Covid.** The Committee will consider a draft inquiry report.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 04 March, the Committee expects to take evidence from Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People on 4 affirmative instruments and 1 negative instrument . For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

### **Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee**

**25 February 2021**

**5th Meeting, 2021**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in a virtual meeting

- Standing Order Rule Changes (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report and draft Standing Order Rule Changes in relation to financial scrutiny.
- Standing Order Rule Changes (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report and draft Standing Order Rule Changes in relation to committees.
- Standing Order Rule changes (in private):** The Committee will consider the Standing Order Rules in relation to legislation.

**Proposed future business**

The Committee will next meet on 4 March 2021.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katy Orr, at [SPPACCommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:SPPACCommittee@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-24206](#) Annie Wells: Fair Funding for Local Government**—That the Parliament believes that local government should have its own fiscal framework that will automatically entitle it to a fixed proportion of the Scottish Budget each year, thereby enshrining fair funding in law.

**\*[S5M-24205](#) Liam Kerr: Prisoner Voting**—That the Parliament believes that no individual serving a prison sentence, including criminals convicted of serious assault, robbery and sexual offences, should be allowed to vote in the 2021 Scottish Parliament election.

**\*[S5M-24192](#) Paul Wheelhouse: Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill be passed.

Supported by: Michael Matheson\*

## Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

**\*[S5M-24199](#) Alexander Burnett: Further Support for Autism and Learning Disabilities**—That the Parliament commends ENABLE Scotland, National Autistic Society Scotland, Scottish Autism, people with a learning disability, autistic people, families, carers, professionals and academics, who have come together to campaign for what they consider is much-needed change; commends the vision and aspirations of the Scottish Strategy on Autism and the Keys to Life Strategy for people with a learning disability, both of which come to an end in 2021; considers that there is still much more work to be done to realise the aspirations of these strategies across a range of areas, and that this is evident from the members of the Cross-Party Groups on Autism and Learning Disability; believes that such areas include diagnosis, post-diagnosis support, additional support in school, access to employment, social care, quality and appropriate healthcare and housing and advocacy, as well as training for professionals and greater understanding among Scottish society, including in the Aberdeenshire West constituency, and notes the calls for a new commissioner role to bring further accountability to the system, uphold the rights of autistic people and people with a learning disability, and their families, and improve access to services and support so that they can be equal members of society.



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### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*S5M-24200 Emma Harper: Behind the Mask**—That the Parliament congratulates Dumfries-based William Gillon-Maxwell on creating the Behind the Mask platform, which seeks to promote and support positive health and wellbeing, both during and after the current COVID-19 lockdown restrictions; understands that, in December 2020, William set up Behind the Mask following his own challenges with mental health, with the aim of allowing people space to access support resources, coping techniques and strategies to positively address the challenges caused by poor mental health, which have been exacerbated by COVID-19 and lockdown restrictions; notes that Behind the Mask offers blog space, inspirational and positive quotes, tips on healthy eating and diet, which can contribute to positive wellbeing, as well as products such as positivity cards, wellbeing boxes and relaxation tools; further notes that it is William's aim, once COVID-19 restrictions allow, to create a safe space that allows people to chat, socialise, discuss and share their mental health journey, and to organise social events such as runs, cycles and other activities to promote positive mental health and wellbeing and to raise funds for mental health charities; thanks William for his efforts to support and promote mental health and wellbeing; wishes him every success for the future, and encourages everyone to read more about Behind the Mask at [behindmask.co.uk](http://behindmask.co.uk).

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Richard Lyle\*, Rona Mackay\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**\*S5M-24197 Sandra White: Glasgow, the World's Friendliest City**—That the Parliament welcomes the results of the recent Rough Guides survey which named Glasgow as the world's friendliest city, following a public vote on the Rough Guides social media channels; recognises that this is the second time Glasgow has been given this title, following its recognition in 2014; commends the people of the city on this worldwide accolade, and agrees that it is the people who make Glasgow.

Supported by: James Dornan\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Richard Lyle\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Pauline McNeill\*, Rona Mackay\*, Bob Doris\*, Jackie Baillie\*

**\*S5M-24196 Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Stage 3 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limits indicated, those time limits being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended (other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called) or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 5: 30 minutes

Groups 6 to 8: 1 hour

Groups 9 to 11: 1 hour and 40 minutes.

**\*S5M-24194 Alexander Stewart: Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month 2021**—That the Parliament welcomes the annual Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, which runs throughout March

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2021; understands that many ovarian cancer charities come together for this event, including The Eve Appeal, Ovacome, Target Ovarian Cancer, Ovarian Cancer Action; acknowledges that it gives everyone an opportunity to work together to ensure that women and GPs are more aware of the symptoms and the vital importance of early diagnosis; believes that over a quarter of women are diagnosed through emergency presentation, which means that they find about the condition very late; understands that this can lead to more invasive treatment and lower survival chances; notes that, although this figure is falling, as a result of the fantastic work that has already been done, it is still unacceptably high, and commends the sterling work of everyone involved with the event.

Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Peter Chapman\*, Monica Lennon\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Bill Kidd\*, Iain Gray\*, Sandra White\*, Pauline McNeill\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

**\*S5M-24193 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Scotland's Mental Health Partnership Launches Promote, Prevent, Provide**—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of Promote, Prevent, Provide, setting out Scotland's Mental Health Partnership's policy priorities for the next Scottish administration; recognises that the Partnership is a group of 17 organisations from across the sector, including lived experience, third sector and health practitioner representatives; supports its calls for a Scotland where good mental health and wellbeing is enjoyed by all, and notes its proposals for policies to promote this, prevent poor mental health and provide appropriate care and support to people with mental ill health.

Supported by: Pauline McNeill\*, Alison Johnstone\*, Beatrice Wishart\*, Liam McArthur\*, Mark McDonald\*

**\*S5M-24191 Alexander Stewart: Brain Tumour Awareness Month 2021**—That the Parliament acknowledges that March 2021 is Brain Tumour Awareness Month; understands that this annual event was initiated by the charity, Brain Tumour Research, to highlight and share powerful statistics about, and raise awareness of, brain tumours and the need for greater research funding; notes that, along with many other charities, including The Brain Tumour Charity, Brains Trust UK, Children With Cancer UK, and Headway, Brain Tumour Research will stage many events during the month, and throughout the year, to raise funds for research into and awareness of the condition, and sends its very best wishes to all involved with this work.

Supported by: Peter Chapman\*, Miles Briggs\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Monica Lennon\*, Liam Kerr\*, Liam McArthur\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jamie Greene\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Pauline McNeill\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

**\*S5M-24190 Graeme Dey: Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) Amendment (Coronavirus) Order 2021 [draft]**—That the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee recommends that the Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) Amendment (Coronavirus) Order 2021 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Michael Russell\*

**\*S5M-24189 Michael Matheson: Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 6) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/81)**—That the Health and Sport Committee recommends that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (International Travel) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 6) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/81) be approved.

Supported by: Paul Wheelhouse\*

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**\*S5M-24188 Michael Russell: Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 16) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/86)**—That the COVID-19 Committee recommends that the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 16) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/86) be approved.

Supported by: Graeme Dey\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**\*S5M-24186 Mary Fee: Tesco Installing Changing Places Toilets**—That the Parliament recognises Tesco for its commitment to introducing changing places toilets to its larger stores across Scotland; notes that six of its 100 changing places toilets in the UK are in Scotland, which are located in its Annan, Lockerbie, Fraserburgh and Wick superstores and its Ayr and Port Glasgow "Extra" stores; considers that this is an important change that ensures that its stores are more accessible for all of its customers and better suits the needs of disabled customers and their carers; believes that these facilities can help to boost tourism in these areas as many families with disabled members are limited in the range of places that they can visit due to no facilities being made available; acknowledges that, as more Tesco stores are built and refurbished, there is an expectation that more changing places toilets will open up across Scotland, and encourages other businesses to invest money into the creation of changing places toilets at their locations.

Supported by: Monica Lennon\*, Bill Kidd\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Iain Gray\*, Pauline McNeill\*

**\*S5M-24185 Mark Griffin: Launch of Carer Aware at University**—That the Parliament welcomes Carer Aware at University, which is an innovative online module developed by Carers Trust Scotland, in partnership with The Open University in Scotland, and funded by the Scottish Funding Council; appreciates that the module will help university professionals to reflect on the challenges students with unpaid caring responsibilities face, the impact on their education, and the important role university staff can have in supporting them; notes that student carers are not always recognised by education professionals as undertaking a caring role; understands that student carers can greatly benefit from dedicated support provision from their university, and believes that appropriate training to universities should be endorsed to ensure that student carers are better supported and have a fair chance to be successful in their own education and achieve their true potential in all aspects of their lives.

Supported by: Monica Lennon\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Pauline McNeill\*, Claudia Beamish\*, Iain Gray\*

**\*S5M-24184 Donald Cameron: Campbeltown Town Centre Wins Scotland's Most Improved Place Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the people of Campbeltown on their success in winning recognition as Scotland's most improved place in the 2020 SURF Awards; recognises that this award is due to the hard work and commitment of the town's people, and of Argyll and Bute Council and its key partners; welcomes indications that the improvements, which includes an investment of £13 million in the town centre; understands that this is already attracting interest from new businesses in Campbeltown, and expresses thanks to the external funders of SURF, which include Historic Environment Scotland, the Heritage Lottery, the National Lottery, Argyll and the Islands LEADER and many others.

Supported by: Andy Wightman\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Peter Chapman\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Miles Briggs\*, Liam Kerr\*, Jamie Greene\*

## Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

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**[S5M-24187 Ben Macpherson: Zoonoses Amendment \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/83\)](#)** (lodged on 19 February 2021)

New Support: Fergus Ewing\*

**[S5M-24183 Gil Paterson: East Dunbartonshire One of the Best Places in the UK to Live and Work](#)** (lodged on 19 February 2021)

New Support: Sandra White\*, Maureen Watt\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-24182 Gil Paterson: Milngavie Resident Pushes for a Greener Scotland with Sustainable Local Delivery Service](#)** (lodged on 19 February 2021)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson\*, Maureen Watt\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Sandra White\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-24181 Rona Mackay: Eating Disorder Awareness Week 2021](#)** (lodged on 19 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*, Gil Paterson\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Maureen Watt\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Richard Lyle\*, Shona Robison\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-24180 Mark McDonald: Friends of ANCHOR Pledges £100,000 for Cancer Research in the North East](#)** (lodged on 19 February 2021)

New Support: Gil Paterson\*, Alison Johnstone\*, Maureen Watt\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-24179 Gil Paterson: Faifley Resident Embarking on Virtual West Highland Way Fundraiser](#)** (lodged on 18 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-24176 Angus MacDonald: 80th Anniversary of 470 \(Falkirk\) Squadron Air Training Corps](#)** (lodged on 18 February 2021)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson\*, Maureen Watt\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-24175 Gil Paterson: Golden Friendship Group Spread the Love this Valentine's Day](#)** (lodged on 18 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-24174 Claudia Beamish: NHS Lanarkshire Bike Appeal](#)** (lodged on 17 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*, Maureen Watt\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-24172 Bob Doris: Advice Direct, Scotland's new Scotland-specific Benefits Calculator](#)** (lodged on 17 February 2021)

New Support: John Mason\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Gil Paterson\*, Maureen Watt\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Sandra White\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*

**[S5M-24154 Gail Ross: Scotland's Potential to be a Rewilding Nation](#)** (lodged on 17 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*, Maureen Watt\*

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**[S5M-24152](#) Alex Rowley: National Centres of Excellence in Low Carbon Skills** (lodged on 16 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-24150](#) Alexander Burnett: Huntly Community Spirit** (lodged on 16 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-24147](#) Rona Mackay: Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus and Orchestra Raises £390,000 for CHAS** (lodged on 16 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-24144.1](#) Joan McAlpine: Threats of Violence Against Elected Representatives** (lodged on 19 February 2021)

New Support: Gil Paterson\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Mark McDonald\*

**[S5M-24142](#) Kenneth Gibson: Scotland's Industrial Biotechnology Sector Exceeds Growth Expectations** (lodged on 16 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-24141](#) Clare Adamson: In Memory of Sydney Devine** (lodged on 16 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*, Donald Cameron\*

**[S5M-24140](#) Rona Mackay: Fairtrade Fortnight in Strathkelvin and Bearsden** (lodged on 16 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*, Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-24132](#) Bill Kidd: Chinese Year of the Ox** (lodged on 15 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*, Jackie Baillie\*

**[S5M-24131](#) Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Maggie's 50 Miles in January Running Challenge** (lodged on 15 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*, Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

**[S5M-24129](#) Lewis Macdonald: World's First Hydrogen Double-decker Bus Launched into service in Aberdeen** (lodged on 12 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-24118](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: LGBTQ+ History Month** (lodged on 11 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-24114](#) Annabelle Ewing: Congratulations to Joanne Saurin, Empty Homes Officer, Fife Council** (lodged on 11 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-24113](#) Gil Paterson: Bankie Josie's Support for NHSGGC Appeal is "From the Heart"** (lodged on 10 February 2021)

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New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24110](#) **Brian Whittle: Police Horse, Orkney** (lodged on 11 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24101](#) **Rachael Hamilton: NHS Borders Maternity Ward Award** (lodged on 11 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24094](#) **Colin Beattie: Itihaas and the Radhuni helping Local Heroes** (lodged on 08 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24090](#) **Kenneth Gibson: McTaggart Group to Deliver up to 55 Positions for Young People** (lodged on 09 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24089](#) **Gail Ross: University of the Highlands and Islands celebrates 10 years.** (lodged on 08 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24088](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Dyslexia and the Covid Pandemic** (lodged on 08 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

[S5M-24087](#) **Mary Fee: International Epilepsy Awareness Day** (lodged on 08 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*, Colin Smyth\*

[S5M-24086](#) **Clare Adamson: Beauty Kitchen's Success at Natural Health Beauty Awards** (lodged on 08 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24083](#) **Alasdair Allan: SS Politician Wreckage 80th Anniversary** (lodged on 08 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24080](#) **Clare Adamson: In Memory of Milo the Guide Dog** (lodged on 05 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24077](#) **Neil Findlay: Rachel Kennedy and her Family and Friends Raise Funds for Cervical Cancer Awareness** (lodged on 11 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

[S5M-24069](#) **Iain Gray: First Anniversary of the Independent Care Review, Keeping the Promise** (lodged on 04 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

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**[S5M-24068](#) Pauline McNeill: Michael Biggins, Young Traditional Musician of the Year**  
(lodged on 05 February 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-24037](#) Miles Briggs: Projected Palliative Care Need by 2040** (lodged on 02 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-24032](#) Mary Fee: Children's Mental Health Week** (lodged on 02 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-24024](#) Emma Harper: All Roads Lead to Whithorn** (lodged on 01 February 2021)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S5M-23879](#) Richard Lyle: Royal Honours for Grocers** (lodged on 18 January 2021)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

**[S5M-23722](#) Alexander Stewart: NHS Fife Pioneers New Prostate Procedure** (lodged on 16 December 2020)

New Support: Maureen Watt\*

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## Oral Questions

### Topical Questions selected for answer on 23 February 2021

No questions were selected.

### First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 25 February 2021

- Ruth Davidson:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04833](#))
- Jackie Baillie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04834](#))
- Willie Rennie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04835](#))
- Alison Johnstone:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04836](#))
- Stuart McMillan:** To ask the First Minister how much the Tenant Hardship Loan Fund has paid out to date to support tenants who are struggling with rent arrears. ([S5F-04852](#))
- Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the First Minister what the anticipated outcomes and timetable are for the Case Record Review into mesh implant surgeries, which is being led, as moderator, by Professor Alison Britton. ([S5F-04844](#))
- Rhoda Grant:** To ask the First Minister how the risk of COVID-19 transmission within Scottish courts is being mitigated, in light of the increase in prisoners testing positive within the prison estate. ([S5F-04848](#))

### Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 03 March 2021

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 24 February 2021. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 25 February 2021.

#### Communities and Local Government

- James Kelly
- Patrick Harvie
- Stuart McMillan
- Rhoda Grant
- Maureen Watt
- Iain Gray
- Annabelle Ewing
- Tom Mason

#### Social Security and Older People

- James Dornan
- Mark Ruskell
- Finlay Carson
- Daniel Johnson



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5. Mark Griffin
6. Edward Mountain
7. Stewart Stevenson
8. John Mason

### Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 04 March 2021

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 24 February 2021. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 25 February 2021.

### Finance

1. Miles Briggs
2. Colin Beattie
3. Liz Smith
4. Neil Bibby
5. Claudia Beamish
6. Jeremy Balfour
7. David Torrance
8. Alexander Burnett

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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 22 February 2021

**S5W-35373 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how much of the Victim/Witness Support budget is spent on victims' organisations that are based in the north east.

**S5W-35374 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how it allocated the £2 million of capital funding given to victim and witness support organisations in 2020-21, and what information it has regarding how this money was spent.

**S5W-35375 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its news release of 12 January 2021, *Reforming parole*, whether the proposals will extend to temporary release from prison.

**S5W-35376 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether details of convictions regarding common assaults of emergency workers will be published under their own category as part of the upcoming Criminal Proceedings in Scotland statistics.

**S5W-35377 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the next Victim Taskforce papers will include a paper, "catalogue on initiatives", which had been included in previous papers but not the most recent set.

**S5W-35378 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to reduce further the number of outstanding unpaid work hours given as part of community payback orders.

**S5W-35379 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of 79% of respondees to its recent consultation on the matter selecting this option, whether it will expand the number of victim statements that can be given at court to all victims of cases under solemn proceedings as well as victims of certain cases tried under summary proceedings.

**S5W-35380 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recommendation in the 2018 Inspectorate of Prosecution in Scotland paper, *Thematic Report on the Victims Right to Review*, whether the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service notifies all victims of a decision not to prosecute their case.

**S5W-35381 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish follow-up modelling of the number of trials in backlog, in light of the announcement that court business will be restricted until the end of March 2021.

**S5W-35382 Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recommendation made by the Justice Committee in the paper, *Report on post-legislative scrutiny of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 - The Police Service of Scotland*, whether it has introduced a resolution plan system for when a local authority does not agree with a local police plan.

**S5W-35383 Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government whether BS 8414 fire tests allow flammable cladding to be used on buildings and, in light of the position taken by the other UK administrations, whether it will ban their use.

**S5W-35395 Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that the process of deciding on criteria for national developments to be incorporated into National Planning Framework 4 will be participative, and whether it has considered using a citizen's assembly to discuss the proposals for national developments.

**S5W-35396 Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will decide the criteria for national developments to be incorporated into National Planning Framework 4, and what the process leading up to that decision will be.

**S5W-35397 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether there is a means for recently retired teachers to help support home learning or catch-up learning on a voluntary basis for pupils prevented from attending school due to COVID-19.

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**S5W-35398 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether people with severe asthma but not on the shielding list will be prioritised for the COVID-19 vaccine.

**S5W-35399 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it is working with the wedding industry to produce a route map to allow couples and industry stakeholders to plan for the relaxation of restrictions on weddings.

**S5W-35400 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether early years officers working in early years centres, who have regular contact with children, will be offered twice-weekly access to lateral flow COVID-19 testing, and what the reasons are for its position on this matter.

**S5W-35401 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether people who run baby sensory classes on a peripatetic basis, moving from community to community, qualify for the Mobile and Home-Based Close Contact Services Fund, and, if not, what support is available to them.

**S5W-35408 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what the COVID-19 infection rate has been each month across the prison estate, and when it plans to have vaccinated all (a) prison staff and (b) prisoners.

**S5W-35409 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what the figure is for the one-off investment required to create Social Security Scotland.

**S5W-35410 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the cost of the agency agreements between the Scottish and UK governments for the continued delivery of devolved benefits by the Department for Work and Pensions.

**S5W-35411 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how many applications have been made for the Self-Isolation Support Grant, broken down by how many have (a) been approved, (b) been rejected and (c) yet to be processed; how much has been paid in total to date, and what the average award has been.

**S5W-35412 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the forthcoming Respiratory Care Action Plan will highlight the role of third sector initiatives, such as Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland's Hospital to Home support service, in supporting people with lung conditions, such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), and working in partnership with the NHS.

**S5W-35413 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the revised Heart Disease Action Plan will recognise the role that the third sector has in supporting people with heart disease and providing support that can extend beyond NHS treatment.

**S5W-35414 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will fund surgeons seeking to train abroad to learn new mesh removal techniques.

**S5W-35415 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government how many teachers are in post, and how this compares with May 2007.

**S5W-35416 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has set a target to improve Scotland's score on the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) survey and, if so, what (a) this is and (b) date it has set to achieve it.

**S5W-35417 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the comment by the Commission on School Reform that "a large number of optional subjects have experienced a decline in uptake. There has thus been a distortion of the curriculum as a whole. There may, indeed, now be a case for stipulating a minimum extent of breadth in the S4 curriculum."

**S5W-35418 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish a draft of the OECD Review of Curriculum for Excellence within the next two months.

**S5W-35419 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out of the impact of school closures due to the COVID-19 pandemic on pupils' education.

**S5W-35420 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will make routine asymptomatic COVID-19 testing available in all stand-alone nursery settings.

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**S5W-35421 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will introduce a national tutoring scheme.

**S5W-35422 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on class sizes in primary schools.

**S5W-35423 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will expand the provision of free school meals to all primary pupils in 2021-22.

**S5W-35424 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the STEM Bursary Scheme.

**S5W-35425 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the resolution of the Parliament on motion S5M-24137 on 17 February 2021, whether it will separate the inspection and policy functions of Education Scotland.

**S5W-35426 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that all primary pupils can access STEM education.

**S5W-35427 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will re-enter Scotland in the Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study.

**S5W-35428 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will re-enter Scotland in the Progress in International Reading Literacy Study.

**S5W-35429 Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress is being made to ensure that no vulnerable people are excluded from the COVID-19 vaccine appointments list.

**S5W-35430 Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will provide a substantive answer to question (a) S5W-34138, (b) S5W-34139, (c) S5W-34140 and (d) S5W-34141, which received a holding response on 14 January 2021.

**S5W-35431 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its position regarding the introduction of a universal basic income.

**S5W-35432 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government which devolved benefits continue to be delivered by the DWP.

**S5W-35433 Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government, whether it will legislate to classify the act of stealthing (non-consensually removing a condom during sex) as a sexual assault, as is the position in England and Wales.

**S5W-35434 Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government what the average band D council tax bill is, and what information it has regarding how this compares with (a) England and (b) Wales.

**S5W-35435 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the Autism Network Scotland was reportedly not given an opportunity to discuss what the organisation could offer to it in the future prior to its funding being stopped.

**S5W-35436 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the decision to stop funding the Autism Network Scotland was reportedly made prior to the evaluation of the Scottish Autism Strategy being completed and in the absence of consultation with any stakeholders, including COSLA.

**S5W-35438 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to decarbonise the Borders Railway.

**S5W-35439 Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government whether any Financial Transactions arising from the UK Budget will be allocated to the First Home Fund.

**S5W-35440 Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact analysis in relation to demand and associated economic impact it conducted in advance of its decisions on its Budget and the Help to Buy and First Home Fund schemes.

**S5W-35441 Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government how long it anticipates the First Home Fund will remain open in 2021-22, in light of a 70% reduction in budget allocation and previous demand.

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**S5W-35442 Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of a 70% reduction in funding, how many households the First Home Fund will assist to buy their own home in 2021-22, and how this compares with 2020-21.

**S5W-35443 Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what change in economic impact it anticipates as a result of a 70% reduction in funding for the First Home Fund in 2021-22, compared with 2020-21.

**S5W-35444 Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the First Minister's statement on the Programme for Government on 1 September 2020 that "investment in housing is also an investment in our economy, in jobs and in our communities" (*Official Report*, c. 22), how ending the Help to Buy scheme and a 70% reduction in funding for the First Home Fund supports this position.

**S5W-35445 Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact it anticipates the ending of the Help to Buy scheme and a 70% reduction in funding for the First Home Fund will have on social housing requirements and the private rented sector.

**S5W-35453 Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether twice-weekly COVID-19 testing will be available for nursery staff in the private, voluntary and independent sector.

**S5W-35454 Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what priority will be given to university staff in the COVID-19 vaccine roll-out.

**S5W-35455 Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support is (a) available and (b) being considered for fitness instructors, personal trainers, sport coaches and other freelance physical activity workers who have been unable to operate due to the COVID-19 restrictions.

## Amendments

### New amendments to Bills lodged on 22 February 2021

#### Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3

##### Section 3

**Liam Kerr**

1 In section 3, page 4, line 16, after <6> insert <—

- ( ) may be made only where the Scottish Ministers consider it appropriate to take account of—
- (i) technological developments (including obsolescence) relating to the dissemination or processing of material, or
  - (ii) changes in how material is disseminated or processed as a result of such developments, and
- ( )>

##### Section 33

**Ash Denham**

2 In section 33, page 17, leave out line 15 and 16

##### After section 33

**Liam Kerr**

3 After section 33, insert—

#### <Interruption of limitation period: media complaints and expert determination

After section 19CB of the Prescription and Limitation (Scotland) Act 1973 (interruption of limitation period: mediation) insert—

#### **19CC Interruption of section 18A(1) limitation period: media complaints and expert determination**

- (1) In any computation of the period specified in section 18A(1), any relevant period in relation to a relevant matter is to be disregarded.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, a relevant period—
  - (a) begins on the day on which the parties agree, in writing, to attempt to resolve the dispute by way of a complaint process or expert determination (“the process”), and
  - (b) ends on such day as the parties may agree or, otherwise, on the day—
    - (i) on which a party notifies another party that they are withdrawing from the process,
    - (ii) which falls 14 days after the day on which a party makes a request for confirmation that another party is continuing with the process (and no response has been received),
    - (iii) which falls 14 days after the day on which any person (other than a party) who was conducting or facilitating the process resigns or dies or otherwise becomes incapable of acting (and no replacement has been appointed).

- (3) This section does not apply where the process is one to which section 19CA or 19CB applies.
- (4) In this section—
- “complaints process” means a process whereby two or more parties to a dispute attempt to resolve the dispute between them by referring the relevant matter to an independent person that handles complaints relating to the publication of material in the medium in question to make a determination on the merits of the relevant matter,
- “expert determination” means a process whereby two or more parties to a dispute attempt to resolve the dispute between them by appointing a single independent and suitable individual who holds appropriate professional qualifications and is a member of a suitable professional body to act as an expert and decide the dispute, such person to be agreed by the parties or, failing which, to be determined in a manner agreed by the parties,
- “party” means a party to the complaints process or expert determination,
- “relevant matter” means a matter to which a limitation period applies by virtue of section 18A(1).
- (5) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations amend the definitions in subsection (4).
- (6) Regulations under subsection (5) are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.>

### Schedule

#### Ash Denham

- 4 In the schedule, page 22, line 20, leave out <another> and insert <a>

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## New Subordinate Legislation

### New Subordinate Legislation

#### Negative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 22 February 2021 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Plant Health and Plant Propagating Material (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations (SSI 2021/87)

Laid under Article 144(5) of Regulation (EU) 2017/627 (The Official Controls Regulation) EUWA paras 1(7) and 8F(6) of schedule 7.

Plant Health (Export Certification) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2021 (SSI 2021/88)

Laid under Section 6(1) Plant Health Act 1967.



## Members' Bills Proposals

### Proposals for Members' Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no indication is given that the Scottish Government or UK Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at Proposals for Members' Bills / Session 5 Proposals

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/12419.aspx>

### Final Proposal for a Member's Bill

**Elaine Smith: Proposed Right to Food (Scotland) Bill**—Proposal for a Bill to incorporate the human right to food into Scots law (lodged 11 February 2021)

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary and individual responses may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

Supported by: Iain Gray, Mark Griffin, Johann Lamont, Alex Rowley, David Stewart, Rhoda Grant, John Finnie, James Kelly, Pauline McNeill, Monica Lennon, Jackie Baillie, Jenny Marra, Andy Wightman, Neil Bibby

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## Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **Budget (Scotland) (No.5) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 Debate, 25 February 2021

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

Stage 3 Proceedings, 2 March 2021

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Tuesday 23 February 2021 with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

### **Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills)), 24 February 2021

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

Stage 2 (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee), 24 February 2021

### **Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Bill**

Stage 2 (Justice Committee), 23 February 2021

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

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Stage 2 (Local Government and Communities Committee), 24 February 2021

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 24 February 2021

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

Stage 2 completed, 16 February 2021

Before Stage 3 (evidence, lead committee (Justice Committee)), 22 February 2021

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

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

Stage 3 Proceedings, 23 February 2021

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

Stage 3 Proceedings, 4 March 2021

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 25 February 2021 with the clerks in the Legislation Team* ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))

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

Passed, 19 January 2021

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

Stage 2 completed, 17 February 2021

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

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

Passed, 2 February 2021

### **Scottish Parliamentary Standards (Sexual Harassment and Complaints Process) Bill (C)**

Stage 3 Proceedings, 4 March 2021

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 25 February 2021 with the clerks in the Legislation Team* ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))

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

Stage 2 (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee), 23 February 2021

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 3 February 2021

### **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)**

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Stage 2 completed, 11 February 2021  
*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
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**University of St. Andrews (Degrees in Medicine and Dentistry) Bill (G)**  
 Stage 2 (Health and Sport Committee), 23 February 2021

**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>

**Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill LCM-S5-34**  
 Lodged on 26 February 2020  
 Lead committee – Justice  
 Meeting of the Parliament, 24 March 2020

**Counter-Terrorism and Sentencing Bill LCM-S5-52**  
 Lodged on 29 January 2021  
 Justice Committee, 23 February 2021

**Covert Human Intelligence Sources (Criminal Conduct) Bill LCM-S5-48**  
 Lodged on 4 December 2020  
 Meeting of the Parliament, 19 January 2021

**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, 29 September 2020  
 Meeting of the Parliament, 12 November 2020

**European Union (Future Relationship) Bill LCM-S5-50**  
 Lodged on 29 December 2020  
 Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee Report, 30 December 2020  
 Meeting of the Parliament, 30 December 2020

### **Financial Services Bill LCM-S5-51**

Lodged on 20 January 2021  
Justice Committee, 23 February 2021

### **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

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

Lodged on 18 August 2020  
Health and Sport Committee report published, 29 October 2020  
Meeting of the Parliament, 12 November 2020

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

Lodged on 19 October 2020  
Health and Sport Committee report published, 29 October 2020  
Meeting of the Parliament, 12 November 2020

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

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

### **Sentencing Bill LCM-S5-45**

Lodged on 22 September 2020  
Justice Committee, 29 September 2020  
Meeting of the Parliament, 29 September 2020

### **Social Security (Up-rating of Benefits) Bill LCM-S5-46**

Lodged on 24 September 2020  
Meeting of the Parliament, 30 September 2020

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

Lodged on 18 August 2020  
Finance and Constitution Committee, 6 and 7 October 2020  
Meeting of the Parliament, 8 October 2020

### **United Kingdom Internal Market Bill LCM-S5-47**

Lodged on 28 September 2020  
Finance and Constitution Committee, 6 and 7 October 2020  
Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 6 October 2020  
Meeting of the Parliament, 7 October 2020

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

### **Made affirmative instruments**

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### Subject to approval by 24 February 2021

[Personal Protective Equipment \(Temporary Arrangements\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/50\)](#) (28 January 2021) (COVID-19 Committee)

### Subject to approval by 10 March 2021

[Rural Support \(Controls\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/72\)](#) (11 February 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

### Subject to approval by 14 March 2021

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Managed Accommodation and Testing\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/74\)](#) (15 February 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

### Subject to approval by 17 March 2021

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 6\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/81\)](#) (18 February 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

### Subject to approval by 18 March 2021

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 16\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/86\)](#) (19 February 2021) (COVID-19 Committee)

[Scottish Landfill Tax \(Standard Rate and Lower Rate\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/89\)](#) (19 February 2021) (Finance and Constitution Committee)

### Affirmative instruments

#### Lead Committee approval by 7 February 2021

[Town and Country Planning \(Short-term Let Control Areas\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (14 December 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

#### Lead Committee approval by 20 February 2021

[Single Use Carrier Bags Charge \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (12 January 2021) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

#### Lead Committee approval by 22 February 2021

[Local Authority \(Capital Finance and Accounting\) \(Scotland\) \(Coronavirus\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (14 January 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

#### Lead Committee approval by 27 February 2021

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[Property Factors \(Code of Conduct\) \(Scotland\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (19 January 2021)  
(Local Government and Communities Committee)

**Lead Committee approval by 28 February 2021**

[Low Emission Zones \(Emission Standards, Exemptions and Enforcement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (20 January 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

**Lead Committee approval by 1 March 2021**

[National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Young Persons \(Scotland\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (21 January 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

**Lead Committee approval by 2 March 2021**

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Social Security Chamber \(Allocation of Functions\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (22 January 2021) (Social Security Committee)

[Children and Young People \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Modification\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (22 January 2021) (Education and Skills Committee)

[Registers of Scotland \(Fees\) Amendment Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (22 January 2021)  
(Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

[Companies Act 2006 \(Scottish public sector companies to be audited by the Auditor General for Scotland\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (22 January 2021) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

**Lead Committee approval by 6 March 2021**

[Criminal Justice \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Supplemental Provisions\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (26 January 2021) (Justice Committee)

[Carers \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Adult Carers and Young Carers of Terminally Ill Persons: Timescales for Adult Carer Support Plans and Young Carer Statements etc.\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (26 January 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Community Care \(Personal Care and Nursing Care\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (26 January 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

**Lead Committee approval by 8 March 2021**

[Bankruptcy \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (28 January 2021) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

**Lead Committee approval by 9 March 2021**

[Community Orders \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI/draft\)](#) (29 January 2021)  
(Justice Committee)

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### Lead Committee approval by 15 March 2021

[Sea Fishing \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (4 February 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

### Lead Committee approval by 16 March 2021

[Plant Health \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\) 5 February 2021](#) (5 February 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee) (*Withdrawn and re-laid 15 February 2021*)

### Lead Committee approval by 20 March 2021

[Trade in Animals and Related Products \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (9 February 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

### Lead Committee approval by 21 March 2021

[Social Security \(Up-rating\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (10 February 2021) (Social Security Committee)

[Social Security Up-rating \(Scotland\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (10 February 2021) (Social Security Committee)

### Lead Committee approval by 23 March 2021

[Disability Assistance for Children and Young People \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (12 February 2021) (Social Security Committee)

[Social Security Information-sharing \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/draft\)](#) (12 February 2021) (Social Security Committee)

### Lead Committee approval by 28 March 2021

[Scottish Parliament \(Elections etc.\) Amendment \(Coronavirus\) Order 2021 \(2021/draft\)](#) (17 February 2021) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

### Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment 19 February 2021**

**Lead Committee report due by 15 February 2021**

[Parole Board \(Scotland\) Amendment Rules 2021 \(SSI 2021/4\)](#) (11 January 2021) (Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment 21 February 2021**

**Lead Committee report due by 15 February 2021**



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[Repayment of Student Loans \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/8\)](#) (13 January 2021) (Education and Skills Committee)

[Homeless Persons \(Unsuitable Accommodation\) \(Scotland\) \(Modification and Revocation\) \(Coronavirus\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/10\)](#) (13 January 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

**Subject to annulment 22 February 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 22 February 2021**

[Common Agricultural Policy \(Simplifications and Improvements\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/9\)](#) (14 January 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(Coronavirus\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/12\)](#) (14 January 2021) (Social Security Committee)

[General Pharmaceutical Council \(Coronavirus\) \(Amendment\) Rules Order of Council 2021 \(SI 2021/26\)](#) (14 January 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Coronavirus\) \(Amendment\) Rules Order of Council 2021 \(SI 2021/27\)](#) (14 January 2021) (Health and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 23 February 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 22 February 2021**

[Fireworks \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/14\)](#) (14 January 2021) (Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment 26 February 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 22 February 2021**

[Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/18\)](#) (18 January 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

[Civil Partnership \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Commencement No.3, Saving and Transitional Provision\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/23\)](#) (18 January 2021) (Equalities and Human Rights Committee)

**Subject to annulment 28 February 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 22 February 2021**

[Civil Partnership Between Persons of Different Sexes \(Prescribed Bodies\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/24\)](#) (20 January 2021) (Equalities and Human Rights Committee)

[Low Emission Zones \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/26\)](#) (20 January 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

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[Crofting Community Right to Buy \(Procedure, Ballots and Forms\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/27\)](#) (20 January 2021) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 1 March 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 22 February 2021**

[Education \(Fees and Student Support\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/28\)](#) (21 January 2020) (Education and Skills Committee)

[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/29\)](#) (21 January 2021) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

**Subject to annulment 2 March 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 1 March 2021**

[Special Restrictions on Adoptions from Nigeria \(Scotland\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/30\)](#) (22 January 2020) (Education and Skills Committee)

[Education \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/31\)](#) (22 January 2021) (Education and Skills Committee)

**Subject to annulment 5 March 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 1 March 2021**

[Rural Development \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/33\)](#) (25 January 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

**Subject to annulment 6 March 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 1 March 2021**

[Restorative Justice \(Prescribed Persons\) \(Scotland\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/40\)](#) (26 January 2021) (Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment 8 March 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 8 March 2021**

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[Forestry and Land Management \(Scotland\) Act 2018 \(Consequential, Saving and Transitional Provisions\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/44\)](#) (28 January 2021) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

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