

Thursday 11 March 2021

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S5M-24357, today's business will be as follows:

### Meeting of the Parliament

**12:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Stage 3 Debate: Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Appointment

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**6:40 pm** Decision Time

### Committee Meetings

**8:30am** Social Security Committee

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

**9:00am** Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

**9:30am** Equalities and Human Rights Committee

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

**10:30am** COVID-19 Committee

## Meeting of the Parliament

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S5M-24357, today's business will be as follows:

### 12:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**[S5M-24357](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme**—That the Parliament agrees to the following revision to the programme of business on Thursday 11 March 2021—

after

12.30 pm First Minister's Questions

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*followed by* Stage 3 Debate: Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill

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

- 1. Ruth Davidson:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04878](#))
- 2. Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04879](#))
- 3. Willie Rennie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04880](#))
- 4. Alison Johnstone:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04881](#))
- 5. Richard Lyle:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reported concerns expressed by the construction, care and hospitality industries that a lack of overseas workers after the COVID-19 pandemic threatens economic recovery. ([S5F-04889](#))
- 6. Jamie Greene:** To ask the First Minister what percentage of clinically vulnerable people have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. ([S5F-04882](#))
- 7. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the First Minister for what reason the Scottish Government has chosen not to extend the reduction to Land and Buildings Transaction Tax beyond March. ([S5F-04894](#))

*followed by* Stage 3 Debate: Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill

**[S5M-24322](#) Humza Yousaf: Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill be passed.

### 2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

#### Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

- 1. Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on broadband roll-out in Dumfries and Galloway. ([S5O-05106](#))
- 2. Shona Robison:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact the Tay Cities Deal will have on Dundee. ([S5O-05107](#))

**3. Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what the impact might be of any reduction in the number of routes served by Edinburgh Airport following the lifting of the COVID-19 restrictions. ([S5O-05108](#))

**4. Gail Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding is being provided to local authorities for improvements to the road network. ([S5O-05109](#))

**5. James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government when the process will commence to appoint a new operator for the ScotRail franchise. ([S5O-05110](#))

**6. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support it is providing to public transport providers to ensure that services can continue. ([S5O-05111](#))

**7. Tom Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Nestrans and Transport Scotland regarding road infrastructure improvements in the North East Scotland region. ([S5O-05112](#)) R

**8. Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its Infrastructure Investment Plan. ([S5O-05113](#))

### **followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill**

**S5M-24355 Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Stage 3 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (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 4: 40 minutes

Groups 5 and 6: 1 hour 30 minutes

Group 7: 2 hours 30 minutes

Groups 8 and 9: 2 hours 45 minutes

**S5M-24338 John Swinney: Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

### **followed by Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Appointment**

**S5M-24333 Margaret Mitchell on behalf of the Selection Panel: Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Appointment**—That the Parliament nominates Dr Brian Plastow to Her Majesty The Queen, for appointment as the Scottish Biometrics Commissioner.

### **followed by Business Motions**

### **followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**[S5M-24340](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Community Orders (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 [draft] be approved.

**6:40 pm Decision Time**

## Committee Meetings

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

### Social Security Committee 7th Meeting, 2021

The Committee will meet at 8:30 am in a private meeting on MS Teams

1. **Social Security response to Covid (in private):** The Committee will consider a revised inquiry report.
2. **Annual report (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2020 to 24 March 2021.
3. **Legacy paper (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft legacy paper.

### Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee 9th Meeting, 2021

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

1. **Impact of COVID-19 on Scotland's cultural sector:** The Committee will take evidence from-  
  
Iain Munro, Chief Executive, and Isabel Davis, Executive Director, Creative Scotland.
2. **Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
3. **Legacy paper (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft legacy paper.
4. **Annual report (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2020 to 24 March 2021.

### Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 9th Meeting, 2021

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a 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 items 4, 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Covid-19: Tracking the implications of Covid-19 on Scotland's public finances:** The Committee will take evidence from-  
  
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Mark Taylor, Audit Director, Audit Services, and Fiona Diggle, Audit Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland.
3. **Section 23 report - NHS in Scotland 2020:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Caroline Lamb, Chief Executive, NHS Scotland and Director-General for Health and Social Care, Richard McCallum, Interim Director of Health Finance and Governance, Fiona McQueen, Chief Nursing Officer, and Dr Gregor Smith, Chief Medical Officer, Scottish Government.

4. **Section 23 report - NHS in Scotland 2020:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 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. **Covid-19: Tracking the implications of Covid-19 on Scotland's public finances:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—  
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Mark Taylor, Audit Director, Audit Services, and Fiona Diggie, Audit Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland.
6. **Post-legislative scrutiny: The Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016:** The Committee will consider a revised draft report.
7. **Section 22 report - The 2019/20 audit of the Scottish Police Authority:** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Scottish Police Authority and Police Scotland.

### Equalities and Human Rights Committee 7th Meeting, 2021

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in a private virtual meeting on MS teams

1. **Legacy report (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft legacy report.
2. **Annual report (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2020 to 24 March 2021.

### Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 7th Meeting, 2021

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

1. **Legacy report (in private):** The Committee will consider its legacy report.
2. **Standing Order Rule Changes (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report and draft Standing Order Rule Changes in relation to legislation.

### COVID-19 Committee 10th Meeting, 2021

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Coronavirus (Scotland) Acts (Amendment of Expiry Dates) Regulations 2021 [draft]; the Coronavirus (Scotland) Acts (Early Expiry and Suspension of Provisions) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/93); the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 16) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/86); and The Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 17) Regulations 2021 [draft] from—

Michael Russell, Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, Europe and External Affairs, Professor Jason Leitch, National Clinical Director, and Emma Lopinska, Policy Manager, Coronavirus Legislation Co-ordination Reporting Team, Scottish Government.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** Michael Russell, Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, Europe and External Affairs to move—  
S5M-24235—That the COVID-19 Committee recommends that the Coronavirus (Scotland) Acts (Amendment of Expiry Dates) Regulations 2021 [draft] be approved;  
  
S5M-24188—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.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
The Coronavirus (Scotland) Acts (Early Expiry and Suspension of Provisions) Regulations 2021 (SSI 2021/93).
4. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2020 to 4 May 2021.
5. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether consideration of its legacy report should be taken in private at future meetings.

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