

Wednesday 5 October 2022

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: The Presiding Officer has grouped the following questions: Health and Social Care - Questions 3 and 4.

**followed by** Urgent Question: Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the Scottish COVID-19 Inquiry might be delayed due to the resignation of the Chair and senior counsel.

**followed by** Committee of the Whole Parliament — Stage 2 Proceedings: Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**6:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-05922 Carol Mochan: Allied Health Professions Day 2022: Helping People Live Their Best Lives

### Committee Meetings

**9:00am** Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee

**9:30am** Economy and Fair Work Committee

**9:30am** Education, Children and Young People Committee

**10:00am** Criminal Justice Committee

## Meeting of the Parliament

### 2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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#### Rural Affairs and Islands

- 1. Elena Whitham:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has carried out of the impact on farmers in Scotland of the UK Government's energy price cap. ([S6O-01412](#))
- 2. Natalie Don:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the proposals for the Rural Visa Pilot. ([S6O-01413](#))
- 3. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its latest engagement has been with the UK Government on the impact of Brexit on Scotland's food security. ([S6O-01414](#))
- 4. Alasdair Allan:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the issue of absenteeism in crofting. ([S6O-01415](#))
- 5. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the rural affairs secretary has had with the public health minister regarding how it will ensure the safety and quality of food sold in Scotland in the event that the UK Government proceeds with its Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill proposals. ([S6O-01416](#))
- 6. Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to support the rural economy in areas impacted by long-term population decline. ([S6O-01417](#))
- 7. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve the resilience of island communities. ([S6O-01418](#))
- 8. Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the emergency stakeholder meeting on 12 September regarding its proposed new Agricultural Bill. ([S6O-01419](#))

#### Health and Social Care

- 1. Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what its advice is for patients who move from one regional NHS board to another while on a waiting list for essential surgery. ([S6O-01420](#))
- 2. Jim Fairlie:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it is undertaking to ensure that patients have access to care packages to help aid recovery at home as soon as possible after a hospital stay. ([S6O-01421](#))
- 3. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its target to eliminate two-year waits for outpatient appointments in NHS Scotland. ([S6O-01422](#))
- 4. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what new steps it has taken to tackle NHS waiting lists. ([S6O-01423](#))
- 5. Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with NHS Borders. ([S6O-01424](#))
- 6. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the provision of maternity services. ([S6O-01425](#))
- 7. Joe FitzPatrick:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the reported prevalence of alcohol-related cancers in Scotland. ([S6O-01426](#))

**8. Marie McNair:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its commitment to universal free prescriptions on the NHS. ([S6O-01427](#))

**followed by Urgent Question: Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the Scottish COVID-19 Inquiry might be delayed due to the resignation of the Chair and senior counsel.

**followed by Committee of the Whole Parliament — Stage 2 Proceedings: Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Bill**

**followed by Business Motions**

**[S6M-06199](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Programme—**  
That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 25 October 2022

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Suicide Prevention Strategy and Action Plan

*followed by* Stage 1 Debate: Hunting with Dogs (Scotland) Bill

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Wednesday 26 October 2022

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture; Justice and Veterans

*followed by* Scottish Labour Party Business

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Moray Maternity Services

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Approval of SSIs (if required)

5.40 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 27 October 2022

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

*followed by* Members' Business

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Scotland's Humanitarian Response to the Ukraine Crisis

*followed by* Stage 1 Debate: Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 1 November 2022

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

*followed by* Social Justice and Social Security Committee Debate: Robbing Peter to Pay Paul – Low Income and the Debt Trap

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Wednesday 2 November 2022

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Covid Recovery and Parliamentary Business; Finance and Economy

*followed by* Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Approval of SSIs (if required)

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 3 November 2022

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

*followed by* Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Net Zero, Energy and Transport

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 24 October 2022, in rule 13.7.3, after the word “except” the words “to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or” are inserted.

**[S6M-06200](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Stage 1 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 17 March 2023.

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**[S6M-06201](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Consumer Scotland (Transfer of Functions) Regulations 2022 [draft] be approved.

**[S6M-06202](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Scottish Social Housing Charter: April 2022 (SG/2022/32) be approved.

**[S6M-06203](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Office of the Clerk**—That the Parliament agrees that between 1 February 2023 and 31 January 2024, the Office of the Clerk will be open on all days except: Saturdays and Sundays, 7 April, 10 April, 1 May, 26 May, 29 May, 15 September, 1 December, 22 December (pm), 25 December and 26 December 2023, and 1 and 2 January 2024.

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

**6:10 pm Decision Time**

**followed by Members' Business**  
**Debate on the subject of—**

**[S6M-05922](#) Carol Mochan: Allied Health Professions Day 2022: Helping People Live Their Best Lives**—That the Parliament notes that Allied Health Professions Day 2022 will be marked on 14 October; recognises what it sees as the important contribution that Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) make to the provision of health and social care in Scotland; understands that AHPs make up the third largest workforce in the NHS; commends these health professionals for their dedication at all times but particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic; understands that AHPs play an integral role in prehabilitation, early intervention, prevention and rehabilitation strategies to meet the needs of the South Scotland and wider Scottish population, and notes the view that further resource for AHPs is needed to fulfil their potential and meet the need for collaboration and diversity of skills in health and social care.

## Committee Meetings

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

### Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee 26th Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private. The Committee will also decide whether its consideration of a draft pre-budget scrutiny letter should be taken in private at its next meeting.
- Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Mairi Gougeon, Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs and Islands, George Burgess, Director of Agriculture and Rural Economy, Allan Gibb, Head of Sea Fisheries, Marine Scotland, Erica Clarkson, Joint Interim Head of Division - Rural and Island Futures, and Sheetal Mehra, Head of Strategy & Engagement for Portfolio Budget & Spending Review, Scottish Government.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
[Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2022](#)
- Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### Economy and Fair Work Committee 22nd Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 8 and 9 in private.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Companies Act 2006 (Scottish public sector companies to be audited by the Auditor General for Scotland) (No. 2) Order 2022 from—  
Ivan McKee, Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism and Enterprise, Ninian Christie, Solicitor, and Rebecca Winterstein, Head of Capital Investment, Scottish Government.
- Subordinate legislation:** Ivan McKee (Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism and Enterprise) to move—  
S6M-05863—That the Economy and Fair Work Committee recommends that the Companies Act 2006 (Scottish public sector companies to be audited by the Auditor General for Scotland) (No. 2) Order 2022 be approved.
- UK Infrastructure Bank Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on Legislative Consent Memorandum LCM(S6) 25) from—  
Ivan McKee, Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism and Enterprise, and Geoff Owenson, Senior Policy Officer, Scottish Government.
- Procurement Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM(S6) 20) from—  
Ivan McKee, Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism and Enterprise, Julie Bain, Lawyer, and Alasdair Hamilton, Procurement Policy Portfolio Manager, Scottish Government.
- Trade (Australia and New Zealand) Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM(S6) 21) from—

Ivan McKee, Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism and Enterprise, Julie Bain, Lawyer, Alasdair Hamilton, Procurement Policy Portfolio Manager, and Leslie Henderson, Team Leader Food & Drink Regulation and Trade, Scottish Government.

7. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2023-24:** The Committee will take evidence as part of its Pre-Budget Scrutiny from—  
Marc Crothall, Chief Executive Officer, Scottish Tourism Alliance;  
Bryan Simpson, Industrial Organiser, Unite Hospitality;  
Leon Thompson, Executive Director, UKHospitality Scotland.
8. **Legislation Consent Memorandums:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier under agenda items 4, 5 and 6.
9. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2023-24:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier under agenda item 7.

### Education, Children and Young People Committee 24th Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Colleges Regionalisation Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Shona Struthers, Chief Executive, and Andrew Witty, Director of Sector Policy, Colleges Scotland;  
Karen Watt, Chief Executive, and James Dunphy, Director of Access, Learning and Outcomes, Scottish Funding Council.
2. **Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Criminal Justice Committee 25th Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider recent correspondence.
3. **Policing and mental health:** The Committee will consider the views expressed during recent informal discussions held with police officers.

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