

Monday 18 December 2023

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

### Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

Today's Business  
*Gnothaichean an-diugh*

Future Business  
*Gnothaichean ri teachd*

Motions & Questions  
*Gluasadan agus Ceistean*

Legislation  
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## Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

## Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 13 December 2023

### Tuesday 19 December 2023

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Rev Dan Robertson, Minister, Davidson Mains Parish Church

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Scottish Budget 2024-25

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Implementing the Medication Assisted Treatment Standards

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: From a Warm Scots Welcome to a Warm Scots Future for Ukrainians in Scotland

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:50 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-09747 Alex Rowley: Supporting the Work of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust

### Wednesday 20 December 2023

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Standing Order Rule Changes - Proxy Voting

**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 — S6M-10702 Clare Adamson: Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Awareness Month

### Thursday 21 December 2023

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

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

**12:45 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Social Justice

**1:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-09975 Bob Doris: 75 Years of Marie Curie

**Tuesday 9 January 2024**

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee Debate: How Devolution is Changing Post-EU

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

**Wednesday 10 January 2024**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture; Justice and Home Affairs

**followed by** Scottish Government 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 11 January 2024**

**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: Education and Skills

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

### Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

19 December 2023

39th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Healthcare in remote and rural areas:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Dr Iain Kennedy, Chair, BMA Scotland;  
Julie Mosgrove, Chair, Optometry Scotland;  
Mhairi Templeton, Society of British Dental Nurses;  
Laura Wilson, Director for Scotland, Royal Pharmaceutical Society.
3. **Scottish Football Association:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Ian Maxwell, Chief Executive, Scottish Football Association.
4. **Healthcare in remote and rural areas (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
5. **Healthcare in remote and rural areas:** The Committee will further consider its approach to the inquiry.
6. **Scottish Football Association:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 3.

### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Alex Bruce on 85229 or at [Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot](mailto:Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot)

### Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

19 December 2023

31st Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **New Deal with Local Government:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Dr Jonathan Carr-West, Chief Executive, Local Government Information Unit;  
Professor Donna Hall CBE, Former CEO of Wigan Council & Wigan NHS Clinical Commissioning Group;  
Professor Jim Gallagher.
3. **New Deal with Local Government:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its approach to developing its work programme.

5. **Housing (Cladding Remediation) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Euan Donald on 85212 or at [ewan.donald@parliament.scot](mailto:ewan.donald@parliament.scot)

## **Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee**

**19 December 2023**

**37th Meeting, 2023**

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 2 in private.
2. **Appointments to the Board of the Scottish Land Commission:** The Committee will consider a draft report.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath on 0131 348 6039 or at [netzero.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:netzero.committee@parliament.scot)

## **Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee**

**19 December 2023**

**35th Meeting, 2023**

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Bus Services Improvement Partnerships \(Objections\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024](#) (SSI 2024/Draft)
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Gender Recognition \(Disclosure of Information\) \(Scotland\) Order 2023](#) (SSI 2023/364)  
[Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions \(Scotland\) Amendment Rules 2023](#) (SSI 2023/366)  
[Meat Preparations \(Import Conditions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/367)  
[Bus Services Improvement Partnerships and Local Services Franchises \(Provision of Information\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/368)  
[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/369)  
[Bovine Semen \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/370)  
[Welfare Foods \(Best Start Foods\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/371)  
[Conservation of Salmon \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/372)
4. **Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

5. **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Scottish Government's response to points raised on the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider a letter from the Minister for Victims and Community Safety regarding two proposed delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 3.
7. **Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Greg Black at [Greg.Black@parliament.scot](mailto:Greg.Black@parliament.scot)

## **Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee**

**19 December 2023**

**28th Meeting, 2023**

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katrina Venters on 86244 or at [Katrina.Venters@Parliament.scot](mailto:Katrina.Venters@Parliament.scot)

## **Rural Affairs and Islands Committee**

**20 December 2023**

**34th Meeting, 2023**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
  - Stuart Goodall, Chief Executive, Confor;
  - David Harley, Chief Officer, Circular Economy, Scottish Environment Protection Agency;
  - Eleanor Kay, Senior Policy Adviser, Scottish Land and Estates;
  - Ross Lilley, Head of Natural Resource Management, NatureScot;
  - Ross MacLeod, Head of Policy Scotland, Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust;
  - Professor Davy McCracken, Head of Integrated Land Management Department, Scotland's Rural College;
  - Professor Dave Reay, Executive Director, Edinburgh Climate Change Institute;
  - Euan Ross, Scotland Manager, Nature Friendly Farming Network;
  - Alastair Seaman, Director for Scotland, Woodland Trust Scotland;
  - Vicki Swales, Head of Land Use Policy, RSPB Scotland;
  - Kirsty Tait, Director for Scotland, Food, Farming and Countryside Commission Scotland.



3. **UK subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider proposals by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating in a devolved area as set out in the following UK statutory instrument proposals—  
Movement of Goods (Northern Ireland to Great Britain) (Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.) Regulations 2024  
Amendment to The Definition of Qualifying Northern Ireland Goods (EU Exit) Regulations 2020
4. **Common frameworks:** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Scottish Government.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Emma Johnston on 85225 or at [emma.johnston@parliament.scot](mailto:emma.johnston@parliament.scot)

## **Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee**

**20 December 2023**

**19th Meeting, 2023**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petition—  
PE1862: Introduce community representation on boards of public organisations delivering lifeline services to island communities, taking evidence from—  
Naomi Bremner, Petitioner  
Angus Campbell, Petitioner  
Rona Mackay, Petitioner  
and then consider—  
PE1610: Upgrade the A75;  
PE1657: A77 upgrade;  
PE1971: Take Robust Action to Stop Motorcycle Theft;  
PE1988: Review the process for disposal of household raw sewage;  
PE1993: Reform the financial support for social work students on work placements; and  
PE1999: Fully implement the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.
3. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—  
PE2039: Fair pay to student nurses while on placement; and  
PE2054: Establish an independent review into the proposed Spaceport 1 development at Scolpaig Farm in North Uist.
4. **Evidence Session:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
5. **Inquiry into A9 Dualling Project:** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jyoti Chandola on 85951 or at Jyoti,[Chandola@parliament.scot](mailto:Chandola@parliament.scot)

## Criminal Justice Committee

20 December 2023

35th Meeting, 2023

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. **Chief Constable Jo Farrell: vision and priorities for Police Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Chief Constable Jo Farrell, Deputy Chief Constable Jane Connors QPM, Crime and Operational Support, and James Gray, Chief Financial Officer, Police Scotland.
3. **Chief Constable Jo Farrell: vision and priorities for Police Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie on 85931 or at [Stephen.Imrie@scottish.parliament.uk](mailto:Stephen.Imrie@scottish.parliament.uk)

## Finance and Public Administration Committee

20 December 2023

34th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 12 noon in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Budget Scrutiny 2024-25 and Scottish Fiscal Commission's December 2023 Economic and Fiscal Forecasts:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Professor Graeme Roy, Chair, Professor David Ulph, Commissioner, and Claire Murdoch, Head of Fiscal Sustainability and Public Funding, Scottish Fiscal Commission.
2. **Scottish Fiscal Commission: annual evidence session:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Professor Graeme Roy, Chair, and John Ireland, Chief Executive, Scottish Fiscal Commission.

### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Joanne McNaughton, at [FPA.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:FPA.committee@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.

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

**\*[S6M-11664](#) Collette Stevenson: Protecting FCDO Jobs in East Kilbride**—That the Parliament notes the decision by the UK Government to relocate the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) out of East Kilbride; understands from reports that FCDO officials had been in discussions with the local authority about opening a new site in the town, and that this decision was unexpected; believes that Abercrombie House, in East Kilbride, has been home to a dedicated workforce in the field of international development and foreign affairs for over 40 years and that around 1,000 staff are currently based there; understands that the UK Government estimates that the office's presence generates approximately £30 million for the local economy; notes the view that the decision to relocate jobs out of East Kilbride will have a negative impact on East Kilbride's economic recovery; further notes the reported campaign by local staff and trade unions against previous UK Government plans to remove HMRC from East Kilbride, as well as other towns in Scotland; recognises that the UK Government's Declaration on Government Reform commits to "... relocating jobs and areas of activity across government to places including ... East Kilbride"; believes, therefore, that the FCDO announcement goes against the UK Government's own policies; notes the view that this move is a betrayal of the people of East Kilbride, including FCDO staff living and working in the town, and further notes the calls for the UK Government to scrap its plans immediately and maintain the FCDO's substantial presence in East Kilbride.

Supported by: Colin Beattie\*, Emma Harper\*, Clare Haughey\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Monica Lennon\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Rona Mackay\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Jim Fairlie\*, John Mason\*

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S6M-11676](#) Christine Grahame: Vibrant Gala Project Wins at the 2023 SURF Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates the Vibrant Gala Project on winning in the Improving Scotland's Places category of the 2023 SURF Awards; understands that the SURF Awards identify and celebrate best practice, innovation and achievement in interventions that improve Scottish communities; notes that the Vibrant Gala Project, led by the community-based Energise Galashiels Trust, responded to the decline of Galashiels town centre by creating a more vibrant

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and welcoming place through a wide range of community-led projects and events over the last three years; understands that the project was felt to demonstrate the value of a long-term approach to regeneration, with dedicated partners working strategically and inclusively to develop comprehensive plans and deliver real and sustainable benefits for all, and pays credit to those behind the Vibrant Gala Project for what it sees as this outstanding achievement.

**\*S6M-11675 Liam Kerr: Rosie's Social Enterprises Congratulated for its Work**—That the Parliament congratulates the team at Rosie's Social Enterprises for the vocational training, support and work experience that it offers to people recovering from acquired brain injuries and mental health issues; understands that it supports people with work experience opportunities to increase their confidence; further understands that Rosie's Social Enterprises offers four businesses, each offering diverse working opportunities or opportunities for people to flourish in an environment that they have an interest in, and wishes the volunteers and service users all the best for the future.

**\*S6M-11672 Katy Clark: 30 Years of Rail Privatisation Report**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the RMT union's report, *Rail Privatisation: 30 Years of Waste and Rising Fares*, which estimates that £31 billion has "leaked out" of Britain's railways system, including in Scotland, in the form of profits extracted by train operating companies, rolling stock leasing companies, subcontractors, and other costs; understands that passengers are now paying 8% more on rail in real terms than in 1995; notes the view that railways are vital public assets that should be held permanently in public ownership; welcomes that the Scottish Government has brought ScotRail and the Caledonian Sleeper into public ownership, but believes that the franchise still relies on hiring its trains from third-party companies; understands that rolling stock leasing companies extract significant profits from the rail system by leasing trains to ScotRail at rates that it considers to be excessive; further understands that rail freight services are also privately owned in Scotland; notes the publication of Transport Scotland's Rail Freight Strategy in 2016, which concluded that private operators should do more to share routes and rail freight movements; further notes the view set out in *A Vision For Scotland's Railways*, commissioned by Scotland's rail unions, ASLEF, RMT, TSSA and Unite, that the Scottish Government should consider the creation of a nationalised freight operator to "increase uptake, optimise efficiency, develop the economy, and improve sustainability", and calls for the Scottish Government to consider the recommendations of the report closely and ensure that public investment is focused on improving rail infrastructure and service. **R**

Supported by: Monica Lennon\* **R**

**\*S6M-11671 Liam McArthur: 2025 Island Games Medal Design**—That the Parliament congratulates Jodie Brown, of Tankerness, whose design has been officially selected for the medals to be used in the 2025 International Island Games, due to be hosted for the first time in Orkney; understands that the medal design selection was decided through an Orkney-wide competition, with Jodie's entry singled out by the judges for its "strong and bold" design; notes that the medal design depicts three of Orkney's iconic Standing Stones, among the oldest anywhere in the British Isles; understands that the medals will be produced by Sheila Fleet Jewellery, and thanks the business for its support of the games, and Creative Orkney for helping to organise the competition; considers that the Island Games are set to be the largest sporting event in Scotland and one of the largest anywhere in Europe in 2025; believes that Jodie's impactful design is a fitting match for such a major event, and agrees with the reported comments of head judge, Sheila Fleet, that it shows the "hallmark of an up and coming designer".

Supported by: Colin Beattie\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Ash Regan\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Douglas Ross\*, Bill Kidd\*

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**\*[S6M-11670](#) John Swinney: Congratulating Abernyste Primary on Positive Inspection**

**Report**—That the Parliament notes the report from Education Scotland following its October 2023 inspection of Abernyste Primary School; appreciates, from the report, that the school's strengths include children's engagement and knowledge, the headteacher's leadership in fostering inclusivity and collaboration, the provision of high-quality learning experiences and the notable levels of attainment and achievement across the school; recognises the reported need for continued improvement in areas such as extending partnership working with other schools for enhancing children's learning, and commends the school's overall performance, as evaluated by Education Scotland, with "very good" ratings across key quality indicators, including leadership of change, learning, teaching and assessment, ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion, and raising attainment and achievement.

**\*[S6M-11669](#) Miles Briggs: Opening of New MND Research Institute in Edinburgh**—That the Parliament celebrates the opening of the new Motor Neurone Disease (MND) research institute; believes that it will significantly advance research into the root causes and treatments of MND; understands that the University of Edinburgh is one of six sites, and indeed the only one in Scotland, and further understands that it has been made possible by support from MND Scotland, the MND Association, the My Name's 5 Daddie Foundation, medical research charity LifeArc, the National Institute of Health and Care Research (NIHR) and the Medical Research Council (MRC).

**\*[S6M-11668](#) Michael Matheson: Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024 [draft]**—That the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee recommends that the Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order [draft] 2024 be approved.

Supported by: Maree Todd, Jenni Minto

**\*[S6M-11658](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Patrick Doyle, from Birkenshaw, Celebrates an Astonishing 50-year Career**—That the Parliament congratulates Birkenshaw-born composer, Patrick Doyle, on his prolific 50-year career in film, television, radio and theatre, which was recently celebrated in a successful series of concerts, entitled *Music from the Movies*, in November 2023 at Edinburgh's Usher Hall and the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, during which the Royal Scottish National Orchestra (RSNO) performed pieces from some of his most famous film scores, while raising funds for what it sees as pioneering outreach programs; recognises what it considers to be the extraordinarily high regard in which Patrick is held across the globe, including being nominated for two Academy Awards and two Golden Globes, one BAFTA and two Césars, as well as receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award from both the World Soundtrack Awards and Scottish BAFTAs, the Henry Mancini Award from the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), the PRS Award for Extraordinary Achievement in Music and a 2018 honorary doctorate from the University of the West of Scotland; acknowledges the unique honour that Patrick holds as being the first Scottish composer in history to be commissioned to compose the Coronation March, which was performed live at Westminster Abbey on 6 May 2023, to a global audience of nearly half a billion viewers; applauds Patrick's dedication to nurturing Scotland's next generation of musical talent within his recent appointments as the RSNO's 2023-24 Composer in Residence, lead mentor of the RSNO's Film Composers Lab, and new patron of the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland's Juniors Orchestra; notes that Patrick's early education was provided at St John's Primary School, Uddingston, and Our Lady's High School, Motherwell, before he graduated from the then Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama, and applauds Scotland's public educational system for, it believes, providing the foundations for Patrick's astonishing work, particularly his peripatetic tutors and school music teachers and college lecturers, who inspired a

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young man from Birkenshaw to globally make his mark on the film industry and, with his music, reach an appreciative global audience of over a billion people.

Supported by: Audrey Nicoll\*, Miles Briggs\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Monica Lennon\*, Colin Beattie\*, Ash Regan\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**S6M-11666 Ross Greer: Community of Arran Seabed Trust** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Ariane Burgess\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

**S6M-11665 Stephanie Callaghan: New Community-led Research Award - Healthy Planet, Healthy People** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Colin Beattie\*, Emma Harper\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Ash Regan\*, Bill Kidd\*, John Mason\*, Kevin Stewart\*

**S6M-11663 Bill Kidd: Temporary Closure of Summerhill Road Post Office, Drumchapel, Glasgow Anniesland** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Annabelle Ewing\*

**S6M-11662 Douglas Lumsden: Declaration to Triple Nuclear Energy Launched at COP28** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

**S6M-11661 Rachael Hamilton: Borders Children's Charity Receives Over £110,000 from Lottery Community Funding** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Douglas Ross\*, Colin Beattie\*, Brian Whittle\*, Edward Mountain\*, Pam Gosal\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Annie Wells\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Jamie Greene\*

**S6M-11660 Miles Briggs: New MND Research Institute** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Brian Whittle\*, Pam Gosal\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**S6M-11659 Marie McNair: Scottish School Chef of the Year** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Miles Briggs\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

**S6M-11657 Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde's McDonald's Staff Raise Funds for Parklea Branching Out** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Miles Briggs\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Emma Harper\*

**S6M-11656 Stuart McMillan: Pirate and Bluebelle Celebrates 10-year Anniversary** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

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**[S6M-11655](#) Sandesh Gulhane: The World Congress of Soil Science at the Scottish Event Campus (SEC) Wins Best Business Event Award** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Brian Whittle\*, Pam Gosal\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Annie Wells\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**[S6M-11654](#) Paul Sweeney: Govan HELP's Govan Pantry Wins SURF Award** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**[S6M-11650](#) Alexander Stewart: Stirling High School Wins Prestigious Debating Competition** (lodged on 14 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11626](#) Jim Fairlie: MacRosty Park Awarded Dementia Friendly Environment Accreditation** (lodged on 12 December 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing\*, Ash Regan\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Emma Harper\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Alex Rowley\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-11583](#) Martin Whitfield: Fair Funding for East Lothian Campaign** (lodged on 13 December 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-11521](#) Audrey Nicoll: Fiona Jones Wins the Real Heroes Award** (lodged on 13 December 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-09747](#) Alex Rowley: Supporting the Work of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust** (lodged on 27 June 2023)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*

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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 15 December 2023

**[S6W-23065 Sharon Dowey](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its policy of "working closely with the football authorities and clubs...to address unacceptable conduct by spectators", what its position is on whether the booing that was heard during the minute's silence at the Celtic v Aberdeen match held on 12 November 2023 was "unacceptable conduct", and what discussions it has had with (a) Celtic FC and (b) the Scottish Football Association regarding this.

**[S6W-23768 Paul Sweeney](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the number of ferry breakdowns in the last year, what processes and procedures are being put in place in the next 12 months to ensure that CalMac can maintain continuous ferry services to communities, and how this will be managed and improved upon in the future.

**[S6W-23874 Pam Duncan-Glancy](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has evaluated whether the £15 million that it has ring-fenced each year for additional support assistants is sufficient to achieve its outcomes; whether it plans to uprate this amount in line with inflation each year, and whether it has assessed whether this figure will need to increase in future years.

**[S6W-23894 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether provision to match NHS pay awards in the charitable hospice sector to ensure pay parity will be included in the upcoming Budget for 2024-25.

**[S6W-23895 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what support it will offer the charitable hospice sector to address the reported £16 million funding deficit that it is facing as a result of pay and inflationary pressures.

**[S6W-23896 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Supreme Court judgement that the Scottish Parliament does not have the power to legislate for a referendum on Scottish independence, whether it will reallocate funding for the Constitutional Futures Division to help the charitable hospice sector address the reported £16 million deficit that it faces.

**[S6W-23897 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns that if the charitable hospice sector is unable to match NHS pay awards, nurses and hospice staff will leave the sector in search of better pay.

**[S6W-23898 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the commitment made in the *Strategic Framework for Action on Palliative and End of Life Care* to ensure that "by 2021 everyone who needs palliative care will have access to it" has reportedly not been delivered.

**[S6W-23899 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason its palliative care strategy, which had initially been due in 2021, has not yet been published.

**[S6W-23900 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the comment by the Minister for Public Health and Women's Health during the members' business debate on motion S6M-11352 on 6 December 2023, in relation to the publication of the new palliative care strategy in 2024, that she "would love to give a more precise indication" and "will go back to [her] officials to get the date", whether it will provide the publication date for the strategy.

**[S6W-23912 Graham Simpson](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what lessons it has learned from the launch of Glasgow's Low Emission Zone (LEZ) enforcement, and how it plans to share these with Dundee, Edinburgh and Aberdeen ahead of their LEZ launches in 2024.

**[S6W-23920 Maurice Golden](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of future investment in Scottish Water to 2027 will relate to efforts to reduce leakage.

**[S6W-23921 Maurice Golden](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of Scottish Water's acceptable leakage rates at present, and what leakage rates have



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been determined to be acceptable to ensure that adequate supplies are maintained, in light of climate change impacts.

**[S6W-23922](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the estimated cost of supplying water zones that are projected to be in deficit from any nearby zones that are in surplus.

**[S6W-23923](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what level of drought resilience has been set for Scotland's water supply, and how this compares with resilience levels in other parts of the UK.

**[S6W-23924](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how many households are currently dependent on private water supplies, broken down by local authority area.

**[S6W-23925](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of any campaigns to save water use over the last five years in terms of (a) cost and (b) effectiveness in terms of water use reduction.

**[S6W-23926](#) Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how much public money has been made available in 2023-24 to finance NHS specialist treatments for people who are living with chronic pain, and for what reason this was deemed to be the most appropriate funding allocation for this particular area of healthcare.

**[S6W-23927](#) Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government how much public money was provided to (a) the Health and Social Care Alliance, (b) Pain Association Scotland, (c) Pain Concern, (d) Versus Arthritis and (e) all other external (i) national and (ii) regional (A) groups and (B) charities offering support on chronic pain issues, in the financial year (aa) 2021-22, (ab) 2022-23 and (ac) 2023-24.

**[S6W-23928](#) Ross Greer:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made on the regulation of non-surgical cosmetic procedures.

**[S6W-23932](#) Mercedes Villalba:** To ask the Scottish Government whether Police Scotland has provided any training, advice, guidance or support to the (a) Israel Police, (b) Israel Defence Forces (IDF) and (c) Israeli security services; if so, what type of support has been provided, and what the financial value was of any contract.

**[S6W-23933](#) Mercedes Villalba:** To ask the Scottish Government whether any of its departments or agencies have established contractual links with any (a) department or agency of the Israeli government, (b) public body based in Israel, (c) non-governmental organisation (NGO) based in Israel and (d) private company that provides goods and services to the Israeli government.

**[S6W-23934](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it has taken to ensure that SEPA fulfils its duties under the Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011.

**[S6W-23935](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will revise the Scottish Transport Appraisal Guidance (STAG) model for future rail infrastructure investment, in light of patronage projections for the reopening of Stow, Galashiels and Tweedbank stations on the Borders Railway reportedly having been underestimated for the first year of opening by, respectively, 313%, 330% and 681%.

**[S6W-23936](#) Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the procurement process for the Small Vessel Replacement Programme, what assessment it has made of the estimated cost difference to it between the direct award of a contract and a competitive tendering process.

**[S6W-23937](#) Foyso Choudhury:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the provision of magnetic resonance-guided focused ultrasound (MRgFUS) from NHS Tayside and the subsequently reported removal of the cross-border referral of Scottish essential tremor patients to NHS England services, what plans it has to redirect any funding towards aiding a national commission for MRgFUS services across NHS Scotland.

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**[S6W-23938](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many children are currently considered to be "missing from education" at schools in Scotland, broken down by (a) local authority area and (b) reason recorded for being missing.

**[S6W-23939](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many teachers have opted to take early retirement in each of the last five years, also broken down by (a) whether they were primary or secondary school teachers and (b) local authority area.

**[S6W-23940](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on education agents employed by Scottish universities to recruit overseas students; if it collects such information, how many such agents are currently in place, and how much has been spent on recruiting them in the last five years, broken down by university.

**[S6W-23941](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish a refresh of Scotland's Play Strategy.

**[S6W-23942](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the report, *Killing to Kill: An Ethical Assessment of "Predator Control" on Scottish Moors*, by the Oxford Centre for Animal Ethics.

**[S6W-23946](#) Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the 11% drop in acceptances onto nursing programmes in Scotland in the last year, as reported by UCAS.

**[S6W-23947](#) Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the (a) Royal College of Nursing report, *The Nursing Workforce in Scotland: Review of Progress*, (b) reported concern regarding high nursing vacancy rates across the NHS and social care and (c) most recent NHS statistics showing that 5,400 nursing and midwifery posts remain unfilled.

**[S6W-23949](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government which local authorities have published Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies (LHEES), and whether it anticipates that any local authorities will not publish LHEES by the end of 2023.

**[S6W-23950](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the finding in the publication, *NHS Recovery Plan 2021-2026 Annual Progress Update 2023*, that the percentage of frontline NHS spend allocated to child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) is currently 0.66%, whether it is still on track to meet its commitment to allocate 1% of NHS spend to CAMHS by the end of the current parliamentary session.

**[S6W-23951](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Public Health Scotland data confirming that the percentage of frontline NHS spend allocated to mental health services was 8.78% in 2021-22, whether it is still on track to meet its commitment to allocate 10% of NHS spend to mental health services by the end of the current parliamentary session.

**[S6W-23956](#) Mercedes Villalba:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6O-01318 by Humza Yousaf on 7 September 2022, whether it expects patient satisfaction results in the Health and Care Experience Survey 2023-24 to have improved for any GP practices in Aberdeen that had results below the national average in the 2021-22 survey.

**[S6W-23957](#) Mercedes Villalba:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6O-01318 by Humza Yousaf on 7 September 2022, what action it has taken to improve the services at any GP practices in Aberdeen that had patient satisfaction results below the national average in the Health and Care Experience Survey 2021-22.

**[S6W-23958](#) Mercedes Villalba:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6O-01318 by Humza Yousaf on 7 September 2022, when the improvement plan for any GP surgeries in Aberdeen with poor patient satisfaction results will be published.

**[S6W-23959](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide the estimated capital cost for local authorities to deliver any local authority-led heat network schemes that are currently in development, and how much financial support it is providing to local authorities to help deliver any such developments.

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**[S6W-23960](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what (a) number and (b) proportion of homes it anticipates will need to be supported by heat networks in order to meet targets for decarbonising home heating.

**[S6W-23961](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government how much (a) capital and (b) pre-capital support it has provided to heat network projects to date, and how many properties either have been or are set to be connected to heat networks as a result of any such support.

**[S6W-23962](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what the estimated capital cost will be of meeting its existing heat network targets, and what proportion of this capital cost it has committed to providing (a) to date and (b) in its Budget for 2024-25.

**[S6W-23963](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Heat Networks (Scotland) Act 2021 and its 2022 *Heat networks delivery plan*, whether it will provide an update on whether it has set a 2035 target for heat networks.

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## New Subordinate Legislation

### Instruments/Documents subject to approval

The following document was laid before Parliament on 15 December 2023—

Draft Funeral Director Code of Practice (SG/2023/300)  
Laid under section 97 of the Burial and Cremation (Scotland) Act 2016

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## 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 statement is made that the Scottish 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 6 Proposals](#):

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### Final Proposal for a Member's Bill

**Katy Clark: Proposed Freedom of Information Reform (Scotland) Bill**—Proposal for a Bill to reform Freedom of Information legislation in Scotland including to:

- extend coverage to all bodies delivering public services and services of a public nature;
- increase accountability and transparency including through the proactive publication of information;
- strengthen the effectiveness of existing processes; and
- improve enforcement.

(lodged 7 December 2023)

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: Rhoda Grant, Mark Griffin, Jackie Baillie, Willie Rennie, Liam McArthur, Alex Rowley, Foysoil Choudhury, Pam Duncan-Glancy, Carol Mochan, Richard Leonard, Monica Lennon, Paul Sweeney, Mercedes Villalba, Daniel Johnson, Neil Bibby, Paul O’Kane, Claire Baker, Beatrice Wishart, Sarah Boyack

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## Progress of Legislation

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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.

### **Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 28 November 2023

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 12 December 2023

### **Aggregates Tax and Devolved Taxes Administration (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 14 November 2023

*Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration*

### **Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 20 December 2023

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 19 December 2023

### **Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 29 November 2023

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (45<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

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### **Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 24 January 2024

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 18 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

### **Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 5 December 2023

*Report – Finance and Public Administration Committee (10<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (64<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

*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.*

### **Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 22 December 2022

*Following an Order under section 35 of the Scotland Act 1998 made by the Secretary of State for Scotland, this Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its current form.*

### **Gender Representation on Public Boards (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 12 December 2023

### **Housing (Cladding Remediation) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 19 December 2023

### **Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 19 December 2023

### **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 12 December 2023

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 26 September 2023

*Report – Criminal Justice Committee (letter to lead committee, 10 February 2023)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (13<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

*Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (11<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

### **Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 20 September 2023

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (75<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 12 December 2023

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (70<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 7 December 2023

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*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (72<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **Scottish Languages Bill (G)**

Introduced, 29 November 2023

*Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People*

### **Social Security (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 9 November 2023

### **Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Before Stage 3 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 19 December 2023

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 20 December 2023

*Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (74<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Approved at Reconsideration Stage, 7 December 2023

### **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 13 December 2023

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 19 December 2023

### **Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 19 December 2023

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (61<sup>st</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 22 November 2023

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (65<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee), 24 January 2024

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 18 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

## **Legislative Consent Memorandums**

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<https://www.parliament.scot/bills-and-laws/bills/legislative-consent-memorandums>

### **Data Protection and Digital Information Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-36a**

Lodged on 14 September 2023

Meeting (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 13 December 2023

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (57<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill LCM-S6-38**

Lodged on 19 July 2023

*Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*



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*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (58<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill LCM-S6-15**

Lodged on 7 February 2022

*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

### **Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill LCM-S6-40**

Lodged on 15 December 2023

### **Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership) Bill LCM-S6-39**

Lodged on 22 November 2023

*Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work*

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

#### **Affirmative instruments**

**Subject to approval by 16 December 2023**

[Social Security Information-sharing \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (SSI 2023/Draft) (7 November 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

**Subject to approval by 14 January 2024**

[Wine \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (20 November 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to approval by 28 January 2024**

[Welfare of Farmed Animals \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (4 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to approval by 31 January 2024**

[Bus Services Improvement Partnerships \(Objections\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (7 December 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 6 February 2024**

[Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (13 December 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

#### **Negative instruments**

**Subject to annulment 18 December 2023**

**Lead Committee report due by 11 December 2023**

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[Food \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Compliance Notices\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/337\)](#) (9 November 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 19 December 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 18 December 2023**

[Fly-tipping \(Fixed Penalty\) \(Scotland\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/335\)](#) (10 November 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Producer Responsibility Obligations \(Packaging Waste\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/336\)](#) (10 November 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Feed Additives \(Authorisations\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/339\)](#) (10 November 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 29 January 2024**  
**Lead Committee report due by 22 January 2024**

[Gender Recognition \(Disclosure of Information\) \(Scotland\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/364\)](#) (5 December 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions \(Scotland\) Amendment Rules 2023 \(SSI 2023/366\)](#) (5 December 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment 31 January 2024**  
**Lead Committee report due by 29 January 2024**

[Meat Preparations \(Import Conditions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/367\)](#) (7 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Bus Services Improvement Partnerships and Local Services Franchises \(Provision of Information\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/368\)](#) (7 December 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Welfare Foods \(Best Start Foods\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/371\)](#) (7 December 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

**Subject to annulment 1 February 2024**  
**Lead Committee report due by 29 January 2024**

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/369\)](#) (8 December 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Bovine Semen \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/370\)](#) (8 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Conservation of Salmon \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/372\)](#) (8 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

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**Subject to annulment 7 February 2024**  
**Lead Committee report due by 5 February 2024**

[Equality Act 2010 \(Specific Duties\) \(Use of Member Information\) \(Scotland\) Revocation Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/375\) \(14 December 2023\)](#) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

**Instruments / Documents subject to approval**

**Lead Committee report due by 28 January 2024**

[Code of Practice for the Welfare of Pigs \(Revocation\) \(Scotland\) Notice 2023 \(SG/2023/304\) \(4 December 2023\)](#) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Lead Committee report due by 8 February 2024**

Draft Funeral Director Code of Practice (SG/2023/300) (15 December 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

## New Documents

### Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 15 December 2023—

Angela Constance, Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs: Legislative Consent Memorandum on Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-40)

### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 15 December 2023 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Caledonian Maritime Assets Limited - Annual Report and Accounts for the year to 31 March 2023 (SG/2023/273)** laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**Forestry and Land Scotland Annual Report and Accounts 2022-2023 (SG/2023/247)** laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**GTC Scotland Annual Report and Financial Statements – Year to 31 March 2023 (GTCS/2023/01)** laid under Schedule 3, para 5(1) of the Public Services Reform (General Teaching Council for Scotland) Order 2011

**Scottish Water Interim Report and Accounts 2023: Performance and Prospects For the six months to 30 September 2023 (SG/2023/315)** laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power.

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