

Monday 23 October 2023

Business Bulletin

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Portfolio Questions: Groupings

The Presiding Officer has grouped the following questions at Portfolio Questions on Wednesday 25 October: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture – Questions 1, 3, and 6, and Questions 2 and 8; and Justice and Home Affairs – Questions 5 and 7.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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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 4 October 2023

Tuesday 24 October 2023

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Father Krzysztof Garwolinski, Parish Priest of St Patrick's Shieldmuir and St Thomas' Wishaw

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Planning for Winter 2023-24 and Ongoing Resilience Across Health and Social Care

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Transvaginal Mesh

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Committee Announcement: Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee inquiry into the human rights of asylum seekers in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-10526 Collette Stevenson: Challenge Poverty Week 2023

Wednesday 25 October 2023

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Economy and Labour Market

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Culture

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-10793 Maggie Chapman: Climate Justice and Support for a Global Loss and Damage Fund

Thursday 26 October 2023

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-10188 Paul Sweeney: Free Bus Travel for People Seeking Asylum

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions
Education and Skills

followed by Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee Debate: Embedding Public Participation in the Work of the Parliament

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 31 October 2023

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 1 November 2023

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy; Finance and Parliamentary Business

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 2 November 2023

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

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2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition

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

24 October 2023

30th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 to 8 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 from—
Jenni Minto, Minister for Public Health and Women's Health, Tom Ferris, Chief Dental Officer, Ailsa Garland, Principal Legal Officer, and Tim McDonnell, Director of Primary Care, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
[National Health Service \(General Dental Services\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023](#)
[Health and Care Professions Council \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Rules Order of Council 2023](#)
4. **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Eddie Follan, Chief Officer, Health and Social Care, COSLA;
Eddie Fraser, Chief Executive, East Ayrshire Council, SOLACE Scotland;
Professor Soumen Sengupta, Director of Health and Social Care, South Lanarkshire Health and Social Care Partnership, Health and Social Care Scotland Chief Officers.
5. **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 4.
6. **Pre-budget scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Cabinet Secretary for NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care.
7. **Vaping:** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny.
8. **Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (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, Alex Bruce on 85229 or at Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

24 October 2023

29th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Declaration of interests:** Jim Fairlie will be invited to declare any relevant interests.

2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
3. **MV Glen Sannox (Hull 801) and MV Glen Rosa (Hull 802):** The Committee will take evidence from—
Andrew Miller, Chairman, and David Tydeman, Chief Executive Officer, Ferguson Marine (Port Glasgow) Ltd.
4. **Documents subject to Parliamentary control:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Scotland's Guiding Principles on the Environment](#) (SG 2023/162)
5. **Environmental governance:** The Committee will consider the responses it received from stakeholders regarding their views on Scotland's Guiding Principles on the Environment: Statutory Guidance (SG 2023/162) and the Scottish Government's recent report on the Effectiveness of Environmental Governance Arrangements.
6. **MV Glen Sannox (Hull 801) and MV Glen Rosa (Hull 802):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
7. **Climate change and net zero:** The Committee will consider whether to seek approval for the appointment of an adviser on climate change and net zero issues.
8. **Environmental regulation (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard at its meeting on 3 October 2023 under agenda item 4.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath on 0131 348 6039 or at netzero.committee@parliament.scot

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

24 October 2023

28th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6, 7, 8 and 9 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Parking Prohibitions \(Enforcement and Accounts\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/Draft)
[Social Security \(Residence and Presence Requirements\) \(Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem, the Golan Heights and Lebanon\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/Draft)
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/268)
[Title Conditions \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Conservation Bodies and Rural Housing Bodies\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Order 2023](#) (SSI 2023/278)
[National Health Service \(General Medical Services Contracts and Primary Medical Services Section 17C Agreements\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/281)
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Act of Adjournal \(Criminal Procedure Rules 1996 Amendment\)\(Witness Citations in Solemn Proceedings\) 2023](#) (SSI 2023/276)

5. **Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Esther Robertson, Author of Fit for the Future, Report of the Independent Review of Legal Services Regulation in Scotland;
and then from—
Rachel Wood, Executive Director of Regulation, The Law Society of Scotland;
Morag Ross KC, Faculty of Advocates.
6. **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
7. **Visitor Levy (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.
8. **Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the supplementary legislative consent memorandum on the Bill.
9. **Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 5.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Greg Black at Greg.Black@parliament.scot

Finance and Public Administration Committee

24 October 2023

26th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill: Financial Memorandum:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Charlie Devine, Service Manager - Waste Partnership, Dundee City Council;
Kirsty McGuire, Waste Manager, South Lanarkshire Council;
Jim Jack, Head of Operational Services, West Lothian Council.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Joanne McNaughton, on FPA.committee@parliament.scot.

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

24 October 2023

24th 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. **Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Fiona Campbell, Chief Executive, Association of Scotland's Self-Caterers;
Stacey Dingwall, Head of Policy and External Affairs, Scotland, Federation of Small Businesses;
Simon Ovenden, Policy Adviser – Access, Visitor Management and Rural Crime, Scottish Land and Estates;
Ben Edgar-Spier, Head of Regulation and Policy, Sykes Cottages;

David Weston, Chair, Scottish Bed and Breakfast Association (SBBA);
and then from—

Sarah Allanson, Policy and Membership Director for Scotland and Northern Ireland,
British Holiday and Home Parks Association;

Neil Ellis, Chair, Edinburgh Hotels Association;

Simon McGrath, Head of Communications and External Relations, The Camping and
Caravanning Club;

Margo Paterson, Chief Executive, Hostelling Scotland;

Frank Whittaker, Chair, Aberdeen City & Shire Hotels Association (ACSHA).

3. **Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider a draft letter on Pre-Budget Scrutiny.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Euan Donald on 85212 or at ewan.donald@parliament.scot

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

24 October 2023

20th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will take evidence from members of the Whole Family Equality Project.
3. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Emma Roddick, Minister for Equalities, Migration and Refugees, Rob Priestley, Head of Mainstreaming and Strategy Unit, Directorate of Equality, Inclusion and Human Rights, and Fi Robertson, Head of Scottish Budget Team, Directorate of Budget and Public Spending, Scottish Government.
4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda items 2 and 3.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katrina Venters on 86244 or at Katrina.Venters@Parliament.scot

Education, Children and Young People Committee

25 October 2023

26th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from:
Fiona McMullen, Operations Manager, ASSIST;
Dr Marsha Scott, Chief Executive Officer, Scottish Women's Aid;
Kate Wallace, Chief Executive Officer, Victim Support Scotland;

and then from—

Stephen Bermingham, Head of Practice and Policy, Children's Hearings Scotland;
Jillian Gibson, Policy Manager, Children and Young People Team, and Joanna
Anderson, Policy Manager, Local Government and Finance Team, COSLA;
Alistair Hogg, Head of Practice and Policy, Scottish Children's Reporter Administration
(SCRA);
Ben Farrugia, Director, Social Work Scotland.

3. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider a draft letter on its Pre-Budget Scrutiny.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Pauline McIntyre on 85252 or at Pauline.McIntyre@parliament.scot

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

25 October 2023

26th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Gillian Martin, Minister for Energy and the Environment, Stewart Forsyth, Animal Health and Welfare Policy Advisor, and Andrew Voas, Veterinary Head of Animal Welfare, Scottish Government.
3. **Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider a Stage 1 approach paper.
4. **Wildlife Management and Muirburn (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, Emma Johnston on 85225 or at emma.johnston@parliament.scot

Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee

25 October 2023

15th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
PE1723: Essential tremor treatment in Scotland;
PE1871: Full review of mental health services;
PE1885: Make offering Community Shared Ownership mandatory for all windfarm development planning proposals;
PE1968: Restrict perpetrators of domestic abuse from using family court proceedings to continue tormenting their victims;

PE1981: Ensure perpetrators of domestic abuse, who have been excluded from the matrimonial home, cannot force the sale of the property; and

PE1990: Introduce a Scottish Parliament question session for young people.

3. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
PE2035: Recognise legal control of generalist predators as a conservation act;
PE2037: Improving literacy standards in schools through research-informed reading instructions; and
PE2040: Increase funding to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to prevent serious cuts to the service provided to the public.
4. **Written Submissions (in private):** The Committee will consider a review of policy on written submissions.
5. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2024-2025:** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Scottish Government.
6. **Previous action information in petitions:** The Committee will consider its policy on publication of “previous action” information in petitions.
7. **Inquiry into A9 Dualling Project:** The Committee will consider evidence heard to date, and its wider approach to this inquiry.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Andrew Mylne on 85951 or at Andrew.Mylne@scottish.parliament.uk

Criminal Justice Committee

25 October 2023

26th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on parts 1 to 3 of the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Jonathan Campbell, President, Edinburgh Bar Association;
Jamie Foulis, Committee Member and Treasurer, Family Law Association;
Stuart Munro, Convener of the Criminal Law Committee, The Law Society of Scotland.
2. **Access to court transcripts:** The Committee will consider correspondence received from the Scottish Government.
3. **Forensic pathology services:** The Committee will consider issues raised in HM Inspectorate of Prosecution's Annual Report for 2022-23 over the current model for the provision of forensic pathology services in Scotland.
4. **Victims, Witnesses and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.
5. **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will further consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie on 85931 or at Stephen.Imrie@scottish.parliament.uk

Economy and Fair Work Committee

25 October 2023

26th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 11:15 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Alan McIntosh, Approved Money Adviser, Advice Talks Ltd;
Joe McMonagle, Money Advice Training and Development Officer, South Lanarkshire Council;
Natalia Mendel, Money Advice Manager, Dalkeith & District Citizen's Advice Bureau.
3. **Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2024-2025 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Scottish Government.
5. **Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny of the legislative consent memorandum lodged by Shona Robison, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Finance (LCM(S6)38).

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Anne Peat on 85182 or at anne.peat@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-10899](#) John Mason: White Poppies**—That the Parliament considers that, as Remembrance Day approaches, the sight of red poppies serves as a powerful reminder of wartime sacrifices; believes, however, that there exists an alternative perspective symbolised by the white poppy, created 90 years ago, focusing on peace, inclusivity and challenging militarism; acknowledges that, in 1933, the Co-operative Women's Guild created the first white poppies, now distributed by the Peace Pledge Union, born from the experiences of those who had lost loved ones during the First World War; considers that concerns about Remembrance Day's shift towards militarism prompted this alternative symbol; believes that the white poppy embodies the three fundamental principles of inclusive remembrance, a challenge to militarism and an active pursuit of peace; understands that, during both World Wars, James Maxton played a pivotal role in advocating for conscientious objectors in Glasgow, and later went on to become the Member of Parliament for Bridgeton, now within the Glasgow Shettleston constituency; further understands that Maxton, a socialist and conscientious objector himself, fought for the rights of those opposing the war, advocating for alternative service, and that his efforts led to greater recognition of conscientious objectors' rights and left a lasting legacy, ensuring that conscientious objectors had alternatives to military service, and considers that the white poppy and James Maxton's legacy offer alternative perspectives on war and remembrance, emphasising inclusivity and peace, and challenging militarism, while reminding people of the enduring pursuit of a more peaceful and just world.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-10907](#) Marie McNair: Scottish Trades Union Congress St Andrew's Day Rally Against Racism and Fascism**—That the Parliament recognises the Scottish Trades Union Congress St Andrew's Day Rally Against Racism and Fascism is due to take place in Glasgow on 25 November 2023, with the march leaving at 11.00 am from Glasgow Green; understands that the theme this year is "From Erskine to Elgin, The Far Right is Not Welcome"; celebrates Scotland's strong tradition of trade unions and opposes what it sees as repeatedly regressive and abhorrent legislation from the UK Government on refugees, asylum seekers and BAME communities; stands

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in solidarity with those fighting against hatred, and celebrates the bravery and long standing dedication of those on the march who it believes fight oppression every day.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Stuart McMillan*

***[S6M-10906](#) Roz McCall: Dunfermline Gymnasts Join Team GB for Guttenberg Cup**—That the Parliament celebrates the achievement of Scarlett Haldane, Emma Nelson and Ella Gracie who will compete as part of Team GB at the Guttenberg Cup, which will take place from 26 to 29 October 2023; considers that the girls' international success over the last year, winning gold at international cups in Budapest, in Hungary, and Rzeszow, Poland, makes them strong contenders in one of the toughest competition categories; believes that it is down to the hard work and dedication of these gymnasts that they are able to compete at national level, and wishes them every success as they represent Great Britain.

***[S6M-10905](#) Shirley-Anne Somerville: Social Security (Residence and Presence Requirements) (Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem and the Golan Heights) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 [draft]** —That the Parliament recommends that the Social Security (Residence and Presence Requirements) (Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem and the Golan Heights) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Patrick Harvie*, Paul McLennan*, Emma Roddick*

***[S6M-10904](#) Evelyn Tweed: Ally Logan's Annual Charity Golf Day Raises Over £9,000 for Strathcarron Hospice**—That the Parliament congratulates Stirling Golf Club on raising £9,250 for Strathcarron Hospice, during Ally Logan's Annual Charity Golf Day; understands that 192 golfers from across Central Scotland were split into 48 teams to take part in a Texas Scramble on 29 July 2023 to raise funds for Strathcarron Hospice, which provides specialist hospice care and expert end of life care for the people of Forth Valley, Cumbernauld and Kilsyth; notes that the event was sponsored by Ground Developments, with NFU Mutual Stirling sponsoring the hole-in-one prizes, and praises all of those who took part in the event.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Emma Harper*, Alexander Stewart*, Stuart McMillan*, Pam Gosal*

***[S6M-10903](#) Rachael Hamilton: Farmers Weekly Arable Farmer of the Year 2023**—That the Parliament congratulates Neil White for winning the *Farmers Weekly* award for Arable Farmer of the Year 2023; understands that his farm in Berwickshire has focused on growing quality arable crops since 1999; notes that the innovative farming methods used on the farm have helped to reduce carbon emissions to 0.33kg of carbon dioxide equivalents/kg of produce; believes that the environment has benefitted from changes in farming methods, including not using insecticides and adding grass margins to fields; acknowledges that the farm has increased biodiversity, while retaining output levels and increasing soil quality, and wishes Neil and his fantastic agricultural business well for future.

Supported by: Alexander Burnett* R, Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain* R, Brian Whittle*, Pam Gosal*, Meghan Gallacher*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Liam Kerr*

***[S6M-10902](#) Paul Sweeney: Glasgow Institute for Neurological Sciences Nursing Team Wins International Recognition**—That the Parliament congratulates Scott Wilson and Clio Cooter of the Institute for Neurological Sciences in Glasgow on their award for Best Clinical Oral Presentation at the British Association of Neuroscience Nurses conference in Dublin; understands that Scott, Theatre Charge Nurse, and Clio, Recovery Staff Nurse, delivered a talk on their study into patient experience in a neurosurgery theatre; recognises that they have been invited to the world's largest neurological treatment and research institution, Barrow Neurological Institute in

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Phoenix, Arizona, next year as part of their award, and commends Mr Wilson and Ms Cooter and the wider Institute of Neurological Sciences team for all their efforts in clinical innovation and in supporting their patients.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Sandesh Gulhane*

***[S6M-10901](#) Martin Whitfield: East Lothian Council Gold Award Achievement for Services to the Armed Forces Community**—That the Parliament congratulates East Lothian Council on being awarded an Employer Recognition Scheme Gold Award; understands that this is the Ministry of Defence's (MoD) highest award for organisations that employ and support reservists, service leavers, veterans and their families, and recognises what it sees as the hard work that has gone into supporting the Armed Forces community in East Lothian, including establishing an Armed Forces Employee Network, improving access to education, volunteering and employment support for service leavers looking to relocate to East Lothian, increasing awareness among schools about support for Armed Forces community pupils, training of frontline staff, and continued partnership working through the Armed Forces Covenant Group.

Supported by: Colin Smyth*, Foysoil Choudhury*, Edward Mountain*, Tess White*, Audrey Nicoll*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Pam Gosal*

***[S6M-10900](#) Martin Whitfield: East Lothian Council Library Services Award Nominations**—That the Parliament congratulates East Lothian Council Library Services on its nomination for the SLIC Project Excellence category and the Library Service Excellence Award in the 2023 Scottish Library and Information Council Awards; understands that it is the only library service to be nominated in both categories; celebrates the hard work done by staff and volunteers in achieving this; recognises its Community Health and Wellbeing Hubs project that gained its nomination in the Project Excellence Category, highlighting what it sees as the important role that libraries play in the health and wellbeing of their wider communities, and celebrates its work done on the theme of "At the Heart of our Communities", which led to its nomination in the Library Service Excellence category.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Foysoil Choudhury*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Sue Webber*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Smyth*, David Torrance*

***[S6M-10898](#) Jeremy Balfour: The Walk for Freedom 2023**—That the Parliament recognises that the Walk for Freedom took place on 14 October 2023; understands that it is a day of global awareness and local action with the aim of stopping human trafficking, on which the wearing of black clothes, posters and flyers are used to educate the public about modern day slavery; further understands that Broughton High School pupils organised an anti-slavery week, in which around six pupils from S6 took part in assemblies for all year groups, telling 1,200 students about the problem of human trafficking; commends the seven Broughton High School pupils from S2 to S6 that attended the Walk for Freedom in Edinburgh city centre, and recognises that two of the students read the *Declaration of Freedom* poem at the beginning of the event and three helped to steward the walk.

***[S6M-10897](#) John Mason: Littering Every Three Seconds**—That the Parliament notes a study conducted by Ellipsis Earth and Hubbub, in Glasgow, that used advanced image capturing and artificial intelligence data-processing technology to analyse littering patterns; recognises the findings that litter is dropped on Glasgow's roads every three seconds on average, with out-of-town shopping centres being common locations for littering; acknowledges that scientists used vehicle cameras to survey A-roads and B-roads, city centre, and retail areas, creating a detailed map of litter locations and types; further acknowledges the findings that litter accumulates at

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places where vehicles slow down, like traffic lights, junctions, and roundabouts; notes the study's recommendations for interventions, such as signs, bins in targeted locations, and media campaigns, to reduce littering; further notes that the study also highlights the importance of making it easy for drivers to dispose of litter and encourages public engagement in tackling the issue; welcomes the study's aims to use technology and data to address problem littering and create cleaner streets and roads in Glasgow; considers that local authorities do a good job in tackling littering, but that there is only so much that councils can do when litter is reportedly being dropped at such a high rate, and urges all members of the public to take responsibility for their own litter and to dispose of it responsibly, which, it believes, would greatly improve the environment.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*

***S6M-10896 Clare Haughey: 146th Anniversary of the Blantyre Pit Disaster**—That the Parliament remembers those who lost their lives in the 1877 Blantyre mining disaster; solemnly notes the 146th anniversary of the tragedy, which took place on 22 October 1877; understands that 215 men and boys sadly lost their lives and that it remains Scotland's worst mining disaster; highlights that an estimated 6% of the whole population of Blantyre died in the tragedy; pays tribute to the many local residents and organisations that have worked relentlessly over the years to ensure that the pit disaster is never forgotten, including the Blantyre Project, which has been publishing in-depth articles and stories throughout the month of October 2023, and stands with the Blantyre community and those who will be remembering the miners who never returned home from work that fateful day, 146 years ago.

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***S6M-10895 Tess White: 75th Anniversary of International Credit Union Day**—That the Parliament recognises the 75th anniversary of International Credit Union Day, which takes place on 19 October 2023, when credit unions across the world will join in celebration; considers that International Credit Union Day provides an opportunity for members to engage, share experiences and reflect upon the accomplishments of the credit union movement throughout Scotland to date; understands that there are currently 83 Scottish Credit Unions, with the highest recorded number of adult members now at 385,386, along with 37,419 juvenile depositors in Scotland; commends what it considers the good work being done by the credit union movement throughout Scotland to offer a real, meaningful alternative in Scotland's financial services sector; acknowledges that International Credit Union Day has been celebrated on the third Thursday of October dating back to 1948, and encourages the credit union movement in Scotland to draw upon examples of good practice seen throughout the world as it moves forward to support future development.

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***S6M-10894 Kevin Stewart: Befriend a Child Giving Tree Appeal**—That the Parliament recognises that Befriend a Child in Aberdeen has launched its annual Giving Tree Appeal, and is asking people, communities and businesses across Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire to come together to ensure that every child gets to open a Christmas present in 2023; understands that participants are being asked to either purchase a gift for a local young person or donate money towards experiences and outings for local children in the year ahead; congratulates Ocean

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Installer on already donating to the appeal to ensure that all expenses are covered; calls on businesses and organisations that think that they can help to become a Giving Tree partner to get in touch at fundraising@befriendachild.org.uk, and wishes Befriend a Child well with its endeavours.

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***[S6M-10893](#) Douglas Lumsden: Craig and Claire Grant Awarded Farmers Weekly 2023**

Farmer of the Year—That the Parliament congratulates Craig and Claire Grant, from Aberdeenshire, on being awarded *Farmers Weekly* 2023 Farmer of the Year; commends them for their hard work, commitment and pioneering spirit; understands that they were the first to calculate carbon footprint on an egg-specific basis, that they designed the UK's first split-feeding system for laying hens, and that they have created a local pulse market for arable farmers in North East Scotland; further understands that, in a drive to cut escalating feed bills, they cut the soya in poultry diets by 50% and replaced it with homegrown spring beans, which achieved a price point of £3/percentage point of protein versus £8/percentage point of protein from purchased soya, and now collaborate with local farmers to grow beans to meet demand; notes that the Grants run a fully-integrated mixed farm with 160,000 laying hens, 200ha of combinable crops, 270 bulling heifers and a flying sheep flock of 1,500 ewes and lambs; further notes that they employ 15 members of staff, with two agricultural apprentices; understands that they have constructed 2,500 metres of public footpaths across their farm to benefit the wider community; further understands that they have joined the Farmer Time initiative, pairing with a school in Manchester, to help children to understand more about where food comes from; commends Craig and Claire Grant for their contribution to Scotland's agricultural sector, and wishes them and their farm all the very best for the future.

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***[S6M-10892](#) Roz McCall: Dunfermline Charity Beer Festival**—That the Parliament recognises that this weekend, 20-21 October 2023, marks the return of the Dunfermline's annual charity beer festival; notes that the event, sponsored by Forth Tech, will be offering a wide range of Scottish ales and lagers, including a number from the Kingdom of Fife, while a gin bar will be provided by St Andrew's-based Darnley's Gin; understands that this event not only supports local business, but also raises money for vital causes, and wishes the organisers, charities, local businesses and attendees of this wonderful festival all the very best.

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***[S6M-10891](#) Roz McCall: West Fife Landmarks Light Up Red for Poppyscotland**—That the Parliament celebrates that landmarks across west Fife will light up red in the lead-up to Remembrance Sunday; notes that the HMS Venturer, at Babcock in Rosyth, and St Margaret's Catholic Church, in Dunfermline, are taking part in the Scottish Poppy Appeal campaign; recognises what it sees as the vital importance of this act of remembrance and how much this

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means to the brave veterans who have served in the Armed Forces, and encourages everyone to support the Scottish Poppy Appeal as November approaches.

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***[S6M-10890](#) Pam Gosal: Desiree's Salon, Kirkintilloch, Wins Two Prestigious Industry Awards—**That the Parliament congratulates Desiree's of Kirkintilloch on winning two prestigious awards at the Scottish Beauty Industry Awards 2023, at the event that was held to celebrate talent and innovation in the beauty sector on 15 October in Glasgow; notes that the salon won the 5 Star Beauty Salon Overall and Nail Team of the Year awards; understands that the salon owner, Desiree Carrigan, has been trading for over 12 years and has a team of five professionals working alongside her, with an additional young apprentice; appreciates that the awards evening, attended by industry leaders, influencers and beauty enthusiasts, was a resounding success and showcased Scotland's dedication to setting high standards in the beauty industry, and wishes the business every success for the future.

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***[S6M-10889](#) Paul O'Kane: Matt Drennan Becomes Honorary Citizen of Soroya, Norway—**That the Parliament understands that Matt Drennan, Secretary of the Neilston War Memorial Association, has been awarded citizenship of Soroya, Norway; further understands that this honour was bestowed on Mr Drennan by the Mayor of Hasvik, Eva Danielson Husby, in recognition of his role in maintaining a strong historical link between Neilston and the Hasvik municipality; understands that, in 1945, Neilston and other areas of East Renfrewshire welcomed over 500 civilian refugees fleeing Nazi persecution from the island of Soroya; considers that, through his role as Secretary of the Neilson War Memorial Association, Mr Drennan has ensured that this important historical event has been remembered; believes that Mr Drennan has encouraged engagement between East Renfrewshire Council and the administration of Hasvik and led on the installation of a memorial garden in Neilston's Kingston Park, and celebrates Mr Drennan's dedication to preserving stories of the history of the Second World War, and that the unique role played by Neilston in that history has been recognised and rewarded.

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***[S6M-10888](#) Kate Forbes: Iain Cormack Wins Gold Medal at Royal National Mòd 2023—**That the Parliament congratulates Iain Cormack from Portree on winning the An Comunn Gàidhealach Gold Medal at the 2023 Royal National Mòd in Paisley; notes that Iain won the men's Gold Medal for his renditions of *Mo Mhaighdeann Òg* and *Fàilte don Eilean Sgiathanach*; acknowledges what it sees as the vital importance of the Mòd in celebrating Gaelic culture and its key role in the promotion of the Gaelic language; recognises the efforts of all those involved in the organisation of the 2023 Royal National Mòd; appreciates and commends the hard work and preparation of all the competitors, and wishes An Comunn Gàidhealach all the best in its preparations for the 2024 Royal National Mòd in Oban.

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The Member has provided the following translation in Gaelic:

Iain MacCarraig a' buannachadh Bonn Òr aig Mòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail 2023

Gu bheil a' Phàrlamaid a' cur fàilte air Iain MacCarraig à Port Rìgh agus e air Bonn Òr a' Chomainn Ghàidhealaich a bhuannachadh aig Mòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail 2023 ann am Pàislig; gu bheil i a' toirt fa-near gun do bhuannaich Iain Bonn Òr nam Fear airson a bhith a' seinn 'Mo Mhaighdean Òg' and 'Fàilte don Eilean Sgitheanach'; gu bheil i a' toirt fa-near cho fìor chudromach 's a tha am Mòd ann a bhith a' comharrachadh cultar na Gàidhlig agus cho cudromach 's a tha e ann a bhith a' brosnachadh na Gàidhlig na beachd, gu bheil i ag aithneachadh na h-obrach aig a h-uile duine a bha an sàs ann a bhith a' cur Mòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail 2023 air dòigh, gu bheil i a' moladh na h-obrach cruaidh agus ullachadh a rinn na fairpaisich uile; agus gu bheil i a' guidhe gach soirbheachas dhan Chomann Ghàidhealach agus e ag ullachadh airson Mòd Nàiseanta Rìoghail 2024 anns an Òban.

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***S6M-10887 Donald Cameron: Rockfield Community Hub in Oban Shortlisted for SURF**

Award—That the Parliament congratulates Rockfield Community Hub on being shortlisted in the Improving Scotland's Places category of the prestigious 2023 SURF Awards for Best Practice in Community Regeneration, which identifies and celebrates best practice, innovation, and achievement in interventions that improve Scottish communities; understands that the Rockfield Community Hub was the result of a community campaign in 2014 to rescue the former Rockfield Primary School building, and that it is now owned by the Oban Communities Trust; recognises that the Hub offers a wide range of community services and events, including art exhibitions, heritage talks, live music, a Young Archaeologists' Club, and a community café, and wishes the Rockfield Community Hub the best of luck at the SURF Awards and for more successes in the years to come.

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***S6M-10886 Kevin Stewart: Project SEARCH Funding**

—That the Parliament welcomes the funding awarded to Project SEARCH by Aberdeenshire Council and Shell UK; notes that Project SEARCH, which is based at the University of Aberdeen, helps local people with learning disabilities and/or autism through a combination of real-life work experience, training in employability, and independent-living skills support; understands that the funding will support Project SEARCH through the 2023-24 financial year, and commends Project SEARCH on its important work across North East Scotland.

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***S6M-10885 Roz McCall: Dunfermline High School Pupils Join BBC Debate Night**

—That the Parliament recognises that on 11 October 2023, a group of Dunfermline High School pupils formed part of the audience on BBC debate night; understands that the students had the opportunity to sit on the panel during rehearsals and answer topical news questions; notes that the pupils had the chance to ask questions of various politicians, including Lord Malcolm Offord,

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Jackie Baillie MSP and Alison Thewliss MP; celebrates that local Dunfermline High School pupils were able to experience politics first-hand, and wishes them all the best for the future.

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***S6M-10884 Kevin Stewart: Great Western Community Trust**—That the Parliament congratulates the Great Western Community Trust on being awarded £425,154 from the Scottish Land Trust to help purchase and manage Holburn West Church in the west end of Aberdeen, which was due to close; recognises that the Trust has worked closely with Ashley and Broomhill Community Council and Queens Cross Community Council; notes that the Scottish Land Trust is funded by the Scottish Government and is delivered in partnership with the National Lottery Community Fund and Highlands and Islands Enterprise; understands that securing this funding will trigger a further grant of £250,000 from Aberdeen City Council; welcomes plans to transform the church into a local community centre, retaining the existing classes, clubs and services already operating, and providing space for new activities and a safe space for all in the community, and wishes the Trust well in its endeavours.

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***S6M-10883 Rona Mackay: Scottish Adoption and Fostering Mark Centenary**—That the Parliament congratulates Scottish Adoption and Fostering on marking its centenary in 2023; understands that the national organisation was established in 1923, with the aim of delivering a holistic range of high quality placement and adoption services to children in Scotland; recognises what it sees as the invaluable work that the organisation does to connect vulnerable children to safe and loving homes, in line with The Promise; notes that Scottish Adoption and Fostering is inviting members to a reception hosted by the MSP for the Strathkelvin and Bearsden constituency, Rona Mackay, at 6.00 pm on 15 November at the Burns Room to celebrate its 100th year and learn more about its work; applauds the fact that, working in partnership with a range of key agencies and organisations, Scottish Adoption and Fostering is committed to delivering a child-centred service and strives to build on what it sees as its strong reputation in providing lifelong support for children and their families, its innovative approach and its highly skilled staff, all with specific experience in adoption; praises all of the staff and volunteers who have supported the organisation over the past 100 years, with particular credit to the adopted and foster parents who have provided safe and loving homes to their adopted and foster children, and extends its best wishes to all involved in adoption and fostering.

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***S6M-10882 Ross Greer: Industrial Action at National World**—That the Parliament stands in solidarity with members of the National Union of Journalists (NUJ) in taking industrial action against their employer, National World, which it understands has imposed a below-inflation 4.5% pay rise on its workers; notes with concern reports of financial hardship being felt by some

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journalists whose wages have not increased in real terms in several decades, despite, it understands, £1.4 million in profits recently being used by senior management to boost shareholder pay outs; believes that local journalism holds an invaluable place in democracy, ensuring that communities are well-informed, connected, and provided with trustworthy news coverage, and condemns National World management for what it sees as refusing to engage with Acas and the NUJ to negotiate an improved pay package in order to show that the organisation values its journalists and their work. **R**

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***S6M-10881 Rachael Hamilton: Borders Family Shortlisted for British Farming Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Robert and Becca Rennie from Mowahaugh and Attonburn farms on being nominated for Sheep Farmer of the Year in the 2023 British Farming Awards; understand that the Rennie family has been working the same land in the Scottish Borders for more than 90 years; further understands that the Rennie family's investment in new technology has enabled effective tracking of sheep breeding, and the reduction of lameness thanks to the monitoring of sheep movement and the condition of the sheep's feet; notes Robert and Becca's efforts to set up a farm shop to sell locally sourced meat and produce to the local area, and wishes them the best of luck at the British Farming Awards that are due to take place on 19 October 2023.

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***S6M-10880 Michelle Thomson: Falkirk Social Care Provision Nominated in National Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates the three crucial teams that provide social care services within the Falkirk District on their nomination for the Scottish Social Services Awards 2023; understands that the Falkirk Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) Learning Disability Team has been nominated in the categories for excellence within its field; recognises that a combined entry between Falkirk HSCP Joint Dementia Initiative with Caledonia Service has been shortlisted in the mental health service category; notes that the Falkirk Council Women's Justice Service has also been nominated within the excellence in justice category; commends the work of Falkirk HSCP, which has received numerous nominations and awards recently, including being named Best Place to Grow Old in a recent *Sunday Times* league table, which it believes attests to the high quality provision that all staff work hard to ensure is available throughout Falkirk's communities; further congratulates these critical teams on the nominations that they have received, and wishes them all the best of luck at the coming awards ceremony.

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***S6M-10879 Michelle Thomson: Riley Helps the Homeless**—That the Parliament recognises the generosity and selfless actions of Riley, a pupil of St Mary's Primary School in Bo'ness; understands that Riley is acutely aware of the hardships faced by those who experience homelessness within the community and often asks his mother for spare change to share with those who are less fortunate; further understands that a trip to Help the Homeless in Glasgow was arranged for Riley by his mum, who sought to further nurture his thoughtful nature; believes that Riley travelled to Glasgow with prepared packs of sandwiches and other snacks to provide to the homeless, all of which he prepared at home; acknowledges that, due to his generosity and

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thoughtfulness towards others, Riley has been recognised with a special award from his primary school and will soon share his experiences at an upcoming school assembly; congratulates Riley on his kind spirit and thoughtfulness towards others in the community who are less fortunate than him, and wishes him all the best in the future.

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***S6M-10878 Alexander Burnett: Celebrating the Completion of Major Upgrades at Westhill Orbital Trail**—That the Parliament welcomes the completion of major works at two community paths on the Westhill Orbital Trail, which is a 12.7km circuit of Westhill connecting a series of roads, tracks and paths; understands that Westhill and Elrick Community Council led the works on the trail, many parts of which suffered significant damage and flooding during Storm Arwen in 2021 and Storm Malik in 2022; highlights that the works included the construction of a 480m-long path to improve the accessibility for users of path networks on the trail, and the restoration and upgrading of the main 1.1km east-west through route in Carnie Woods, along with new signage and the creation of resting points; acknowledges that Westhill Orbital Trail now has two additional links at the Westhill Golf Club and Lawsondale Woods, and at Carnie Woods as a result of the works; believes that these improvements will encourage more people to use the trail as an alternative for everyday journeys, which will lead to reduced car use within the town; notes that Scotland's walking charity, Paths for All, awarded Westhill and Elrick Community Council a total of £119,895 in funding from the £1.5 million Ian Findlay Path Fund in 2022 to complete the works, and wishes Westhill and Elrick Community Council, local residents and visitors all the best when using the improved paths network on the Westhill Orbital Trail.

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***S6M-10877 Michelle Thomson: Sporting Success for Bo'ness Academy with Gold School Sport Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Bo'ness Academy on being awarded a Gold School Sport Award from sportscotland; understands that the Gold School Sport Award is the highest award for extra-curricular sporting activities in schools and local communities; recognises that sportscotland's national initiative aims to encourage young people to get involved in afterschool sports by putting them at the heart of decision making processes, while also ensuring that they can partake in any planning and implementation; commends Bo'ness Academy on its cooperation with the Active Schools network, which provided critical support; understands that Bo'ness Academy was required to meet criteria for this Gold School Sport Award, including in relation to physical education provision, extra-curricular clubs, competing in events, leadership opportunities and developing pupils, coaches and staff; notes that a celebration was held at Bo'ness Academy before the October holidays to unveil the gold award flags, and wishes all staff and pupils the best in the future.

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***S6M-10876 Angus Robertson: Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 [draft]**—That the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee recommends that the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

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***[S6M-10875](#) Fiona Hyslop: Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes Order 2023 [draft]**—That the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee recommends that the Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes Order 2023 [draft] be approved.

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***[S6M-10873](#) Michelle Thomson: Congratulating Oboist, Esther Kallow, on Gaining a Place in the National Youth Orchestra GB**—That the Parliament congratulates Esther Kallow on successfully gaining a place in the National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain (NYOGB) for 2024; understands that Esther is currently an S5 pupil at Larbert High School and is a talented oboist who plays to an advanced level; notes that this is not the first time that Esther's musical talents have been recognised, following her place as a finalist in the inaugural Falkirk Young Musician of the Year in 2022 and, earlier in 2023, as a regional finalist at the Scottish Young Musician of the Year; further notes that the NYOGB currently comprises of 160 young people between the ages of 13 and 18, playing a wide variety of instruments, and has been providing opportunities for talented teenage musicians for over 70 years; congratulates Esther on her outstanding musical abilities and success, and wishes her and the National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain all the best for the future.

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***[S6M-10872](#) Monica Lennon: Victory to Ravenscraig Community Action Group, Victory for the Ravenscraig Promise**—That the Parliament congratulates Ravenscraig Community Action Group on its successful campaign to protect the Ravenscraig masterplan by, it understands, facing down proposals for a rail freight terminal, distribution centre and ancillary development that would have, it believes, resulted in the loss of ancient woodland and introduced unacceptable levels of noise in a growing residential community; understands that, on 17 October 2023, the Scottish Government rejected a planning appeal by the Russell Group, following North Lanarkshire Council refusing the planning application in December 2022; acknowledges that Ravenscraig Community Action Group has developed the Ravenscraig Promise, in recognition of the importance of delivering the Ravenscraig masterplan, which includes new and affordable homes, low-carbon, multi-modal transport and opportunities for community organisations and small to medium enterprises; notes that the Ravenscraig Promise has strong cross-party support, and that a well-attended parliamentary event for Ravenscraig Community Action Group was attended by MSPs earlier in 2023; congratulates everyone involved in Ravenscraig Community Action Group, and the individuals who made representations to both the planning application and the appeal, on their role in what it sees as a positive, constructive and ambitious campaign for the community, and sends its best wishes to the Ravenscraig Community Action Group as it advocates for the progression of the Ravenscraig Promise.

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***[S6M-10871](#) Foyso Choudhury: Congratulating Scotland's National Men's Football Team on Qualifying for Euro 2024**—That the Parliament congratulates Scotland's national men's football team on qualifying for Euro 2024; understands that Scotland qualified with two games to spare after Spain's national men's football team beat Norway's national men's football team 1-0; appreciates that Scotland is now guaranteed to finish in the top two in Group A; commends the

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Scotland national men's football team for reaching two successive European Championships; considers that qualifying for Euro 2024 is an excellent showcase of Scottish sporting talent; believes that it is important to encourage the next generation of footballing talent in Scotland by offering children and young people the opportunity to learn the game; understands that Scotland has two matches left, against Georgia and Norway, and wishes the Scotland national men's football team, the staff and the fans the best of luck for these games and for the rest of Euro 2024.

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***S6M-10870 Stephanie Callaghan: Hamilton Park Racecourse Named Finalists in Racecourse Association Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Hamilton Park Racecourse on being named finalists in 2023's prestigious Racecourse Association Awards; understands that Hamilton Park Racecourse has been nominated in the Racing Connection, RCA/ROA Owners' Racecourse of the Year and *Racing Post's* Readers' Award categories; further understands that Hamilton Park Racecourse has previously taken home these awards and that the racecourse has been heralded as one of the finest racecourses in Britain, and wishes Hamilton Park Racecourse the best of luck at the award ceremony, which will be held on 23 November 2023, at Aintree Racecourse.

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***S6M-10869 Alexander Burnett: Bennachie Ultra Marathon Success**—That the Parliament congratulates the organisers of the Bennachie Ultra Marathon and the Bennachie Ultra Trail on the success of the 2023 event; notes that the Bennachie Ultra Trail was a challenging 17.5-mile course, with 3,300 ft of elevation gain, while the Bennachie Ultra Marathon was a gruelling 31-mile course, taking in Millstone Hill, Hermit Seat, Oxen Craig, Little Oxen, Craighshannoch and the iconic Mither Tap; understands that the event was sponsored by local businesses and organisations, including Peterkins solicitors, Axess Engineering Solutions, Spey Valley Brewery, Active Root, Sinclair's of Rhynie, H&S Milne & Sons Family Butchers and Graham Watson Photography; congratulates everyone who took part, particularly the ultra marathon event winners, Harriet Cross and Jonathan Gamble, and the ultra trail event winners, Tom Martin and Susan Naysmith, and wishes them every success in future events.

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***S6M-10868 Liam McArthur: Edrington Employees Raise £327,000 for Charity**—That the Parliament commends the Edrington employees who took part in the "Ride 'n' Stride" fundraising effort, raising £327,000 for good causes; notes that 73 cyclists and 96 walkers took part in the challenge over two days; understands that the money raised will be split evenly between the Glasgow refugee charity, Refuweegee, and the Orkney Blide Trust; considers that the Blide Trust is Orkney's foremost mental health support charity, providing a wide range of support services for those experiencing mental ill health; understands that the Blide Trust was nominated by workers at the Edrington-owned Highland Park distillery, and that one of the cyclists, Nick Lovick, is a Blide Trust member; thanks everyone who donated to the fundraising effort, and especially Edrington for triple-matching all donations, and believes that the money raised will make a real difference in helping to enhance much-needed mental health support in Orkney.

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***[S6M-10867](#) Meghan Gallacher: North Lanarkshire Honours Groups at Provost Awards—**

That the Parliament congratulates numerous individuals, voluntary groups and local organisations across North Lanarkshire who were honoured at the Provost Awards 2023, and notes that this annual ceremony recognises the remarkable work and contribution made by people and groups who have made a significant impact on their local areas.

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***[S6M-10866](#) Meghan Gallacher: Housing Association Marks 50 Years of Providing Services**

—That the Parliament congratulates Trust Housing Association on reaching 50 years of providing services in local communities; notes that the housing association held a special event at Mission Place in Motherwell to celebrate the milestone, and invited tenants, customers and colleagues to attend, and understands that Trust Housing Association is one of Scotland's largest housing, care and support providers for older people, with its main office situated in Wishaw.

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***[S6M-10865](#) Meghan Gallacher: Recovery Centre Receives Approval from Falkirk Council—**

That the Parliament recognises that a new recovery centre for pets is set to open in Slamannan, Falkirk; notes that the centre has been designed by local vet owner, Brian Allan, who specialises in small animal orthopaedic surgery; recognises that this new site will allow Brian to care for patients while they recover from surgery, and notes that the site will include a veterinary care facility, dwelling house, parking and access, with units that are specially designed for dogs and cats, as well as a treatment room.

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***[S6M-10864](#) Meghan Gallacher: Cycling Course for South Lanarkshire Primary Pupils**

Receives Praise—That the Parliament recognises that Bikeability Scotland courses have been praised for promoting health and safety for children; notes that these courses are run in primary schools across South Lanarkshire to give young people the skills and confidence to ride their bikes safely on roads, and recognises that the training covers a range of skills from starting and ending a road journey, as well as including an element of classroom work that covers the highway code, bike maintenance, safe journeys and environmental awareness.

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***[S6M-10863](#) Meghan Gallacher: Physical Wellbeing Interactive Game, "Beat the Street", Launches in South Lanarkshire**—That the Parliament recognises the interactive game, "Beat the Street", that has kicked off in South Lanarkshire to promote physical wellbeing; notes that this started on 20 September 2023 and will run until 1 November; acknowledges that the game encourages locals to walk, wheel and cycle, and will take place throughout South Lanarkshire, and notes that the game will be divided into themed weeks, which will include Go Play, Go Travel, Go Wild and Go Celebrate to help players make the most of their game experiences.

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***[S6M-10862](#) Meghan Gallacher: Lanarkshire Footballers Help Raise Awareness of Suicide Prevention**—That the Parliament acknowledges footballers from across Lanarkshire who, it understands, have been helping raise awareness around suicide prevention; notes that over 280 participants, including local businesses, voluntary organisations, charities and groups of friends gathered for a seven-a-side football competition at Ravenscraig Sports Facility; acknowledges that the event was organised in support of the suicide prevention campaigns of both North and South Lanarkshire councils, which aim to tackle the stigma around suicide and encourage open conversations to prevent it, and understands that representatives from Airdrieonians FC, Albion Rovers FC and Motherwell FC joined forces at the tournament.

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***[S6M-10861](#) Meghan Gallacher: North Lanarkshire Support Workers Hailed at Celebration Event**—That the Parliament congratulates the young support workers from across North Lanarkshire who have been celebrated at a recent event; understands that the event was held in Forgewood Community Centre, and celebrated young people who have completed their year-long job opportunities through the Young Person's Guarantee Scheme, and notes that, over the past year, the support workers have been working with North Lanarkshire Council's Community Learning and Development team, gaining skills, knowledge and confidence.

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***[S6M-10860](#) Meghan Gallacher: North Lanarkshire Primary School Praised by Inspectors**—That the Parliament congratulates Allanton Primary School on receiving positive feedback from a recent inspectors' visit; understands that the Education Scotland inspectors recognised the school's strengths, including that attainment in literacy and numeracy was shown to be good; notes that the report praised the school's effective use of digital technology to support learning and teaching, as well as recording praise for pupils' reading skills, and congratulates the school on the additional praise for staff and their positive relationships with pupils.

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***[S6M-10859](#) Meghan Gallacher: Community Hub in Newmains Declared Officially Open—**

That the Parliament congratulates the Newmains and St Brigid's Community Hub on being officially opened; notes that the official opening of the Hub was recognised with a special event for pupils, parents, carers and staff to gather to celebrate; further notes that pupils from the joint schools' choir entertained the audience with a singing performance, and welcomes the positive experiences that the pupils have shared since moving into the building, including boasting about the indoor slide.

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***[S6M-10858](#) Meghan Gallacher: Multi Use Games Areas Open at Three North Lanarkshire Schools—**

That the Parliament welcomes that new Multi Use Games Areas (MUGAs) are to open at three North Lanarkshire primary schools; notes that the MUGAs are based within Kilsyth Primary School, Ravenswood Primary School and St Aidan's Primary School; further notes that these areas have been designed to be flexible with the option of accommodation a whole range of sports for all ages of primary school pupils, including a running track to help promote fitness and athletics, and welcomes that there will be a separate community entrance for locals to use these facilities outside school hours.

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***[S6M-10857](#) Meghan Gallacher: Free Period Products Available across North Lanarkshire—**

That the Parliament supports that free period products will be available in 120 public places across North Lanarkshire, including Airdrie, Coatbridge, Cumbernauld, Motherwell, Shotts and Wishaw; notes the work that North Lanarkshire Council has undertaken with public sector partners and community organisations to make these products available for free; further notes that an interactive online map will be made available to direct people to locations of where the products will be available, as well as a campaign to help end the stigma around periods being a taboo topic; recognises that these products will be available to pick up in schools, colleges, health centres, libraries, community centres and leisure centres, and further recognises that these will also be provided through local food banks that are run by Lanarkshire Health and Food Partnership.

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***[S6M-10856](#) Miles Briggs: Next Generation Exascale Computer to Come to Edinburgh—**That the Parliament is delighted at the news that the new UK Government-funded exascale supercomputer will be situated in Edinburgh; understands that the exascale system is the next

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frontier in computing power; further understands that it will accelerate work on some of the most pressing issues, such as life-saving drugs, nuclear fusion and low carbon energy; recognises that the project will reportedly bring hundreds of new jobs to Lothian and Scotland, and looks forward to Scotland and the UK being at the forefront of innovative research for years to come.

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***S6M-10854 Finlay Carson: Stranraer Community Midwife, Lynn Young, Nominated for Top Health Award—**That the Parliament congratulates Lynn Young, a community midwife in Stranraer, who has been nominated in the prestigious annual Scottish Health Awards 2023 in recognition of her outstanding contribution in the health sector; understands that Lynn has worked in the role for 23 years; notes that she was nominated by a family member whom she looked after during a bereavement in pregnancy, and then again during a further pregnancy with the happy outcome of a healthy baby boy; understands that Lynn enjoys working with local families and getting to know them over the years by working alongside an incredible team of midwives, obstetricians, maternity care assistants and support staff, and wishes Lynn every success in the future, while hoping for a favourable result at the awards ceremony that will take place in Edinburgh on 2 November 2023.

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***S6M-10853 Colin Beattie: Matin Kahn Wins UK's Top Curry Chef Award—**That the Parliament congratulates Matin Khan on being named the UK's top curry chef at the Curry Life Awards; notes that the award was presented at the Marriott Grosvenor House Hotel in London's Mayfair; understands that Matin is Executive Chef of Itihaas in Dalkeith, which opened in 2007, and The Radhuni in Loanhead, which opened in 2011; believes that The Radhuni is one of only three Indian-style restaurants in Scotland to have been awarded an AA Rosette for culinary excellence; appreciates the hard work and dedication taken to be awarded such a high accolade, and thanks Matin for his ongoing work in the local community.

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***S6M-10852 Colin Beattie: The Radhuni in Loanhead Wins UK's Best Curry Restaurant—**That the Parliament congratulates The Radhuni in Loanhead on receiving the title of the UK's best curry restaurant at the Curry Life Awards; understands that Habibur Kahn is the manager of the highly acclaimed restaurant, and has been since first opening in 2011; appreciates that the multi-award winning restaurant is also home to the winner of the UK's top curry chef, along with sister restaurant, Itihass, in Dalkeith, and considers that, as a family run business, the success will be shared by many.

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***[S6M-10851](#) Rachael Hamilton: Scottish Borders Businesses Success at South of Scotland Thistle Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Borders businesses, visitor attractions and events on winning prestigious regional tourism and hospitality recognition at the Thistle Awards, held in Dumfries; understands that The Cross Keys Inn, in Ettrickbridge, won the award for Best Bar or Pub, the Allanton Inn, near Duns, won the Best Eating Experience, the Borders Book Festival won the Outstanding Cultural Event or Festival award, and the Trimontium Museum, in Melrose, won the Best Visitor Attraction award; further understands that these Borders businesses, visitor attractions and events will now represent the south of Scotland at the national Scottish Thistle Awards in December 2023, and wishes these regional winners the best of luck at the awards ceremony.

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***[S6M-10849](#) Pam Gosal: Paying Tribute to Helensburgh Community Council Convener, Norman Muir**—That the Parliament pays tribute to Norman Muir, who tragically passed away recently; acknowledges that Norman held a position as a key figure in the Helensburgh Community Council (HCC); recognises what it sees as his tremendous efforts leading from the front with energy and promoting the town, running the HCC for eight years, and ensuring that the town's voice was always heard; notes what it sees as his tireless work in helping to clean the beach, clear the shrub beds in Colquhoun Square, along with networking with stakeholders across the region, including politicians and council officers, to help improve the area; believes that he will be sadly missed by those who knew him, and sends its sympathies to Norman's family at this time.

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***[S6M-10848](#) Liam Kerr: Aberdeen Minerals Secures £294,000 in Grant Funding by the UK Government**—That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen Minerals on securing £294,000 in grant funding by the UK Government; understands that the funding was achieved through the Automotive Transformation Fund (ATF), which will meet 70% of the cost of a feasibility study into innovative methods to process minerals at the company's Arthrath Nickel-Copper-Cobalt Project in Aberdeenshire; further understands that the study will investigate the potential to accelerate the production of cathode raw materials in north-east Scotland for UK battery manufacturing, using more environmentally sustainable and socially acceptable approaches; notes that the ATF is delivered by the Advanced Propulsion Centre in collaboration with the UK Department for Business and Trade and Innovate UK, and wishes continued success for Aberdeen Minerals in the future.

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***S6M-10846 Sue Webber: 80-year-old War Hero Raises £45,000 for Charity in Just Four Years**—That the Parliament praises Craigshill resident, John Thompson, on his remarkable fundraising efforts for various charities over the past 50 years; understands that John, an 80-year-old former First Battalion Royal Highland Fusiliers piper, has raised tens of thousands of pounds for national, military and local charities in West Lothian and its communities; further understands that, over the last four years alone, he has raised £45,000; understands that he has taken on sponsored walks, swims and even abseiled down the Forth Road Bridge as part of his fundraising efforts; further understands that both Legion Scotland and Poppy Scotland, two of the charities that he has fundraised for, have extended their gratitude to John as his efforts have allowed these charities to continue to provide advice, help, support and assistance to veterans and their families all over Scotland, and wishes him continued success with his fundraising efforts.

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***S6M-10845 Marie McNair: Faifley Art Group Celebrates 35 Years of Success**—That the Parliament congratulates Faifley Art Group on 35 years of success; understands that the group was established in 1988, and is currently comprised of 25 members of various ages who create artwork using different subject matter and materials; notes that, while they have no formal teaching, all members help each other to create unique artwork, which is shown at the group's exhibitions; praises the group for creating a safe space for creativity to thrive and for meaningful social interaction and connections to develop, and wishes it every success in the future.

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***S6M-10844 Douglas Lumsden: Professor John JR Macleod Statue**—That the Parliament welcomes the unveiling of a new statue, to honour Professor John JR Macleod, in Aberdeen on 12 October 2023; notes that the life-size bronze and granite statue is located within a newly expanded area of Duthie Park called Macleod's Corner; understands that the date of its unveiling marks the 100th anniversary of Professor John JR Macleod winning the 1923 Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine for the discovery of insulin; notes that he attended Aberdeen Grammar School before studying medicine at Marischal College; further notes that he led the University of Toronto team that discovered insulin for the treatment of type 1 diabetes; celebrates the life and work of Professor John JR MacLeod; gives thanks to the JJR Macleod Memorial Statue Society, led by John Otto and Kimberlie Hamilton, who made the project possible, and hopes that the statue inspires future generations of Aberdonians. **R**

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***S6M-10843 Kaukab Stewart: Cornerstone Accredited Menopause Friendly Employer**—That the Parliament welcomes the certification of Glasgow-based accountancy firm, Cornerstone, as an accredited Menopause Friendly Employer; understands that the accreditation follows Cornerstone

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investing in its Menopause Awareness Project to understand the impact of menopause on female employees; further understands that the project was made possible through funding from the Workplace Equality Fund; notes that the Workplace Equality Fund is administered by Advice Direct Scotland to provide funding for projects that aim to make workplaces in Scotland more accessible to previously excluded groups, including older people and those with disabilities; further notes that the projects in receipt of funds are a part of the Fair Work Framework, which sets out what fair work means in Scotland, offering all individuals an effective voice, opportunity, security, fulfilment, and respect; understands that the project with Cornerstone was one of 12 projects to have successfully received funding, with up to £75,000 available in each year of the fund to carry out activities that will help with inclusivity, from a total of £800,000 available to all projects for the first year of the two-year equality fund, and welcomes the commitment by Cornerstone towards making Scottish workplaces more inclusive and diverse.

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***[S6M-10842](#) Jackie Baillie: Vale of Leven Hospital Watch Reaches 20th Year of Campaigning**—That the Parliament congratulates the Vale of Leven Hospital Watch local campaign group on its 20th year of campaigning to protect services at the Vale of Leven Hospital; recognises that the volunteers have come together in times of pressure over what it sees as the threatened removal of services from the hospital; considers that the group has hosted multiple successful protests, and commends it for its tireless efforts to highlight what it sees as the importance of the Vale of Leven Hospital in providing services for the local community.

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***[S6M-10840](#) Sharon Dowey: Apprentice of the Year 2023 Named as Ayr's Charlie White**—That the Parliament congratulates Ayr's Charlie White on being awarded Apprentice of the Year at the Association for Public Service Excellence (APSE) Awards; understands that Charlie was presented with this accolade at the APSE Building Maintenance Seminar, incorporating the APSE Apprentice Awards 2023; further understands that Charlie passed his Final Integrated Competence Assessment (FICA) at 98.55%, scoring 136 points out of 138; understands that Charlie is now a fully qualified tradesperson, having completed his four-year apprenticeship; congratulates Charlie on what it sees as a significant achievement, and wishes him the very best in his future career.

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***[S6M-10839](#) Clare Haughey: MDH Recruitment Award Successes**—That the Parliament congratulates Rutherglen-based recruitment business, MDH Recruitment, on its recent success at a number of award ceremonies; understands that, since launching in May 2022, MDH Recruitment has been awarded Best Recruitment Consultancy – Newcomer at the S1 Job Awards, and that it was recently named Best New Business at the 2023 Lanarkshire Business Awards; notes that the company specialises in recruitment across the Scottish industrial sector, with a particular focus on warehousing and logistics, production, manufacturing and engineering; understands that MDH Recruitment has also donated around £300,000 to local causes, and wishes all involved with the company future success.

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***[S6M-10838](#) Michelle Thomson: Congratulating Cunningham House in Grangemouth on its Inspectorate Report**—That the Parliament congratulates all the staff at Cunningham House in Grangemouth on receiving a fantastic report regarding their service from the Care Inspectorate; understands that Cunningham House began the process in November 2022 of sensitively transitioning its facility from a home for the elderly, to a rehabilitation centre for those who required a homely setting before returning to the community; further understands that the purpose of this was to reduce the numbers of people staying in hospital when they do not require clinical care, while still providing them with the support that they need to return to their own homes; recognises that Cunningham House, while offering a permanent home to some current residents, also offers reablement and rehabilitation services via a multidisciplinary team to others; believes that the positive report for Cunningham House is a testament to the hard work and dedication of all staff within the facility; congratulates all staff at Cunningham House on their fantastic work, and wishes them all the very best for the future.

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***[S6M-10837](#) Clare Haughey: Launch of New National HIV Anti-stigma Campaign**—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of the new national HIV anti-stigma campaign, which, it understands, is led by Terrence Higgins Trust and funded by the Scottish Government; believes that, 40 years after the first diagnoses of HIV in Scotland, HIV stigma remains an issue and that this can act as a barrier to testing, treatment and care; agrees with the message of the campaign that, in Scotland, stigma is more harmful than HIV; welcomes what it sees as the progress made in combatting HIV transmission and understands that, if on the right treatment, a person living with HIV in Scotland today can live a long, happy and healthy life and cannot pass the virus on to others, and commends the work of Terrence Higgins Trust and partners for the work that they do to support those living with HIV in Scotland and to amplify their voices.

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***[S6M-10836](#) Stuart McMillan: Clydeport, Glasgow Business Awards' Green Champion**—That the Parliament congratulates Clydeport, part of the Peel Ports group with a network of sites including Greenock, on being recognised as a Green Champion at the 25th Glasgow Business Awards event on 5 October 2023; understands that the Green Champion award celebrates businesses with a dedication to driving forward eco-friendly initiatives, and that Clydeport was commended for its "outstanding investment in sustainability" and its "industry-leading mission to become a net-zero port operator by 2040", which is five years ahead of the Scottish Government's national decarbonisation targets; further understands that key developments made to reduce carbon emissions across the Clydeport operation include a £17 million investment in installing two state-of-the-art electric cranes at Greenock Ocean Terminal, as well as changing lighting across all sites to LED; understands that the network of ports has also heavily invested in upgrading its equipment fleet to run on low-emission alternatives to fossil fuels, with 88% of its fleet now running on hydrogenated vegetable oil and 90% on electric power, and applauds Clydeport for taking its

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Motions Glusadan				

role in achieving Scotland's net zero targets so seriously, and hopes that its approach inspires other businesses to consider their impact on the environment and make changes to their operations to drive down emissions.

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***S6M-10833 Marie McNair: Bruach Architects Fundraise with Daring Commitment** —That the Parliament recognises Bruach Architects in Clydebank for its fundraising efforts; understands that the architecture firm held a coffee morning on 28 September 2023 for MacMillan Cancer Support at its offices in Clydebank and raised £465; further understands that company directors, Colin Hastie and Louise Ewing, along with architectural assistant, Sarah Dempsey, bravely ziplined along the River Clyde for 1,000ft in order to raise money for Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Scotland (SBH Scotland); congratulates the trio on facing their fears with the support of their colleague, senior architect, Laura Paton, raising £695; commends local businesses for making efforts for staff to be able to raise funds for important charities, and thanks all who donated to such worthy causes.

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***S6M-10826 Gordon MacDonald: Scotch Whisky Visitor Centres Top Visitor Attraction in Scotland**—That the Parliament welcomes new figures released by the Scotch Whisky Association (SWA), indicating that the Scotch Whisky visitor centres collectively have risen to become the top visitor attraction in Scotland; understands that the SWA has revealed that visitor numbers to Scotch Whisky visitor centres throughout the country topped two million in 2022, which marks a return to pre-COVID-19 pandemic levels; notes that, according to the SWA, footfall more than doubled compared to 2021, while more than £85 million was spent in total at sites across Scotland's five whisky regions, up 90% since 2010; recognises that visitors from the United States, France and Germany are among the top five overseas demographics, while tourists from within the UK accounted for 51% of all visits to Scottish whisky sites; appreciates that around 1,100 people are employed at Scotch Whisky visitor centres across the country, many of which are situated in rural areas, and that investment in Scotch Whisky tourism has totalled more than £300 million over the past decade, with a number of new visitor centres having opened, and agrees with Marc Crothall, chief executive of the Scottish Tourism Alliance, when he says that "A globally important cultural and economic phenomenon, whisky is a hook that draws thousands of visitors from around the world to our shores, year after year to enjoy uniquely immersive experiences across Scotland's distilleries".

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S6M-10832 Paul O'Kane: Congratulating Patrick Walker on Being Shortlisted in the Final of the UK Teacher of the Year Award 2023 (lodged on 13 October 2023)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Foysol Choudhury*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sue Webber*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Sharon Dowey*, Ross Greer*, Karen Adam*, Roz McCall*

S6M-10831 John Mason: Undermining Local Authorities (lodged on 13 October 2023)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Audrey Nicoll*, Bob Doris*

S6M-10830 Sharon Dowey: Ayr's Bronwyn Close Named Best in Scotland at the Volunteers for Museum Learning Awards (lodged on 13 October 2023)

New Support: Alexander Stewart*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Stuart McMillan*, Edward Mountain*, Liam Kerr*, Kenneth Gibson*, Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Colin Beattie*, Douglas Ross*, Pam Gosal*, Roz McCall*, Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*, Russell Findlay*, Jamie Greene*, Bill Kidd*, Craig Hoy*, Meghan Gallacher*, Brian Whittle*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*, Douglas Lumsden*, Jackson Carlaw*

S6M-10829 Paul O'Kane: Save the Children's Better for Babies Report (lodged on 13 October 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*

S6M-10828 Roz McCall: Fairway Fife Charity Moves into Perfect New Base (lodged on 13 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Paul Sweeney*, Murdo Fraser*, Pam Gosal*, Jeremy Balfour*, Russell Findlay*, Jamie Greene*, Meghan Gallacher*, Bill Kidd*, Sharon Dowey*, Brian Whittle*, Karen Adam*, Donald Cameron*, Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-10827 Paul O'Kane: Dying in the Margins (lodged on 13 October 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Rhoda Grant*, Mark Ruskell*

S6M-10825 Kate Forbes: North Korean Refugees Fleeing Persecution (lodged on 12 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-10824 Audrey Nicoll: Doric Film Festival 2023 (lodged on 12 October 2023)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Maggie Chapman*, Kevin Stewart*, Ross Greer*, Sharon Dowey*, Karen Adam*, Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-10823 Roz McCall: World Stroke Day 2023 (lodged on 12 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-10822 Maggie Chapman: International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (lodged on 12 October 2023)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*, Mark Ruskell*, Karen Adam*

S6M-10821 Maggie Chapman: International Day of Rural Women (lodged on 12 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-10819](#) Jackie Baillie: Remembering Srebrenica Scotland (lodged on 12 October 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*, Paul O'Kane*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-10818](#) Kaukab Stewart: Congratulating Professor Craig Clark on Winning the Strathclyde Chancellor's Medal (lodged on 12 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10817](#) Michelle Thomson: Grangemouth Rotary Club Holds Fashion Show to Fundraise for Strathcarron Hospice (lodged on 12 October 2023)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sue Webber*, Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Gillian Mackay*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*

[S6M-10815](#) Finlay Carson: Young Musician, Ethan David Loch, Delights Gatehouse Music Society (lodged on 11 October 2023)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Sharon Dowe*, Donald Cameron*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-10814](#) Marie McNair: Remembering Former Clydebank FC Manager, Bill Munro, and Former Player, Frank McDougall (lodged on 11 October 2023)

New Support: Ross Greer*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-10813](#) Ben Macpherson: Home-Start Edinburgh Celebrates a Successful First Year Following Merger (lodged on 11 October 2023)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-10812](#) Fulton MacGregor: Baby Loss Awareness Week 2023 (lodged on 11 October 2023)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Colin Smyth*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-10811](#) Willie Coffey: Gold for Galston Gladiator (lodged on 11 October 2023)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Sharon Dowe*

[S6M-10810](#) Jackie Dunbar: AberNecessities Raises Over £56,000 at Birthday Ball (lodged on 11 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-10808](#) Finlay Carson: Clare Taylor - Rural Rising Star (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Oliver Mundell*, Alasdair Allan*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-10807](#) Finlay Carson: Laggan Wins Prestigious Helping It Happen Award (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-10806](#) Donald Cameron: Congratulating Robert MacIntyre and Team Europe on Winning the 2023 Ryder Cup (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-10805](#) Liam Kerr: Fraserburgh Sea Cadet Wins Lifetime Achievement Award (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-10804](#) Kaukab Stewart: The Railway Children Launches Safeguarding on Transport Project (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: John Mason*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-10803](#) Kevin Stewart: LGBT Health and Wellbeing Fit for Purpose Report (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-10801](#) Roz McCall: Basic Care Standards in Palliative Care (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Donald Cameron*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-10800](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Cyrenians' Annual Harvest Appeal (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-10799](#) Marie McNair: Big Disability Group Changes Name to Improving Lives (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-10798](#) Marie McNair: Knowes Housing Association Celebrates 25th Anniversary (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-10797](#) Roz McCall: Dunfermline Soroptimists' Beach Clean (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Paul Sweeney*, Donald Cameron*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-10794](#) Michelle Thomson: Laurieston Primary School Pupils Fundraise for Strathcarron Hospice (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-10793](#) Maggie Chapman: Climate Justice and Support for a Global Loss and Damage Fund (lodged on 09 October 2023)

New Support: Monica Lennon*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-10792](#) Pam Gosal: Allander Rotary Club Raises £5,000 for Worthy Causes (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Donald Cameron*

[S6M-10791](#) Pam Gosal: Carers Link East Dunbartonshire Receives Funding from Allander Rotary Club and Inner Wheel Club (lodged on 10 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Donald Cameron*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-10790](#) Pam Gosal: Bearsden Athlete, Beth Potter, Wins World Triathlon Championships Finals in Spain (lodged on 09 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-10789](#) Michelle Thomson: Carrongrange Pupils Get Creative Completing Mural in Rannoch Park (lodged on 09 October 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-10788](#) Daniel Johnson: Increase in Youth Antisocial Behaviour (lodged on 09 October 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Foysol Choudhury*, Jeremy Balfour*, Donald Cameron*, Sharon Dowey*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-10786](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Royal Hospital for Children Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis Clinic and Versus Arthritis's Young People and Families Service (lodged on 09 October 2023)

New Support: Alexander Stewart*, Foysol Choudhury*, Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*, Sue Webber*, Kevin Stewart*, Stuart McMillan*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*, Sandesh Gulhane* R, Tess White*

[S6M-10785](#) John Mason: World Post Day (lodged on 09 October 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-10783](#) Collette Stevenson: Celebrating Caledonia Gladiator's Win on British Basketball League Debut in New East Kilbride Home (lodged on 11 October 2023)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-10781](#) Rhoda Grant: Kerrera North-South Road Project Shortlisted for 2023 SURF Award (lodged on 06 October 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Paul O'Kane*, Donald Cameron*

[S6M-10780](#) Willie Rennie: Haydays in St Andrews is Named Age Scotland Member Group of the Year (lodged on 06 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10779](#) Alasdair Allan: Action for Children's 25 Years of Service Provision in Na h-Eileanan an Iar (lodged on 06 October 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-10777](#) Donald Cameron: Boys' Brigade Celebrates its 140th Anniversary (lodged on 06 October 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-10776](#) Finlay Carson: Stranraer Curler, Euan Kyle, Leads Team to Victory in Canada (lodged on 06 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Donald Cameron*

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[S6M-10775](#) Christine Grahame: Vibrant Gala Project Shortlisted for Prestigious Regeneration Award (lodged on 06 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10774](#) David Torrance: Kingdom FM Celebrates 25 Years of Broadcasting (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10773](#) Jeremy Balfour: World Polio Day 2023 (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Donald Cameron*

[S6M-10772](#) Beatrice Wishart: Shetland Restaurants Recognised at Asian Restaurant Awards (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10771](#) Craig Hoy: Congratulating Denise Carmichael on Winning the Health Walk Volunteer Manager of the Year Award (lodged on 11 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-10770](#) Craig Hoy: Thanking Leuchie House and My Name's 5 Daddie Foundation for Supporting Respite Care (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10768](#) Craig Hoy: Congratulating Belhaven Brewery on Winning Visitor Attraction of the Year Award (lodged on 11 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-10766](#) John Swinney: Recognising the Bravery of Ryan Witkowski (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10765](#) Jackson Carlaw: Embedding Public Participation in the Work of the Parliament (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S6M-10764](#) Donald Cameron: Scarba Charity Climb Raises Money to Fight Cancer (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10763](#) Donald Cameron: Oban Golf Event Raises Money to Fight Cancer (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10761](#) Alasdair Allan: Goathill Housing and Care Home Project Shortlisted for 2023 SURF Award (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-10760](#) Liam McArthur: Kirkwall Lifeboat Coxswain Awarded with Service Medal (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10758](#) Roz McCall: Breast Cancer Awareness Month 2023 (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Oliver Mundell*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-10757](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Nan McIntosh Receives North Lanarkshire Council Provost's Community Volunteer Award (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10756](#) Liam McArthur: Shapinsay Nominated for Prestigious Regeneration Awards (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10755](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Community Action Newarthill Receives North Lanarkshire Council Provost's Excellence Award (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10752](#) Rachael Hamilton: Doddie Foundation Named Charity of the Year (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Oliver Mundell*, Karen Adam*, Donald Cameron*

[S6M-10751](#) Alexander Stewart: Awards for Alloa Rotary Club (lodged on 04 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10750](#) Alexander Stewart: Renamed Scottish Autism Day Service Relocates to Alloa (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10747](#) Gordon MacDonald: Contribution of the Scottish Convenience Store Sector (lodged on 04 October 2023)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Rona Mackay*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*, Clare Haughey*, David Torrance*, James Dornan*, John Mason*, Audrey Nicoll*, Murdo Fraser*, Collette Stevenson*, Jeremy Balfour*, Ivan McKee*, Foysoyl Choudhury*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*

[S6M-10746](#) Alexander Burnett: Inspiring Aberdeenshire Awards Joint Winners from Huntly (lodged on 04 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10745](#) Alexander Burnett: Jackie Ross of Doric Books Wins Cultural Award (lodged on 04 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10744](#) Jackie Dunbar: Fierce Beer Awarded Eight Medals at Scottish Beer Awards 2023 (lodged on 04 October 2023)

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Motions Glusadan				

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10742](#) Ben Macpherson: Recognising Scottish Children's Health Week and Awards 2023 (lodged on 04 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10741](#) Mark Ruskell: State of Nature in Scotland 2023 Report (lodged on 04 October 2023)

New Support: Foyso Choudhury*, Donald Cameron* **R**, Sharon Dowey*, Gordon MacDonald*, Rhoda Grant*, Sarah Boyack*, Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-10739](#) Michelle Thomson: Cycling Without Age Scotland Celebrates Fifth Anniversary and Breaking Record (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Paul O'Kane*, Karen Adam*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10738](#) Beatrice Wishart: Wild Skies Shetland Shortlisted for 2023 SURF Awards (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10737](#) Michelle Thomson: Laurieston Old Folks Association Receives Rotary Club Donation (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Karen Adam*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10727](#) Alexander Burnett: SensationALL Shortlisted at the Celebrate Aberdeen Awards (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10726](#) Stuart McMillan: Parklea Branching Out Receives £88,238 from National Lottery Heritage Fund (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10725](#) Stuart McMillan: Greenock Taekwondo Teacher to Represent Scotland in European Championships (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10723](#) Paul Sweeney: Govan HELP – The Govan Pantry is Shortlisted for Prestigious 2023 SURF Awards (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10721](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Lads' Club (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10718](#) Ariane Burgess: Congratulating Gairloch and Loch Ewe Action Forum on 2023 SURF Awards Shortlisting (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Donald Cameron*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-10717](#) Martin Whitfield: Lauren Thomson Awarded the George D Gray CBE Award by the General Teaching Council for Scotland (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10714](#) Fulton MacGregor: Blackrock Construction Group Ltd Awarded Three Commendations at the Scottish Home Improvement Awards (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10713](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Celebrating Glasgow Woodland Initiative Being Shortlisted for RSPB Nature of Scotland Award (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10711](#) Michelle Thomson: Falkirk Council's Libraries for Wellbeing Project Wins COSLA Excellence Chairperson's Award (lodged on 04 October 2023)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-10708](#) Maggie Chapman: ASH Scotland's 50th Anniversary Event in Dundee (lodged on 04 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10707](#) David Torrance: Community Spirit Burning Bright in Buckhaven (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10702](#) Clare Adamson: Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Awareness Month (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: David Torrance*, Rona Mackay*, Jackie Baillie*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Kevin Stewart*, Audrey Nicoll*, Clare Haughey*, Collette Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, John Mason*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*

[S6M-10701](#) Rhoda Grant: Applecross Community Company Awarded Funding (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10700](#) Sarah Boyack: Planning Aid Scotland's 30th Anniversary (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10698](#) Kenneth Gibson: Jack's Alt-Stays, Millport, Crowned Best Self Catering Accommodation Experience in the West of Scotland (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10695](#) Sharon Dowey: The National Lottery's Community Fund to Offer Funds for Ayr and Prestwick Men's Shed (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-10694](#) Sharon Dowey: Tarbolton Sergeant Rhianna Skipsey Awarded Cadet Adult Recognition Awards Honour (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-10692](#) Fulton MacGregor: North Lanarkshire Council Provost Community Group Award for Carnbroe Community Action for Residents (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10691](#) Neil Bibby: Keeping Promise on Culture Sector Funding (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10690](#) Kevin Stewart: ABZWorks Employability Services Nominated for SURF Award (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10689](#) Paul Sweeney: The Passing of Former East Dunbartonshire Council Provost, Una Walker (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10687](#) Gordon MacDonald: City of Edinburgh Council MTIS Shortlisted for SURF Awards 2023 (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10686](#) Kaukab Stewart: Hillhead High School Pupils Raise £633.56 for Morocco and Libya Appeal (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-10685](#) John Mason: Improving Voter Registration in Scotland (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-10682](#) Christine Grahame: Doddie Weir Foundation Wins Just Giving Award (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10681](#) Audrey Nicoll: NHS Grampian Hosts Diversity Festival to Launch Anti-Racism Plan (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10679](#) Pauline McNeill: Happy Birthday to the OVO Hydro (lodged on 28 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10678](#) Clare Adamson: St Aidan's High School 60th Anniversary (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

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[S6M-10677](#) Clare Adamson: 40 Years of Lanarkshire Association for Mental Health (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10676](#) Clare Adamson: New College Lanarkshire's Macmillan Coffee Mornings (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10674](#) Neil Bibby: Celebrating the Volunteers of Ferguslie Park (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10670](#) Karen Adam: Scots Speaker of the Year (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10669](#) Karen Adam: Applauding Colin Murray for His Courage and Contribution (lodged on 03 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10668](#) Willie Rennie: Remembering Sir Michael Bonallack OBE (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10666](#) Fulton MacGregor: NLC Provost Excellence Award for Jim Melvin (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10664](#) Fulton MacGregor: North Lanarkshire Council Provost Special Achievement Award for Nan Fotheringham (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10662](#) Fulton MacGregor: NLC Provost Excellence Award for Moodiesburn Community Foodbank (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10661](#) Fulton MacGregor: NLC Provost Community Group Award for Glenboig Development Trust (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10660](#) Fulton MacGregor: North Lanarkshire Provost's Special Achievement Award for Nan Frame (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10659](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulating Cytochroma on its Appointment as One of 10 New Export Champions for Scotland (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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[S6M-10658](#) Evelyn Tweed: Loch Lomond and The Trossachs Countryside Trust Awarded National Lottery Grant (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10652](#) Michelle Thomson: River Trent Memorial, Grangemouth (lodged on 28 September 2023)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-10648](#) Annabelle Ewing: 4Winds Trust Pays £30,176 In Community Benefit to Community Groups in Cowdenbeath and Lochgelly (lodged on 02 October 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10640](#) Foysoyl Choudhury: Asian Catering Federation 7th Asian Restaurant Awards (lodged on 27 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-10422](#) Kevin Stewart: The Marion Gibbs Award for Equality in Housing and Memorial Fund for Housing Studies Internship Students (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S6M-10327](#) Douglas Lumsden: 50th Anniversary of Offshore Europe (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Jamie Greene*

[S6M-10309](#) Collette Stevenson: East Kilbride's Gloria Miller Zips Across the Clyde for Charity (lodged on 05 October 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Gillian Mackay*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-09893](#) Douglas Lumsden: James N'Dow Awarded St Peter's Medal (lodged on 07 July 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 25 October 2023

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture

- 1. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any work that its Constitutional Futures Division is doing to further the case for Scottish independence. ([S6O-02616](#))
- 2. Karen Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the announcement by the First Minister that it will more than double investment in Scotland's arts and culture over the next five years, how it is ensuring that rural communities benefit from current and future cultural investment. ([S6O-02617](#))
- 3. Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its work to further the case for Scottish independence. ([S6O-02618](#))
- 4. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on public interest journalism. ([S6O-02619](#))
- 5. Martin Whitfield:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Creative Scotland about funding for financial years 2023-24 and 2024-25. ([S6O-02620](#))
- 6. Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government how much public money it plans to spend in this financial year and in 2024-25 on any work designed to further the case for Scottish independence, including the costs of publication of any independence-related documents. ([S6O-02621](#))
- 7. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to support the provision of humanitarian assistance for the civilian population of Gaza. ([S6O-02622](#)) R
- 8. Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support is available to cultural organisations that are operating in rural areas. ([S6O-02623](#))

Justice and Home Affairs

- 1. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide an update on the timelines for, and locations of, the planned closures of up to 30 police buildings. ([S6O-02624](#))
- 2. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government how the recently announced £500,000 Fund to Leave pilot will support women experiencing domestic abuse. ([S6O-02625](#))
- 3. Ben Macpherson:** To ask the Scottish Government what preparations are being made for the bonfire night period. ([S6O-02626](#))
- 4. Marie McNair:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support any migrants living in Scotland who have experienced domestic violence. ([S6O-02627](#))
- 5. Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reduce retail crime. ([S6O-02628](#))
- 6. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support the recruitment of police officers in Dumfries and Galloway and the Scottish Borders. ([S6O-02629](#))
- 7. Colin Beattie:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures are being taken to reduce the reported rise in shoplifting and antisocial behaviour in retail settings. ([S6O-02630](#))

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8. Keith Brown: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress of the action plan put in place by the Scottish Prison Service to address reported concerns raised by local residents about HMP Stirling. ([S6O-02631](#))

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 26 October 2023

Education and Skills

- 1. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met COSLA to discuss pay awards in schools. ([S6O-02632](#))
- 2. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making on implementing the recommendations on the skills delivery landscape in the report, *Fit for the Future: developing a post-school learning system to fuel economic transformation*. ([S6O-02633](#))
- 3. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the potential role of emerging video games technology in education and skills development. ([S6O-02634](#))
- 4. Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any link between nutrition and behaviour in its work to address violence in schools. ([S6O-02635](#))
- 5. Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what action it is taking to reduce the number of school teachers employed on temporary contracts. ([S6O-02636](#))
- 6. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the education secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding action to reduce instances of vaping in schools. ([S6O-02637](#))
- 7. Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to increase the number of new secondary school teachers. ([S6O-02638](#))
- 8. Kaukab Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any discussions between the City of Glasgow College senior management and trade union representatives regarding the ongoing industrial dispute. ([S6O-02639](#))

General Questions selected for answer on 26 October 2023

- 1. Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work that it is doing to support the reopening of Inch War Memorial Hospital. ([S6O-02640](#))
- 2. Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it consulted Elon Musk as part of its R100 programme. ([S6O-02641](#))
- 3. Beatrice Wishart:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports the safety of Scotland's fishermen when at sea. ([S6O-02642](#))
- 4. Roz McCall:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the delivery of its Stroke Improvement Plan. ([S6O-02643](#))
- 5. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent meetings it has had with neonatologists from NHS Lanarkshire. ([S6O-02644](#))
- 6. Alex Rowley:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported statistics showing that the number of people in Scotland dying from Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia has more than tripled in the last 20 years and concerns that the country is unprepared for further expected increases. ([S6O-02645](#))

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7. Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what action the Minister for Equalities, Migration and Refugees is taking to support Show Racism the Red Card. ([S6O-02646](#))

8. Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it has ensured that the manufacture of the MV Glen Sannox fully meets classification society rules. ([S6O-02647](#))

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Written Questions

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

Government Initiated Questions are initiated by the parliament Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

Government initiated questions lodged from 16 October 2023 to 20 October 2023

[S6W-22266](#) Rona Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the domestic abuse fund that will provide financial support to women to leave an abusive partner.

Written questions lodged from 16 October 2023 to 20 October 2023

[S6W-20689](#) Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide a list of all verbal engagements and meetings that it has had with Circularity Scotland, in 2023 to date, including the (a) basic facts of and (b) names of those in attendance at any such meetings.

[S6W-21646](#) Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government when the first annual report in relation to the incentivisation of selective fishing gear and low impact techniques will be published, in light of its commitment in January 2023 to commission such work.

[S6W-21652](#) Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government whether the annual reporting into the incentivisation of selective fishing gear and low impact techniques, as it committed to commissioning in January 2023, will cover the proportion of low-impact fishing allocated for each quota stock in relation to the entire allocation.

[S6W-21994](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed the compliance of colleges with its Fair Work Action Plan.

[S6W-22006](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what issues are considered relevant when considering a claim for compensation from a landowner for the granting of a necessary wayleave, and whether such relevant issues should be detailed by the Reporter in their report to the Scottish Ministers.

[S6W-22007](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether there are any circumstances in which it would be acceptable or appropriate for an electricity distribution network company to fell trees on land in relation to which a wayleave is in place, but where the landowner has not been informed of the intention to carry out the felling.

[S6W-22008](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether there are any circumstances in which it would be acceptable or appropriate for an electricity distribution network company to retain equipment on land when the landowner has given notice to remove the equipment and a necessary wayleave has not been applied for.

[S6W-22030](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will carry out a risk assessment of any investment from China in Scottish universities, to determine what the impact on (a) universities and (b) university cities would be in the event that any such investment stopped.

[S6W-22053](#) Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on what the revised projected journey time will be between Glasgow Central Station and London Euston Station, in light of the UK Government's decision to cancel High Speed 2 Phase Two, and what impact it anticipates this decision will have on modal shift from domestic air travel between Glasgow Airport and London airports, in light of its aim to encourage modal shift to more sustainable travel.

[S6W-22139](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what objectives it set for the funding that it provided to the Cairngorms Trust in 2022.

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[S6W-22148 Stephen Kerr:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether historic peak times will in future determine when discounts are available on ScotRail trains with a 16-25 railcard.

[S6W-22204 Liam Kerr:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-21418 by Jenny Gilruth on 9 October 2023, what discussions it has had with local authorities regarding (a) whether pupils who have received a free laptop or other digital device will receive a replacement device should theirs break, (b) how swiftly any such replacement will be made available and (c) whether it or the local authority meets the cost of any such replacement.

[S6W-22217 Monica Lennon:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it was made aware of any discussions between the UK and Norwegian governments regarding Rosebank oilfield, as it relates to any potential impact on its climate targets, through (a) the intergovernmental council, (b) communication from the UK Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, (c) communication from the UK Secretary of State for Scotland, (d) communication from the UK Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero and (e) communication from the UK Secretary of State for Business and Trade.

[S6W-22218 Monica Lennon:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Norwegian Government (a) ministers and (b) officials, regarding any potential impact on its climate targets of the development of Rosebank oilfield, since 1 January 2021.

[S6W-22219 Monica Lennon:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide details of any discussions that its Nordic Office has had with Norwegian Government (a) ministers and (b) officials, regarding any potential impact on its climate targets of the development of Rosebank oilfield, since 1 January 2021.

[S6W-22230 Rhoda Grant:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many freight sailings there were on routes from Aberdeen on the Northern Isles Ferry Services contract with Serco NorthLink, from January 2019 to date, broken down by month.

[S6W-22240 Daniel Johnson:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recent Zoopla figures showing that rent in Scotland is rising faster than any other nation in the UK, what evaluation it has carried out of the effectiveness of the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Act 2022.

[S6W-22241 Foysoyl Choudhury:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the (a) launch date for and (b) scope of the independent review of Adult Disability Payment.

[S6W-22242 Foysoyl Choudhury:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what specific forms of consultation will be used during the independent review of Adult Disability Payment.

[S6W-22243 Jackie Baillie:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Short Life Working Group report arising from the Fatal Accident Inquiry recommendations following the fire at Cameron House Hotel, and in relation to the commitment to establish an expert working group to consider mandating automatic fire suppression systems where historic buildings are being converted into hotels, whether it will confirm (a) the membership of the group and (b) when the group's (i) terms of reference and (ii) remit will be in place, and when it expects the group to report.

[S6W-22244 Jackie Baillie:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Short Life Working Group report arising from the Fatal Accident Inquiry recommendations following the fire at Cameron House Hotel, when it will amend the guidance in the technical handbooks to promote the use of automatic fire suppression systems for historic building conversions to hotels.

[S6W-22245 Jackie Baillie:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Short Life Working Group report arising from the Fatal Accident Inquiry recommendations following the fire at Cameron House Hotel, when it will carry out its commitment to "amend the Section 34 letter to Local Authority Chief Executives under the Building (Scotland) Act 2003 (Section 34 - Reports and

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Information - Notification of Application for Building Warrant - Section 2 - Fire) to require that a verifier must notify the Scottish Government where future conversions of historic buildings are to be used as hotel accommodation”.

[S6W-22246 Jackie Baillie:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Short Life Working Group report arising from the Fatal Accident Inquiry recommendations following the fire at Cameron House Hotel, when the first workshop will be held with partners, including industry, the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Local Authority Building Standards Scotland/The Building Standards Hub, and Historic Environment Scotland, to promote key fire safety messages around the dangers of historic construction techniques, materials, and fire spread in hidden voids.

[S6W-22247 Colin Smyth:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has been allocated by the UK Government for the upgrade of the A75.

[S6W-22248 Colin Smyth:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve biosecurity, for (a) grouse, (b) other wildlife, (c) dogs and (d) the shooting community, in light of the discovery of a highly pathogenic avian influenza in a red grouse in the Scottish Borders.

[S6W-22249 Colin Smyth:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what arrangements are in place for the early detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza on grouse moors.

[S6W-22250 Colin Smyth:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many gamebird rearing and release facilities have been found to be infected with highly pathogenic avian influenza in 2023.

[S6W-22251 Colin Smyth:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many gamebirds, broken down by species, have been destroyed at rearing and release facilities due to highly pathogenic avian influenza infection in 2023.

[S6W-22252 Colin Smyth:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many release facilities where cases of highly pathogenic avian influenza infection have been detected (a) had already released gamebirds into the natural environment and (b) were open to wild birds either by being unroofed or through pop holes being open, in 2023.

[S6W-22253 Colin Smyth:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what capacity its agencies have to regulate the release of gamebirds in instances when there is potential for disease transfer to wildlife.

[S6W-22254 Colin Smyth:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what measures have been implemented to manage non-native gamebird releases where there is potential for highly pathogenic avian influenza transmission from infected gamebirds to (a) native wild birds, (b) other wildlife, (c) dogs and (d) the shooting community.

[S6W-22256 Rachael Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to promote innovation in Scotland’s aquaculture sector.

[S6W-22257 Rachael Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it will explore the establishment of a marine innovation site.

[S6W-22258 Rachael Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether its recently published Innovation Strategy will encourage and facilitate the establishment of a marine innovation site.

[S6W-22260 Russell Findlay:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-21089 by Angela Constance on 19 September 2023, in which prisons the 84 body-worn cameras are located.

[S6W-22261 Russell Findlay:](#) To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body, in relation to the notice for a contractor to provide taxi services (Public Contracts Scotland reference FEB471362), how many of the two companies that submitted a quotation completed the required Declaration of Non-Involvement in Serious Organised Crime.

[S6W-22262 Russell Findlay:](#) To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body (SPCB), in relation to the notice for a contractor to provide taxi services (Public Contracts Scotland reference

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FEB471362), how many of the applicants were rejected as a result of, or following, advice provided to the SPCB by Police Scotland.

[S6W-22263 Alexander Burnett](#): To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the Honey (Scotland) Regulations 2015, and in light of Food Standards Scotland's *Final Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment* document stating that "A review to establish the actual costs and benefits and the achievement of the desired effects will take place in 5 years from the date the Honey (Scotland) Regulations 2015 come into force", what plans it has to conduct a post-implementation review of the Regulations, and for what reason there has been a delay in doing so. **R**

[S6W-22264 Alexander Burnett](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work of (a) its Bee Health Team and (b) the Bee Health Improvement Partnership (BHIP), and on how the public can engage with each. **R**

[S6W-22267 Monica Lennon](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether Scotland will be represented at the School Meals Coalition Global Summit in Paris on 18-19 October 2023.

[S6W-22268 Monica Lennon](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on joining the School Meals Coalition.

[S6W-22269 Ariane Burgess](#): To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has made to the UK Government regarding the need for greater transparency on bycatch from supertrawlers, in light of the hundreds of dolphins that are reportedly killed in UK waters every year.

[S6W-22270 Monica Lennon](#): To ask the Scottish Government what action it plans to take to enhance people's understanding of menopause, including menopause symptoms and how to mitigate them, and what help is available to patients.

[S6W-22271 Monica Lennon](#): To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to implement menopause education within the school curriculum, to ensure that young people gain an understanding of menopause, perimenopause and symptoms from an early stage.

[S6W-22272 Monica Lennon](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the medium-term goal to provide access in each primary care team to a healthcare professional who has a special interest in menopause, in line with its Women's Health Plan 2021-24.

[S6W-22273 Richard Leonard](#): To ask the Scottish Government what the waiting time is for knee replacement surgery in each NHS board area as of October 2023.

[S6W-22274 Russell Findlay](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many breaches of discipline have been recorded by the Scottish Prison Service for a prisoner using an authorised mobile phone in a prison setting, since the introduction of this rule to the present date, broken down by financial year.

[S6W-22275 Russell Findlay](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many breaches of discipline have been recorded by the Scottish Prison Service for a prisoner possessing an authorised personal communication device that was not provided by the prison governor for use by that prisoner, since the introduction of this rule to the present date, broken down by financial year.

[S6W-22276 Russell Findlay](#): To ask the Scottish Government when authorised mobile phones for prisoners are due to be withdrawn by the Scottish Prison Service.

[S6W-22277 Russell Findlay](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how much has been spent in total on authorised mobile phones for prisoners to date, and what the total spend is forecast to be.

[S6W-22278 Meghan Gallacher](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to implement each of the Animal Welfare Committee's recommendations set out in its updated *Opinion on the Welfare of Farmed Fish at the Time of Killing*.

[S6W-22279 Meghan Gallacher](#): To ask the Scottish Government what assessment has been made of the merits of making CCTV mandatory in fish slaughterhouses, in line with the recommendations of the Animal Welfare Committee's updated *Opinion on the Welfare of Farmed*

Fish at the Time of Killing, and the Mandatory Use of Closed Circuit Television in Slaughterhouses (Scotland) Regulations 2020.

[S6W-22280](#) Foyso Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government what funding is allocated to craft and making opportunities in schools to ensure that every child and young person has the opportunity to engage with 10 hours of these activities as part of their learning.

[S6W-22281](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-13820 by Christina McKelvie on 24 January 2023, whether it will provide an update on how long the current waiting list is for rape survivors at each rape crisis centre.

[S6W-22282](#) Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-05058 by Lorna Slater on 21 December 2021, whether it will provide an updated list setting out the level of local authority readiness to comply with the delayed ban on waste to landfill.

[S6W-22283](#) Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of plastic collected in Scotland for recycling has been recycled in (a) Scotland and (b) outwith Scotland in each of the past five years.

[S6W-22284](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will commission an independent review into its reported decision to downgrade neonatal services at University Hospital Wishaw, with a terms of reference agreed by key stakeholders and any affected families.

[S6W-22285](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its reported decision to downgrade neonatal services at University Hospital Wishaw, whether an implementation working group has been established, and, if so, whether any such group's (a) terms of reference and (b) timescale for completion of its work will be published.

[S6W-22286](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its reported decision to downgrade neonatal services at University Hospital Wishaw, what engagement it has had with any affected families.

[S6W-22287](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its reported decision to downgrade neonatal services at University Hospital Wishaw, for what reason Healthcare Improvement Scotland reportedly does not give a view on whether Scottish Government decisions constitute a major service change, as it is required to do in respect of decisions made by NHS boards, health and social care partnerships and local authorities.

[S6W-22288](#) Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs) of cargo have been handled by Clydeport in each of the last 10 years.

[S6W-22289](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to fund the recently announced additional £100 million in each of the next three years to reduce NHS waiting lists.

[S6W-22290](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to allocate the recently announced additional £100 million in each of the next three years to reduce NHS waiting lists.

[S6W-22291](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its recent commitment to invest an additional £100 million in each of the next three years to reduce NHS waiting lists, what (a) modelling was undertaken to determine that waiting lists will be reduced by 100,000 by 2026 and (b) the estimated level of waiting lists by 2026 would be without this funding package.

[S6W-22292](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its recent commitment to invest an additional £100 million in each of the next three years to reduce NHS waiting lists, what the estimated reduction in waiting lists will be by the end of (a) 2024 and (b) 2025.

[S6W-22293](#) Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its aim to encourage modal shift to more sustainable travel, what discussions it has had with (a) Network Rail and (b) the UK Department for Transport regarding investments to enable the West Coast Main Line to operate high-speed trains at up to 140 mph (225 km/h) and with higher average speeds between Glasgow Central Station and London Euston Station.

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[S6W-22294](#) Kenneth Gibson: To ask the Scottish Government what the timescale is for Discretionary Funds to be released to colleges by the Student Awards Agency Scotland to enable this to be used to support students who are facing hardship.

[S6W-22295](#) Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to update the Mobile Homes Act 1983.

[S6W-22296](#) Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what employment-based routes are available to students who wish to enter the teaching profession.

[S6W-22297](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-21732 by Dorothy Bain on 11 October 2023, how many of the 4,460 post-mortem examinations were in relation to suspicious deaths.

[S6W-22298](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-21732 by Dorothy Bain on 11 October 2023, whether it can provide details of the use of chemical substances in the brain removal process.

[S6W-22299](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government when the Centre of Teaching Excellence is expected to be launched, to the nearest year.

[S6W-22300](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what it anticipates the cost will be of (a) consulting on, (b) establishing, (c) launching and (d) the ongoing running of the Centre of Teaching Excellence.

[S6W-22301](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government in what fundamental respects the Centre of Teaching Excellence will be different from Education Scotland.

[S6W-22302](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what weekly interactions it anticipates the Centre of Teaching Excellence will have with individual teachers and schools.

[S6W-22303](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what role it anticipates the Centre of Teaching Excellence will have regarding the development of the school curriculum.

[S6W-22304](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what role it anticipates the Centre of Teaching Excellence will have regarding the development of senior phase assessments.

[S6W-22305](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Centre of Teaching Excellence will report to the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills.

[S6W-22306](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government against what outputs the performance of the Centre of Teaching Excellence will be measured.

[S6W-22307](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what the core purpose of the Centre of Teaching Excellence will be, and how success will be measured.

[S6W-22308](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what consultation was undertaken before launching the plans for the Centre of Teaching Excellence, including (a) the specific bodies or individuals that were involved and (b) when this took place, and when any minutes of relevant discussions will be published.

[S6W-22309](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has plans to include mandatory menopause training as part of undergraduate medical degree programmes.

[S6W-22310](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government whether it can confirm the membership of the network of menopause specialists, including the representative of NHS Grampian.

[S6W-22311](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of what impact the proposed Digital Prescribing and Dispensing Pathways programme is likely to have on dispensing appliance contractors (DACs) contracted to the NHS to dispense stoma and incontinence care appliances against prescriptions issued by GPs and specialist nurse prescribers. **R**

[S6W-22312](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it is planning to have with the British Healthcare Trades Association, on behalf of its dispensing appliance

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Questions Ceistean				

contractor members, regarding the design and development of the proposed Digital Prescribing and Dispensing Pathways programme. **R**

[S6W-22313 Jackie Baillie](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when it anticipates breast cancer screening will be reintroduced for women aged 75 and over, following a pause due to the COVID-19 pandemic, as committed to by the former First Minister on 24 November 2022.

[S6W-22314 Jackie Baillie](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether a copy of hearing test results will be offered to people with a hearing impairment as a matter of routine when accessing audiology services, as is the case in NHS England.

[S6W-22315 Jackie Baillie](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether people with severe or profound hearing loss, who rely on their hearing aids to communicate, will be prioritised for audiology services when required within NHS Scotland.

[S6W-22316 Jackie Baillie](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether a timeframe for the repair and return of hearing aids will be provided by audiology services in situations where these are a necessity for people with a hearing impairment.

[S6W-22317 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the natively grown sustainable fibres that it has identified for support in any of its economic or environmental strategies or plans.

[S6W-22318 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government how much flax fibre is currently produced annually in Scotland, and what assessment has been made of any potential benefits of increased production.

[S6W-22319 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has had any recent engagement with industry representatives or stakeholders that are seeking to expand flax production in Scotland.

[S6W-22320 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government what mechanisms are available to support demonstrator projects for sustainable fibre production, and how much funding has been granted to such projects in the last five years, broken down by project.

[S6W-22321 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has established a long-term strategy for sustainable fibre production in Scotland, and, if so, what the goals of the strategy are.

[S6W-22322 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government what progress Zero Waste Scotland has made on working with the textiles industry to encourage the use of natively grown sustainable fibres.

[S6W-22323 Alexander Burnett](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on plans to implement a fish counter on the River Dee, which is a Special Area of Conservation. **R**

[S6W-22324 Alexander Burnett](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many fish counters are currently in operation in Scotland, and where they are located. **R**

[S6W-22325 Jackie Dunbar](#): To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent on rail infrastructure in each local authority area in each of the last 10 years.

[S6W-22328 Jackie Dunbar](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress with the new transport study to explore the reinstatement of the rail network north of Aberdeen, to Peterhead and Fraserburgh.

[S6W-22329 Meghan Gallacher](#): To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the reported increase in the number of dog attacks on (a) other dogs and animals and (b) people, and what plans it has to review and amend the relevant legislation.

[S6W-22330 Meghan Gallacher](#): To ask the Scottish Government what legal measures it is considering to place greater responsibility on dog owners.

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[S6W-22331](#) Meghan Gallacher: To ask the Scottish Government whether there has been any consideration given to encouraging a minimum level of dog training to promote responsible dog ownership, in light of the reported increase in dog attacks and Dog Control Notices issued.

[S6W-22332](#) Meghan Gallacher: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update following the public consultation on extending the animal licensing framework, particularly regarding the consideration of licensing commercial dog walkers.

[S6W-22334](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government when any revisions to its onshore wind carbon calculator will be published.

[S6W-22335](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government how much peatland has been excavated, according to data within onshore wind applications consented to by the Energy Consents Unit, within the last 10 years.

[S6W-22336](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government how much peatland has been restored, according to data within onshore wind applications consented to by the Energy Consents Unit, within the last 10 years.

[S6W-22337](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government how much carbon has been emitted as (a) a direct and (b) an indirect result of development on peatland, according to data within onshore wind applications consented to by the Energy Consents Unit, within the last 10 years.

[S6W-22338](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government what processes are in place to ensure the accuracy and reliability of data inputted into its onshore wind carbon calculator by a prospective developer.

[S6W-22342](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government who is on the task group that is considering the issue of a right to breaks for carers, and what organisations they represent.

[S6W-22343](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government when the task group that is considering the issue of a right to breaks for carers will report back its recommendations, and how it will do so.

[S6W-22344](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government how it was decided who would be represented on task group that is considering the issue of a right to breaks for carers.

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New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to the Draft affirmative procedure

The following draft instrument was laid before Parliament on 16 October 2023 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes Order 2023 \(SI 2023/Draft\)](#)

Laid under paragraph 11 of schedule 3 of the Climate Change Act 2008

Subject to the Draft affirmative procedure

The following draft instrument was laid before Parliament on 18 October 2023 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(Consequential Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

Laid under paragraph 7(1) of schedule 5 of the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023

Subject to the Draft affirmative procedure

The following draft instrument was laid before Parliament on 19 October 2023, and was to have been subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Social Security \(Residence and Presence Requirements\) \(Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem and the Golan Heights\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 96(2) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

This instrument was withdrawn on 20 October 2023. The following draft instrument was re-laid in its place before Parliament the same day, and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Social Security \(Residence and Presence Requirements\) \(Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem, the Golan Heights and Lebanon\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 96(2) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

Subject to the negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 18 October 2023 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Public Procurement \(Agreement on Government Procurement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/287\)](#)

Laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 of the Trade Act 2021

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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/bills-and-laws/bills>

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 (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 24 October 2023

Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 25 October 2023

Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 25 October 2023
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (45th Report, 2023)

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

Stage 2 (evidence (Education, Children and Young People Committee)), 25 October 2023
Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
[\(\[legislationteam@parliament.scot\]\(mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot\)\)](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 3 October 2023
Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 3 October 2023

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Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 24 October 2023

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

Stage 1 Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (5th 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.

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 24 October 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 (13th Report, 2023)

Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (11th Report, 2022)

Patient Safety Commissioner for Scotland Bill (G)

Passed, 27 September 2023

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

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

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 3 October 2023

Stage 1 (evidence (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee)), 24 October 2023

Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 5 October 2023

Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 14 November 2023

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 8 November with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Reconsideration Stage (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee), 26 September 2023

Motion to proceed with Reconsideration Stage agreed, 14 September 2023

Amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team

(legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 25 October 2023

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Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 October 2023

Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 24 October 2023

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 October 2023

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 25 October 2023

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 26 September 2023

Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 25 October 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (40th Report, 2023)

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

Data Protection and Digital Information (No. 2) Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-36a

Lodged on 14 September 2023

Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (57th Report, 2023)

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

Lodged on 19 July 2023

Meeting (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 25 October 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (58th Report, 2023)

Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-35a

Lodged on 19 June 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 28 June 2023

Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (13th Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (47th Report, 2023)

Energy Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-26b

Lodged on 21 September 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 4 October 2023

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (13th Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2023)

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9th Report, 2022)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27th Report, 2022)

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Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-23a

Lodged on 11 October 2023

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 October 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 24 October 2023

Northern Ireland Protocol Bill LCM-S6-24

Lodged on 19 August 2022

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 June 2022

Report – Lead committee (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture) (7th Report, 2022)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2022)

Online Safety Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-18a

Lodged on 1 June 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 June 2023

Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (14th Report, 2023)

Procurement Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-20a

Lodged on 3 February 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 16 March 2023

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (2nd Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (18th Report, 2023)

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 28 October 2023

[Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (30 June 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 29 October 2023

[Carer's Assistance \(Carer Support Payment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (withdrawn and re-laid 14 September 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 5 November 2023

[Disability Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (11 September 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 8 November 2023

[Transport \(Scotland\) Act 2019 Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (14 September 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 13 November 2023

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[Mental Health \(National Secure Adolescent Inpatient Service: Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\) \(19 September 2023\)](#) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\) \(19 September 2023\)](#) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Order 2023 \(SI 2023/Draft\) \(19 September 2023\)](#) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 4\) Regulations 2023 \(re-laid on 19 September 2023\)](#) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to approval by 14 November 2023

[Coronavirus \(Recovery and Reform\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Extension and Expiry of Temporary Justice Measures\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\) \(20 September 2023\)](#) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to approval by 19 November 2023

[Heat Networks \(Supply Targets\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\) \(25 September 2023\)](#) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 22 November 2023

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2023 Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\) \(28 September 2023\)](#) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Subject to approval by 26 November 2023

[Parking Prohibitions \(Enforcement and Accounts\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\) \(2 October 2023\)](#) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 1 December 2023

[Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes Order 2023 \(SI 2023/Draft\) \(16 October 2023\)](#) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(Consequential Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\) \(18 October 2023\)](#) (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture)

[Social Security \(Residence and Presence Requirements\) \(Israel, the West Bank, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem, the Golan Heights and Lebanon\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\) \(withdrawn and re-laid on 20 October 2023\)](#) (The Scottish Parliament)

Negative instruments

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Subject to annulment 25 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 23 October 2023

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/197\)](#) (27 June 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 29 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 23 October 2023

[Valuation \(Proposals Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/207\)](#) (19 July 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) Order 2023 \(SI 2023/850\)](#) (21 July 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Act of Sederunt \(Summary Applications, Statutory Applications and Appeals etc. Rules 1999 and Taxation of Judicial Expenses Rules 2019 Amendment\) \(Telecommunications Infrastructure\) 2023 \(SSI 2023/223\)](#) (11 August 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Police Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/239\)](#) (30 August 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Local Government Pension Scheme \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/240\)](#) (30 August 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Teachers' Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/241\)](#) (30 August 2023) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Firefighters' Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/242\)](#) (30 August 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/243\)](#) (1 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 30 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 23 October 2023

[National Health Service Pension Schemes \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/246\)](#) (5 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 31 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 30 October 2023

[National Health Service \(General Dental Services\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/247\)](#) (6 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 2 November 2023
Lead Committee report due by 30 October 2023

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[Parking Attendants \(Wearing of Uniforms\) \(North Ayrshire Council\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/248\)](#) (8 September 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Road Traffic \(Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area\) \(North Ayrshire Council\) Designation Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/249\)](#) (8 September 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment 5 November 2023
Lead Committee report due by 30 October 2023

[Local Government Investments \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/255\)](#) (11 September 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Sports Grounds and Sporting Events \(Designation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/257\)](#) (11 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 8 November 2023
Lead Committee report due by 6 November 2023

[Carer's Assistance \(Carer Support Payment\) \(Consequential and Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional Provision\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/258\)](#) (14 September 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Rules Order of Council 2023 \(SSI 2023/995\)](#) (14 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 15 November 2023
Lead Committee report due by 13 November 2023

[Marriage Between Persons of Different Sexes \(Prescribed Bodies\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/266\)](#) (21 September 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Nutritional Requirements for Food and Drink in Schools \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/267\)](#) (21 September 2023) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/268\)](#) (21 September 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to annulment 26 November 2023
Lead Committee report due by 20 November 2023

[Title Conditions \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Conservation Bodies and Rural Housing Bodies\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/278\)](#) (2 October 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment 29 November 2023
Lead Committee report due by 27 November 2023

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[National Health Service \(General Medical Services Contracts and Primary Medical Services Section 17C Agreements\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/281\)](#) (5 October 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 1 December 2023
Lead Committee report due by 27 November 2023

[Public Procurement \(Agreement on Government Procurement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/287\)](#) (18 October 2023) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

Instruments / Documents subject to approval

Subject to annulment 29 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 23 October 2023

[Scotland's Guiding Principles on the Environment: Statutory Guidance \(SG/2023/162\)](#) (14 August 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

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

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 16 October 2023 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

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Scottish Road Works Commissioner Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23 (SG/2023/89) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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National Records of Scotland Annual Report and Accounts 2022-2023 (SG/2023/181) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Compendium of Case Reports for October 2023 (SPSO/2023/10) laid under Sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

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Inspection of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service East Service Delivery Area (SG/2023/169) laid under section 43C(5) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

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