

Wednesday 2 April 2025

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Motion of Condolence

3:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands
Health and Social Care

followed by Ministerial Statement: The
Impact of the UK Government's Spring
Statement on Scotland

followed by Scottish Government Debate:
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followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

6:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-
16901 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Scotland's
Islands

Committee Meetings

9:00am Economy and Fair Work Committee

9:00am Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

9:15am Criminal Justice Committee

9:30am Citizen Participation and Public
Petitions Committee

9:30am Education, Children and Young
People Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Motion of Condolence

[S6M-17000](#) John Swinney: Motion of Condolence—That the Parliament expresses its deep sadness at the death of Christina McKelvie MSP; offers its profound sympathy and condolences to her family and friends, and recognises her significant and widely appreciated contribution to Scottish politics and public life through years of dedicated service to her constituents in Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse, as a champion for social justice, as a convener of two Scottish Parliament committees, and as a Scottish Government minister since 2018.

3:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

1. Roz McCall: To ask the Scottish Government what recent engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding how to ensure the protection of Scotch whisky. ([S6O-04512](#))

2. Emma Roddick: To ask the Scottish Government how it is engaging with Highlands and Islands communities on the future of land reform policy. ([S6O-04513](#))

3. Elena Whitham: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its consideration of a fisheries management plan for the future management of wild wrasse. ([S6O-04514](#))

4. Pauline McNeill: [Withdrawn] ([S6O-04515](#))

5. Tess White: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has made an assessment of the potential loss of agricultural land in the North East Scotland region as the result of development. ([S6O-04516](#))

6. Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting the breeding of disease resistant ash trees. ([S6O-04517](#))

7. Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to progress its ambition for Scotland to be a world leader in sustainable and regenerative agriculture practice. ([S6O-04518](#))

8. Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government whether its policy position in relation to an independent Scotland seeking to rejoin the EU includes rejoining the Common Fisheries Policy. ([S6O-04519](#))

Health and Social Care

1. Meghan Gallacher: To ask the Scottish Government how many NHS boards have designated single-sex spaces for women. ([S6O-04520](#))

2. Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress of action 42 in the *Cancer Action Plan 2023 to 2026* to carry out a clinically led review on cancer waiting times. ([S6O-04521](#))

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3. Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will commit to renewing the Heart Disease Action Plan. ([S6O-04522](#))

4. Fergus Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government whether it was aware that, prior to NHS Highland taking over responsibility for vaccination services from GPs, there were reported concerns that the NHS board's system did not allow GPs to know their patients' vaccination status and that this could lead to a heightened patient risk. ([S6O-04523](#))

5. Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government how many patients in hospital are waiting for a social care package assessment from North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership. ([S6O-04524](#))

6. Fulton MacGregor: To ask the Scottish Government what support is in place for people with the condition, Turnpenny-Fry syndrome. ([S6O-04525](#))

7. Colin Beattie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what steps it is taking to improve GP retention. ([S6O-04526](#))

8. Marie McNair: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment has been made regarding the potential impact that community link workers have on the social determinants of health. ([S6O-04527](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: The Impact of the UK Government's Spring Statement on Scotland

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followed by Business Motions

[S6M-17059](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Programme—
That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 22 April 2025

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

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(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 21 April 2025, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendment

S6M-17059.1 Miles Briggs: Business Programme—As an amendment to motion S6M-17059 in the name of Jamie Hepburn (Business Programme), leave out "The International Situation" and insert "Addressing Violence in Schools".

***followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

S6M-17060 Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2025 [draft] be approved.

S6M-17061 Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Economy and Fair Work Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

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

6:00 pm Decision Time

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

[S6M-16901](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Scotland's Islands—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the social and economic importance and contribution of Scotland's islands, their residents and their businesses; further recognises what it considers are the challenges of living on and running a business on islands and delivering public services to island communities, but believes that islanders, including many from across the Highlands and Islands region, have remarkable entrepreneurship that has fostered advancements in a varied portfolio of sectors, including distilling, manufacturing, space exploration and a growing number of micro and social enterprises; values the distinctive and often unique cultural contribution of the islands to Scotland, the rest of UK and the world; believes that island communities provide many opportunities, but notes concerns that they can face many unique challenges, including the threat of depopulation, without the provision of adequate housing, healthcare, transport links and connectivity. **R**

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Committee Meetings

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

Economy and Fair Work Committee 11th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
- Skills Delivery:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Ian Hughes, Engagement Director, Scotland, Construction Industry Training Board;
Andrew Lamond, Director, Energy Training Academy;
Susan Love, Strategic Engagement Lead, Association of Chartered Certified Accountants;
Kellie Zdanowicz, Vice Chair, Scottish Training Federation.
- Skills Delivery (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
- City and Regional Growth Deals:** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee 12th Meeting, 2025

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

- Declaration of interests:** Mark Ruskell will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
- Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Mark Lodge, Senior Planning and Strategies Officer, Argyll & Bute Council;
Grant Moir, Chief Executive Officer, Cairngorms National Park Authority;
Gordon Watson, Chief Executive Officer, Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority.
- Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Criminal Justice Committee 12th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

- Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 4).

Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee 6th Meeting, 2025

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
- Evidence Session:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Transport

Nicola Blaney, Head of Strategic Transport Planning, Transport Scotland

Alasdair Graham, Head of Design, Procurement and Contracts, Transport Scotland

Lawrence Shackman, Director of Major Projects, Transport Scotland

The Committee will be taking evidence on the following petitions—

PE1657: A77 upgrade;

PE1610: Upgrade the A75;

PE1916: Request a public inquiry into the management of the rest and be thankful project;

PE1967: Protect Loch Lomond's Atlantic oakwood shoreline by implementing the High Road option for the A82 upgrade between Tarbet and Inverarnan, and

PE2132: Publish a timeline for the dualling of the A96 between Inverness and Nairn by Easter 2025.

3. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
 PE1885: Make offering Community Shared Ownership mandatory for all windfarm development planning proposals;
 PE1919: Ban the sale of high caffeine products to children for performance enhancement;
 PE2030: Review cultural funding arrangements to enable Scotland to contribute to the Venice Biennale in 2024;
 PE2085: Introduce a statutory definition of residency for Fatal Accident Inquiries into the deaths of Scots abroad; and
 PE2091: Provide funding to have a CAHMS worker and a nurse based within Scottish high schools.
4. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
 PE2135: Implement the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) in Scottish legislation, and
 PE2140: Introduce a parking badge for pregnant women
5. **Consideration of Evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Education, Children and Young People Committee 12th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
[Recognition of Overseas Qualifications \(Charges\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)
2. **Subordinate legislation:**
 The Committee will take evidence on the Social Security Information-sharing (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] from—
 Jenny Gilruth, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, Laura Meikle, Head of Support and Wellbeing Unit, and Alison Taylor, Deputy Director for Improvement, Attainment and Wellbeing, Scottish Government;
 Nico McKenzie-Juetten, Lawyer, Scottish Government Legal Directorate.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Jenny Gilruth, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills to move—S6M-16753—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee

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recommends that the Social Security Information-sharing (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.

4. **Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Nicola Killean, Commissioner, Gina Wilson, Head of Strategy, and Nick Hobbs, Head of Advice and Investigations, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland.
5. **Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 4.
6. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 26 March 2025

Thursday 3 April 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-16633 George Adam: Celebrating the University of the West of Scotland's Groundbreaking Foundation Academy

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions
Social Justice

followed by Ministerial Statement: Project Willow - Unlocking Grangemouth's Potential

followed by Ministerial Statement: Heat in Buildings Bill

followed by Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee and Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee Debate: The Aarhus Convention and Access to Environmental Justice

followed by Business Motions

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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>

SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review Committee

3 April 2025

9th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 8:00 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **SPCB supported bodies landscape review:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Dr David Wilson, Clerk of the House of Representatives, New Zealand Parliament.
2. **SPCB supported bodies landscape review** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, David Millett on 85244 or at David.Millett@parliament.scot

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

3 April 2025

12th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 8:30 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **UK Internal Market Act 2020 - Consultation and Review:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Angus Robertson, Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Euan Page, Head of UK Frameworks, Scottish Government.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, James Johnston on 85215 or at james.johnston@parliament.scot

Social Justice and Social Security Committee

3 April 2025

11th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Housing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 3).
2. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider a letter from the Northern Ireland Assembly Committee for Communities.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Diane Barr on 85220 or at diane.barr@parliament.scot

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Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

3 April 2025

5th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Committee effectiveness:** The Committee will take evidence in a roundtable format from—
Professor Paul Cairney, Professor of Politics and Public Policy, University of Stirling;
Dr Tom Caygill, Senior Lecturer in Politics, Nottingham Trent University;
Ken Hughes, Former Assistant Chief Executive, Scottish Parliament;
Professor Cristina Leston Bandeira, Professor of Politics, University of Leeds.
3. **Evidence Session:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Catherine Fergusson on 85186 or at catherine.fergusson@parliament.scot

Criminal Justice Committee

3 April 2025

13th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 5).

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie on 85931 or at Stephen.Imrie@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-17011](#) Douglas Lumsden: Addressing Waiting Times in NHS Grampian**—That the Parliament notes the reported concerns regarding challenges that NHS Grampian is facing in relation to staffing shortages and resource limitations, which it understands has contributed to delays in patient care and increased pressure on existing medical personnel; acknowledges that, in September 2024, NHS Grampian reported that over 3,000 patients were waiting over two years for hospital treatment, which it believes was the highest number among Scottish NHS boards; understands that, in November 2024, NHS Grampian declared a board level critical incident, which led to the diversion of ambulance patients to hospitals outside the region due in part to sustained pressures at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary; notes that, in late November 2024, NHS Grampian experienced a significant rise in delayed discharges, with 199 cases, which according to the NHS board accounted for 13% of all beds in the region; believes that hospitals in the area are using outdated medical equipment, including an MRI scanner and an X-ray machine that are 15 and 27 years old, respectively, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to develop an urgent plan to tackle what it regards as the ongoing issues within NHS Grampian that are impacting on patient care and service delivery.

***[S6M-17004](#) Rhoda Grant: Combatting Commercial Sexual Exploitation**—That the Parliament understands that prostitution is recognised by the Scottish Government as a form of violence against women; considers that, despite the Scottish Government's commitment to deterring demand for prostitution, it is currently legal to perpetrate this form of violence against women in Scotland, including in the Highlands and Islands region; further considers that Scotland is an attractive destination for sex traffickers due to pimping websites and paying for sex being legal; notes the findings of the report, *International Insights: How Scotland can learn from international efforts to combat commercial sexual exploitation*, which was published by the survivor-led campaign, A Model For Scotland; further notes the support for its conclusion that outlawing pimping websites and paying for sex, and decriminalising victims, is critical to reducing the demand that drives commercial sexual exploitation; understands that the right has been secured to introduce the proposed Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill; believes that the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women and Girls recommends that states adopt the prostitution law reforms advocated by the campaign, A Model For Scotland, and contained in the proposed Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill, and notes the calls

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for the Scottish Government to outlaw pimping websites and paying for sex, and to decriminalise and support victims of sexual exploitation.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

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***[S6M-17056](#) Annie Wells: Celebrating Glasgow’s Culinary Heritage with Taste the Place—**

That the Parliament welcomes the launch of Taste the Place on 2 April 2025, a new initiative celebrating Glasgow’s rich culinary heritage as part of the city’s 850th anniversary; recognises that this collaboration between Glasgow Chamber of Commerce and Glasgow 850 offers a free, self-guided food experience, highlighting over 40 eateries representing 23 cuisines across the city; commends the initiative for showcasing both long-established institutions and innovative newcomers, from historic ice cream parlours and traditional sweet shops to vibrant international street food vendors; acknowledges what it sees as the positive impact of Taste the Place in supporting local businesses, strengthening Glasgow’s reputation as a top-tier food destination, and fostering cultural appreciation through cuisine; welcomes the initiative’s themed routes, Taste the World, Taste through Time, and Taste for Good, which highlight Glasgow’s global food culture, historic venues, and community-driven eateries; notes that this celebration follows Glasgow’s hosting of the 2025 Michelin Guide Great Britain and Ireland launch ceremony, cementing, it believes, the city’s status as a culinary leader, and encourages residents and visitors alike to explore and support Glasgow’s outstanding hospitality sector throughout 2025.

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***[S6M-17028](#) Annie Wells: Rosco McClelland Wins Sir Billy Connolly Spirit of Glasgow**

Award—That the Parliament congratulates Rosco McClelland on being named the winner of the 2025 Sir Billy Connolly Spirit of Glasgow Award at the Glasgow International Comedy Festival’s Comedy Gala; acknowledges that this prestigious award celebrates the individual who most personifies the Spirit of Glasgow, embodying the city’s unique warmth, resilience, and renowned sense of humour; notes that Rosco McClelland was selected from an outstanding shortlist of nominees, including Craig Hill, Kim Blythe, Marjolein Robertson, Paul Black, Scott Agnew, and Viv Gee; recognises what it sees as Rosco’s remarkable contribution to Scottish comedy over the past decade, entertaining audiences across the country and beyond with his sharp observational humour and comedic storytelling; notes the special video message from Sir Billy Connolly, affectionately acknowledging Rosco’s comedic talent; commends the Glasgow International Comedy Festival for its continued dedication to celebrating Scotland’s vibrant comedy scene; congratulates all those nominated and recognised at this year’s festival, including Viv Gee who received a special one-off award from the Lord Provost of Glasgow as part of the city’s 850th anniversary celebrations, and wishes Rosco McClelland continued success in his career.

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***S6M-17027 Annie Wells: Clyde Side Model Railway Club Receives £500 Donation from the Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust**—That the Parliament congratulates the Clyde Side Model Railway Club on receiving a £500 donation from the Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust; recognises the club's long history since its establishment in 1958, bringing together around 16 retirees at the Circle building in Easterhouse to pursue their passion for model railways; acknowledges what it sees as the vital role that the club plays in combating social isolation and fostering an inclusive and supportive environment for members of varying abilities; applauds the club's tradition of creating a special Christmas railway layout for local nursery children, spreading joy and engaging with the community; considers the financial challenges faced by small community groups like the Clyde Side Model Railway Club, with rising operational costs placing a strain on members; welcomes the support of Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust in easing this burden and enabling the club to continue participating in model railway shows without financial constraints, and commends all those involved in sustaining and celebrating this cherished community institution.

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***S6M-17026 Alexander Stewart: The Scotland Hat Walk for Brain Tumour Research Returns to Pittencrieff Park**—That the Parliament welcomes the return of the Scotland Hat Walk for the second year; understands that in 2024, two Scottish award-winning milliners held the first ever Scotland Hat Walk to raise money in helping find a cure for brain tumours; acknowledges that Leanne Cairns, from Leanne Cairns Millinery in Kilmarnock, and Lisa Jones, from Off With Her Head Millinery in Fife, organised the free event, where everyone must wear a hat, at Pittencrieff Park in Dunfermline, in the Mid Scotland and Fife region, on 7 April 2024, in collaboration with World Hat Walk, which is held in 14 locations globally, including the London Hat Walk; understands that Leanne and Lisa said they were inspired to do “something positive” after the 14-year-old daughter of one of Leanne’s close friends was diagnosed with a brain tumour; acknowledges that more than 1,000 people in Scotland are diagnosed with a brain tumour every year, and that around 400 people in the country die from high-grade brain tumours annually; notes that the Scotland Hat Walk 2025 will take place again in Pittencrieff Park on 27 April 2025 from 11.00 am; understands that the inaugural event in 2024 raised £2,500 for Brain Tumour Research, a charity that the walk supports, and that Leanne and Lisa are again looking to raise funds for the charity in 2025; notes that everyone is welcome as long as they wear a hat; commends Leanne, Lisa and all the organisers on their dedication in this regard as well as their highly magnanimous endeavours, and wishes everyone involved all the very best for a highly successful event. **R**

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***S6M-17023 Douglas Ross: National Awards for Fochabers Ice Cream Parlour**—That the Parliament congratulates Sheila Gray, of the award-winning Fochabers Ice Cream Parlour in Moray, after the parlour secured two titles at the recent National Ice Cream Awards 2025, held at the Belfry Hotel, Birmingham; understands that the winning entries were for the 10 cm flower ice cream cake and the 25 cm wedding ice cream cake; recognises that, in the 15 years that this shop has been open, Sheila and her team have won nine UK ice cream awards and six Scottish championship awards; believes that Fochabers Ice Cream Parlour is an excellent attraction in the village, welcoming customers from near and far to sample the award-winning ice cream, as well as its range of home baking; applauds Sheila for her tenacity, endeavour and drive in continuously

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producing award-winning ice creams, and wishes her and the team at Fochabers Ice Cream Parlour continued success in the future.

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***S6M-17021 Douglas Ross: Remembering David Whalley**—That the Parliament pays tribute to David Whalley, a mountain search and rescue veteran from Burghead, in Moray, who sadly passed away after illness; notes that 72-year-old David "Heavy" Whalley was involved in frontline mountain rescue operations for almost 40 years, during which time he was part of over 1,000 rescues and played his part saving hundreds of lives; understands that this respected mountaineer dedicated his life to helping others and was not only a leader, but friend and mentor to many in the mountain rescue family; notes that David was one of the first rescuers at the scene of the Lockerbie Pam Am Flight 103 tragedy, and at that time worked tirelessly to assist the emergency services deal with this major event, and offers David's family and friends its sympathies on the passing of this inspirational and talented individual.

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***S6M-17019 Kenneth Gibson: 100th Anniversary of the Skelmorlie Reservoir Disaster**—That the Parliament commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Skelmorlie Reservoir Disaster; understands that, on 18 April 1925, the Ayrshire village of Skelmorlie became the scene of a tragedy when the embankment of the lower reservoir, situated above the village, gave way, thus releasing millions of gallons of water; is aware that the fatal accident was caused by torrential rain on 17 and 18 April, leading to the lower reservoir filling to capacity; notes that, at around 2.00 pm, a 30-foot stretch of the embankment gave way, with the water surging down the steep hill with devastating force, carrying off any obstacles it encountered; understands that, within 10 minutes, the reservoir was empty, having claimed the lives of five villagers, Alexander and Frederick Dallas, Winifred Mary Menhennet, Janet Adam and Ursula Scott; notes that around 2,000 people attended the funeral service for the victims of the disaster, which was held in Skelmorlie Parish Church on 22 April 1925; acknowledges that a relief fund was set up at the Clydesdale Bank, Skelmorlie, to help the Dallas family, which had lost their two sons, home, and all their belongings; understands that an inquiry into the Skelmorlie Disaster was held at Kilmarnock Sheriff Court, on 22 June 1925, with Sheriff Principal W Lyon Mackenzie presiding, and that the jury returned a unanimous verdict that the accident had been caused by an absence of regular skilled inspection and maintenance of the reservoir; further understands that, after the disaster, in 1930, critical changes were made to reservoir safety legislation, and that, following their implementation, there have been no dam failures causing loss of life in Britain; praises Skelmorlie Community Council which, following a recent appeal for support for a memorial in the village from a research engineer, has worked hard to ensure that those who perished are remembered, and understands that there are various memorial plans and that the community council has indicated its willingness to take on ownership of the memorial, furnished by the British Dams Society, installing it in Skelmorlie community garden.

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***[S6M-17018](#) Michelle Thomson: Falkirk Groups Secure Funding via Falkirk Council's Community Choices Fund 2025-26**—That the Parliament congratulates all those groups within the Falkirk area that successfully secured funding through Falkirk Council's Community Choices Fund; understands that the Community Choices Fund is Falkirk Council's offering of a participatory budget programme, providing a democratic method via a public vote for local residents to have a direct say in how public money is spent to address their priorities by selecting their favourite community-led and focused projects; further understands that this is the fifth phase of this fund and that, since its launch in 2020, more than £3.4 million has been allocated through the Community Choices Fund, helping to deliver over 160 projects locally that make a real difference to the lives of those within Falkirk's communities; recognises that, in Bo'ness, Bo'ness Car 4U received £5,000, the Newton Park Association received £4,600 and the Tuesday Club received £3,000; notes that, in Grangemouth, Equi-Power received £3,480, the Galaxy Foundation received £5,000 and Sealock Infinity received £5,000; understands that, in the Carse, Kinnaird and Tryst ward, the Dobbie Hall Trust received £5,000 and KLSB received £4,950; notes that, in the Lower Braes, the Polmont Community Hub received £4,980 and Polmont Together received £5,000; recognises that, in the Upper Braes, the Shieldhill Welfare Hall received £4,925 and the Maddiston Community Hub received £5,000; congratulates all groups on successfully securing funding via the Community Choices Fund to further benefit their local communities, and looks forward to seeing the development of the projects as a result of this funding.

***[S6M-17017](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Beer Festival**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that the new Aberdeen Beer Festival, due to take place on 12 April 2025, has completely sold out in advance of the event taking place; notes that the event, which will take place at the Aberdeen Music Hall across afternoon and evening sessions, is being organised by local brewery, Fierce Beer, with support from Aberdeen Inspired; understands that the event will feature guest beers from a dozen independent breweries from across the UK, as well as drinks from Red Fin Cider and House of Botanicals, hot sauce from Singularity, and various merchandise from Doric Studio; hopes that this early success will help ensure that the festival becomes an annual staple in the Granite City's events calendar, and wishes the organisers well in putting on a great event for those attending the festival.

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***[S6M-17016](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Befriend a Child**—That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen charity, Befriend a Child, on raising £52,847.25 at its recent Barbie Boozy Brunch events; understands that the events, held over two days at the Marcliffe hotel, brought together hundreds of supporters, dressed in pink, for two days of hospitality, entertainment and laughter; notes that Befriend a Child works with over 250 children across Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire, many of whom face challenges such as abuse, neglect, bereavement, parental substance misuse or social isolation; believes that the funds raised by those attending the event will be put to good use supporting children who are growing up in challenging circumstances; thanks the organisers and the event's sponsors for their efforts in raising these funds, and wishes Befriend a Child all the best with their future fundraising endeavours.

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***[S6M-17015](#) Alexander Stewart: Commending Police Scotland Forth Valley Clackmannanshire Schools' Drop-in Sessions**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that two Clackmannanshire school-based police officers are set to hold drop in sessions at the

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beginning of the 2025 Easter holidays at which pupils of Lornhill, Alva and Alloa academies, and their parents, can come to the schools on 7, 8 and 9 April respectively to seek advice, ask questions or get further information in relation to issues in the school environment; understands that these sessions will also be open to the parents of primary school pupils in the catchment areas of the academies; acknowledges the plan to provide safety advice and for parents and pupils to ask questions and seek advice on issues, and commends Police Scotland Forth Valley division, as well as PCs Scott Arundel and Jamie Reid, on what it sees as this excellent community safety and wellbeing-centred initiative.

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***S6M-17014 Sharon Dowey: 99th Ayrshire Music Festival Success**—That the Parliament congratulates all who took part in the 99th Ayrshire Music Festival, which was held throughout March 2025; understands that over 2,500 young people from across Ayrshire took part, showcasing an impressive and varied display of musical, vocal and instrumental talent, as well as performances in Scottish dance, speech and drama; notes that the final evening's concert was held at Ayr Town Hall, featuring the competitions for the festival's premier trophies, the Elizabeth McNair Trophy for Instrumentalists and the Howard De Walden Trophy for Singers; further notes that, after extremely closely run contests, these were awarded to Iona Priestnall and Caitlin Hannah respectively; commends all who helped to organise and facilitate the festival, and praises, and is heartened by, what it sees as a thriving musical sector among young people in Ayrshire.

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***S6M-17013 Sharon Dowey: 2025 Fiddlers Concert Success**—That the Parliament congratulates all involved with the event, a Fiddlers' Concert 2025, which was held at the Troon Concert Hall; understands that the annual concert is hosted by the Rotary Club of Troon and features the renowned Ayrshire Fiddle Orchestra, the world champion 1st Troon Boys Brigade Pipe Band and a fantastic choir of young people from Muirhead Primary School; notes the significant organisational and preparatory work that is involved in facilitating the concert; understands that this is delivered by an extensive team of volunteers from across the several organisations that took part; commends everybody who gave up their free time to help the concert run smoothly, as well as all those in attendance, and looks forward to next year's concert.

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***S6M-17012 Mark Ruskell: Congratulating Perth Parrots Floorball Club**—That the Parliament congratulates Perth Parrots floorball club on winning the Sport for Change award at the 2025 Perth and Kinross Sports Awards in recognition of its community engagement work, which has encouraged more LGBTQI+ people to take part in sport and physical activity; recognises that the club has worked closely with LGBTQI+ school groups to host an inter-school floorball competition and recently purchased its own floorball rink; believes that it is the only known LGBTQI+ inclusive sports team in Perth and Kinross, providing LGBTQI+ people, and their allies, with a safe space to participate in competitive sport, and wishes the club every success for their future.

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***[S6M-17010](#) Rona Mackay: Remembering Dr William Wilson**—That the Parliament notes with deep sadness the passing of Dr William Wilson, who died peacefully at his home on 25 March 2025; recognises that Dr Wilson was a loving partner to Phyllis, a caring father to John and Roz, a beloved grandfather and a generous friend to many; acknowledges his distinguished contributions as an elite sportsman, including his notable achievements as a three-time national Cumberland wrestling champion and his leadership in guiding a Scottish wrestling team to victory in overseas tournaments; recognises his accomplished career as a scientist and lecturer at the University of Glasgow, where he taught thousands of students and was at the forefront of pharmacological research for decades; understands that Dr Wilson was also a successful businessman through his pharmacy business; pays tribute to his tireless dedication and decades of work behind the scenes as a passionate campaigner for Scottish independence; notes his wide range of other accomplishments, including his skills as an accomplished hiker, DIY enthusiast and fisherman; commends his reputation as a humble and generous individual, and expresses its sincere condolences to his partner, Phyllis, his children, family, and friends on their profound loss.

***[S6M-17006](#) Collette Stevenson: East Kilbride FC, Scottish Lowland League Cup Winners 2024-25**—That the Parliament congratulates East Kilbride FC on winning the Scottish Lowland League Cup 2024-25, at Broadwood Stadium, Cumbernauld; understands that this followed a spectacular 3-1 victory over Bo'ness United; notes that this is the fourth time it has won this competition making it the most successful club in the tournament since its inception in 2013; congratulates the club's manager, Mick Kennedy, and all of the squad, on achieving what it considers to be a phenomenal feat; thanks the team's fans for their loyal and unwavering support of the club, often turning up in the wind, hail and rain; sends the club and all of its supporters its wholehearted congratulations on what it sees as this spectacular win, and wishes the team the very best of luck for the rest of the season ahead and the future.

***[S6M-17005](#) Clare Adamson: George Parvin Takes the Golden Gloves at the Scottish Schoolboys Championships**—That the Parliament congratulates George Parvin, a member of Shire Boxing Club in Wishaw, on his outstanding performance at the Scottish Schoolboys Championships; understands that George competed in the 48kg weight class; believes that George, who has been attending the Shire Boxing Club for around four years, demonstrated incredible skill and determination by successfully taking on three other talented young fighters in his category; commends his achievement in securing the Golden Gloves at this prestigious event; highlights what it sees as George's dedication to boxing and his role as an inspiration to young athletes across Scotland; expresses gratitude to Shire Boxing Club for its continued commitment to nurturing and developing young talent in the sport, and wishes George all the best with his future bouts.

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***[S6M-17001](#) Miles Briggs: Teenage and Young Adult Cancer Awareness Month**—That the Parliament recognises, during Teenage and Young Adult Cancer Awareness month, the unique needs and experiences of teenagers and young adults diagnosed with cancer; believes that delays in diagnosis can have a significant impact on their physical and mental health, and that access to specialist psychological support is essential; recognises the challenges that young people face in navigating relationships, work and education while undergoing treatment, and the

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additional impact that this can have on their mental health; considers that barriers to accessing clinical trials can leave young people unable to benefit from innovative and often life-changing treatments; recognises that around 200 teenagers and young adults are diagnosed with cancer every year in Scotland, with each requiring specialised care to support them through treatment and beyond, and calls on the Scottish Government to ensure that diagnosing and treating cancer in this age group remains a priority, to ensure that teenagers and young adults with cancer are fully represented in healthcare planning and support services.

***[S6M-16999](#) Beatrice Wishart: Congratulating the Makers of Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story**—That the Parliament congratulates the makers of the documentary film *Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story* for winning the Science and Natural World award at the Royal Television Society Programme Awards, which were held in London on 25 March 2025; understands that the documentary, directed by Charlie Hamilton James, follows the story of Molly, a wild otter that washed up on a jetty in desperate need of food, near the home of Billy and Susan Mail, in Shetland, from whom she received the care she needed; further understands that the film was released internationally by National Geographic and Disney+; notes that the judges described the film as “a piece of mesmerising television, which successfully combined epic scale with a sense of intimacy in telling the story of its subject”; congratulates the team behind the film on the three prizes that it received at the Wildscreen Panda Awards in 2024, including Best Production; commends the filmmakers on their nomination in the Specialist Factual category of the BAFTA TV Awards to be held on 11 May 2025; thanks Billy and Susan Mail for sharing this touching story through the film, and wishes them all the best for the future.

***[S6M-16998](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Janet Dyer and her Dog Sophie on Success at Crufts 2025**—That the Parliament congratulates Jan Dyer, a retired Brownie Guider from Chryston, and her dog Sophie, on achieving first place in the veteran category at Crufts 2025; recognises the dedication and hard work required to compete at the highest level of dog showing; acknowledges what it sees as Sophie’s remarkable achievement at nine years old, demonstrating outstanding skill and training; further commends Jan for her lifelong commitment to the community through her involvement in Girlguiding, inspiring generations of young people; notes the prestige of Crufts as the world’s largest dog show, and wishes Jan and Sophie continued success in future competitions.

***[S6M-16997](#) Fulton MacGregor: Recognising the Success of the Chryston High School Wind Band at the Scottish Concert Band Festival**—That the Parliament congratulates Chryston High School’s Wind Band on winning a Gold Award at the Scottish Concert Band Festival Final 2025, which, it believes, is an outstanding achievement particularly as it was its first time competing at the event; recognises the dedication, talent, and hard work of the pupils and their music instructors in preparing for this prestigious competition; acknowledges what it sees as the vital role that music education plays in enriching the lives of young people, fostering creativity and teamwork; commends North Lanarkshire Council and Chryston High School for their continued support of music and the arts, and wishes the band continued success in future performances and competitions.

***[S6M-16996](#) Sarah Boyack: 30 Years of Edinburgh's World Heritage Status**—That the Parliament congratulates the city of Edinburgh as it celebrates the 30th anniversary of its Old and New Towns being awarded World Heritage status by UNESCO; acknowledges the efforts and vital role played by Edinburgh World Heritage, Historic Environment Scotland, The City of Edinburgh Council and all other partners invested in protecting and preserving the World Heritage Site for the benefit of future generations; believes that Edinburgh World Heritage and indeed all of Scotland’s

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seven City Heritage Trusts undertake vital work, which should be supported through sustainable long-term funding; recognises what it sees as the many challenges currently faced by these organisations, especially the climate crisis, which, it believes, poses multiple threats to historic buildings, and supports collaborative efforts across government and public authorities at all levels to protect and strengthen Scotland's historic environment.

***S6M-16995 Foyso! Choudhury: Eid al-Fitr 2025—**That the Parliament notes warmly the celebration of Eid al-Fitr, which takes place on 30 or 31 March 2025, depending on the sighting of the moon; understands that Eid al-Fitr comes at the end of the Muslim month of Ramadan, a month of prayer and reflection where Muslims worldwide fast during the hours of daylight before breaking the fast in what is known as Iftar; recognises the renewed focus on charity and giving throughout the month of Ramadan with acts of charity, known as Zakat; understands that Eid al-Fitr is celebrated with friends, family and the whole community, involving the sharing of gifts, food and prayer; further understands that Eid al-Fitr emphasises the value of being patient and steadfast in life; expresses its hope that Muslims worldwide are able to celebrate Eid al-Fitr in peace and security, and wishes the Muslim Community in Scotland and around the world, Eid Mubarak.

***S6M-16991 Ruth Maguire: 25th Anniversary of Kilwinning Community Sports Club—**That the Parliament congratulates Kilwinning Community Sports Club on its 25th anniversary and the reopening of its fully refurbished pavilion building; acknowledges the club's growth since its establishment, becoming, it understands, a key facility for sport in North Ayrshire; recognises the significant contribution of local footballing hero, Julie Fleeting Stewart, who officially opened the new-look facility alongside representatives from North Ayrshire Council, the Scottish Football Association and The Scottish Football Partnership; commends the club's efforts to expand opportunities for girls' and women's football; welcomes the creation of a timeline and photo display showcasing the club's rich history and achievements, and wishes Kilwinning Community Sports Club continued success in supporting grassroots sport for many years to come.

***S6M-16990 Ruth Maguire: Glasgow Kiltwalk Fundraiser in Memory of Ava Nelson—**That the Parliament commends the family of Ava Nelson on their fundraising efforts in her memory through participation in the Glasgow Kiltwalk on 27 April 2025; recognises the courage of Ava, a former Pennyburn Primary School pupil, who lived with cancer for two years before her passing at the age of 12; acknowledges what it sees as the invaluable support provided to Ava and her family by Robin House Hospice, operated by Children's Hospices Across Scotland (CHAS); commends Ava's mother, Jackie, her partner, Eddie Renor, and Ava's sisters, Skye and Payton, for their dedication to raising funds for what it sees as this vital organisation, and encourages the public to support their efforts in ensuring CHAS can continue providing exceptional care to children and families in need.

***S6M-16989 Carol Mochan: Dalmellington Primary School Participation in VoiceBox Awards 2025—**That the Parliament celebrates the pupils of Dalmellington Primary School for their contribution to the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists (RCSLT) VoiceBox competition 2025; recognises the value of the competition, which raises awareness of the importance of developing children's communication skills in a fun and creative way; supports the continued work of the RCSLT, along with the teachers across the country who are working to encourage and educate children through this inclusive and important campaign, and congratulates Oliver, who was the winner of the joke competition within Dalmellington Primary School, and the school's head teacher, Mrs Greig, for her continued commitment to supporting the communication development of primary school pupils.

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***S6M-16988 Ruth Maguire: Bourtreehill Park Woodland Trail, Irvine**—That the Parliament welcomes the official opening of the Bourtreehill Park Woodland Trail, a new 1km loop designed to encourage outdoor exploration and learning; recognises the involvement of St John Ogilvie Primary School pupils and the Bourtreehill-based charity, Children First, in shaping the project; acknowledges the trail's role in promoting biodiversity, environmental awareness and community engagement, and commends the collaboration between North Ayrshire Ranger Service, North Ayrshire Neighbourhood Services, and the North Ayrshire STEM team in creating this interactive and educational trail.

***S6M-16987 Ruth Maguire: Kilwinning Community Fire Station Fundraiser**—That the Parliament congratulates Kilwinning Community Fire Station on raising £785.14 through its recent charity car wash in aid of The Firefighters Charity; acknowledges what it sees as the vital work of the charity in supporting emergency service personnel and their families through illness, injury, and rehabilitation; commends the dedication of the firefighters and volunteers who organised and participated in the event, and recognises the generosity of the local community in contributing to this important cause.

***S6M-16986 Clare Haughey: R:evolve Recycle Celebrates 10-year Anniversary** —That the Parliament congratulates R:evolve Recycle, based in Cambuslang and Rutherglen, on its 10th year of operation; understands that the organisation's mission is to reduce fast fashion and consumer waste by creating local solutions to the global climate crisis; notes that R:evolve Recycle offers a wide variety of services in the community, including a clothing and accessories swap shop, a clothing bank, which works in partnership with local statutory bodies, Wee Jinty's haberdashery, which offers preloved materials and mending and upcycling workshops, the Thrift and Gift store, which offers a range of designer and preloved clothing and accessories as well as reworked garments, crafts and homeware, and the Roots Café, which uses produce from local community gardens and offers a range of wellbeing activities; understands that in 2023-24, the organisation circulated over 34 tonnes of textiles, making an estimated carbon saving of 488 tonnes carbon dioxide equivalent; further understands that any income that the organisation makes is reinvested to keep the swap shop and clothing bank free for the community; pays tribute to the organisation's staff, volunteers and partners past and present, and wishes R:evolve Recycle all the best for its continuing success.

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***S6M-16985 Humza Yousaf: Friends of Elder Park**—That the Parliament recognises the ongoing contribution of Friends of Elder Park; understands that its purpose is to protect and maintain Govan's vital green space, Elder Park; further understands that its members do this through promoting education and community development, supporting environmental protection and improvement and providing recreational facilities and activities; recognises what it sees as the positive impact that Friends of Elder Park has on its community by ensuring that they have access to a safe, green and upkept outdoor space; commends members on their commitment to improving Elder Park through projects such as the Wildflower Avenue and Rose Garden Restoration, and wishes Friends of Elder Park well on any future endeavours.

***S6M-16983 Karen Adam: 60 Years of Banff Preservation and Heritage Society**—That the Parliament commemorates the 60th anniversary of the Banff Preservation and Heritage Society; recognises that the society was established in 1965 by a group led by Mrs Urquhart of Craigston

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and the Banff architect, Jack Meldrum, who united individuals passionate about preserving Banff's architectural heritage; acknowledges the society's significant contributions, including the restoration of numerous historic buildings in the Royal Burgh of Banff, such as the renovation of 12 Deveronside in 1966; notes that the society, in partnership with Aberdeenshire Museums Service, manages the Banff Museum, which was founded in 1828 and stands as the oldest museum in Scotland north of Perth, offering visitors a comprehensive insight into the rich history of Banff and Banffshire, and wishes the society continued success in its ongoing efforts to preserve and promote the area's cultural and architectural heritage.

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***[S6M-16982](#) Karen Adam: Outstanding Community Effort—**That the Parliament commends what it sees as the outstanding community effort that has led to the refurbishment and revival of the sensory garden at Ordiquhill Primary School and Nursery for the benefit of its pupils; acknowledges the generosity and dedication of Young's Plant Hire (Cornhill), Colin Smith Contractors, and Portsoy Men's Shed, whose gift of time, materials and hard work has transformed the space into a valuable community asset, and believes that their efforts will provide joy and enrichment for the pupils for years to come.

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***[S6M-16981](#) Rachael Hamilton: Support for the Reopening of Laidlaw Memorial Pool in Jedburgh—**That the Parliament recognises the reported significant community support for the reopening of Laidlaw Memorial Pool in Jedburgh, as demonstrated by the estimated 600 to 1,000 people who attended the public meeting on 24 March 2025; acknowledges what it sees as the strong solidarity shown by the local community, elected representatives and key stakeholders, including, it understands, the backing of Rachael Hamilton MSP, John Lamont MP, members of Scottish Borders Council, and the Jedburgh Community Council; notes the ongoing process undertaken by Scottish Borders Council to assess the viability of reopening the pool, which is still underway, including a full audit of sports facilities and the forthcoming publication of a report into its future; understands that the pool has been an important facility for generations, providing opportunities for swimming, water safety and sporting development in the Borders; appreciates the reported concerns raised by local residents regarding the closure of the pool, the financial challenges involved, and the need for long-term sustainability; welcomes the efforts of all involved in exploring the potential reopening or redevelopment of a swimming facility in Jedburgh, and calls on all relevant authorities to engage with the community to ensure that Jedburgh has access to essential swimming and sporting facilities for years to come, particularly in light of the Scottish swimming bodies' campaign, Support School Swimming.

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***[S6M-16980](#) Karen Adam: Cullen Skink World Championship Title Stays in Cullen—**That the Parliament applauds Lynne Watson on winning the title of Cullen Skink World Champion in the Traditional category at the recent Cullen Skink World Championships, held at the Seafeld Arms Hotel in Cullen, in the Banffshire and Buchan Coast constituency; notes that Lynne, a Cullen resident and owner of Lily's Café, has brought the title home to the birthplace of Scotland's famous smoked fish soup; recognises the hard work of the organisers and volunteers in delivering an event that celebrates Scotland's world-class seafood and firmly establishes Cullen as a must-visit

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destination for food lovers, and wishes Lynne and all involved continued success in showcasing Scotland's rich culinary heritage.

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***S6M-16908 Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Loch Lomond Angling Improvement Association on its 125th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Loch Lomond Angling Improvement Association on its 125th Anniversary of being at the forefront of the conservation, protection and management of salmon and fresh water fishing in the Loch Lomond catchment area; understands that most of this work has been done by volunteers, the locally employed water bailiffs and local retailers; acknowledges that the association was established in 1900, when the 5th Duke of Montrose granted it rights to enjoy fishing in the River Endrick and east side of Loch Lomond; understands that both national and international anglers come to the area to fish the waters, with many famous faces, such as the very first editor of *Trout and Salmon Magazine*, Ian Wood, comedian, Billy Connolly and well known actor, Paul Young, all enjoying spending time fishing the loch and rivers; believes that the largest salmon recorded weighed in at a huge 44lb and was caught by Mr Edward Cochrane from Paisley in 1930, and looks forward to the continuing success of the association in future years.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S6M-17002 Ross Greer: Remembering Gyalo Thondup (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

S6M-16978 Neil Bibby: BBC Scotland's Decision to End River City and Close its Dumbarton Studios (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Rhoda Grant*, Bob Doris*, Marie McNair*

S6M-16977 James Dornan: Recognising the Work of Realgrassroots (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Ben Macpherson*, Emma Roddick*, Audrey Nicoll*, Stuart McMillan*, Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Smyth*

S6M-16976 Sandesh Gulhane: Aldi Initiative to Tackle Period Poverty (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Emma Roddick*, Jeremy Balfour*, Craig Hoy*, Annie Wells*, Edward Mountain*, Brian Whittle*, Douglas Ross*, Russell Findlay*, Liam Kerr*, Jamie Greene*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Gosal*, Douglas Lumsden*, Paul Sweeney*, Meghan Gallacher*, Beatrice Wishart*, Bill Kidd*

S6M-16975 Alexander Burnett: Jamie and Jo Embark on a Pilgrimage Around the British Isles (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Paul Sweeney*

S6M-16974 Alexander Burnett: River Dee Walk Banchory to Milton of Crathes Named the Fifth Best Accessible Walk in the UK (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Paul Sweeney*

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S6M-16973 Sandesh Gulhane: Celebrating the Pioneering Work of Cardiothoracic Surgeon Dr Vipin Zamvar (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Russell Findlay*, Edward Mountain*, Jamie Greene*, Craig Hoy*, Pam Gosal*, Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Paul Sweeney*, Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-16972 Audrey Nicoll: National Award for NHS Grampian Clinical Scientist Dr Ijeoma Okoliegb (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Emma Roddick*, Kevin Stewart*, Sandesh Gulhane* **R**, Miles Briggs*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Brian Whittle*, Clare Haughey* **R**, Jeremy Balfour*, Emma Harper*, Paul Sweeney*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Colin Beattie*, Karen Adam*

S6M-16971 Colin Smyth: Older People's Economic Wellbeing Index: Scotland 2024-25 (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S6M-16969 Marie McNair: NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Teams Recognised at Holyrood Connect Digital Health and Care Awards (lodged on 28 March 2025)

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

S6M-16968 Marie McNair: Vicki's "Boogie for the Beatson" Fitness Classes Continue to Raise Funds for the Beatson Cancer Charity (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Emma Harper*, Karen Adam*

S6M-16964 Brian Whittle: DART Completes the Corner Clear Up with a Mural of Sir Alexander Fleming (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Stuart McMillan*, Annie Wells*

S6M-16963 Murdo Fraser: 400th Anniversary of the Accession of King Charles I (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-16962 Marie McNair: Recognising Clydebank Social Enterprise Crafting Together (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Karen Adam*

S6M-16961 Marie McNair: Clydesdale Harriers Celebrate 140th Anniversary (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Karen Adam*

S6M-16959 Monica Lennon: Public Health Scotland's Scottish Burden of Disease Study Report on the Future Prevalence and Burden of Chronic Liver Disease (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane* **R**

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[S6M-16958](#) Kevin Stewart: Stop Treating Scotland as an Afterthought (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16956](#) Kevin Stewart: The Success of Seagully Blonde (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Emma Roddick*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16955](#) Karen Adam: Recognition of Scottish Fishing Industry Leader (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Emma Roddick*

[S6M-16953](#) Karen Adam: Portsoy Ice Cream Best in Aberdeenshire (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16951](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulating PAMIS on Becoming Sole Chair of the Changing Places Toilet Consortium (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-16949](#) Tim Eagle: Oban Open Hits the Bullseye (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-16947](#) Meghan Gallacher: Keep Scotland Beautiful Eco-Schools Success for Greengairs Primary School (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-16940](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating MCR Pathways on the Success of its Schools-based Mentoring Programme (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-16938](#) Kevin Stewart: Construction Industry and SAMH Collaboration (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16936](#) Finlay Carson: Scotland's National Chef Gary Maclean Gains Prestigious Honour (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-16935](#) Michelle Thomson: Murray Leslie Named Recipient of Community Achievement Award (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-16934](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Scotland Wins Bronze at the Kabaddi World Cup 2025 (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*

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[S6M-16932](#) Humza Yousaf: Recognising Turf Youth and Community Project (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16931](#) Colin Beattie: Staggs Pub Named Edinburgh and Lothians Pub of the Year (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-16928](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating 100 Years of Wellbeing in Dundee (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-16926](#) Annie Wells: Celebrating the Success and Community Impact of Girish's Premier Store in Barmulloch (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-16924](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank Groups Receive £250,000 in National Lottery Community Funding (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-16919](#) Monica Lennon: Congratulating Aldi as the First UK Supermarket to Introduce Free Period Products in Toilets, in Partnership with Bloody Good Period (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-16915](#) Pauline McNeill: Remembering Keith Hammond (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-16913](#) Jackson Carlaw: Maths Tutoring Centre Opens in Newton Mearns (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-16912](#) Jackson Carlaw: Woodfarm High School's Girls Volleyball Team Reach Scottish School's Cup Final (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-16911](#) Jackson Carlaw: Mother Earth Hindu Temple Organises Activity for British Science Week (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-16910](#) Jackson Carlaw: Willamwood High School Pupils Win Maths Competition (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-16909](#) Jackson Carlaw: The Malletsheugh Named as Best Restaurant at People's Choice Business Awards (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

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S6M-16906 Colin Smyth: Securing and Maintaining Scotland's Status as a Fair Trade Nation
(lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*, Martin Whitfield*, Neil Bibby*, Maggie Chapman*, Monica Lennon*, Foyso Choudhury*, Colin Beattie*, Mark Griffin*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Kenneth Gibson*

S6M-16905 Jeremy Balfour: Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Murrayfield Stadium
(lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-16898 Gordon MacDonald: Ratho Community Champions (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S6M-16890 Finlay Carson: Financial Help Given to Improve Mental Health and Wellbeing in Dumfries and Galloway (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-16885 Sandesh Gulhane: Alan Reid Presented with Lifetime Achievement Award at Chief Scientific Officer Awards (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-16884 Sandesh Gulhane: Claire Tarbert Wins Excellence in Clinical Leadership Award at Chief Scientific Officer Awards 2025 (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-16883 Sandesh Gulhane: Brian McGill Named Support Worker of the Year at Chief Scientific Officer Awards 2025 (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-16882 Sandesh Gulhane: Mark Mason Awarded HealthCare Scientist of the Year Accolade at Chief Scientific Officer Awards 2025 (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-16880 Paul O'Kane: Two Pupils from Woodfarm High School Excel in Public Speaking Competition (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair*

S6M-16878 Pam Gosal: Helensburgh's Gordon Reid Wins Men's Wheelchair Tennis Doubles at the 2025 Cajun Classic in Louisiana, USA (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

S6M-16853 Alexander Burnett: A Bear Named Buttony Celebrates 10th Anniversary in May 2025 (lodged on 20 March 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-16834 John Mason: Expressing Solidarity with Canada and Condemning US Trade Measures (lodged on 31 March 2025)

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New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-16396](#) **Tess White: Burnside Brewery Secures New Premises** (lodged on 12 February 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

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Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 01 April 2025

S6W-36162 Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government what support it can provide to homeowners of traditionally built homes to maintain energy efficiency in the transition to renewable energy, and what impact Edinburgh College withdrawing its stonemasonry apprenticeship might have on this.

S6W-36163 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that apprentices have equitable access to learning opportunities, and what its response is to reports that some roofing apprentices in East Ayrshire have a two-hour journey to and from college for training.

S6W-36164 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how it has engaged with the construction sector in East Ayrshire to determine the demand for roof slating and tiling apprenticeship opportunities in the area, in light of reports that the National Federation of Roofing Contractors was unable to get a course re-established at Ayrshire College because it did not meet the requirement set out in the final report of the Skills Delivery Landscape Review, *Fit for the Future: developing a post-school learning system to fuel economic transformation*, that "to use resources to best effect, and to ensure funding and provision can be aligned to need (not just demand), then there must be a clear articulation of the areas that are a national priority".

S6W-36165 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the report, *Review of data, statistics and research on sex and gender* [the Sullivan review]; whether it will implement the recommendations in the review, and what plans it has to meet Professor Alice Sullivan to discuss the findings.

S6W-36167 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to update its 2021 guidance for public bodies on data collection and publication of sex, gender identity and trans status.

S6W-36203 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of recent media coverage, including a video showing discarded fish on the seabed, how many fines it has issued in relation to illegal discarding in each year since 2020.

S6W-36262 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government when it will achieve compliance with the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021 requirement to publish an environmental strategy.

S6W-36263 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how many illegal combined sewage overflow discharges have occurred in each of the last five years.

S6W-36268 Kenneth Gibson: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that any teachers impacted by stress can access appropriate support.

S6W-36269 Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government on what date Bhagat Holdings first had contact with its (a) ministers and (b) agencies in relation to the former Pinneys of Scotland plant in Annan.

S6W-36270 Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government what due diligence Scottish Enterprise undertook prior to its ministers announcing the grant offer of £1.7 million for Bhagat Holdings in relation to the former Pinneys of Scotland plant in Annan.

S6W-36272 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what the original budget for each of the national treatment centres was.

S6W-36273 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-34827 by Neil Gray on 28 February 2025, what plans there are to restart the work on the National Treatment Centre in Livingston.

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S6W-36274 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to bring forward proposals to increase birth rates in Scotland.

S6W-36275 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what projections it has made for the period 2025-75 for the overall (a) birth and (b) mortality rates in Scotland.

S6W-36276 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what processes are in place for the reporting of cybersecurity incidents across the public sector.

S6W-36277 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what public sector organisations have reported cybersecurity breaches in the last three years.

S6W-36278 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) certified ethical hacker (CEH) and (b) offensive security certified professional (OSCP) qualified members of staff it employs.

S6W-36279 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been supported to pursue (a) certified ethical hacker (CEH) and (b) offensive security certified professional (OSCP) qualifications through Scottish public sector organisations.

S6W-36280 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to reintroduce lynx into Scotland, and, if so, what assessment it has made of any potential impact that this would have on rural communities and livestock.

S6W-36281 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what work is being undertaken to understand the potential impact of NHS waiting times on health inequalities.

S6W-36282 Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-29364 by Alasdair Allan on 16 September 2024, whether it has now given any consideration to establishing a publicly available real-time map of (a) proposed, (b) ongoing, (c) refused and (d) completed energy infrastructure projects, in light of Aberdeenshire Council producing a similar mapping system. **R**

S6W-36283 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on what the political balance should be on (a) quasi-judicial panels and (b) local authority decision-making bodies.

S6W-36284 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how often the full list of public appointments by public bodies is published.

S6W-36285 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether the updated list of public appointments by public body, which was published on 25 March 2025, is an exhaustive list of all public appointments.

S6W-36286 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what most recent assessment it has made of the value of golf to the economy.

S6W-36287 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the comments by the chair of the Scottish Police Federation that a (a) lack of investment has seen parts of the country become "policing deserts" and (b) fall in police officer numbers, including following a recruitment freeze between September 2023 and March 2024, has led to "record absence [among officers] through physical and mental health illness [and] challenges with recruitment, retention and job satisfaction."

S6W-36288 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to improve the early detection and prevention of liver disease.

S6W-36289 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Public Health Scotland report, *Future prevalence and burden of chronic liver disease*, which was published on 18 March 2025, and what action it plans in response to the report's projection of a 54% increase in chronic liver disease by 2044.

S6W-36291 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether any Barnett consequential funding arising from the Lower Thames Crossing project will be used to accelerate the development of the Clyde Metro project.

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S6W-36294 Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to encourage GP practices in Glasgow to assess the access requirements of their patients.

S6W-36295 Colin Beattie: To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that the outcome of the Project Willow study will benefit industry and workers in Scotland.

S6W-36296 Colin Beattie: To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that workers in Scotland will benefit from a domestic sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) industry in the long term.

S6W-36297 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason a licence application to translocate beavers to Loch Beinn a' Mheadhoin in Glen Affric has yet to be determined.

S6W-36298 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is taking to promote the CitizenCard as a mainstream form of identification in Scotland.

S6W-36299 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when it anticipates the future catching policy (FCP) will be implemented.

S6W-36301 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government how many fishing licences it has authorised the transfer of in each year since 2015, broken down by fishing method, as defined in table 41 of the latest Scottish Sea Fisheries Statistics.

S6W-36302 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government how many scallop dredgers have been indicated by vessel monitoring system (VMS) or remote electronic monitoring (REM) data to have fished inside nature conservation marine protected areas in Scotland in each year since 2014.

S6W-36311 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government on what dates the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs has met prison governors since 29 March 2023 and what subjects were discussed, broken down by governor.

S6W-36312 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government on what dates the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs has met (a) Scottish Women's Aid, (b) Victim Support Scotland, (c) Rape Crisis Scotland and (d) COSLA since 29 March 2023, and what subjects were discussed.

S6W-36313 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government on what dates the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs has met the (a) chief executive of the Scottish Prisons Service, (b) chief Social Work Advisor, (c) chief executive of the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service and (d) Lord President of the Court of Session since 29 March 2023, and what subjects were discussed.

S6W-36317 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, to ensure timely implementation, what milestones have been set for the delivery of the Fracture Liaison Service audit.

S6W-36318 Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what progress is being made with the appointment of the Traffic Commissioner for Scotland.

S6W-36319 Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish an updated environment strategy.

S6W-36320 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Minister for Veterans expects to attend the Forces Children Scotland event, Forces Children's Charter Roundtable, which is scheduled for 25 April 2025.

S6W-36321 Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the Bus Services (No. 2) Bill, which is currently being considered by the House of Lords.

S6W-36322 Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-24187 by Patrick Harvie on 19 January 2024, whether it will provide an update on the average processing time for a Home Energy Scotland (a) grant and (b) loan application.

S6W-36323 Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to require Caledonian Sleeper to adapt its carriages so that all of them are capable of having a portable ramp fitted for the safe emergency egress of customers with mobility impairments, and, if it plans to make this a requirement, by when.

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S6W-36324 Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government whether Caledonian Sleeper has shared with it the timeframe for replacing the fold-out tables in individual berths to enable customers to consume hot drinks without the current reported risk to their health or safety.

S6W-36325 Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that Scotland's Rural College's Elmwood Campus in Cupar, Fife, has sufficient funds to enable all courses, including animal care, to continue after the 2024-25 academic year.

S6W-36326 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide the criteria for approving or rejecting renewable energy applications, in light of its Freedom of Information response of 28 February 2025 stating that 100% of proposals between 2020 and 2025 have been approved.

S6W-36327 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its Freedom of Information response of 28 February 2025 stating that there has been a threefold increase in renewable energy applications since 2020, what its position is on whether such an increase is necessary to meet the energy demands of the Scottish Borders.

S6W-36328 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to introduce compensation for any individuals affected by a decline in (a) land and (b) property value due to the impact of large-scale energy projects on property prices.

S6W-36329 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to introduce an upper limit on the proportion of land allocated to large-scale renewable energy projects in order to preserve agricultural land, in light of the reported economic importance of farming to the Scottish Borders economy.

S6W-36331 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is considering implementing a cap on the number of renewable energy applications submitted within a given timeframe, such as an annual Scotland-wide limit.

S6W-36332 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how many local jobs have been created in the Scottish Borders as a result of (a) current and (b) anticipated future renewable energy applications.

S6W-36333 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its Freedom of Information response of 28 February 2025 stating that no renewable energy projects have been rejected, what steps it is taking to ensure that public consultation processes are given due consideration.

S6W-36334 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any long-term implications of large-scale energy projects in the Scottish Borders.

S6W-36335 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, further to its Freedom of Information response of 28 February 2025, for what reason there has been a consistent rise in renewable energy applications in recent years.

S6W-36336 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what steps its Energy Consents Unit takes to assess the visual impact and location of renewable energy applications during the consultation phase, in light of tourism reportedly contributing £4 billion to the Scottish economy annually, with 40% of that being nature-based tourism, according to NatureScot.

S6W-36337 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what the estimated total income to Scotland is from the proposed network reinforcement of the energy grid to meet the energy demands of the rest of the UK.

S6W-36338 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how the proposed Cross-Border Connection development by SP Energy Networks will benefit residents in the Scottish Borders.

S6W-36339 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how the proposed Cross-Border Connection development by SP Energy Networks aligns with Scotland's Energy Strategy and Just Transition Plan.

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S6W-36340 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any benefits or risks of the proposed Cross Border Connection development by SP Energy Networks in relation to (a) local communities and (b) energy prices.

S6W-36341 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how local communities living in the vicinity of the proposed Cross Border Connection development by SP Energy Networks are being involved in the decision-making process.

S6W-36342 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government which section of the Fourth National Planning Framework (NPF4) outlines the reasons that the Scottish Ministers must provide when overturning planning decisions made at the local authority level.

S6W-36344 Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will produce a dedicated grassland action plan, similar to those for woodlands and peatlands.

S6W-36345 Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish its response to its consultation on religious observance in schools, and by what date it will bring forward draft legislation on this matter.

S6W-36346 Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how its proposals to amend the legislation on religious observance in schools aligns with the UN (a) Committee on the Rights of the Child's concluding observations regarding the UK and (b) Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

S6W-36348 Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it monitors the implementation of its 2017 guidance on religious observance.

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Housing (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

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After section 28

Mark Griffin

268 After section 28, insert—

<Eviction grounds

Review of eviction grounds

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must conduct a review of schedule 3 (eviction grounds) of the Private Housing (Tenancies) (Scotland) Act 2016.
- (2) The review must be completed within the period of 12 months beginning with the day after Royal Assent.
- (3) On completing the review, the Scottish Ministers must publish and lay a report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (4) The report under subsection (3) must include a statement of the action, if any, the Scottish Ministers intend to take as a result of the review.>

Mark Griffin

269 After section 28, insert—

<Eviction grounds

Review of eviction grounds

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must conduct a review of—
 - (a) schedule 2 (grounds for possession of dwelling-houses let on or subject to protected or statutory tenancies) of the Rent (Scotland) Act 1984,
 - (b) schedule 5 (grounds for possession of houses let on assured tenancies) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1988,
 - (c) schedule 2 (Scottish secure tenancy: grounds for recovery of possession of house) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001, and
 - (d) schedule 3 (eviction grounds) of the Private Housing (Tenancies) (Scotland) Act 2016.
- (2) The review must be completed within the period of 12 months beginning with the day after Royal Assent.
- (3) On completing the review, the Scottish Ministers must publish and lay a report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (4) The report under subsection (3) must include a statement of the action, if any, the Scottish Ministers intend to take as a result of the review.>

Education (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

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Schedule 1

Willie Rennie

- 115 In schedule 1, page 23, leave out lines 17 and 18

Willie Rennie

- 116 In schedule 1, page 25, leave out line 15

Willie Rennie

- 117 In schedule 1, page 25, line 15, leave out <Qualifications Scotland> and insert <the Chief Inspector>

Willie Rennie

- 118 In schedule 1, page 27, line 16, leave out from <other> to end of line 18

Ross Greer

- 119 In schedule 1, page 27, leave out lines 32 to 36 and insert—

<(3A) The committee—

- (a) may include one member of Qualifications Scotland who was appointed to satisfy paragraph 3(2)(a),
- (b) other than any appointment made under paragraph (a), must consist of—
 - (i) children and young people who are undertaking, or have recent experience of undertaking, a Qualifications Scotland qualification, and
 - (ii) other persons who are undertaking, or have recent experience of undertaking, a Qualifications Scotland qualification.

(3B) The committee members appointed by virtue of sub-paragraph (3A)(b) must not include persons who are members of, or members of staff of, Qualifications Scotland.

(3C) In the event that a committee member is appointed by virtue of sub-paragraph (3A)(a), Qualifications Scotland must appoint that committee member and another committee member as co-conveners of the committee.

(3D) A committee member appointed by virtue of sub-paragraph (3A)(a) is not entitled to vote at any meeting of the committee.>

Ross Greer

- 120 In schedule 1, page 28, line 2, at end insert—

<() For the purposes of sub-paragraph (3A)(b)(i), “children and young people” means persons under the age of 18.>

Ross Greer

- 121 In schedule 1, page 28, leave out lines 9 to 13 and insert—

<(3A) The committee—

- (a) may include one member of Qualifications Scotland who was appointed to satisfy

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paragraph 3(2)(ba),

(b) other than any appointment made under paragraph (a), must consist of persons who are providing teaching or training, or have recent experience of providing teaching or training, in respect of a Qualifications Scotland qualification.

(3B) The committee members appointed by virtue of sub-paragraph (3A)(b) must not include persons who are members of, or members of staff of, Qualifications Scotland.

(3C) In the event that a committee member is appointed by virtue of sub-paragraph (3A)(a), Qualifications Scotland must appoint that committee member and another committee member as co-conveners of the committee.

(3D) A committee member appointed by virtue of sub-paragraph (3A)(a) is not entitled to vote at any meeting of the committee.>

Willie Rennie

122 In schedule 1, page 28, line 16, leave out paragraph 12

Willie Rennie

123 In schedule 1, page 29, leave out lines 26 to 28

Willie Rennie

124 In schedule 1, page 29, line 34, leave out from <other> to end of line 38

Willie Rennie

125 In schedule 1, page 30, leave out lines 14 to line 23

Willie Rennie

126 In schedule 1, page 30, line 25, leave out <or (as the case may be) the Accreditation Committee's>

Willie Rennie

127 In schedule 1, page 30, line 27, leave out < or(as the case may be) the Accreditation Committee>

Section 4

Willie Rennie

128 Leave out section 4

Section 9

Miles Briggs

129 In section 9, page 4, line 37, at end insert—

<() that one or more members appointed to the council must represent the interests of parents of children and young people undertaking a relevant qualification,>

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After section 11

Miles Briggs

130 After section 11, insert—

<The parent charter

- (1) Qualifications Scotland must prepare and publish a parent charter before the expiry of the period of 6 months beginning with the day on which this section comes into force.
- (2) The parent charter—
 - (a) must set out what parents of children and young people undertaking a Qualifications Scotland qualification should expect from Qualifications Scotland in the exercise of its functions,
 - (b) may include such other information as Qualifications Scotland considers appropriate.
- (3) In preparing the parent charter, Qualifications Scotland must consult such persons as it considers appropriate.
- (4) The persons consulted under subsection (3) must include—
 - (a) parents of children and young people undertaking a Qualifications Scotland qualification,
 - (b) persons appearing to Qualifications Scotland to represent the interests of the persons mentioned in paragraph (a),
 - (c) the Scottish Ministers.
- (5) For the purpose of subsection (3), it is immaterial that anything done by way of consultation was done before the Bill for this Act was passed or after that but before this section comes into force.

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After section 13

Miles Briggs

131 After section 13, insert—

<Guidance

Additional Support for Learning guidance

- (1) Qualifications Scotland must prepare and publish guidance on arrangements that can be made to assist persons with additional support for learning needs to undertake a qualification.
- (2) Guidance under subsection (1) must set out—
 - (a) the circumstances where the person undertaking an examination may receive additional time, and
 - (b) that persons undertaking an examination with additional time must be supervised by the head teacher of the educational establishment in which the examination is being undertaken.
- (3) Guidance under subsection (1) must be published before the expiry of the period of 6 months beginning with the day on which this section comes into force.>

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Section 14

Willie Rennie

- 132 In section 14, page 7, line 1, leave out subsection (3)

Section 15

Willie Rennie

- 133 In section 15, page 7, line 32, leave out subsection (4)

Section 19

Willie Rennie

- 134 Leave out section 19

Willie Rennie

- 135 Move section 19 to after section 35

Section 20

Willie Rennie

- 136 In section 20, page 9, line 6, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Willie Rennie

- 137 Leave out section 20

Willie Rennie

- 138 Move section 20 to after section 35

Section 21

Willie Rennie

- 139 Leave out section 21

Schedule 2

Sue Webber

- 140 In schedule 2, page 31, line 12, leave out sub-paragraph (2)

Sue Webber

- 141 In schedule 2, page 31, line 17, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Parliamentary corporation>

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Sue Webber

- 142 In schedule 2, page 31, line 20, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Parliamentary corporation>

Sue Webber

- 143 In schedule 2, page 31, line 27, leave out <approval of the Scottish Ministers> and insert <consent of the Parliamentary corporation>

Sue Webber

- 144 In schedule 2, page 32, line 12, leave out paragraph (7)

Section 27

Willie Rennie

- 145 In section 27, page 11, line 4, leave out <, with the approval of the Scottish Ministers,>

Sue Webber

- 146 In section 27, page 11, line 4, leave out <approval of the Scottish Ministers> and insert <consent of the Parliamentary corporation>

Section 28

Willie Rennie

- 147 In section 28, page 11, line 8, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

- 148 In section 28, page 11, line 8, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Parliamentary corporation>

Willie Rennie

- 149 In section 28, page 11, line 9, leave out <Scottish Ministers determine> and insert <Chief Inspector determines>

Sue Webber

- 150 In section 28, page 11, line 9, leave out <Scottish Ministers determine> and insert <Chief Inspector, with the consent of the Parliamentary corporation, determines>

Willie Rennie

- 151 In section 28, page 11, line 12, leave out <Scottish Ministers determine> and insert <Chief Inspector determines>

Sue Webber

- 152 In section 28, page 11, line 12, leave out <Scottish Ministers determine> and insert <Chief Inspector, with

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the consent of the Parliamentary corporation, determines>

Section 29

Sue Webber

- 153** In section 29, page 11, line 25, leave out <approval of the Scottish Ministers> and insert <consent of the Parliamentary corporation>

Sue Webber

- 154** In section 29, page 11, line 27, leave out <approval of the Scottish Ministers> and insert <consent of the Parliamentary corporation>

Section 30

Sue Webber

- 155** In section 30, page 11, line 34, leave out from <(but> to end of line 4 on page 12

Willie Rennie

- 156** In section 30, page 12, line 4, at end insert—
 <() Before the Scottish Ministers make a request under subsection (2)(b) or (c) they must seek the views of a committee of the Scottish Parliament whose remit includes matters relating to the inspection of educational establishments for the time being appointed by virtue of the standing orders.>

Miles Briggs

- 157** In section 30, page 12, line 4, at end insert—
 <() When carrying out an inspection under this section, the Chief Inspector must engage with—
 (a) parents of children and young people receiving education in the establishment, and
 (b) any person who has made a complaint about the establishment under section (*The complaints function*)(1).>

Sue Webber

- 158** In section 30, page 12, line 11, leave out subsections (4) and (5)

Willie Rennie

- 159** In section 30, page 12, line 13, after <must> insert<—
 ()>

Willie Rennie

- 160** In section 30, page 12, line 16, at end insert—
 <() lay a draft of the regulations before the Scottish Parliament for a period of 120 days, of which no fewer than 90 days must be days which the Scottish Parliament is not dissolved or in

recess, and

- () before finalising the regulations, seek the views of a committee of the Scottish Parliament whose remit includes matters relating to the inspection of educational establishments for the time being appointed by virtue of the standing orders.>

Section 31

Sue Webber

- 161 In section 31, page 13, line 11, leave out subsection (4)

Sue Webber

- 162 In section 31, page 13, line 18, leave out subsections (6) and (7)

Section 33

Sue Webber

- 163 In section 33, page 13, line 32, leave out <the Scottish Ministers> and insert <a committee of the Scottish Parliament whose remit includes matters relating to education for the time being appointed by virtue of the standing orders>

Sue Webber

- 164 In section 33, page 13, line 34, leave out <the Scottish Ministers> and insert <a committee of the Scottish Parliament whose remit includes matters relating to education for the time being appointed by virtue of the standing orders>

After section 33

Miles Briggs

- 165 After section 33, insert—

<Child protection and safeguarding function

- (1) The Chief Inspector must oversee the enforcement of child protection and safeguarding measures in relevant educational establishments.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision about the Chief Inspector's function under subsection (1), including—
 - (a) how child protection and safeguarding measures in relevant educational establishments are to be inspected by the Chief Inspector,
 - (b) the process by which complaints can be made to the Chief Inspector in relation to child protection and safeguarding measures,
 - (c) the steps that can be taken by the Chief Inspector in response to such complaints. >

Miles Briggs

- 166 After section 33, insert—

<The complaints function

- (1) The Chief Inspector must secure the provision of a confidential means for parents, teachers and other persons to report concerns about a relevant educational establishment.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision under subsection (1), including in relation to the processes for—
 - (a) reporting concerns,
 - (b) recording concerns,
 - (c) responding to concerns.
- (3) Before making regulations under subsection (2), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) parents of children and young people undertaking a qualification in a relevant educational establishment,
 - (b) persons providing relevant teaching or training, and
 - (c) persons appearing to the Scottish Ministers to represent the interests of the persons mentioned in paragraphs (a) and (b).>

Willie Rennie

167 After section 33, insert—

<The accreditation function

- (1) The Chief Inspector has the function of—
 - (a) accrediting qualifications as meeting such requirements as are specified by it, and
 - (b) making such arrangements as it considers appropriate to satisfy itself as to the suitability of the establishments which provide, or are to provide, qualifications under paragraph (a).
- (2) The Chief Inspector must publish the requirements specified by it in pursuance of subsection (1)(a).
- (3) The function conferred by subsection (1) is to be carried out by the Accreditation Committee established under section (*The Accreditation Committee*).
- (4) The Chief Inspector may not exercise any of its functions under this section in relation to a degree (within the meaning of section 2(5)). >

Section 34

Miles Briggs

168 In section 34, page 14, line 3, after first <to> insert <—

- () the need to safeguard and promote the rights and welfare of children,
- () any matters raised by the Commissioner for Children and Young People with the Chief Inspector,
- () views expressed by relevant persons about activities relating to the exercise of the Chief Inspector's functions,
- () levels of satisfaction with such activities on the part of relevant persons,
- () the need to promote the efficient and effective use of resources in the carrying on of such

activities,

- () the need to ensure that action by the Chief Inspector in relation to such activities is proportionate to the risks against which it would afford safeguards,
- () any developments in approaches to inspection or regulatory action,
- () best practice amongst persons performing functions comparable to those of the Chief Inspector,
- ()>

Miles Briggs

169 In section 34, page 14, line 3, after first <to> insert <—

- () the statutory roles and responsibilities of any persons or bodies that the Chief Inspector works with in the exercise of the Chief Inspector's functions,>

Sue Webber

170 In section 34, page 14, line 3, after first <to> insert <—

- <() the desirability of carrying out inspections that—
 - (i) are detailed,
 - (ii) consider all areas of work by the educational establishment,
 - (iii) consider outcomes for persons undertaking qualifications in the educational establishment,
- ()>

Miles Briggs

171 In section 34, page 14, line 8, at end insert—

- <() In this section, “relevant persons” in relation to activities within the Chief Inspector's remit means persons who have an interest in such activities, whether—
 - (a) as persons undertaking education in an educational establishment,
 - (b) as parents to children and young people undertaking education in an educational establishment, or
 - (c) as staff and employers in the educational establishment.>

Section 35

Miles Briggs

172 In section 35, page 14, line 14, at end insert—

- <() The members of the Advisory Council must include parents of children and young people receiving education in relevant educational establishments.>

After section 35

Willie Rennie

173 After section 35, insert—

<Accreditation Committee

The Accreditation Committee

- (1) The Chief Inspector must establish and maintain a committee to be known as the Accreditation Committee.
- (2) The functions of the committee are to—
 - (a) carry out the function conferred by section (*The accreditation function*)(1),
 - (b) advise the Scottish Ministers on any matters relating to that function.
- (3) In carrying out its functions, the committee (and any sub-committee of it)—
 - (a) is not subject to the direction or control of the Chief Inspector, and
 - (b) must act independently of the Chief Inspector (but this does not prevent the committee or any sub-committee of it and the Chief Inspector from sharing information with each other).
- (4) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations provide for—
 - (a) the appointment of persons as members of the Accreditation Committee,
 - (b) the tenure of office of the conveners and other members,
 - (c) the appointment and constitution of, and exercise of functions by, the committee and any sub-committees,
 - (d) the procedure of the committee.>

Section 36

Sue Webber

174 In section 36, page 14, line 35, leave out <, other than excepted establishments,>

Sue Webber

175 In section 36, page 15, line 1, after <evaluated,> insert <including indicators of quality and improvement,>

Miles Briggs

176 In section 36, page 15, line 1, at end insert—

- <() the process for making recommendations to establishments,
() the process for establishments to respond to any recommendations received,>

Sue Webber

177 In section 36, page 15, line 1, at end insert—

- <() the type of inspection activities, including—
(A) interviews,

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- (B) observation,
- (C) data analysis,
- (D) questionnaires,
- () the monitoring framework against which establishments will be evaluated,>

Jenny Gilruth

92A As an amendment to amendment 92, line 3, leave out <60> and insert <40>

Jenny Gilruth

92B As an amendment to amendment 92, line 10, leave out <60> and insert <40>

Miles Briggs

178 In section 36, page 15, line 10, at end insert—

<() In preparing an inspection plan, the Chief Inspector must have regard to any concerns reported in accordance with section (*The complaints function*).>

Sue Webber

179 In section 36, page 15, line 11, leave out subsections (5) and (6)

Sue Webber

180 In section 36, page 15, line 17, at end insert—

<() Before making regulations under subsection (2), the Scottish Ministers must seek the views of a committee of the Scottish Parliament whose remit includes matters relating to education for the time being appointed by virtue of the standing orders.>

Section 37

Miles Briggs

181 In section 37, page 15, line 20, after second <of> insert <and any recommendations from>

Sue Webber

182 In section 37, page 15, line 26, leave out <may> and insert <must>

Section 38

Sue Webber

183 In section 38, page 15, leave out line 34

Section 39

Sue Webber

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184 In section 39, page 16, leave out line 12

Section 40

Sue Webber

185 In section 40, page 16, leave out lines 25 and 26

Sue Webber

186 In section 40, page 16, line 27, leave out <may> and insert <must>

Section 43

Sue Webber

187 In section 43, page 17, leave out line 13

Sue Webber

188 In section 43, page 17, line 17, leave out <(including, where applicable, the permission of the Scottish Ministers)>

Section 46

Sue Webber

189 Leave out section 46

Section 47

Sue Webber

190 In section 47, page 19, line 2, at beginning insert—

<() This section applies where, after an inspection carried out in pursuance of section 30(2) of a public school, a grant-aided school or an education authority, the report on the inspection prepared under section 37 identifies that a relevant person requires to take action to secure improvement in—

- (a) in the case of inspection of a school, a matter relating to the school or the school education provided in it,
- (b) in the case of inspection of an education authority, the way the education authority exercises a function in relation to the provision of school education.>

Sue Webber

191 In section 47, page 19, line 2, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

192 In section 47, page 19, line 2, leave out <, on a referral under section 46,>

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Sue Webber

193 In section 47, page 19, line 3, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

194 In section 47, page 19, line 9, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

195 In section 47, page 19, line 14, at end insert—

<() For the purposes of this section and section 48—

(a) “relevant person” means—

(i) in relation to the inspection of a public school or an education authority, the education authority,

(ii) in relation to the inspection of a grant-aided school, the managers of the school,

(b) any expression used in this section and in the Education (Scotland) Act 1980 has the same meaning as in that Act.>

Section 48

Sue Webber

196 In section 48, page 19, line 16, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

197 In section 48, page 19, line 17, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

198 In section 48, page 19, line 22, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

199 In section 48, page 19, line 26, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

200 In section 48, page 20, line 1, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

201 In section 48, page 20, line 5, leave out subsection (6)

Sue Webber

202 In section 48, page 20, line 7, leave out <Scottish Ministers exercise their> and insert <Chief Inspector exercises the>

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Amendments Atharrachaidhean				

Sue Webber

- 203 In section 48, page 20, line 8, leave out <they> and insert <the Chief Inspector>

Sue Webber

- 204 In section 48, page 20, line 9, leave out <their> and insert <the Chief Inspector's>

Sue Webber

- 205 In section 48, page 20, line 11, leave out <Scottish Ministers> and insert <Chief Inspector>

Section 54

Willie Rennie

- 206 In section 54, page 21, leave out lines 9 and 10

Willie Rennie

- 207 In section 54, page 21, line 9, leave out <paragraph 12 of schedule 1> and insert <section (*The Accreditation Committee*)>

Miles Briggs

- 208 In section 54, page 21, line 27, at end insert—

<“parent” means—

- (a) any parent enjoying parental responsibilities or parental rights under Part 1 of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995,
- (b) any individual in whom parental responsibilities or parental rights are vested by, under or by virtue of that Act,
- (c) individual in whom parental responsibilities or parental rights are vested by, under or by virtue of a permanence order (as defined in section 80(2) of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007), and,
- (d) any individual who appears to be an individual who ordinarily (and other than by reason only of the individual's employment) has charge of, or control over, the child,>

Section 55

Miles Briggs

- 209 In section 55, page 22, line 5, at end insert—

<() section (*Child protection and safeguarding function*)(1),>

Willie Rennie

- 210 In section 55, page 22, line 5, at end insert—

<() section (*The Accreditation Committee*)(4),>

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New Subordinate Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 1 April 2025 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Coronavirus \(Recovery and Reform\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Saving Provisions\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/101\)](#)

Laid under Coronavirus (Recovery and Reform) (Scotland) Act 2022 section 58(3)(b)

Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 25 March 2025

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 17 December 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2024)

Care Reform (Scotland) Bill (G) (introduced as the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill)

Stage 2 completed, 4 March 2025

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team

[\(legislationteam@parliament.scot\)](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Economy and Fair Work Committee), 2 April 2025

Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 1 April 2025

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team

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Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)

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Stage 1 Report (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee) published, 10 December 2024

Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 26 March 2025

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 25 March 2025

Education (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 23 April 2025

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 2 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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.

Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 3) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 3 April 2025

The deadline has passed for amendments specifically on matters relating to the part 5 homelessness prevention provisions or the part 6 fuel poverty provisions, except any such amendments to the schedule or the long title.

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 29 April 2025

All amendments other than those that are to be considered by the Social Justice and Social Security Committee should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 23 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 26 March 2025

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Leases (Automatic Continuation etc.) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 25 March 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (12th Report, 2025)

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 2 April 2025

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 28 January 2025

After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 18 March 2025

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Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 17 March 2025

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 25 March 2025

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 11 March 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (62nd Report, 2024)

Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 completed, 27 March 2025

*Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 11 December 2024

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
(legislationteam@parliament.scot)*

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (14th Report, 2025)

Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 20 February 2025

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 25 March 2025

Tertiary Education and Training (Funding and Governance) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 18 March 2025

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 12 March 2025

Lead committee – Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture

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

Stage 2 (Day 4) (Criminal Justice Committee), 2 April 2025

Stage 2 (Day 5) (Criminal Justice Committee), 3 April 2025

Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 27 March 2025

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill LCM-S6-54

Lodged on 12 March 2025

Lead committee – Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice

Data (Use and Access) Bill LCM-S6-52

Lodged on 22 November 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 1 April 2025

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (2nd Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (6th Report, 2025)

Employment Rights Bill LCM-S6-53

Lodged on 11 December 2024

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 19 March 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (16th Report, 2025)

Great British Energy Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-48c

Lodged on 24 February 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 February 2025

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)

Planning and Infrastructure Bill LCM-S6-56

Lodged on 27 March 2025

Product Regulation and Metrology Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-50a

Lodged on 3 March 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 18 March 2025

Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work

Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) Bill LCM-S6-55

Lodged on 21 March 2025

Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025

Report – Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (9th Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69th Report, 2024)

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 27 March 2025

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[Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (7 February 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to approval by 23 April 2025

[Environmental Authorisations \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (*re-laid* 27 February 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 4 May 2025

[Social Security Information-sharing \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (10 March 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to approval by 18 May 2025

[Land and Buildings Transaction Tax \(Group Relief and Sub-sale Development Relief Modifications\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (24 March 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 27 April 2025
Lead committee report due by 21 April 2025

[Council Tax Reduction and Council Tax \(Discounts\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/55\)](#) (3 March 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Council Tax \(Exempt Dwellings\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/56\)](#) (3 March 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Rules Order of Council 2025 \(SI 2025/240\)](#) (3 March 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 30 April 2025
Lead committee report due by 28 April 2025

[Police Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/58\)](#) (6 March 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 7 May 2025
Lead committee report due by 5 May 2025

[Recognition of Overseas Qualifications \(Charges\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/67\)](#) (13 March 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to annulment 12 May 2025
Lead committee report due by 5 May 2025

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[Environmental Protection \(Disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyls and other Dangerous Substances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/78\)](#) (18 March 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment 15 May 2025
Lead committee report due by 12 May 2025

[Railway Closure \(Exclusion\) \(Hairmyres\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/81\)](#) (21 March 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment 26 May 2025
Lead committee report due by 19 May 2025

[Coronavirus \(Recovery and Reform\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Saving Provisions\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/101\)](#) (1 April 2025) (Criminal justice Committee)

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Documents Sgrìobhainnean				

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 1 April 2025—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 23rd Report, 2025 (Session 6):
Subordinate Legislation Considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee
on 1 April 2025 (SP Paper 767)

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 documents were laid before the Parliament on 1 April 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Act 2020: A review of provisions and requirements for additional Animal Welfare, Animal Health and Wildlife Offences (SG/2025/40) laid under Section 16 of the Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Act 2020

Scottish Land Commission Programme of Work April 2025 - September 2026 (SG/2025/67) laid under Section 9(3)(b) of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016

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