

Friday 4 April 2025

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Notice of constituency vacancy

The Presiding Officer wishes to make the following announcement:

As required by Article 83 of the Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) Order 2015, I have sent a notice to the returning officer for the constituency of Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse informing him of the vacancy arising from the death of Christina McKelvie MSP. Under Rule 1.5.1 of Standing Orders, the date of the vacancy is 27 March 2025.

## Today's Business

There are no meetings today.

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

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## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 2 April 2025

### Tuesday 22 April 2025

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: The International Situation

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-17011 Douglas Lumsden: Addressing Waiting Times in NHS Grampian

### Wednesday 23 April 2025

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: UK Government Welfare Reforms

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-16869 Jackie Dunbar: Global Intergenerational Week 2025

### Thursday 24 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-16978 Neil Bibby: BBC Scotland's Decision to End River City and Close its Dumbarton Studios

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

**followed by** Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee Debate: Inquiry into Framework Legislation and Henry VIII Powers

**followed by** Business Motions

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**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## **Tuesday 29 April 2025**

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Wednesday 30 April 2025**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic; Finance and Local Government

**followed by** Opposition Business: Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**5:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Thursday 1 May 2025**

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

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

**followed by** Members' Business

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

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### Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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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.

## Motions for Debate

**[\\*S6M-17074](#) Stuart McMillan: Inquiry into Framework Legislation and Henry VIII Powers—** That the Parliament notes the conclusions and recommendations contained in the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee's 21st Report, 2025 (Session 6), *Inquiry into Framework Legislation and Henry VIII powers* (SP Paper 762).

## Other new and altered motions and amendments

**[\\*S6M-17071](#) Tess White: Davidson Legacy Preservation Group Saves Ancestral Davidson Family Home—** That the Parliament congratulates the Davidson Legacy Preservation Group on securing funding of £320,000 to save the ancestral family home of William C Davidson from demolition; understands that the mid-19th century cottage holds an important place in the earliest chapter of the Harley-Davidson motorcycle legacy; notes that the cottage was due to be demolished for development but was saved by the Davidson Legacy Preservation Group and funding of £250,000 from the Community Ownership Fund, crowdfunding and a donation from the Harley-Davidson company; acknowledges the group's plan to develop the cottage into a community-led facility for Harley-Davidson enthusiasts across the world, and wishes the Davidson Legacy Preservation Group every success on its next exciting chapter.

**[\\*S6M-17069](#) Murdo Fraser: Perth Museum Attracts More than 250,000 Visitors in its First Year—** That the Parliament congratulates Perth Museum on reaching the amazing feat of attracting more than 250,000 visitors in its first year; notes that the £27 million visitor attraction, which opened its doors at the end of March 2024, has exceeded the annual 167,000 visitor target by 50%; further notes that more than 75,000 people have viewed the museum's centrepiece, the iconic Stone of Destiny, and wishes Perth Museum all the best for the future.

**[\\*S6M-17067](#) Stephen Kerr: Protecting Scottish Trade from US Tariff Threats—** That the Parliament notes with concern reports of impending tariff increases on UK exports to the US, which, it believes, pose a significant risk to key sectors of the Scottish economy, including whisky, automotive, manufacturing and food; recognises what it sees as the vital importance of the US market to exporters from Scotland, and the potential economic damage that such tariffs could

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cause to jobs, investment and supply chains; notes the uncertainty caused by what it sees as rising global protectionism, and calls on the Scottish Government to work constructively with the UK Government, and closely engage with affected businesses and industry groups in Scotland, to develop a coordinated strategy to mitigate the impact of any new US trade barriers, defend Scotland's economic interests, and ensure Scottish exporters are fully supported in responding to this challenge.

**\*S6M-17065 Liam Kerr: Commending Cults Library Trust—**That the Parliament commends Cults Library Trust for its work to restore the former Cults Library in Aberdeen; understands that the trust was formed in response to the closure of the library, a public facility, which had served the community of Cults since its opening in 1967; further understands that Cults Library Trust secured charitable status and a grant from the Common Good Fund; notes that the trust was established by local resident David Laing, and that the project envisions the site as a multi-purpose hub for literacy, learning and community activities, transforming it into a revitalised community space, and wishes David and all the volunteers every success with their future endeavours.

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**\*S6M-17064 Martin Whitfield: East Lothian Young Musician of the Year Competition—**That the Parliament notes that the annual Young Musician of the Year Competition, organised by East Lothian Council's Instrumental Music Service, took place at St Mary's Church in Haddington on 20 March 2025; understands that nearly 90 talented East Lothian secondary school musicians participated in their respective school competitions, vying for the chance to represent their school in the East Lothian Council Young Musician of the Year 2025 final; congratulates Thomas Bull, an S6 student at Ross High School, who, it understands, was declared the winner for his outstanding performance on the violin, which has earned him the opportunity to represent East Lothian at the Scottish Young Musician of the Year Final, to be held on 25 May 2025 at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Glasgow; understands that two runner-up awards were presented to pianists Emily Atkinson (S5), also from Ross High School, and Luca Ronchi (S6) from Preston Lodge High School, and that, additionally, the Haddington Concert Society continued its tradition of awarding a prize for the Most Promising Young Musician, which this year went to Steinar Christiansen (S1, Rosehill High School) for his guitar performance; further understands that The Senior Woodwind Ensemble was awarded the most commendable performance on the evening and will now represent East Lothian in the Scottish Young Musicians Ensembles Competition for 2026, and congratulates all the winners and participants in this year's competition.

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**\*S6M-17063 Rachael Hamilton: Free Tree Packs for Schools and Communities—**That the Parliament welcomes the news that Woodland Trust Scotland has distributed almost 50,000 trees in 274 tree packs across Scotland under its Free Trees for Schools and Communities Scheme this spring, including deliveries to Ettrick and Yarrow Community Development Company and Eckford Village Hall in the Ettrick, Roxburgh and Berwickshire constituency; notes that nearly 5,000 trees grown in north west Scotland have been sent to Orkney, Shetland and Na h-Eileanan an Iar, and that nearly 8,000 trees went to urban areas with low tree canopy cover and a low tree equity score; further notes that the scheme, which welcomes applications twice a year, offers schools and community groups the chance to acquire native trees to create hedges, copses, and havens



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for wildlife and people; recognises the many benefits of native woods and trees to Scotland's people, its biodiversity, and its climate mitigation and adaption; welcomes the news that of all new woodland created in Scotland over the past five years, around half has been native woodland, primarily for nature; commends Woodland Trust Scotland for its Free Trees for Schools and Communities Scheme, and encourages communities and schools across Scotland to register an interest.

**\*[S6M-17062](#) Liam McArthur: 2025 NHS Orkney Team Orkney Awards**—That the Parliament celebrates the success of the 2025 NHS Orkney Team Orkney Awards, which were marked with a ceremony held on the 28 March 2025 at the Royal British Legion in Kirkwall; understands that the awards are now in their second year, and were established to recognise the exceptional efforts of individuals and teams in the NHS Orkney community, who demonstrate incredible dedication and commitment across a broad spectrum of roles; acknowledges that those nominated have been identified for going above and beyond in caring for the local community, and providing excellent, person-centred care for patients across Orkney; notes that Sarah Lyon received the Continuous Improvement Award for her excellent work as a reporting radiographer and general lead; celebrates the news that health intelligence senior analyst Ian Coghill was recognised with the Open and Honest Award; congratulates Lizzie Saunders, radiology administrator, for the recognition of her achievements with the Respect Award, alongside Ward Clerk, Kim Hamilton, who was presented with the Kindness Award; notes that Dr Fiona Learmonth, a clinical teaching fellow, was recognised as the Star of the Future, and that the ultrasound team was presented with the Providing Excellent Care Award; congratulates the central decontamination unit and the dialysis team on their success in being recognised as the Non-Clinical and Clinical Teams of the Year respectively; commends Louise Smith and Lorna Drever on the award of the Excellence in Community Award for their work as relief community nurses; congratulates trainee school nurse, Hannah Leslie, and children's health service manager, Louise Willis, who were awarded Learner of the Year and Leader of the Year respectively; acknowledges that Dr Kevin Fox received the Special Recognition Award for his work as a consultant physician and cardiologist; congratulates specialist neurological physiotherapist, Donald McLean, on being presented with the People's Choice Award, as voted for by the local community in Orkney; acknowledges that all those nominated for the awards work tirelessly to serve their local community, and pays tribute to everyone at NHS Orkney for their commendable efforts and dedication in providing exceptional levels of care.

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**\*[S6M-17055](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Performing Arts, Light the Blue**—That the Parliament welcomes the return of Aberdeen Performing Arts' multi-arts festival, "Light the Blue", this summer; notes that the festival, which will be held over 15 days, from 1 to 15 June 2025, will feature over 25 events across venues and spaces across the city, both indoor and outdoor, with a programme featuring theatre, music, dance, film, visual arts and more; understands that over 1,000 young and professional artists from Aberdeen and across Scotland will feature in the programme, with young creatives involved in co-designing Family Arts Day on 8 June 2025, which will focus on work for and by primary school-aged children and their families; hopes that the festival entertains and inspires all those who attend it, particularly young people who may go on to embark on a career in the creative arts, and wishes the organisers and all the performers the best of luck.

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**\*[S6M-17054](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Held In Our Hearts Awarded Funding from National Lottery Community Fund**—That the Parliament congratulates Held In Our Hearts on being awarded £191,541 funding from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that this funding will help to support its Hospital To Home project, as the first of its kind in Scotland to offer an "opt-out" as opposed to "opt-in" support service for bereaved families, while still in hospital; appreciates that this funding will help Held In Our Hearts to continue bridging the gap between hospital care and community support, ensuring that families who need support have access to it without having to seek it themselves, during a very difficult time; commends the work of Held In Our Hearts, and all its staff, including its CEO Nicola Welsh, who set the charity up in 2009 after the loss of her own son and lack of support available, and wishes Held In Our Hearts every success as it continues to support bereaved families across the country.

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**\*[S6M-17052](#) Claire Baker: Congratulating Three Cupar Explorer Scouts Presented with King's Scout Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Cupar Explorer Scouts Zoe Nimmo, 17, Beth Harvie, 17 and Fergus Alexander, 18, who have been honoured in a ceremony at Cupar Scout Hall with the highest youth accolade in scouting, The King's Scout Award, which is awarded only to those who demonstrate the determination to complete all sections; understands that Zoe and Beth, both S6 pupils at Bell Baxter High School, and Fergus, a former Bell Baxter pupil, who is now a student in Glasgow, received their awards in front of fellow Explorer Scouts and invited guests from the district and region; recognises that all three have earned their Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards, volunteered as Young Leaders for several years, participated in numerous expeditions, been selected for international scouting events and led community projects; acknowledges the hard work and commitment undertaken to achieve the accolade, and extends it very best wishes to all three for continued success in the future.

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**\*[S6M-17051](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Fort William, A Vital Hub for Scotland's Tourism and Community**—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the significance of the town of Fort William and its contribution to Scotland's tourism industry; believes that Fort William has a central role as the outdoor capital of the UK, attracting thousands of visitors each year to enjoy activities such as mountain climbing, sailing and skiing, particularly with the world-renowned Ben Nevis; celebrates its rich cultural heritage and history; notes what it sees as the town's importance as a thriving hub for the local community, with both residents and visitors benefitting from its facilities and vibrant atmosphere; highlights the appeal of iconic destinations in the area, such as the West Highland Way, Glencoe and the famous Glenfinnan Viaduct, and commends Fort William for its status as an important destination for outdoor enthusiasts, history lovers and those seeking to experience the beauty of the Scottish Highlands.

**\*[S6M-17048](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Fortrose Academy Girls Crowned Winners of Prestigious Growing Future Assets Investment Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates Fortrose Academy students, Allysha Cameron, Sarah Finlayson, Loreta Vitola and Alex Macdonald, on winning the prestigious Growing Future Assets Investment competition; believes that this national competition is significant for providing a platform for young women in the investment industry; supports the efforts of the competition to introduce more young women to the world of investment; recognises the team's impressive pitch for the robotic assisted surgery company, Intuitive, which earned them the title of senior category champions; commends the team

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for securing a £1,000 prize for their school and for receiving specialist guidance from Colin Dishington of Martin Currie, and celebrates this achievement as a step towards greater gender diversity in the investment sector.

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**\*[S6M-17047](#) Pam Gosal: Wishing a Happy Vaisakhi 2025 to all Sikhs in Scotland, the UK and Around the World**—That the Parliament extends its warmest wishes to Sikhs in Scotland, the UK, and across the world, for Vaisakhi 2025, which will be celebrated on 13 April 2025; understands that vibrant festivities are set to take place in Gurdwaras throughout Scotland, which will be accompanied by flag-raising ceremonies; appreciates the dedication of all those involved in the Nagar Kirtan processions; acknowledges what it sees as the profound contribution of Sikhi, and that of the Khalsa order, created by Guru Gobind Singh Ji in 1699; welcomes the teachings and the sacred tradition of "langar" (community kitchen) provided by Gurdwaras year-round; understands that dedicated volunteers serve hot meals to individuals, regardless of their background, championing community spirit and compassion, providing essential support to those in need and building bridges to foster a sense of unity, and further understands that Vaisakhi is a time to recognise the core values at the heart of Sikhism, which are equality, community, generosity, honesty and "seva" (selfless service to others), and to create positive harmony and rejoice in the spirit of harmony and devotion.

**\*[S6M-17046](#) Annie Wells: Gorbals Locals to be Among the First to Experience the Revamped Citizens Theatre**—That the Parliament congratulates the Citizens Theatre in Glasgow on the completion of its extensive refurbishment and welcomes the announcement that the people of the Gorbals will be among the first to experience the revamped venue, with a new Gorbals Pass offering £5 tickets to residents with a G5 postcode; commends the theatre's commitment to the local community, and to ensuring accessibility for all; notes the significant improvements made during the refurbishment, including an expanded foyer, a new 150-seat studio theatre, improved backstage facilities and better sightlines in the main auditorium; celebrates the announcement of the upcoming homecoming festival in August 2025, which will feature readings, exhibitions, workshops and tours to celebrate the theatre's history and its reintegration into the Gorbals community, and looks forward to the premiere of *Small Acts of Love*, a new production by playwright, Frances Poet, and composer, Ricky Ross, marking the official reopening of the theatre in September 2025.

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**\*[S6M-17045](#) Annie Wells: Hillhead Primary School Defends its Title in National Poetry Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates Hillhead Primary School, Glasgow, on being crowned the 2023 Slam Masters and individual winners at the Scottish Youth Poetry Slam; acknowledges its return to the competition in 2025 to defend the title; celebrates the school's commitment to nurturing young talent in poetry and performance, fostering creativity and enhancing literacy skills among its pupils; commends the school's deputy head teacher, Lois Lurinsky, and all involved in encouraging the students to participate in this prestigious event; notes that Hillhead Primary is one of several schools from across Scotland that are participating in the 2025 competition; welcomes the ongoing support from Creative Scotland, Scottish Book Trust,

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Dyslexia Scotland, Scottish Poetry Library, Stirling Council and ConFAB for this initiative; recognises the value of the workshops led by renowned professional writers and performers in preparing these young people for the event, and believes that this competition continues to provide a vital platform for young people across Scotland to express themselves, build confidence and engage with literature in a creative and inclusive environment.

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**S6M-17044 Annie Wells: Immersive VR Experience at Glasgow Central Station to Tackle Sexual Harassment on Railways**—That the Parliament acknowledges the reported successful implementation of an immersive virtual reality (VR) experience at Glasgow Central Station on 28 March 2025, as part of the ongoing commitment by the rail industry to tackle sexual harassment on the railway network; understands that the immersive VR experience, developed in collaboration with the Rail Delivery Group, British Transport Police and partner organisations, serves to educate and empower passengers to intervene safely and effectively in instances of sexual harassment, providing them with practical advice and techniques to support victims and prevent further escalation of incidents; further understands that the VR experience demonstrates how small, yet impactful actions, such as offering to swap seats with a victim or distracting the perpetrator, can make a significant difference in reducing the harm caused by sexual harassment on public transport; recognises what it sees as the importance of empowering bystanders to take safe action; notes reports of research, commissioned by the rail industry, which shows that a significant number of women (85%) would feel relieved if someone intervened during incidents of sexual harassment; believes that the initiative seeks to equip passengers with the necessary tools to take appropriate action before the involvement of police or rail staff, ensuring a safer environment for all; commends the Rail Delivery Group for its dedication to creating a safer rail environment; encourages continued efforts to expand the VR experience to stations nationwide; considers that this would help to reinforce the message that everyone has the right to feel safe when travelling by train; recognises the ongoing efforts of the British Transport Police in raising awareness of how to report incidents of sexual harassment promptly, via text at 61016, urging passengers to take responsibility in addressing and reporting such unacceptable behaviour, and believes that recognising and supporting initiatives like this can help to further the commitment to creating a society where all individuals can travel without fear of harassment or abuse.

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### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**S6M-17056 Annie Wells: Celebrating Glasgow's Culinary Heritage with Taste the Place** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**S6M-17049 Gordon MacDonald: Construction Skills for the Future** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*, Liam McArthur\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Miles Briggs\*, Kevin Stewart\*, David Torrance\*, Lorna Slater\*, Stuart McMillan\*, John Mason\*, Bob Doris\*, Michelle Thomson\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Carol Mochan\*, Colin Beattie\*, Foysoyl Choudhury\*, Alex Rowley\*,



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Karen Adam\*, Clare Haughey\*, Monica Lennon\*, Brian Whittle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Alexander Burnett\* **R**

**[S6M-17043](#) Annie Wells: University of Strathclyde Retains the Glasgow Taxis Cup** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Craig Hoy\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Russell Findlay\*, Brian Whittle\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-17042](#) Annie Wells: Congratulating Govan Music Festival on a Successful Fourth Edition** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Humza Yousaf\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Craig Hoy\*, Russell Findlay\*, Brian Whittle\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-17041](#) Annie Wells: Celebrating Woodside Hall's 100th Anniversary** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Craig Hoy\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Russell Findlay\*, Brian Whittle\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-17040](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Vintage Vehicle Trust Super Sundays** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Craig Hoy\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-17039](#) Annie Wells: Race for Life Returns to Glasgow** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Craig Hoy\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Christine Grahame\*, Karen Adam\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-17038](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Homeless Charity Wins Top UK Health Award** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tess White\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-17037](#) Annie Wells: Texas's Sharleen Spiteri and BBC Newsreader to Receive Honorary Degrees from University of Glasgow** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Craig Hoy\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[S6M-17036](#) Annie Wells: Care Home Regional Directors Compete in Charity Cook-off** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-17035](#) Annie Wells: St Thomas Aquinas Secondary School's Achievement in the START Competition** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*, Karen Adam\*, Tess White\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-17034](#) Annie Wells: Promoting Camogie in the East End of Glasgow** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

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**S6M-17033 Annie Wells: Celebrating Free Screenings and Anniversary Events at the Glasgow Film Theatre** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**S6M-17031 Annie Wells: Glasgow Airport FlightPath Fund to Provide £130,000 in Community Support in 2025** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**S6M-17030 Annie Wells: New Modelling Tool to Help Protect Wildlife from Offshore Developments** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*, Karen Adam\*, Tess White\*

**S6M-17029 Annie Wells: City Building Supports Over 50 Charities Across Glasgow** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*, Karen Adam\*, Tess White\*

**S6M-17028 Annie Wells: Rosco McClelland Wins Sir Billy Connolly Spirit of Glasgow Award** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Karen Adam\*, Tess White\*, Clare Haughey\*

**S6M-17027 Annie Wells: Clyde Side Model Railway Club Receives £500 Donation from the Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*

**S6M-17026 Alexander Stewart: The Scotland Hat Walk for Brain Tumour Research Returns to Pittencrieff Park** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Karen Adam\*

**S6M-17025 Jackie Dunbar: Sportscotland Sports Facilities Funding in Aberdeen Donside** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll\*, Rona Mackay\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Colin Beattie\*, Marie McNair\*, Karen Adam\*, David Torrance\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17024 Sandesh Gulhane: New £28 Million Animation Studio to Open in Glasgow** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Liam Kerr\*, Karen Adam\*, Tess White\*

**S6M-17023 Douglas Ross: National Awards for Fochabers Ice Cream Parlour** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Karen Adam\*

**S6M-17022 Paul O'Kane: Jean Gallagher Wins Renfrewshire Community Volunteer Award** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*, Karen Adam\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17021 Douglas Ross: Remembering David Whalley** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

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New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Karen Adam\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17019](#) Kenneth Gibson: 100th Anniversary of the Skelmorlie Reservoir Disaster** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17017](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Beer Festival** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17016](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Befriend a Child** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll\*, Marie McNair\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17015](#) Alexander Stewart: Commending Police Scotland Forth Valley Clackmannanshire Schools' Drop-in Sessions** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-17014](#) Sharon Dowey: 99th Ayrshire Music Festival Success** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw\*, Karen Adam\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17013](#) Sharon Dowey: 2025 Fiddlers Concert Success** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17012](#) Mark Ruskell: Congratulating Perth Parrots Floorball Club** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-17011](#) Douglas Lumsden: Addressing Waiting Times in NHS Grampian** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Craig Hoy\*, Jackson Carlaw\*

**[S6M-17010](#) Rona Mackay: Remembering Dr William Wilson** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Marie McNair\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-17006](#) Collette Stevenson: East Kilbride FC, Scottish Lowland League Cup Winners 2024-25** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17005](#) Clare Adamson: George Parvin Takes the Golden Gloves at the Scottish Schoolboys Championships** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16999](#) Beatrice Wishart: Congratulating the Makers of Billy & Molly: An Otter Love Story** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Karen Adam\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

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**S6M-16998 Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Janet Dyer and her Dog Sophie on Success at Crufts 2025** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Collette Stevenson\*, Marie McNair\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**S6M-16997 Fulton MacGregor: Recognising the Success of the Chryston High School Wind Band at the Scottish Concert Band Festival** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Karen Adam\*, Collette Stevenson\*, Marie McNair\*

**S6M-16996 Sarah Boyack: 30 Years of Edinburgh's World Heritage Status** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**S6M-16995 Foyso Choudhury: Eid al-Fitr 2025** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Humza Yousaf\*, Mercedes Villalba\*, Neil Bibby\*, Karen Adam\*

**S6M-16994 Jackie Dunbar: Month of the Military Child** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Miles Briggs\*, Stuart McMillan\*, John Mason\*, Colin Beattie\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Karen Adam\*, Brian Whittle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**S6M-16993 Bob Doris: Tony Pearson's Campaigning Efforts for Spinal Muscular Atrophy Newborn Screening** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll\*, Rona Mackay\*, Monica Lennon\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Colin Beattie\*, Collette Stevenson\*, Marie McNair\*, Karen Adam\*, David Torrance\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**S6M-16992 Maggie Chapman: International Transgender Day of Visibility** (lodged on 02 April 2025)

New Support: Ross Greer\*, Karen Adam\*

**S6M-16991 Ruth Maguire: 25th Anniversary of Kilwinning Community Sports Club** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair\*, Karen Adam\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**S6M-16990 Ruth Maguire: Glasgow Kiltwalk Fundraiser in Memory of Ava Nelson** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair\*, Karen Adam\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**S6M-16989 Carol Mochan: Dalmellington Primary School Participation in VoiceBox Awards 2025** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**S6M-16988 Ruth Maguire: Bourtreehill Park Woodland Trail, Irvine** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Marie McNair\*, Karen Adam\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Kenneth Gibson\*



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**[S6M-16987](#) Ruth Maguire: Kilwinning Community Fire Station Fundraiser** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-16986](#) Clare Haughey: R:evolve Recycle Celebrates 10-year Anniversary** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16982](#) Karen Adam: Outstanding Community Effort** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-16981](#) Rachael Hamilton: Support for the Reopening of Laidlaw Memorial Pool in Jedburgh** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

**[S6M-16980](#) Karen Adam: Cullen Skink World Championship Title Stays in Cullen** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair\*

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

New Support: Patrick Harvie\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Tess White\*

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

New Support: Craig Hoy\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[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: Craig Hoy\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16972](#) Audrey Nicoll: National Award for NHS Grampian Clinical Scientist Dr Ijeoma Okoliegbé** (lodged on 31 March 2025)

New Support: Marie McNair\*, Ruth Maguire\*

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

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New Support: Mark Ruskell\*, Carol Mochan\*, Maggie Chapman\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Colin Beattie\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Monica Lennon\*, John Mason\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Richard Leonard\*, Brian Whittle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*

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

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-16948](#) Alex Rowley: Children in Palestine Deserve the Chance to Live** (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Ross Greer\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

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

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16925](#) Pam Gosal: Celebration of Eid ul-Fitr 2025** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16914](#) Clare Haughey: CamGlen Radio Celebrates 10 Years of FM Broadcasting** (lodged on 25 March 2025)

New Support: Collette Stevenson\*

**[S6M-16908](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Loch Lomond Angling Improvement Association on its 125th Anniversary** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

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

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Miles Briggs\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Colin Beattie\*, Karen Adam\*, Christine Grahame\*, Emma Harper\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kevin Stewart\*

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

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

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**[S6M-16889](#) Jackie Dunbar: ONE SeedPod Launched in Aberdeen Donside** (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16888](#) Jackie Dunbar: Northfield Academy Indoor Climbing Wall Reactivated** (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16881](#) Jackie Dunbar: P&J Live Achieves A Greener Arena Certification** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

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

New Support: Neil Bibby\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16879](#) Pam Gosal: Helensburgh Youth Complete Duke of Edinburgh Award at RNLI** (lodged on 24 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[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: Ruth Maguire\*

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

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16819](#) Sharon Dowey: The Coo Shed Wins at the Countryside Alliance Awards** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16811](#) Paul O'Kane: Renfrewshire Schools Houston Primary and Moorpark Primary Triumph in National Garden Competition** (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16810](#) Alexander Burnett: Ballater Branch of the Royal British Legion Scotland Wins Best Kept War Memorial Competition** (lodged on 17 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16798](#) Jackie Dunbar: Purple Day 2025** (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16796](#) Bob Doris: Celebrating the Life and Legacy of Jessie Stephen** (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

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**[S6M-16794](#) Jeremy Balfour: Welcoming the Creation of a Construction Pathway for Young People** (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16791](#) Sharon Dowey: Triple Award Success for Ayr's Abbotsford Hotel** (lodged on 14 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16758](#) Brian Whittle: Biggar High School Participates in the 2025 SP Energy Networks Warriors School Championship** (lodged on 12 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16747](#) Alexander Burnett: Aswanley, Huntly, Wins Exclusive Use Wedding Venue** (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16739](#) Humza Yousaf: Marking 10 Years of Marion's House** (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16738](#) Audrey Nicoll: CEO Sleepout at Balmoral Stadium** (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16737](#) Audrey Nicoll: Celebrating Progress and Excellence at Portlethen Academy** (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16736](#) Humza Yousaf: Congratulating Govan's Gilded Lily on International Women's Day** (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-16656](#) Paul O'Kane: 80th Anniversary of Operation Open Door** (lodged on 11 March 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

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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 03 April 2025

**S6W-36080 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what the longest duration has been from the date of death to the conclusion of a fatal accident inquiry since 1999, and what the reasons were for the duration of this process.

**S6W-36300 Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is regarding the conclusions as they relate to Scotland of the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science report, *Assessing the sustainability of fisheries catch limits negotiated by the UK for 2025*, which found that catch limits for 52% of UK stocks, including West of Scotland whiting and saithe, North Sea cod and anglerfish, did not meet sustainability tests.

**S6W-36305 Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government how it has assessed whether fishing gear purchased through Marine Fund Scotland has improved the sustainability and selectivity of bottom trawl fishing.

**S6W-36309 Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to its inshore Marine Protected Areas and Priority Marine Features consultation, how long from the beginning of the consultation it anticipates it will take for any necessary protections to be implemented and enforced.

**S6W-36310 Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-29794 by Gillian Martin on 20 September 2024, what its position is on whether it has sufficient time to consult on and adopt measures regarding inshore Marine Protected Areas and Priority Marine Features before the end of the current parliamentary session.

**S6W-36363 Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to respond to the correspondence of 21 February 2025 from the Equality and Human Rights Commission regarding single-sex facilities, and whether its response will be published and made publicly available.

**S6W-36382 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on how many children and young people have received a private diagnosis for autism in each year since 1999.

**S6W-36383 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on how many children and young people have received a private diagnosis for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) in each year since 1999.

**S6W-36417 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Scottish Human Rights Commission's November 2024 report, *Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the Highlands and Islands*.

**S6W-36418 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the findings by the Scottish Human Rights Commission in its November 2024 report, *Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the Highlands and Islands*, in areas where the Commission identified obligations that were being (a) partially and (b) not met.

**S6W-36419 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration was given to the Scottish Human Rights Commission's November 2024 report, *Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the Highlands and Islands*, when allocating its 2025-26 Budget, and what the outcome was.

**S6W-36420 Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-35953 by Natalie Don-Innes on 27 March 2025, whether it will publish the minutes of these meetings, and those of any subsequent meetings that the National Bairns' Hoose Governance Group has held since July 2024.

**S6W-36421 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what vessel will be allocated to the Barra-Oban ferry route when the MV Isle of Lewis is retired from service.

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**S6W-36422 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to the procurement of additional marine evacuation systems (MES) for CalMac since August 2016, in light of the document, *Contract for the Provision of Ferry Service Between the Scottish Ministers and CalMac Ferries Ltd*, stating at page 180, "We will investigate and appraise the logistics and cost benefit of purchasing additional MES equipment to allow the statutory test deployment of an MES to be standard by wet testing an installed MES unit, then immediately changing it out for a tested and certificated dry unit which will allow the vessel to return to service much sooner. The wet MES unit will be dried and re-packed for use on another vessel or held in storage until required", and what the outcome was.

**S6W-36433 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its plans are to bring land and property currently held by its agencies into productive economic or housing use, and what progress has been made in this area since 2022.

**S6W-36434 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many public sector lease agreements it is currently reviewing as part of its property rationalisation programme, and what criteria are being used to determine value for money.

**S6W-36435 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what the 10 most expensive leases currently held by the Scottish public sector are, broken down by department or agency.

**S6W-36436 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what savings it estimates have been achieved in the 2024-25 financial year through the early termination or non-renewal of public sector office leases.

**S6W-36437 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with NHS boards and other public bodies to identify further opportunities for co-location, estate consolidation and hybrid working efficiencies.

**S6W-36438 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how much revenue has been generated in the last three years from the sale of government-owned properties declared surplus to requirements, and how any such revenue has been reinvested.

**S6W-36439 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is monitoring the effectiveness of the £900,000 provided to local authorities to provide professional learning for support staff to improve skill levels in responding to distressed behaviour in schools.

**S6W-36440 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many staff absences due to violence or distressed pupil behaviour have been reported in each local authority since August 2023.

**S6W-36441 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what measurable improvements in pupil behaviour have resulted to date from the implementation of the 2024-27 relationships and behaviour action plan.

**S6W-36442 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many violent incidents involving weapons have been recorded in schools in each year since 2020.

**S6W-36443 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will commit to publishing quarterly data on school violence, exclusions and staff assaults.

**S6W-36444 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many incidents involving vaping in schools have been reported since the roll-out of the Tobacco and Vaping Framework.

**S6W-36445 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the reported shift towards e-consultations and telephone triage in healthcare has adversely impacted patient outcomes, and whether it will review this policy.

**S6W-36446 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of the NHS budget is currently allocated to general practice, and whether it plans to increase this in light of the reported decline in access.



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**S6W-36447 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent since 2021 on administrative NHS restructuring, and what its position is on whether this spending could have instead been used to increase frontline GP provision.

**S6W-36448 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish a summary of contingency plans for power loss at government-owned or supported airports, including any recent risk assessments or drills conducted.

**S6W-36449 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the resilience of power supply infrastructure at Scottish airports, in light of the recent disruption at Heathrow Airport.

**S6W-36450 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with (a) the Civil Aviation Authority, (b) the National Grid and (c) airport operators regarding the adequacy of back-up systems at Scottish airports.

**S6W-36451 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish its analysis of how many families are currently adversely affected by the “cliff-edge” withdrawal of the Scottish Child Payment.

**S6W-36452 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of the current interaction between the Scottish Child Payment and Universal Credit on work incentives for low-income families.

**S6W-36458 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many STEM teacher vacancies currently exist in schools, broken down by (a) subject and (b) local authority area; what consideration it has given to targeted financial incentives to attract and retain STEM teachers in hard-to-fill subjects; what proportion of STEM probationer teachers secured permanent contracts in the last five years, and how this compares to non-STEM subjects.

**S6W-36459 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what procedures are in place to ensure that sheriffs and courts have the powers and guidance necessary to override property title issues in the interest of victim safety.

**S6W-36460 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that non-harassment orders are effectively enforced in all circumstances, including when the offender has legal title to the shared home.

**S6W-36461 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what immediate action it is taking to identify and close any legal loopholes that leave domestic abuse victims without safe accommodation following court proceedings.

**S6W-36464 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many formal (a) warnings, (b) notices and (c) interventions regarding suicide risks linked to infrastructure in mental health units have been issued since 2020, broken down by NHS board.

**S6W-36465 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it has taken to monitor compliance by NHS Forth Valley with Health and Safety Executive improvement notices issued in relation to ligature risks.

**S6W-36466 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it considers the (a) capital and (b) maintenance funding available to NHS boards is adequate to ensure that mental health facilities are safe and comply with Health and Safety Executive standards.

**S6W-36471 Foyso Choudhury:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential impact of the projected funding gap of £457 million for Integration Joint Boards on its goal of preventative healthcare.

**S6W-36472 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an assessment of how full fiscal autonomy could impact on (a) household incomes, (b) taxation levels and (c) welfare provision in Scotland.

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**[S6W-36473](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out of the long-term fiscal implications of full fiscal autonomy, including any projected reduction in Barnett consequential funding.

**[S6W-36474](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish all internal modelling and scenario planning that it has carried out on the financial viability of full fiscal autonomy, particularly in light of the reported £22 billion gap between Scotland's tax revenues and public spending.

**[S6W-36475](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact full fiscal autonomy could have on its commitments to protect (a) the NHS, (b) education and (c) local authority budgets.

**[S6W-36476](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether having access to skilled training pathways should form part of its wider welfare-to-work strategy for under-25s, and whether it considers military service to be such a training pathway.

**[S6W-36477](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to reduce the number of young people in Scotland who are classified as not in education, employment or training (NEET), in light of reports suggesting that almost one in eight 16- to 24-year-olds in the UK are classified as being in this category.

**[S6W-36478](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding what proportion of 16- to 24-year-olds are currently out of work due to long-term sickness.

**[S6W-36479](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out on whether there is a link between 16- to 24-year-olds who are unemployed due to long-term sickness and their levels of mental ill health.

**[S6W-36480](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to promoting disciplined and purpose-driven career routes to young people who are at risk of long-term benefit dependency, and whether it considers military service to be such a career route.

**[S6W-36483](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has met with representatives of Scottish universities to discuss ensuring the protection of lawful speech and debate on issues of sex and gender.

**[S6W-36484](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government which local authorities have requested funding for teacher self-defence training in each of the last five years.

**[S6W-36485](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the reported demand from teachers for self-defence training in response to pupil violence.

**[S6W-36486](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out on whether there is a link between the reported fall in pupil suspensions and the rise in the number of teachers being assaulted.

**[S6W-36487](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported claims that schools are being discouraged from excluding violent pupils, and whether this reflects official policy.

**[S6W-36488](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position on whether underlying economic and housing pressures might contribute to Scotland's reported low birthrate.

**[S6W-36489](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the report in *The Scotsman* on 29 March 2025, *SNP ministers examine measures to help Scots have more children amid "fertility gap"*, what its position is on whether the adoption of Nordic-style family policies would have a measurable impact on Scotland's birth rate.

**[S6W-36490](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the report in *The Scotsman* on 29 March 2025, *SNP ministers examine measures to help Scots have more children amid "fertility gap"*, how much it would cost to implement Nordic-style family policies, and how these would be funded.



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**S6W-36491 Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recommendations in the Shelter Scotland report, *In Their Own Words: Children's Experiences in Temporary Accommodation*, what steps it is taking to prevent the eviction of households with children due to rent arrears.

**S6W-36492 Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recommendations in the Shelter Scotland report, *In Their Own Words: Children's Experiences in Temporary Accommodation*, what steps it is taking to encourage (a) social and (b) private landlords to explore all options before a household with children faces eviction proceedings.

**S6W-36494 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what action is being taken to increase the uptake of abdominal aortic aneurysm screening in NHS Ayrshire and Arran, in light of recently reported local health warnings.

**S6W-36495 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been prosecuted for online sexual extortion (sextortion) in the last year; how many were subsequently convicted, and whether it will provide an update on its campaign to deal with this crime and support victims.

**S6W-36496 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government how many victims of crime have been notified of their perpetrator's release from prison in a timely manner as part of the automatic early release rules under the Prisoners (Early Release) (Scotland) Act 2025, and what steps it is taking to ensure that all victims are informed of such releases.

**S6W-36497 Pam Duncan-Glancy:** To ask the Scottish Government what the average expenditure per (a) pre-school education, (b) primary school, (c) secondary school, (d) college and (e) university place has been in each year since 2007-08 in (i) cash and (ii) real terms.

**S6W-36498 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it will take to ensure transparency in how extended producer responsibility scheme funding is allocated to local authorities.

**S6W-36499 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it will take to ensure that extended producer responsibility scheme funding is allocated to recycling by local authorities.

**S6W-36500 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government whether beer sold in the on-trade is defined as household waste by local authorities.

**S6W-36501 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what criteria will be used to assess the recycling efficiency of local authorities under the extended producer responsibility scheme, and what the penalties will be for councils that fail to meet these standards.

**S6W-36502 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government whether local authorities will be required to ringfence extended producer responsibility payments that they receive, for the purpose of improving collection and recycling rates of packaging materials, or for any other purpose.

**S6W-36503 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the extended producer responsibility scheme, how it plans to measure the efficiency and effectiveness of local authorities' recycling services, and what penalties will be imposed if councils do not meet the required standards for recycling performance.

**S6W-36504 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to prevent double counting of extended producer responsibility fees on products sold to the on-trade, in light of reports that packaging is unlikely to end up in household waste streams.

**S6W-36506 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the extended producer responsibility scheme, how it will support brewers in Scotland who are unable to invest in different packaging materials and could face closure as a result.

**S6W-36507 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it will provide to producers in sectors such as brewing, who may not be able to absorb extended producer responsibility costs, in light of it not being categorised as a tax.

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**S6W-36508 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to evaluate the economic impact of the extended producer responsibility scheme on brewers and pubs in Scotland, including whether packaging costs have affected prices.

**S6W-36509 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Defra *Extended Producer Responsibility Impact Assessment*, what its position is on whether the cost of implementing extended producer responsibility for brewers and producers should be passed onto consumers.

**S6W-36510 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will evaluate the impact of the extended producer responsibility scheme on investment in Scotland, particularly within sectors impacted by packaging-related fees, such as food and drink production.

**S6W-36511 Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs regarding the implementation of the extended producer responsibility scheme in Scotland.

**S6W-36512 Paul O'Kane:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it provides support to the Scottish Assembly, and if this is the case, what kind of support it provides. **R**

**S6W-36514 Paul O'Kane:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has allocated any funding to support the Scottish Assembly for the financial year 2025-26. **R**

**S6W-36515 Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will request that Historic Environment Scotland (a) define what it means by “development proposals” and “development proposals at an advanced stage”, where these have been used as a reason for not proceeding with designation in instances where there are no live planning applications for the site/building in question, and (b) clarify how determinations should be handled in instances where planning applications or applications for building warrants are initiated while a building is under consideration for designation.

**S6W-36516 Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will request that Historic Environment Scotland revise its policy to not normally list buildings that are subject to development proposals at an advanced stage, in light of reports of recent cases where this has been seen as counterproductive.

**S6W-36517 Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will request that Historic Environment Scotland introduce a policy to recommend to planning authorities that they serve a building preservation notice at the outset of any instance where it has been requested to assess a building for designation but where that building may be subject to development proposals, or otherwise at risk of demolition during the designation assessment process.

**S6W-36518 Lorna Slater:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider increasing portion sizes in free school meals, in light of reported comments from young carers that the portions are too small, particularly for children who may be missing other meals at home.

**S6W-36520 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how many households in fuel poverty have had a whole home retrofit, as set out in the December 2021 document, *Tackling Fuel Poverty in Scotland*.

**S6W-36521 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of the Scottish Budget is currently allocated to civil service pay and administration, and how this compares with 2013.

**S6W-36522 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what the justification is for the reported 70% increase in civil service employment since 2013.

**S6W-36523 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many new public sector bodies have been established since 2013, and what their core functions are.

**S6W-36524 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the Scottish Fiscal Commission's reported assessment that benefits spending is being driven by increased eligibility rather than population need.

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**[S6W-36525](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent data it has on what proportion of people who register with an employment agency, on average, are in sustained employment six months after a placement.

**[S6W-36526](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what infrastructure improvements it is prioritising to support increased manufacturing in Scotland.

**[S6W-36527](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its strategy is to attract a share of the reported \$650 billion in nearshoring investment expected across the UK over the next three years.

**[S6W-36528](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has commissioned any economic modelling on the impact of reshoring manufacturing to Scotland.

**[S6W-36529](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with international firms operating in Scotland regarding expanding domestic supply chains.

**[S6W-36530](#) Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the timetable for electrification of the Barrhead to Kilmarnock rail line and the associated upgrading of the rolling stock serving that line.

**[S6W-36531](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the potential fiscal impact on Scotland's economy of exploration and drilling in the North Sea being curtailed prematurely.

**[S6W-36532](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding the development of the North Sea as a long-term strategic energy asset.

**[S6W-36533](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent engagement it has had with the (a) North Sea Transition Authority and (b) UK Government regarding the future of oil and gas extraction in Scottish waters.

**[S6W-36534](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the calls to designate the North Sea energy transition a "national mission", and what contribution it plans to make to that effort.

**[S6W-36535](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has received any forecasts or economic modelling regarding the projected impact of the proposed US tariffs on jobs and business turnover in Scotland.

**[S6W-36536](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what contingency planning or business support measures it is considering to mitigate any economic impact on businesses in Scotland of any new US trade barriers.

**[S6W-36537](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what enforcement measures are in place to address any breaches of muirburn regulations, and whether it will review the existing guidance in order to improve the protection of public health.

**[S6W-36538](#) Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that muirburn does not create smoke levels that damage human health or cause a nuisance, in light of reports of significant smoke drift affecting communities in the Scottish Borders, including Peebles and Stobo.

**[S6W-36539](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish a quarterly update on progress against each objective in the new NHS operational improvement plan.

**[S6W-36540](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish a detailed assessment of the delivery outcomes from the four previous NHS recovery plans launched since 2016.

**[S6W-36541](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what contingency measures are in place in the event that the NHS seven-day diagnostic model and digital outpatient system is again not delivered within the timetable.

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**S6W-36542 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many patients it estimates have waited over a year for outpatient treatment or surgery in each of the last five years.

**S6W-36543 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any financial and patient impacts as a result of long waits for treatment on the economy and workforce productivity.

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New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New Bills introduced or reprinted on 3 April 2025

**Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill**—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2 (SP Bill 26A) (Government Bill)

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## Amendments

### Amendments to Bills lodged on 3 April 2025

#### Housing (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

*Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee Daily List*

#### After section 18

**Maggie Chapman**

**59A** As an amendment to amendment 59, line 4, leave out <may> and insert <must>

**Maggie Chapman**

**59B** As an amendment to amendment 59, line 6, leave out <may> and insert <must>

#### After section 40

**Maggie Chapman**

**273** After section 40, insert—

*<Landlord's duties to provide information to tenant*

#### **Private residential tenancies: duty to provide information**

- (1) The 2016 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 10 (duty to provide written terms of tenancy) insert—

#### **“10A Duty to provide information to tenant**

- (1) The landlord must provide the tenant with information on—
  - (a) the impact of the provisions of Part 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2025 on the rent payable under the tenancy,
  - (b) the ability to join a tenants' union, and
  - (c) the Private Rented Sector Charter.
- (2) The information under subsection (1) must be provided before the day on which the tenancy commences.”.>

**Maggie Chapman**

**274** After section 40, insert—

*<Landlord's duties to provide information to tenant*

#### **Scottish secure tenancies: duty to provide information**

- (1) The Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 23 (tenant's right to written tenancy agreement and information), after subsection (6) insert—
  - “(7) The landlord must provide the tenant with information on the ability to join a

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tenants' union.

- (8) The information under subsection (7) must be provided before the creation of a Scottish secure tenancy.”.>

### After section 51

#### Maggie Chapman

**135B** As an amendment to amendment 135, line 11, leave out <may> and insert <must>

#### Maggie Chapman

**135C** As an amendment to amendment 135, line 13, leave out subsection (4)

#### Maggie Chapman

**135D** As an amendment to amendment 135, line 16, at end insert—

- <( ) In developing the Charter, the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider appropriate.>

#### Maggie Chapman

**135E** As an amendment to amendment 135, line 18, at end insert—

- <(6) The Scottish Ministers must make available without charge copies of the Charter to members of the public.
- (7) In carrying out the duty under subsection (6), the Scottish Ministers must take account of the particular needs of the persons to whom the Charter is to be made available as to the form of the Charter (for example by making it available in different languages or in Braille or by having regard to the particular needs of adults with incapacity within the meaning of section 1(6) of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000).
- (8) Any person who is, or is to be, the landlord under a relevant tenancy must provide the person who is, or is to be, the tenant with a copy of the Charter—
- (a) in the case of a relevant tenancy that commenced prior to the day this section comes into force, within 3 months of the Charter being laid under subsection (5),
- (b) in the case of a new tenancy, before the day on which the tenancy commences.
- (9) In this section, “relevant tenancy” means a private residential tenancy or assured tenancy.>

#### Maggie Chapman

**275** After section 51, insert—

#### <Review of the Private Rented Sector Charter

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must review the Charter laid under section (*Private Rented Sector Charter*)(5)—
- (a) within 5 years of it being laid,
- (b) thereafter, within 5 years of the report of the last review being laid before the Parliament in accordance with subsection (3)(b).



- (2) In carrying out a review, the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider appropriate.
- (3) Following a review, the Scottish Ministers must—
  - (a) decide whether or not to make any changes to the Charter,
  - (b) lay before the Scottish Parliament a report setting out—
    - (i) the consultation undertaken in carrying out the review,
    - (ii) the reasons for their decision to make changes, or not make changes, to the Charter, and
    - (iii) if the Ministers have decided to make changes to the Charter, a draft of the Charter showing the changes they intend to make.
- (4) The revised Charter must be published in such form and manner as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate and laid before the Scottish Parliament.>

### Maggie Chapman

**276** After section 51, insert—

#### <Effect of the Private Rented Sector Charter

When determining any question arising in proceedings in relation to a tenancy to which the Charter laid under section (*Private Rented Sector Charter*)(5) or (*Review of the Private Rented Sector Charter*)(4) is relevant, a court or tribunal may take into account the Charter, including whether a copy of the Charter has been provided in accordance with section (*Private Rented Sector Charter*)(8).>

## Section 52

### Mark Griffin

**277** In section 52, page 61, line 18, after <18(1)> insert <, or (*Housing emergency*)(1) or (5)>



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## New Subordinate Legislation

### Subject to negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 3 April 2025 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Disease Control \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/108\)](#)

Laid under section 32(3) of the Animal Health Act 1981

### Not subject to parliamentary procedure

The following instruments were laid before Parliament on 3 April 2025 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

[Scottish Elections \(Representation and Reform\) Act 2025 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/106 \(C. 10\)\)](#)

Laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

[Bankruptcy and Diligence \(Scotland\) Act 2024 \(Commencement No. 2, Transitional and Saving Provisions\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/107 \(C. 11\)\)](#)

Laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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## Progress of Legislation

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the website at:

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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 (55<sup>th</sup> 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)

### **Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 2 April 2025

### **Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)**

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

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## **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  
([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

## **Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)**

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

## **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), 24 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 (12<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

## **Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)**

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

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### **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

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

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

### **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 (62<sup>nd</sup> 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*

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

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

Stage 2 completed, 11 December 2024

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

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*Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (14<sup>th</sup> 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 completed, 2 April 2025

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

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

### **Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 27 March 2025

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## Legislative Consent Memorandums

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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) (2<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2025)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

### Employment Rights Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-53a

Lodged on 3 April 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) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27<sup>th</sup> 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) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

### Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

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

### Affirmative instruments

**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)

**Subject to annulment 28 May 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 26 May 2025**

[Disease Control \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/108\)](#) (3 April 2025)  
(Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

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### Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 3 April 2025—

Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Employment Rights Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-53a)

### Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 3 April 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Scrutiny report on draft Regulations: Winter Heating Assistance (Pension Age) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025** (SCoSS/2025/06) under sections 22 and 97 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018



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