

Business Bulletin

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Chamber Desk Arrangements - Early May Holiday 2025

Members may wish to note that the Chamber Desk will be closed on Monday 5 May 2025. Arrangements for the lodging of First Minister's Questions, Topical Questions, motions and amendments for debate and the random draw for General and Portfolio Questions are set out below.

The deadline for submitting Topical Questions for Tuesday 6 May is 9.30 am on Tuesday 6 May.

The deadline for submitting First Minister's Questions for Thursday 8 May is 9.30 am on Tuesday 6 May.

Motions for debate on Tuesday 6 May should be lodged with the Chamber Desk by no later than 4.00 pm on Thursday 1 May; amendments to these motions should be lodged by 3.30 pm on Friday 2 May.

Motions for debate on Wednesday 7 May should be lodged with the Chamber Desk by 3.30 pm on Friday 2 May; amendments to these motions should be lodged by 4.00 pm on Tuesday 6 May.

Members are advised that the deadline for submitting names for Portfolio Questions on Wednesday 14 May, and Portfolio and General Questions on Thursday 15 May is midday on Friday 2 May. Members who are selected will be advised by email on that day and will have until midday on Wednesday 7 May to submit their questions.

Portfolio questions on Wednesday 14 May will be Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business, and Justice and Home Affairs, and on Thursday 15 May, Education and Skills.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

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

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

8:30am Social Justice and Social Security Committee

9:00am Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

9:00am Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

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11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Fergus Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports that gulls can cause serious human injury, whether it will direct NatureScot to issue licences to control the birds and help prevent such injuries. ([S6O-04560](#))
- 2. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government what dialogue it has had with NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde regarding shared care agreements for adults with private ADHD and autism diagnoses. ([S6O-04561](#))
- 3. Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment has been done of any impact on CAMHS waiting times targets, in light of reports of autism assessment services being cancelled leaving more children in distress and unable to access support that requires a diagnosis. ([S6O-04562](#))
- 4. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting the uptake of childhood immunisations in NHS Lanarkshire. ([S6O-04563](#)) **R**
- 5. Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns regarding the decision to end the freeze on the MSP component of Scottish Ministers' salaries and the potential impact on the Scottish Government's budget, during a period of serious public sector budget pressures. ([S6O-04564](#))
- 6. Foyso Choudhury:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is encouraging the growth of community energy projects. ([S6O-04565](#))
- 7. Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when it will publish the outcome of the latest A96 corridor review. ([S6O-04566](#))
- 8. Michelle Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any progress on the funding model for the Grangemouth Flood Protection Scheme in its current iteration, following its decision not to "call in" the scheme for ministerial inquiry. ([S6O-04567](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Russell Findlay:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-03999](#))
- 2. Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04000](#))
- 3. Alex Cole-Hamilton:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04001](#))
- 4. Christine Grahame:** To ask the First Minister, in light of the reported issues arising from proposed rural nursery closures or mothballing, including the potential impact on the sustainability of rural communities and the operation of primary schools, whether the Scottish Government will review the relevant legislation and the guidance on criteria for protecting rural primary schools from closure. ([S6F-04008](#))
- 5. Pam Gosal:** To ask the First Minister what impact the Scottish Government anticipates that the Supreme Court judgment regarding *For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers* will have on the implementation of the Public Sector Equality Duty in Scotland. ([S6F-04003](#))

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6. Ariane Burgess: To ask the First Minister whether he will provide an update on when the Scottish Government expects to respond to the Loch Long salmon farm planning application. ([S6F-04007](#))

followed by Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

[S6M-16978](#) Neil Bibby: BBC Scotland's Decision to End River City and Close its Dumbarton Studios—That the Parliament notes with regret the reported decision by BBC Scotland to end the programme, *River City*, which it understands is Scotland's only homegrown soap; believes that this will have a disproportionately negative impact on performers in Scotland, many of whom, it understands, get their first TV job on *River City*, as well as on the wider Scottish production landscape; considers that the reported £9 million annual budget for the show is excellent value for money, given the hours of programming produced throughout the year for what it sees as a successful show, which, it understands, attracts a regular audience of 500,000 per episode, outperforming other TV series by more than two and a half times; believes that the Glasgow-based show is well loved by Scottish audiences and enjoys strong ratings, with it winning Best Drama at the Royal Television Society Scotland 2023 awards for its 20th anniversary episode; notes what it sees as BBC Scotland's failure to inform the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee of its reported plans to close the BBC studios in Dumbarton and end *River City* in its annual report to the Parliament in January 2025; further notes the calls for BBC Scotland to recognise its public broadcasting duty and explain how its current proposals to replace *River City* will provide the same good jobs, training and apprenticeships currently available at the BBC's Dumbarton studios to performers and crew in Scotland, and ensure that the reported £9 million budget will be spent on Scottish drama; considers the BBC's Dumbarton studios to be an important asset, which has been used for a number of other productions, including *Vigil* and *Shetland*; understands that the owner of the studios site is open to renewing the lease, and notes the calls, in light of this, for BBC Scotland to revisit its reported decision to end *River City* and close its Dumbarton studios.

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Education and Skills

1. Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what support is available to teachers who experience physical violence or verbal abuse in schools. ([S6O-04568](#))

2. Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government how it is ensuring access to early learning and childcare for families in rural areas, in light of reports of recent nursery closures. ([S6O-04569](#))

3. Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the education secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding what action is being taken to reduce vaping in schools. ([S6O-04570](#))

4. Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of three-year-old children receive free early learning and childcare in the week after their third birthday. ([S6O-04571](#))

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5. James Dornan: [Withdrawn] ([S6O-04572](#))

6. Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what steps it is taking to protect Edinburgh's higher education sector, in light of reports of potential job losses. ([S6O-04573](#))

7. Rona Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government what eligibility criteria and implementation guidance it has issued to local authorities regarding the use of the Care Experienced Children and Young People Fund in education settings. ([S6O-04574](#))

8. Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it can take to reduce the number of teachers on temporary contracts. ([S6O-04575](#))

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

[S6M-17074](#) Stuart McMillan on behalf of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee: 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).

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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Committee Meetings

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

Social Justice and Social Security Committee 12th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 8:30 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Housing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 3).

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 13th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **UK Internal Market Act 2020 - Consultation and Review (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft submission to the UK Government's Consultation on the UK Internal Market Act Review.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 6th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

1. **Declaration of interests:** Emma Roddick will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
3. **Committee effectiveness:** The Committee will take evidence, in a roundtable format, from—
Professor Philip Lord Norton of Louth, Professor of Government and Director of the Centre for Legislative Studies, University of Hull;
Professor Diana Stirbu, Co-Director of the Centre for Applied Research in Empowering Society (CARES), London Metropolitan University;
Dr Stephen Holden Bates, Senior Lecturer in Political Science, University of Birmingham;
Dr Ruth Fox, Director and Head of Research, Hansard Society.
4. **Evidence Session: Committee effectiveness** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 3.
5. **Guidance on Chamber business:** The Committee will consider revised guidance on Chamber business.

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 23 April 2025

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 Debate: Supporting Scottish Industry During Turbulent Economic Times

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-16803 Marie McNair: Testicular Cancer Awareness Month

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 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 — S6M-17186 Meghan Gallacher: Best Start New Model of Neonatal Care

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 — S6M-17073 Emma Harper: World Asthma Day 2025

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Net Zero and Energy, and Transport
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followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Hydrogen Future

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followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 6 May 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 7 May 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands; Health and Social Care

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 8 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: Social Justice

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

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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.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-17314](#) Tess White: Motion to Remove a Member of the Committee**—That the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee recommends that the Parliament remove Maggie Chapman from office as a member of the committee.

***[S6M-17304](#) Alexander Stewart: Mary Kenyon, Chair of Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association Forth Valley Branch, Recognised During Stirling 900**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that a champion of the Armed Forces community has been honoured for her contributions to volunteering in Stirling; acknowledges that Mary Kenyon, the chair of the Forth Valley branch of Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association (SSAFA) The Armed Forces Charity, has been commended by Stirlingshire Voluntary Enterprise (SVE) as part of Stirling 900 celebrations in the 2024 Inspire Volunteering Awards with the efforts of all nominees acknowledged by being provided with a pin badge at the recent event during the Stirling 900 finale; notes that Mary has volunteered with SSAFA for over 30 years, supporting thousands of members of the Armed Forces family; understands that, in 2022, she was awarded a British Empire Medal (BEM) in the New Year Honours List in recognition of her volunteering for SSAFA and now, as part of the finale for the city's year-long birthday celebrations, SVE has further recognised Mary for continuing as a volunteer; further understands that, in the last 12 months, Mary and the SSAFA Forth Valley branch have raised and administered around £120,000 worth of goods and services for the benefit of 75 veterans and families, as well as referring many ex-service personnel and families to medical, housing and debt advice and other specialist services, in addition to hosting many community events; notes that SSAFA, which operates across the UK, with 19 branches across Scotland, including Forth Valley, providing a range of support and services for ex-service members, has been working for the entire UK Armed Forces community for 140 years, since 1885; understands that SSAFA has described Mary as having a “genuine interest in people” and a strong desire to help others in need, and has estimated that she has helped thousands of people over the years with the charity, embodying a “can-do” attitude, stepping up when required and serving as an inspiration to all, and commends Mary, as well as all the volunteers at the Forth Valley Branch of SSAFA, for what it sees as their tireless, sterling endeavours for the entire community. **R**

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***[S6M-17273](#) Rona Mackay: Emma Walsh, Aged 12, Honoured at Scottish First Aid Awards—**

That the Parliament applauds Emma Walsh, aged 12, of Bishopbriggs, on being honoured at the 12th annual Scottish First Aid Awards; recognises that Emma was highly commended in the Young First Aid Hero of the Year category for her swift actions, which saved her dad's life; commends Emma for her quick thinking and calm response when dad, Chris, showed signs of a life-threatening seizure, including getting him to safety at a nearby shop, alerting staff to contact emergency services, supporting him and ensuring that he was comfortable, before phoning her mum, Loraine, to inform her of their location; understands that Emma was presented with her honour at the Scottish First Aid Awards ceremony, attended by her proud parents and more than 300 people, at the Radisson Blu in Glasgow in March 2025; recognises that the Scottish First Aid Awards, organised by Scotland's only dedicated first aid charity, St Andrew's First Aid, highlights extraordinary people, and pays tribute to the charity for helping to raise awareness of the importance of first aid from an early age, which can very often mean the difference between life and death.

***[S6M-17262](#) Alexander Stewart: Commending Alistair Spowage from Menstrie—**That the Parliament commends a man from Menstrie who has written of his experiences climbing the 77 Ochil Hills following the discovery of stage four prostate cancer; understands that Alistair Spowage was told that he had the disease in 2016 and turned to blogging about his outdoor escapades to take his mind off what he saw as a "pretty devastating" diagnosis; acknowledges that now, with his condition under control, he has released a book, called *At Hame in the Ochils*, to share his joy of climbing the scenic peaks that overlook Clackmannanshire; understands that Alistair had pored over maps of the Ochils during the long days of the COVID-19 lockdown and that he set about painting stones for the summits of hills; further understands that some parts of the book are given to lists, statistics and references that he has said will appeal to some readers, while the stories of visiting the 77 summits will appeal to others, as the book includes data and information regarding each hill, in addition to photographs and hand-drawn maps of the walks; notes that Alistair held a launch event at the Dunmar House Hotel on 15 April 2025, where he magnanimously announced that all proceeds from *At Hame in the Ochils* will be donated to the Ochils Mountain Rescue Team; understands that the cancer has mercifully been contained to date, thanks to what has been described as the amazing work of NHS Forth Valley and the Beatson Cancer Charity, and wishes Alistair all the very best in his future endeavours.

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***[S6M-17261](#) Alexander Stewart: Rotary Club of Alloa's "Tour de Clacks 2025" for Prostate Scotland—**That the Parliament is enthused that the charity cycle event, Tour de Clacks, is to go ahead on 27 April 2025, with all proceeds going towards Prostate Scotland; understands that the Rotary Club of Alloa is putting the finishing touches on the organisation of the event, which is a 22km cycle around the Wee County; understands that the UK-wide Rotary organisations are concerted supporters of work to address prostate cancer, including Alloa, with several local Rotarians experiencing the diagnosis over the years; is encouraged that, while the entry fee is £10, or £5 for children, this will be donated in full to Prostate Scotland; is further encouraged that participants can also pick a charity of their choosing and ask people to sponsor them as they

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complete the race, and wishes Alloa Rotary, Prostate Scotland and all the participants and their sponsors all the very best for a highly successful day. **R**

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***[S6M-17260](#) Alexander Stewart: Alva Academy to Represent Forth Valley in the Young Enterprise Scotland Finals of 2025**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that a Clackmannanshire school is to represent Forth Valley at a national business competition; notes that Alva Academy beat five other groups from across Clackmannanshire, Stirling and Falkirk in the Young Enterprise Scotland regional final; understands that its Aqua business idea is to create sustainable handmade products from sea glass and that, following the judges' verdict, Alva Academy is now the Forth Valley representative in the Young Enterprise national finals; further understands that the Academy's team is seen as an "inspiration" by Young Enterprise Scotland and that setting up and running its own successful company will have given those involved new skills to take forward into their learning and future careers; notes that the Young Enterprise Scotland programme provides real-life learning opportunities for S5 and S6 pupils, introducing them to the realities of real-life work, with participants urged to create their own company from foundation and trade their products while learning about market research, creating the item or service, and promoting it themselves; further notes that the competition finals will be held on 29 May 2025 at GTG Glasgow and will see Alva come up against teams from across Scotland; congratulates the Alva team on its fantastic endeavours thus far, and wishes it and everyone involved all the very best in the final stage of the competition.

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***[S6M-17259](#) Roz McCall: Dunfermline Cheesemonger Wins Two Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Must Be Crackers in Dunfermline on winning two awards at the Farm Shop and Deli Retailer Awards 2025; understands that the Dunfermline cheesemonger was announced as the winner of the Best Retailer (Other Specialist) and Best Retailer (Cheesemonger) categories at the awards ceremony, which was held at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham on 7 April 2025; notes that the shop also achieved Highly Commended status in the Newcomer of the Year category for the 2025 awards; recognises the work of the industry organisation, Food from Fife, in securing the exposure for the business and also providing links between small independent shops and local food producers; further recognises the continued hard work of the team in increasing visibility of Fife food produce for the end customer both locally and nationally, and wishes the business continued success in the future.

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***[S6M-17258](#) Jackie Dunbar: New Electric Bus Fleet for Aberdeen**—That the Parliament welcomes the introduction of a new fleet of 36 electric buses to Aberdeen; understands that First Bus has invested £12.7 million to improve the sustainability of Aberdeen's public transport infrastructure, with 24 new state-of-the-art electric WrightBus double decker buses, and 12 repower buses, which were traditional fossil-fuelled buses that have since been converted to electric; further understands that the investment from First Bus forms part of a wider commitment to invest £100 million across the UK to achieve a fully zero-emission fleet by 2035; notes that the

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new electric buses are already in service, connecting Robert Gordon University to the rest of the city, and that they have been welcomed by students; believes that the initiative is expected to improve air quality and reduce carbon emissions, which will bolster Aberdeen's credentials as it works to establish itself as the global net zero capital, and commends First Bus and its partners for their leadership in sustainable transport and for contributing to Aberdeen's climate goals.

***S6M-17257 Miles Briggs: Kathryn Bryce Announced as Player of the Tournament at ICC Women's Cricket World Cup Qualifier—**That the Parliament congratulates Scotland international cricket captain, Kathryn Bryce, who has been named Player of the Tournament after shining in the recent ICC Women's Cricket World Cup Qualifier; understands that the Scotland skipper amassed 293 runs to finish as the competition's leading run-scorer, including an unbeaten 131 against Ireland to help her team post a creditable total; acknowledges that further scores of 60 and 91 against Thailand and Pakistan, respectively, helped consolidate her outstanding average; acknowledges that these run-scoring achievements were backed up by contributing six wickets for her side, including three in a nail-biting finale against Ireland, and wishes Kathryn all the very best in her career going forward.

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***S6M-17256 Annie Wells: Govan Care Home Residents Welcome Ducklings for Easter—**That the Parliament congratulates the residents and staff of Florence House Care Home in Govan, Glasgow, on the successful hatching and rearing of five ducklings in time for Easter; acknowledges not only the joy and curiosity sparked by the ducklings, but also the deeply therapeutic benefits that they have brought to residents, particularly those living with dementia; recognises the efforts of wellbeing enabler, Leigha Cooke, and the wider care team in creating a meaningful and inclusive animal therapy experience that has made a lasting impact on the home; understands that leading organisations such as Dementia UK and the Alzheimer's Society highlight the emotional and psychological value of animal interaction, especially for older adults; believes that simply watching or gently engaging with animals like ducklings can help to reduce anxiety, lift mood, and provide a calming sense of comfort, and that these small yet powerful moments of connection have been shown to ease distress and foster emotional engagement with the world around them, which, it understands, is often difficult to achieve through conventional means; notes what it sees as the overwhelmingly positive impact that this initiative has had on wellbeing, social engagement, and community spirit within Florence House, and commends all involved for bringing nature, nurture, and joy into the heart of the care home this Easter.

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***S6M-17254 Rona Mackay: Remembering Margaret Mills MBE—**That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the immense contribution of Margaret Mills MBE who worked tirelessly for Children First for over 54 years to support children and champion their rights until her sudden but peaceful passing on 28 March 2025; understands that Margaret spent her life working determinedly to improve the lives of children and families, transforming the lives of hundreds in the process; notes that this commitment to supporting children and their families spanned decades, since starting in the 1970s as one of the first female inspectors with the Royal Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, now known as Children First; understands that Margaret

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specialised in supporting children to recover from sexual, emotional and physical abuse at Children First's service in the Scottish Borders, pioneering recovery support models, helping children to give evidence in court and bringing hope to countless lives even in the darkest of times; further understands that Margaret's innovative and child-centred approach is now the bedrock for reforms being embedded across Scotland through the Bairns Hoose; notes that Margaret was appointed an MBE in 2011 for her service to the wellbeing of children and was shortlisted for the Robert Burns humanitarian award in 2013; pays tribute to Margaret's devotion to listening to children and advocating for their views and rights that will continue to serve as an inspiration to many, and expresses its sincere condolences to Margaret's family, friends, colleagues, community and the many children she supported on the loss that it believes will be felt deeply by many.

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***S6M-17252 Michelle Thomson: Ray Mackie, Slamannan Village's Much-loved Pharmacist, Retires After 32 Years of Serving the Community.**—That the Parliament recognises the retirement of Ray Mackie from Slamannan Village Pharmacy following 32 years of service to the local community; notes that Ray first purchased the shop in 1993 and diligently served the local area until 1 April 2025 when he dispensed his last prescription; understands that delivering for the local community was always a priority for Ray, who modernised the pharmacy and was instrumental in the provision of a free delivery service, which served the Braes area and beyond; notes that Ray spent many late nights during his career delivering oxygen cylinders, stocking first aid kits for the boats docked in Grangemouth and serving four local nursing homes; understands that beyond his work in the pharmacy, Ray was a strong advocate for community pharmacy, serving on many local healthcare committees and was one of the pioneers of the Palliative Care Service in Forth Valley; recognises Ray's contributions to the provision of pharmacy care within the village of Slamannan, thanks him for 32 years of service to the community, and wishes him the best as he enjoys his retirement.

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***S6M-17251 Miles Briggs: Newhaven Coastal Rowing Club and Edinburgh 900**—That the Parliament notes Newhaven's story as one of the sea; recognises that Newhaven's fishing, shipbuilding and coastal traditions have helped shape Edinburgh's history; understands that as the Capital marks 900 years as a burgh, "Seafaring Spirit" brings the community together to celebrate its maritime past and keep its spirit alive; appreciates that a number of local community groups are coming together for the event providing exhibitions, music, story-telling and hands-on activities; acknowledges that Dame Katherine Grainger, Britain's most successful female rower, will officially launch the boats, *Troika* and *Bow Tow*, and hopes that everyone involved has a successful and enjoyable day.

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***S6M-17247 Karen Adam: Protecting Banff's History**—That the Parliament expresses concern over Aberdeenshire Council's reported plans to remove historic artefacts from Banff Museum, including Banff's Mercat Cross, and relocate them outside of historic Banffshire; believes in the fundamental principle that historical artefacts should be displayed in their rightful historic home or

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as close to it as possible; recognises that Banff is the historic heart of Banffshire, with a long and rich history as a Royal Burgh, and calls on Aberdeenshire Council to respect and preserve this heritage; acknowledges the efforts of the Banff Preservation and Heritage Society in campaigning to keep Banff's history in Banff, and wishes it success in its ongoing efforts to protect the town's cultural and historical identity.

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***[S6M-17246](#) Clare Haughey: International Day of the Midwife**—That the Parliament recognises the International Day of the Midwife, on 5 May, along with its theme for 2025, "Midwives: critical in every crisis"; expresses its support for midwives in Scotland and around the world for the vital contribution that they make in providing care and support to women and their families during pregnancy, throughout labour and during the period after a baby's birth; believes however that, globally, there are a growing number of compounding crises, including natural disasters, war, and the ongoing impact of climate change, which can threaten the safe, effective delivery of maternity care; recognises what it sees as the importance of the role of midwives in caring for women during these challenging times; further recognises that in both times of peace and in times of crisis, midwives can and do support safe births and provide antenatal and postnatal care as well as sexual and reproductive healthcare, and educate and prepare women with the knowledge and tools that they need to stay safe and healthy, and commends the contribution made by the International Confederation of Midwives and the Royal College of Midwives in championing better, safer maternity care, at home and abroad.

***[S6M-17245](#) Stuart McMillan: Recognising the Work of the Beacon Arts Centre and Dance for Parkinson's**—That the Parliament recognises and commends the work of the Beacon Arts Centre in Greenock for its ongoing commitment to supporting people living with Parkinson's through the arts; notes that the Beacon runs weekly Dance for Parkinson's classes in partnership with Scottish Ballet and Dance Base; further notes that these classes allow participants to improve coordination and confidence, while offering support with loneliness and isolation through the post-class social café; acknowledges that Parkinson's is the fastest growing neurological condition in the world, with around 12,400 people diagnosed in Scotland, and congratulates the Beacon Arts Centre, volunteers, teachers and participants of Dance for Parkinson's for making a meaningful contribution to the lives of people living with the condition in Inverclyde and beyond.

***[S6M-17244](#) Humza Yousaf: Linthouse Housing Association's 50th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Linthouse Housing Association (LHA) on the milestone of its 50th Anniversary; understands that it was one of the first Community Controlled Housing Associations (CCHAs) in Glasgow to harness the energy of local people to improve their inner-city neighbourhood; believes that over the past 50 years, it continues to deliver high quality and cost-effective housing services designed to meet the needs of existing and future customers by creating and sustaining lasting, vibrant homes in stable, popular, and ambitious urban communities; recognises the many accolades that it has won over the years, including Best Regeneration Project at the 2023 Inside Housing Developments Awards for Cromdale Square; understands that, during 2023-24, LHA secured just under £46,000 in grant funding to support its community regeneration work; further understands that it is developing a calendar of celebratory events and initiatives, which will go on throughout the year with tenants fully involved, ensuring the proud history of the organisation is commemorated, and extends warm wishes to everyone on the team for many more successful years ahead.

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***[S6M-17243](#) Humza Yousaf: Elderpark Housing Association's 50th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Elderpark Housing Association on the milestone of its 50th Anniversary; believes that community-based housing associations play a pivotal role in Scottish life; understands that Elderpark Housing has contributed immensely to the local community during its 50 years, not just in building new homes but in supporting the local neighbourhoods and the people who live there; recognises the multiple accolades won by Elderpark Housing, including the Excellence for Learning and Development award in the 2023 Chartered Institute of Housing Scotland Housing Awards, Housing Organisation of the Year at the TIS National Excellence Awards, and a TPAS award for its initiative working with local schools the same year; understands that it is developing a calendar of celebratory events and initiatives, which will go on throughout the year with tenants fully involved, ensuring the proud history of the organisation is commemorated; commends the great work done by the management and staff, and wishes everyone all the best for many more years to come.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*, Audrey Nicoll*

***[S6M-17241](#) Tess White: Supreme Court Judgment on the Definition of "Woman"**—That the Parliament welcomes the unanimous ruling from the UK Supreme Court that a "woman" is defined by biological sex; congratulates For Women Scotland Ltd for, it believes, tenaciously and repeatedly challenging the Scottish Government's guidance in relation to this matter, which led to the appeal to the UK's highest court and the ruling that the Scottish Government's statutory guidance is "incorrect"; commends the charity Sex Matters, along with the LGB Alliance, Scottish Lesbians and the Lesbian Project, for what it sees as their important interventions in the appeal; considers that the Supreme Court judgment is clear that transgender people are not disadvantaged by the ruling, due to the protections afforded to them by the Equality Act 2010; notes that the ruling finds that separate spaces and single-sex services, communal accommodation, single-sex characteristic associations and charities, women's fair participation in sport, the operation of the public sector equality duty, and the armed forces, require a biological interpretation of "sex" to function coherently; regrets that it took legal action to clarify the definition of a "woman"; pays tribute to grassroots activists, who organised across Scotland to defend the sex-based rights of women and girls, and urges the Scottish Government to urgently follow its legal obligations in relation to women's rights and safety, and to ensure that all public sector bodies do the same.

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***[S6M-17227](#) Foyso Choudhury: Remembering Talwinder Rashpal Singh Bhai**—That the Parliament notes with sadness the passing of Talwinder Rashpal Singh Bhai, daughter of Karnel Singh Landa and Lachmi Wanti and wife of the late Sewa Singh Bhai, a much loved matriarch of Edinburgh's Sikh community; understands that, forced to move from their homeland just outside Lahore following the partition in 1947 of India, creating a new country Pakistan, her family were given refuge in a camp near Phagwara near Amritsar; notes that Rashpal was born on the 15 August 1947 in the midst of the partition; further notes that her family later settled in Ludhiana but then at the age of 10, Rashpal and her family migrated to Scotland's capital, Edinburgh; understands that, living in Edinburgh, her family grew with her becoming the eldest of 14 siblings;

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notes that in 1963, at the tender age of 16, Rashpal Singh's wedding to Sewa Singh Bhai was one of the first Sikh weddings in Edinburgh in the first Gurdwara located in Hopefield Terrace; acknowledges Rashpal's fulfilled life, being blessed with sons, many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and extends its heartfelt condolences to two of the biggest Sikh families in Edinburgh, the Bhai and Landa families as well as the Edinburgh's Sikh community on the loss of a dearly beloved and highly respected woman, Talwinder Rashpal Singh Bhai.

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***S6M-17224 Bill Kidd: 2026 Marks 20 Years of LINKES Meeting the Needs of the Community**—That the Parliament recognises that 2026 will mark 20 years of LINKES meeting the needs of the community in Knightswood; notes that LINKES gets its name from Lincoln Avenue and Kestrel Road, which are the streets that surround the multi-storey flats where it is based; further notes that LINKES is a community-led group, started by and governed by local people; understands that its charitable purpose is to provide opportunities for learning and wellbeing and to utilise its community facilities for the benefit of the community and that it takes a community development approach to its work, which means that it aims to engage with people in the community and to ensure that services meet their needs and that they can become involved in the organisation; further understands that LINKES is proud of its place-based approach to supporting communities in poverty for almost 20 years, and that its programme of activities promotes wellbeing, brings people together and creates stronger, more resilient communities to live well and thrive; understands that its English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes have a long waiting list, its group programme is well attended, drop-in enquiries increase year on year, with over 1,000 in the last 12 months, and that its new community shop has just launched; believes that the staff and volunteers who run LINKES do a fantastic job, with the evidence of that being very apparent in the community, and congratulates them on their success, and 20-year anniversary.

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***S6M-17200 Liz Smith: Quinn Young Completes Second Round of the Munros**—That the Parliament sends its congratulations to Quinn Young on becoming the youngest person to complete two rounds of Scotland's Munros; notes that the 12-year-old completed her first round at the age of 10 and has now joined a list of fewer than 500 people who have finished the list twice, following her summit of the Inaccessible Pinnacle, Scotland's most technically challenging Munro; understands that the Munro challenge includes 282 summits and on average takes baggers around 20 years to finish, and wishes Quinn all the best for any future challenges in the Scottish mountains.

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***S6M-17194 Annie Wells: Glasgow Dance School Heading to Hollywood**—That the Parliament congratulates Compass Company Acro & Dance, based in Shettleston, Glasgow, on being selected to represent Scotland at Dance Excellence 2026 in Los Angeles; notes that the prestigious international festival will take place at CityWalk in Universal Studios and will bring together young dancers from over 40 countries; acknowledges that 15 dancers from Compass, aged between eight and 16, will have the opportunity to participate in masterclasses, workshops and competitions led by world-renowned choreographers; recognises the dedication and talent of

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directors, Callie Cowden and Chloe Bennet, whose leadership has helped build the school's success since its founding just three years ago; understands that Compass was recently named Best Dance Group at the 2025 Regional Scottish Business Awards and is now a finalist in the National Scottish Business Awards, and sends its best wishes to the entire Compass team as it prepares for what is described as a once-in-a-lifetime experience representing Glasgow, Shettleston, and Scotland, on the international stage.

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S6M-17139 Neil Bibby: Congratulating Councillor Janis McDonald on her Retirement — That the Parliament congratulates Councillor Janis McDonald on her retirement after working for charities, local authorities and the NHS since 1982; recognises that Janis started her career as a charge nurse at Gartloch Hospital and then joined various specialist services for people affected by alcohol issues within several local authorities; notes that Janis also worked with the Glasgow Homeless Network and managed Renfrewshire Council's Voluntary Service; understands that she then joined DeafScotland in 2014 as chief officer before a merger with ALLIANCE where she worked on the BSL (Scotland) Act 2015 before retiring in March 2025; further understands that in all of Janis's roles throughout her career she has helped members of the public with various difficult issues, and that she will continue to do so in her role as Councillor for the Paisley Northwest Ward in Renfrewshire, and wishes Janis all the best in her retirement as she plans to travel and spend more time with her family.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Monica Lennon*, Carol Mochan*, Colin Beattie*, Jeremy Balfour*, David Torrance*, Bill Kidd*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S6M-17242.3 Liz Smith: UK Government Welfare Reforms (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Roz McCall*

S6M-17236 Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Dionne Maguinness of Airdrie Harriers Athletic Club on an Exceptional Indoor Season (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Audrey Nicoll*, Edward Mountain*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Miles Briggs*, Kevin Stewart*, Stephen Kerr*, Annabelle Ewing*, Martin Whitfield*, Jeremy Balfour*, Evelyn Tweed*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*

S6M-17234 Pam Gosal: Welcoming the Supreme Court's Judgment on the Definition of the Word "Woman" (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Sharon Dowey*, Michelle Thomson*, Rachael Hamilton*

S6M-17233 Michelle Thomson: Martin Stuart Named Community First Aid Champion (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17232 Ruth Maguire: Irvine Sharks Basketball Club Wins Strathclyde League Basketball Association Second Division (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Evelyn Tweed*

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S6M-17231 Ruth Maguire: Irvine Student Awarded Prestigious Scholarship (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17230 Pam Duncan-Glancy: NHSGGC Staff Members and Nursing Teams Named as Finalists in Nurse of the Year Awards (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17229 Gillian Mackay: Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland Locum Psychiatry Survey – Report & Recommendations (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Elena Whitham*

S6M-17228 Stephanie Callaghan: Celebrating AirTV's Success at the National Student Television Association Awards (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17226 Liz Smith: ME Awareness Day 2025 (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Paul Sweeney*, Kevin Stewart*, Beatrice Wishart*, Elena Whitham*, Stephen Kerr*, Roz McCall*, John Mason*, Douglas Lumsden*, Fulton MacGregor*, Miles Briggs*, Alex Rowley*, Sharon Dowe*, Evelyn Tweed*, Tim Eagle*

S6M-17225 Gordon MacDonald: 20th Anniversary of Balerno Farmers Market (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Bill Kidd*, Elena Whitham*, Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17223 Murdo Fraser: New Footpath in Perth Links Local Football Club with Community (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Roz McCall*, Douglas Lumsden*, Fulton MacGregor*, Alex Rowley*, Sharon Dowe*

S6M-17222 Douglas Ross: Celebrating the Success of the Elgin Writers' Group (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Roz McCall*, Douglas Lumsden*, Fulton MacGregor*, Sharon Dowe*

S6M-17220 Craig Hoy: Congratulating The Lennie and the Dunmuir Hotel (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Roz McCall*, Sharon Dowe*

S6M-17218 Annie Wells: The Passing of Paddy Higson the Mother of Scottish Film (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

S6M-17217 Annie Wells: Glasgow Charity Scottish Sports Futures Wins £20,000 Award (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Roz McCall*, Douglas Lumsden*, Fulton MacGregor*, Sharon Dowe*

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[S6M-17215](#) Annie Wells: ScotRail and Network Rail Fundraise £332,000 for Age Scotland (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Roz McCall*, Douglas Lumsden*, Alex Rowley*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-17214](#) Annie Wells: Congratulations to NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Nursing Finalists (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Roz McCall*, Douglas Lumsden*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-17212](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Welcoming the Expansion and Impact of MCR Pathways (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17211](#) Beatrice Wishart: 50 Years of Shetland Islands Council (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Bill Kidd*, Elena Whitham*, Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17210](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating Dundee's Berry Train - Coldsides Playful Nature Trail (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17209](#) Maggie Chapman: Dundee's Breaking the Chains Slavery Trail Resource (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Fulton MacGregor*, Mercedes Villalba*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17208](#) Maggie Chapman: Marking International Workers Memorial Day 2025 (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17207](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Welcoming the Opening of Bellshill Community Garden at Strathclyde Country Park (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17206](#) Richard Leonard: Marking the 10th Anniversary of the Scottish Football Supporters Association (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-17205](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Commending North Lanarkshire's Digital Skills for Life Course (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17202](#) Alexander Burnett: Banchory Academy Pupils' Double Win at North of Scotland Public Speaking Competition (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-17201](#) Annie Wells: Transformation of Glasgow's Historic Rail Bridges (lodged on 16 April 2025)

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New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Sharon Dowe*

[S6M-17199](#) Annie Wells: Princess Royal Opens BAE Shipbuilding Academy in Glasgow
(lodged on 14 April 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-17198](#) Annie Wells: Love and Solidarity Hub Opens in Castlemilk (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Sharon Dowe*

[S6M-17197](#) Annie Wells: Congratulations to Participants of the Glasgow Easter Egg Run 2025 (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Sharon Dowe*

[S6M-17196](#) Annie Wells: City Building Apprentices Fundraise for Glasgow Women's Aid
(lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*, Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Sharon Dowe*

[S6M-17192](#) Stephanie Callaghan: North Lanarkshire Midwives Lead Intergenerational Breastfeeding Initiative (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17191](#) Tess White: Stonehaven Outdoor Pool to Host International Ice Swimming Association GB Championships Winter 2025 (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*, Douglas Lumsden*, Fulton MacGregor*, Alex Rowley*, Sharon Dowe*

[S6M-17190](#) Tess White: Aberdeen International Airport Launches New Krakow Service
(lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*, Fulton MacGregor*, Sharon Dowe*

[S6M-17189](#) Clare Adamson: International Workers' Memorial Day 2025 (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*, Alex Rowley*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17188](#) Tess White: Northfield Academy in Aberdeen Uses the Power of Rugby to Transform Lives (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*, Fulton MacGregor*, Sharon Dowe*

[S6M-17187](#) Marie McNair: Old Kilpatrick Food Parcels Receives King's Award for Voluntary Service (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17186](#) Meghan Gallacher: Best Start New Model of Neonatal Care (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Sharon Dowe*

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[S6M-17185](#) Pam Gosal: Congratulating Scottish Asian Counselling Services (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-17183](#) Foysol Choudhury: Scotland Transplant Active Football Team Competes in European Transplant Football Championship (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Brian Whittle*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-17182](#) Humza Yousaf: Celebrating the Centenary of Drumoyne Bowling Club (lodged on 17 April 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17180](#) Willie Coffey: Ayrshire Acro Gymnastics Perform at British Gymnastic Championships 2025 (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*, Alex Rowley*

[S6M-17179](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Seagate Rotary Club Primary School Quiz (lodged on 17 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17178](#) Ruth Maguire: Kilwinning Primary School Pupils Sustainability Efforts (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17177](#) Stephanie Callaghan: New Macmillan Cancer Therapy Service Opens with Support from Bellshill's Kirby Group Engineering (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17174](#) Colin Beattie: Melville Housing Association's 30th Anniversary (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17173](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating Brick Lane Studios on the Opening of a New Sensory Garden (lodged on 17 April 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*, Alex Rowley*

[S6M-17172](#) Clare Adamson: The Harm of Gambling Addiction (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17171](#) Kevin Stewart: Apache Corporation and ALC (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17170](#) Kevin Stewart: High Grading for Langstane Housing Support Services (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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[S6M-17169](#) Kevin Stewart: Apex Tubulars and the Russell Anderson Foundation (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17168](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulating Diversity Bridge (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17167](#) Paul Sweeney: Exclusion of Marathon from 2026 Commonwealth Games (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*

[S6M-17166](#) Michelle Thomson: NHS Forth Valley Leads on Pioneering Clinical Trials (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17164](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Coatbridge School Pupil, Lily Ferguson, on Her Professional Theatre Debut (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17162](#) Evelyn Tweed: Stirling Sisters Raise Over £20,000 for the Stroke Association (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Alex Rowley*

[S6M-17158](#) Stephen Kerr: Violence Against Teachers and the Need for Urgent Action in Scotland's Schools (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-17147](#) Sarah Boyack: Scottish Youth Parliament's Work on Transport (lodged on 11 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17144](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Holy Cross High School Raises Funds for SCIAF Wee Box Appeal (lodged on 10 April 2025)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17142](#) Clare Adamson: St Bernadette's Motherwell Supports SCIAF (lodged on 10 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17141](#) Clare Adamson: Celebrating the 150th Anniversary of Berryhill Primary School, Craigneuk (lodged on 10 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17140](#) Clare Adamson: Dalziel High School Concert Band's Achievement at the Scottish Concert Band Festival (lodged on 10 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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Motions Gluasadan				

S6M-17136 Clare Adamson: Welcoming the Opening of the Barista Bar at Bothwellpark High School (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17133 Mercedes Villalba: Release of Fire Appliance and Life-saving Equipment to Palestine (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S6M-17130 Liam McArthur: David and Margaret Rendall to Retire After 30 Years of Providing Sanday's Ambulance Service (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17129 Bob Doris: Celebrating the Retirement of Julie McMillan and her Contributions to Glasgow's Youth (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17128 Stephanie Callaghan: Commending Bothwell Futures and Developing the Young Workforce's Employability Programme (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17127 Alexander Stewart: Alloa Firefighters Raise over £1,300 for Breathe Easy Clackmannanshire (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S6M-17126 Willie Coffey: Sir Alexander Fleming - Almost 100 Years Since the Discovery of Penicillin (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S6M-17117 Marie McNair: Clydebank Football Club – West of Scotland Premier Division Champions (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17109 Michelle Thomson: Scotland's School Pipe Bands Lead Tartan Week Celebrations (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17104 Ruth Maguire: Woodland View Hospital Volunteer Shop Fundraising Achievement (lodged on 08 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17103 Katy Clark: Recognition of the State of Palestine (lodged on 08 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17092 Marie McNair: Clydebank Secret Smile Aesthetics Celebrates its 10th Anniversary (lodged on 09 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S6M-17085](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Schoolgirl's Easter Egg Donation (lodged on 07 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17084](#) Ruth Maguire: Dundonald Links Named Scotland's Best Clubhouse (lodged on 07 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17083](#) Ruth Maguire: Optimum Eco Group Supporting Environmentally Responsible Economy (lodged on 07 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17082](#) Ruth Maguire: Tidelines Book Festival, Irvine (lodged on 07 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17081](#) Ruth Maguire: 50th Anniversary of Whitehirst Park Primary School, Kilwinning (lodged on 07 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17079](#) Audrey Nicoll: Robert Gordon University's Research into Faster Endometriosis Diagnosis (lodged on 07 April 2025)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17074](#) Stuart McMillan: Inquiry into Framework Legislation and Henry VIII Powers (lodged on 03 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17073](#) Emma Harper: World Asthma Day 2025 (lodged on 08 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17070](#) Tess White: UK Champion Black Pudding Winner, Steven Bennett from Arbroath (lodged on 15 April 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-17069](#) Murdo Fraser: Perth Museum Attracts More than 250,000 Visitors in its First Year (lodged on 03 April 2025)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17068](#) Beatrice Wishart: Shetlander Connor Leslie Wins Shetland's First National Boccia Medal (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*

[S6M-17063](#) Rachael Hamilton: Free Tree Packs for Schools and Communities (lodged on 03 April 2025)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S6M-17055](#) Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Performing Arts, Light the Blue (lodged on 03 April 2025)

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New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-17020](#) James Dornan: Upholding the Gleneagles Agreement (lodged on 17 April 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-17001](#) Miles Briggs: Teenage and Young Adult Cancer Awareness Month (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16970](#) Willie Coffey: Diversity and Inclusion Champion (lodged on 07 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[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: Evelyn Tweed*

[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: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16957](#) Audrey Nicoll: Marking Andy Hogg's Passing (lodged on 26 March 2025)

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New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16954](#) Karen Adam: Buckie RNLI lifeboat Commitment to Maritime Safety (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16952](#) Elena Whitham: Congratulating Derek Montgomery (lodged on 28 March 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16937](#) Kevin Stewart: The Art and Science of Pharmacy: 100 Years of Charles Michie's (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16933](#) Humza Yousaf: Recognising Maslow's Community Shop, Govan (lodged on 27 March 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16922](#) Clare Adamson: Network Rail and Scottish Football Association Show Trespassing the Red Card (lodged on 26 March 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16920](#) Kenneth Gibson: Marine Conservation Society Publishes 2024 State of our Beaches Report (lodged on 27 March 2025)

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New Support: Elena Whitham*

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

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16818](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Commending Progress to Tackle Drug and Alcohol Harm in North Lanarkshire and Scotland (lodged on 07 April 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-16683](#) Stuart McMillan: Cholangiocarcinoma Awareness Month (lodged on 10 March 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-16510.1](#) Jamie Greene: Calling for a Boycott on Israel's Sporting Participation (lodged on 27 February 2025)

New Support: Douglas Ross*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 30 April 2025

Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic

- 1. Bill Kidd:** [Not Lodged]
- 2. Marie McNair:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting social enterprises. ([S6O-04577](#))
- 3. Michelle Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government what opportunities it has identified to grow Scotland's economy, following Tartan Week 2025. ([S6O-04578](#))
- 4. Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the delivery of the Ayrshire Growth Deal. ([S6O-04579](#))
- 5. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding will be available to help infrastructure projects in south west Scotland. ([S6O-04580](#))
- 6. Roz McCall:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the latest Quarterly Economic Indicator from the Scottish Chambers of Commerce and Fraser of Allander Institute, which reportedly shows a business landscape that is characterised by flatlining demand, stalling investment and labour cost pressures. ([S6O-04581](#))
- 7. Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the implementation of its Green Industrial Strategy, what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the introduction of extended producer responsibility. ([S6O-04582](#))
- 8. Audrey Nicoll:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with stakeholders regarding the Tall Ships Races Aberdeen 2025. ([S6O-04583](#))

Finance and Local Government

- 1. Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government how much East Dunbartonshire Council has spent on PFI contracts in the last year. ([S6O-04584](#))
- 2. Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Aberdeenshire Council regarding the reported financial pressures that it is experiencing. ([S6O-04585](#))
- 3. Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any discussions it has had with the tourism sector and other stakeholders regarding amending the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Act 2024. ([S6O-04586](#))
- 4. Foyso Choudhury:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to allocate additional funding from its Budget 2025-26 to provide further financial support for universities, in light of the University of Edinburgh reporting a financial deficit. ([S6O-04587](#))
- 5. Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with the City of Edinburgh Council regarding the progress of the Edinburgh City Plan 2040. ([S6O-04588](#))
- 6. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the finance secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding a different model for allocating funding to Integration Joint Boards, in light of a recent Accounts Commission report highlighting the unsustainable gaps in their finances. ([S6O-04589](#))

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7. Sue Webber: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the City of Edinburgh Council regarding its allocated budget. ([S6O-04590](#))

8. Bob Doris: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the potential impact on Scotland's public finances as a result of the UK Government increasing employer national insurance contributions. ([S6O-04591](#))

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 01 May 2025

Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

1. James Dornan: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the results of the recent survey on attitudes towards climate change in Scotland. ([S6O-04600](#))

2. Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve public transport connectivity in south west Scotland. ([S6O-04601](#))

3. Elena Whitham: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the measures that it is taking to support households to reduce emissions and energy costs. ([S6O-04602](#))

4. Pam Gosal: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether its 2045 net zero target is still credible. ([S6O-04603](#))

5. Fergus Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the net zero secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding the potential impact on Scotland of the Rosebank and Jackdaw oil and gas developments not proceeding, including on jobs, GDP, tax revenue and funding for public services from the UK Government. ([S6O-04604](#))

6. Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government when it last met CMAL and what issues were discussed. ([S6O-04605](#))

7. Collette Stevenson: To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the number of road accidents involving deer in the Central Belt, including around the East Kilbride constituency, in the last five years. ([S6O-04606](#))

8. Humza Yousaf: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what actions it is taking to help tackle climate debt in the Global South. ([S6O-04607](#))

General Questions selected for answer on 01 May 2025

1. Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to any people in Glasgow who are at risk of losing their mental health support due to the reported reductions announced by the Integration Joint Board. ([S6O-04592](#))

2. Christine Grahame: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with NHS Borders about extending the Hospital at Home provision throughout the Borders. ([S6O-04593](#))

3. Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that Lochgelly Fire Station could lose a fire engine and rope rescue unit. ([S6O-04594](#))

4. Stephanie Callaghan: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide further detail on the approach it is taking to consider the recommendations set out in the report, *Independent Review of Data, Statistics and Research on Sex and Gender*, also known as the Sullivan Review. ([S6O-04595](#))

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5. Clare Adamson: To ask the Scottish Government what support is available to parents, carers and pupils to help with stress during the exam season. ([S6O-04596](#))

6. Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure everyone living and working in Scotland lives in accommodation that meets an adequate standard. ([S6O-04597](#))

7. Emma Roddick: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to support and raise awareness of the health passport scheme for people with a learning disability. ([S6O-04598](#))

8. Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that one in three diagnoses of prostate cancer in Scotland are at stage 4, which is a higher proportion compared with the rest of the UK. ([S6O-04599](#))

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Written Questions

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

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

Government initiated questions lodged on 23 April 2025

S6W-37206 Audrey Nicoll: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress to establish the public inquiry into the investigation of Emma Caldwell's murder.

Written questions lodged on 23 April 2025

S6W-37059 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recently published *Evaluation of Regional Inshore Fisheries Groups* (RIFG), which highlighted that a majority of marine stakeholders believe that the 15-year-old RIFG model is not delivering on its remit, whether it is considering other co-management models, including English IFCA's, and what the reasoning is for its decision.

S6W-37060 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government what the (a) reasoning and (b) supporting evidential basis is for its decision to split the Fisheries Management and Conservation Group (FMAC) into separate commercial fishing and Environmental Non-Governmental Organisations, also known as eNGOs, groupings, and what its position is on how this decision impacts the principle of inclusivity in fisheries management, as set out in the *Scotland's Fisheries Management Strategy 2020-2030*.

S6W-37087 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what instructions it has issued to the Scottish Qualifications Authority regarding the replacement or non-replacement of any compromised qualification materials.

S6W-37091 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it considers the use of Preference Informed Allocation to be an appropriate and effective method of allocating applicants to the Scotland Foundation School as part of the UK Foundation Programme, and what assessment it has made of any potential impact on applicants.

S6W-37096 Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to assess the potential cost impact of any new trade and tariff agreements entered into by the UK Government on decarbonisation efforts in Scotland that are based on using lowest-cost global suppliers.

S6W-37097 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent on Amazon Web Services in each of the last three years.

S6W-37100 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the definition of "natural range" in NatureScot's, *Beaver Management Report - January 2023 to April 2024*, (a) differs from that in the Scottish Code for Conservation Translocations and (b) does not align with the precedent set by the European Commission's 2018 ruling that naturalised populations should be considered "within range" on the River Ebro, Spain.

S6W-37101 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason naturalised beaver populations that arose through illegal release, accidental release or natural dispersion from authorised populations are not considered "within range" by the existing definition of "natural range" for beavers in Scotland.

S6W-37102 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether any consideration has been given to an emergency dental scheme that prioritises dental treatment for vulnerable groups who lack access.

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S6W-37107 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in light of recent reported findings linking untreated hearing loss to a third of dementia cases in older people.

S6W-37108 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will review the current availability and waiting times for NHS hearing aid provision, in light of the reported link between hearing loss and dementia risk.

S6W-37109 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how it will work with the Alzheimer's Society and other organisations to develop integrated strategies addressing both hearing loss and cognitive decline.

S6W-37110 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding any concerns raised by independent schools in Scotland about financial pressures arising from the proposed VAT change.

S6W-37111 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how it proposes to mitigate any knock-on effects of closures or reductions in provision from independent schools on public sector schools, in light of the UK Government's decision to make independent schools liable for VAT.

S6W-37112 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has conducted a full assessment of any administrative and financial risks associated with its plan to mitigate the two-child benefit cap, and, if so, whether it will publish that assessment.

S6W-37113 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the reported assertion that its failure to deliver a sufficient number of affordable homes has directly contributed to rising homelessness and the breach of legal safeguards.

S6W-37114 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many times each local authority has breached its legal duty to provide suitable accommodation for homeless people in the last five years.

S6W-37115 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the finding that average farm income has dropped by more than 50% in 2023-24.

S6W-37116 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what specific support it is providing to lowland cattle and sheep farmers, in light of the 87% drop in average income in 2023-24.

S6W-37117 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the long-term viability of Scotland's livestock sector, in light of the finding that 68% of lowland cattle and sheep farms were operating at a loss in 2023-24.

S6W-37118 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure the financial sustainability of cereal and milk producers, in light of the reported financial losses in those sectors in 2023-24.

S6W-37119 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to NFU Scotland's warning that many farms will not survive without urgent and continued farm support.

S6W-37120 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of farm businesses it estimates are currently operating at a loss, and how that compares with the previous five years.

S6W-37121 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any risks to marine life and environmental sustainability resulting from a lack of Automatic Identification System (AIS) signal visibility in Scottish coastal waters.

S6W-37122 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its strategy is for ensuring that Scotland's coasts remain safe and sustainable, in light of reported evidence showing significant gaps in vessel tracking and monitoring.

S6W-37123 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to (a) partial and (b) total public ownership of offshore wind energy generation to support the offshore wind supply chain.

S6W-37124 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what the total amount generated from ScotWind leasing revenue is.

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S6W-37125 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of ScotWind leasing revenue is designated for capital budgets.

S6W-37126 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of ScotWind leasing revenue is designated for investment in the energy skills passport, skills training, and other education and training.

S6W-37127 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of ScotWind leasing revenue is designated for (a) manufacturing, (b) assembly and (c) ports infrastructure in the offshore wind supply chain.

S6W-37128 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to leveraging (a) private and (b) public investment to support the offshore wind supply chain.

S6W-37130 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what recent analysis it has conducted of the amount of higher education funding per student in Scotland compared with other UK nations, and what steps it will take to close any identified gap.

S6W-37131 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what urgent steps it is taking to address the reported significant shortfall in Professional Graduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) secondary teacher training enrolments for the 2024 intake.

S6W-37132 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason its targets for teacher training enrolments in key subjects such as maths, physics, chemistry and computing in 2024 have reportedly been missed.

S6W-37133 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what evidence it has that the £20,000 teaching bursary scheme is effective in addressing any teacher shortages in STEM and modern language subjects.

S6W-37134 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what additional measures it will introduce to increase recruitment to Professional Graduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) courses in subjects that are reportedly well below the target level, including maths, computing and chemistry.

S6W-37135 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that all public bodies and agencies under its control are subject to meaningful parliamentary scrutiny and accountability.

S6W-37136 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government when universal and equitable access to pulmonary rehabilitation will be available to people living with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and similar conditions, as set out in the Respiratory Care Action Plan 2021-26.

S6W-37137 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how much money it has spent on the implementation of the Respiratory Care Action Plan 2021-26 since its launch.

S6W-37138 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider working with NHS Scotland and NHS boards to ensure that standalone anti-stalking policies are introduced and embedded across the health service, for the protection of staff, volunteers, patients and visitors, in line with the findings and recommendations of the charity, Action Against Stalking.

S6W-37139 Elena Whitham: To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is taking to reduce any barriers for patients with advanced or complex Parkinson's disease to access Scottish Medicines Consortium-approved treatments.

S6W-37140 Elena Whitham: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the availability of Scottish Medicines Consortium-approved therapies for patients with advanced Parkinson's disease.

S6W-37142 Elena Whitham: To ask the Scottish Government whether there are any financial or service constraints that impact on patients with advanced or complex Parkinson's disease accessing Scottish Medicines Consortium-approved treatments.

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S6W-37151 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of any parental disengagement from school behaviour policies on classroom discipline and teacher wellbeing.

S6W-37157 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any potential cost savings and efficiency gains that could result from merging Scotland's NHS boards into regional structures.

S6W-37158 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that only around a quarter of assaults on shop workers in 2023 have resulted in a conviction.

S6W-37159 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether any decrease in police budgets has had an impact on retail crime levels and worker safety.

S6W-37163 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns that rural nursery closures will force families to travel long distances or give up work due to a lack of childcare.

S6W-37164 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many nurseries have been mothballed or closed since 2020.

S6W-37165 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many nurseries are projected to close over the next academic year.

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New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New Bills introduced or reprinted on 23 April 2025

Greyhound Racing (Offences) (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision prohibiting the racing of greyhounds on racetracks. (SP Bill 65) (Member's Bill)

Introduced by: Mark Ruskell

Explanatory Notes (SP Bill 65–EN), a Financial Memorandum (SP Bill 65–FM), a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 65–PM), a Delegated Powers Memorandum (SP Bill 65–DPM) and Statements on Legislative Competence (SP Bill 65–LC) were published to accompany the Bill.

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Amendments

Amendments to Bills lodged on 23 April 2025

Housing (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee Daily List

Section 1

Carol Mochan

480 In section 1, page 2, line 11, at end insert—

<() Regulations under subsection (4) may not specify a time period or date exceeding 5 years beginning with the day following the end of the reporting period relating to the local authority's previous report under subsection (1).>

Section 15

Carol Mochan

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

<(5A) Where a local authority issues a request under subsection (1), the local authority must provide the tenant with a copy of the information provided by the landlord in response to the request.

(5B) If the tenant considers the information provided by the landlord in response to a request under subsection (1) to be false in a material way, the tenant may—

- (a) provide some or all of the information mentioned in subsection (2) to the local authority,
- (b) request that the local authority gives a notice under section 17(1).

(5C) Where a tenant provides information under subsection (5B)(a), the local authority may request from the tenant evidence of the accuracy of that information.>

Carol Mochan

482 In section 15, page 11, line 3, leave out <or remove>

Section 16

Carol Mochan

483 In section 16, page 11, line 10, leave out <may> and insert <must>

Carol Mochan

484 In section 16, page 11, line 39, at end insert—

<() If the landlord does not provide the local authority with the information sought within 28 days of an order being made under subsection (6), the First-tier Tribunal must make another order under subsection (5).>

Section 17

Carol Mochan

485 In section 17, page 12, line 5, leave out <may> and insert <must>

Carol Mochan

486 In section 17, page 12, line 27, at end insert—

- <(5A) In making an order under subsection (5), the First-tier Tribunal may, if it considers it to be appropriate, order the landlord to provide any information requested by the local authority under section 15(1).
- (5B) If the landlord does not provide the local authority with information which it considers not to be false in a material way within 28 days of an order being made under subsection (5A), the First-tier Tribunal must make another order under subsection (5).>

Section 24

Meghan Gallacher

487 In section 24, page 28, line 29, at end insert—

- <(za) where the landlord is the Church of Scotland, that the let property is required for use in connection with the purposes of a religion,>

After section 37

Mark Griffin

488 *In substitution for amendment 453*

After section 37, insert—

<Registration of landlords

Registration of landlords: entry on register

- (1) The Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 83 (application for registration), in subsection (1)—
 - (a) in paragraph (ca), the word “and” immediately following that paragraph is repealed,
 - (b) after paragraph (ca), insert—
 - “(cb) the following information—
 - (i) the classification of the property as defined by the Scottish Assessors Association,
 - (ii) the number of habitable bedrooms and bathrooms, including en-suite and separate WC facilities,
 - (iii) the type of heating and hot water system installed, including whether powered by gas, electricity, or renewable energy sources,
 - (iv) details of any structural alterations, extensions, significant repairs or renewals to the property during the landlord’s period of ownership,

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- (v) details of any repairs, maintenance, or improvements carried out within the past 5 years,
- (vi) the most recent Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) rating for the property,
- (vii) any known issues affecting the property which may materially impact health, safety, or habitability, including (but not limited to) damp, subsidence, asbestos, or prior flooding,
- (viii) the presence, type, and location of smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, including whether they comply with the tolerable standard as set out in the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987,
- (ix) whether the property complies with the repairing standard under section 13 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006,
- (x) whether a valid Electrical Installation Condition Report (EICR) has been undertaken in accordance with the Housing (Scotland) Act 2014,
- (xi) a description of any shared facilities or common areas accessible to the tenant, including but not limited to laundry areas, stairwells, bin storage, and gardens, along with any maintenance responsibilities or restrictions associated with such use,
- (xii) whether the landlord holds current landlord insurance, buildings insurance, or contents insurance for the property,
- (xiii) whether the property is subject to any legal or planning restrictions, including listed building status, conservation area designation, leasehold conditions, or any requirement to obtain consent to rent,
- (xiv) a description of any adaptations made to improve accessibility for disabled persons,
- (xv) information on utility services connected to the property, including the availability of broadband internet and the typical connection speed.”.>

After section 38

Ariane Burgess

489 After section 38, insert—

<Landlord repairs: First-tier Tribunal

Landlord repairs: First-tier Tribunal

- (1) The Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 is modified as follows.
- (2) In schedule 2 (the First-tier Tribunal: procedure etc), after paragraph 4 insert—
 - “*Duty to consult competent person*
 - 4A(1) The First-tier Tribunal may, where the application relates to the standard of repair mentioned in section 13(1)(a) or (h), in particular whether the property is substantially free from rising or penetrating damp, consult an independent competent person.
 - (2) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision about the type of expertise that an independent competent person must have for the purposes of

sub-paragraph (1).”.>

After section 51

Daniel Johnson

490 After section 51, insert—

<Access to tenements: utility companies

Access to tenements: utility companies

- (1) The Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 17 (access for maintenance and other purposes) insert—

“17A Access by utility companies

An owner or occupier of a property in a tenement building must take steps (including, where necessary, notifying other owners and occupiers) to ensure that utility companies have access to any common part of the tenement building for the purposes of maintenance, repair or installation work.”.>

New Subordinate Legislation

Document subject to parliamentary control

The following Document was laid before the Parliament on 23 April 2025 and is subject to parliamentary control—

[SPSO Statement of Complaints Handling Principles](#)

Laid under section 16A of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

Progress of Legislation

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

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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)), 22 April 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

After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 22 April 2025

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

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Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 2 April 2025

Lead committee – Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice

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)

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)), 23 April 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (26th Report, 2025)

Education (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 2) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 30 April 2025

Amendments from section 2 onwards should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 24 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.

Greyhound Racing (Offences) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 23 April 2025

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), 6 May 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 Tuesday 29 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
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Leases (Automatic Continuation etc.) (Scotland) Bill (G)

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

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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

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 (24th Report, 2025)

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

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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 completed, 2 April 2025

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

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Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 27 March 2025

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

Lodged on 12 March 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 22 April 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 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) (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

Meeting (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 22 April 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

Lead committee – Social Justice and Social Security

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)

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

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

Lead committee – Health, Social Care and Sport

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

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[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

[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)

Document subject to parliamentary control

[SPSO Statement Complaint Handling Principles](#) (23 April 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 23 April 2025—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 26th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Delegated powers in the Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 (SP Paper 771)

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee, 6th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee report on the Environmental Authorisations (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SP Paper 772)

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 23 April 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

City of Glasgow College Annual Report and Accounts 2023-24 (SG/2025/48) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Glasgow Clyde College Annual Report and Financial Statements for Year Ending 31 July 2024 (SG/2025/54) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Glasgow Colleges Regional Board Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements 2023-24 (SG/2025/55)

Glasgow Kelvin College Annual Report & Financial Statements 2023-2024 (SG/2025/56) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

HM Fire Service Inspectorate in Scotland - The Chief Inspector's Plan 2025-2028 (SG/2025/83) laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power

North East Scotland College Financial Statements for the year to 31 July 2024 (SG/2025/59) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

UHI Moray Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2024 (SG/2025/58) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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