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Business Bulletin

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Royal Assent

The Education (Scotland) Act 2025 received Royal Assent on 6 August 2025.

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Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 25 June 2025

Tuesday 2 September 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 3 September 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 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 4 September 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Government Business

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5:00 pm Decision Time

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Wednesday 10 September 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

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11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice and Housing

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Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

*S6M-18469 Emma Roddick: Growing2Gether Programme Success—That the Parliament congratulates the charity, Growing2Gether, on what it sees as its successful programme aimed at helping young people who face various challenges by pairing young adults with toddlers to mentor; understands that participants and facilitators have reported a significant shift in young people's confidence and gaining of skills, helping to improve wellbeing; acknowledges the reported overall positive and successful work of this charity in partnering with 15 schools in Scotland, including 12 in the Highlands and Islands region; applauds the over 2,000 young people who have been paired with 2,200 toddlers over a seven-year period across the Highlands on their efforts; considers it important to provide opportunities for children and young people who face challenges with poverty, mental health or trauma to develop skills and confidence in themselves, and notes the view that the Scottish Government should consider how it can best support this kind of work moving forward.

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

*S6M-18494 Craig Hoy: Concern over Stage Three Escalation for NHS Dumfries and Galloway—That the Parliament notes with concern the reported escalation of NHS Dumfries and Galloway to stage three of the NHS Scotland Support and Intervention Framework, following confirmation of a significant budget deficit and a substantial savings requirement; considers that this escalation reflects ongoing financial instability, which risks undermining the delivery of essential health services across the region; understands that the NHS board is under pressure to make large-scale savings while maintaining patient care and service availability; notes what it sees as the particular challenges that rural NHS boards face, including reported workforce shortages, higher delivery costs and dispersed populations; believes that these challenges are not adequately addressed by the current NHS Resource Allocation Committee (NRAC) funding formula; calls on the Scottish Government to ensure full engagement with staff, patients and local communities in

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shaping solutions, and urges the Scottish Ministers to bring forward a clear timetable for reviewing and reforming the NRAC formula to ensure fairer funding for rural areas.

*S6M-18493 Craig Hoy: Welcoming National Lottery Community Fund Award to Castle Loch Lochmaben Community Trust—That the Parliament welcomes the award of £20,000 over two years from the National Lottery Community Fund to the Castle Loch Lochmaben Community Trust, as announced by its chair, Douglas Fountain; acknowledges that this funding, which will support staff and core operational costs, will help sustain the trust's stewardship of Castle Loch; notes that Castle Loch is one of Scotland's earliest local nature reserves and a site of international importance for its birdlife; further notes that it holds multiple designations, which include Site of Special Scientific Interest, Ramsar site and Special Protection Area, and recognises the value of this funding in supporting the preservation, accessibility and enjoyment of this unique asset for the local community and visitors.

*S6M-18492 Craig Hoy: Congratulating Patrick Bayley—That the Parliament congratulates Patrick Bayley, aged 22 and from Dunbar, on successfully completing The Pinnacle, run by the Outward Bound Trust; notes that the 19-day expedition took participants through the Scottish Highlands, where they faced extreme weather, climbed mountains, canoed, and camped in remote terrain; recognises the determination, resilience and teamwork shown by Patrick and his group throughout the course, which was designed to push young people beyond their comfort zone and to build confidence and character; welcomes the involvement of polar explorer Preet Chandi, who inspired participants by sharing her own story of overcoming challenges, and commends the Outward Bound Trust for its work supporting over 25,000 young people each year to build self-belief, resilience and ambition through outdoor learning.

*S6M-18491 Craig Hoy: Recognising Blair Murray and Annandale and Eskdale RDA—That the Parliament recognises Blair Murray, from Kirtlebridge, for presenting a cheque for £1,050 to Annandale and Eskdale Riding for the Disabled Association (RDA) in memory of his late father, Roy Murray; understands that RDA provides life-changing experiences for disabled children and adults across the UK through riding, vaulting and driving; further understands that Roy was a well-known and respected businessman in the area, and that his funeral raised significant funds for local charities, including RDA; appreciates the generosity and community spirit shown by the Murray family, and commits to supporting the valuable work of organisations such as RDA in improving lives and promoting inclusion.

*S6M-18490 Annie Wells: A Global Gathering of Piping Excellence—That the Parliament congratulates all those taking part in the World Pipe Band Championships 2025, which is taking place on 15-16 August at Glasgow Green, marking the 77th time that this prestigious international event has been staged in the city; believes that the championships are the pinnacle of the piping and drumming calendar, bringing together 207 bands from 15 countries, from Australia and New Zealand to Oman and Zimbabwe, with competitors ranging from novice juveniles to seasoned seniors in their seventies; understands that the 2025 event introduces a dedicated youth competition involving more than 1,540 under-18s, showcasing the next generation of talent and offering them a unique opportunity to perform on the Worlds stage; acknowledges the commitment, skill, and passion of every piper, drummer, organiser, and volunteer, whose efforts ensure that this is a truly world-class event; commends the Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association, Glasgow Life, EventScotland, and all partners for promoting Scotland's rich musical heritage, boosting tourism, and enhancing Scotland's cultural profile worldwide, and celebrates the role of the championships in uniting communities from across the globe, fostering friendship and cultural exchange through the shared love of piping and drumming.

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*S6M-18489 Emma Roddick: Juniper Rewilding Project in Dundreggan Recognised as Gene Conservation Unit—That the Parliament notes the recent award of Gene Conservation Unit to a juniper forest rewilding project by Trees for Life in Dundreggan, near Loch Ness; understands that this European award is a UK first and that it aims to protect and improve the significant diversity of the area; recognises that the award now connects the 10,000-acre forest to a system of managed and genetically significant sites across Europe, and congratulates Trees for Life's Dundreggan estate manager, Gwen Raes, and the rest of the team on the estate, on gaining this international recognition.

*S6M-18488 Clare Adamson: Commending Rosa Zambonini and Her Children for Fundraising Walk for Lanarkshire Deaf Club—That the Parliament congratulates Rosa Zambonini and her two toddlers on their fantastic achievement of completing a 3.5-mile walk around Strathclyde Park in Motherwell to raise funds for the Lanarkshire Deaf Club; recognises that Rosa and her children raised an impressive £800 to support the vital work of the club, which provides a sense of community, communication support, and opportunities for deaf individuals and families across Motherwell and Wishaw; commends Rosa for setting a positive example of community spirit and inclusivity, and encourages others to take inspiration from her efforts to support organisations making a real difference to people's lives.

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*S6M-18487 Clare Adamson: Congratulations to Martin Daly on Reaching Semi-finals of UK's Top Tradesperson—That the Parliament congratulates Martin Daly, of MD Builders Ltd, on reaching the semi-final of the Screwfix Top Tradesperson 2025 competition; notes that Martin has worked in the building trade for 13 years and has built a strong reputation for quality craftsmanship and dedication; recognises that Screwfix's competition, now in its 16th year, celebrates outstanding talent across the UK and Ireland's trade industry; notes that reaching this stage is a significant achievement, given the high calibre of applicants from across the country, and wishes Martin continued success in the competition and in his business.

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*S6M-18486 Michelle Thomson: Falkirk East Groups Recipients of Asda Foundation Grants—That the Parliament congratulates the Falkirk East constituency-based groups that were awarded grant funding via the Asda Foundation; recognises that, in line with its commitment to make the communities surrounding their stores a better place to live for colleagues and customers, Asda established this charitable foundation to provide a range of grants to causes; notes that each project that receives support from the Asda Foundation is nominated by the people and communities directly, with grants being open to a variety of groups that help communities address particular challenges, such as the cost of living and groups seeking to improve the lives and outcomes for children and young people; celebrates that Polmont Together received £2,500, the Boys' Brigade Falkirk and District Battalion was awarded £1,000, the Grangemouth Sea Cadet Unit was awarded £1,000, the KLSB Community Group was given £1,000, the Friends of Inchyra Park was awarded £600 and Larbert FC 2009 received £500; understands that these grants were provided with support from Asda's Grangemouth and Stenhousemuir dedicated Community Champions; congratulates all recipients of Asda Foundation grants, and wishes them well as they deliver their respective projects.

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*S6M-18485 Annie Wells: Supporting Young Creatives from Disadvantaged Areas—That the Parliament congratulates the University of Glasgow, its partners, and the young participants of the Create, Make and Innovate Filmmaking Summer School on successfully delivering a programme that provided young people from disadvantaged areas, such as Castlemilk, Drumchapel, Easterhouse and Govan, with valuable skills in creative arts and filmmaking; notes that approximately 20 young participants gained hands-on experience in camera operation, filming, editing, graffiti painting, sound, special effects, and creative entrepreneurship, while also being introduced to university life and career opportunities in the creative industries; recognises what it sees as the important role played by the University of Glasgow's School of Culture and Creative Arts, alongside partners including GMAC, SWG3, Community Transport Glasgow, Music Broth, and The Clutha Trust, in providing an inclusive, supportive, and innovative learning environment; understands the significance of such programmes in breaking down barriers to participation in the creative industries and building confidence and ambition among young people who may face social or economic disadvantages; acknowledges the critical funding support from the university's Innovation Cluster Development Fund, the Scottish Funding Council's University Innovation Fund, and the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, which enabled the pilot project to explore sustainable community engagement through creative education, and notes what it sees as the positive impact that creative arts education and entrepreneurship programmes have on social inclusion, community development, and long-term economic regeneration.

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*S6M-18484 Annie Wells: Glasgow's New Peace Garden: A Living Symbol of Resilience and Remembrance—That the Parliament congratulates all those involved in the creation of the new Peace Garden at the Botanic Gardens in Glasgow; notes that the garden opened on 6 August 2025 to mark the 80th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and to commemorate Victory over Japan (VJ) Day and the end of the Second World War; recognises what it considers to be the powerful symbolism of planting seeds from ginkgo trees that survived the atomic bombing, as part of the global Mayors for Peace initiative; commends the thoughtful and creative contributions of pupils from St Charles and North Kelvinside primary schools, who helped to design elements of the garden and produced artwork and essays reflecting on the themes of peace, remembrance and resilience, many of which were featured in a digital exhibition to mark the launch; celebrates the work of the Botanic Gardens' curator Hiro Shimai, whose personal and professional connections to Hiroshima add further poignancy to the project, and welcomes what it sees as an important addition to Glasgow's cultural and educational landscape, which serves as a living tribute to the survivors of war and a reminder of the enduring hope for a more peaceful future.

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*S6M-18483 Annie Wells: St Enoch Centre Champions Team Scotland at the Homeless World Cup—That the Parliament congratulates the St Enoch Centre in Glasgow on its contribution of £2,000 to support Team Scotland in the 20th edition of the Homeless World Cup, which will take place in Oslo; notes that the donation was raised through customer contributions, internal fundraising and a direct donation from the Centre; understands that this will help to cover the costs of flights, accommodation and kits for the team, which is made up of players supported by Street Soccer Scotland; further understands that Street Soccer Scotland is a non-profit

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organisation offering free weekly football sessions and football-themed education to vulnerable adults and young people; acknowledges what it sees as the powerful role that sport can play in tackling social isolation and improving the wellbeing, confidence and self-esteem of people affected by homelessness, and commends both the St Enoch Centre and Street Soccer Scotland for their continued efforts to create positive, life-changing opportunities for some of Scotland's most marginalised individuals.

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*S6M-18482 Jackie Dunbar: Asda Foundation Grant for The Living Well Project—That the Parliament congratulates the Living Well Project on receiving a £1,000 grant from the Asda Foundation; understands that the grant was awarded through the Asda stores at Dyce and Middleton Park, with this project having been nominated by the people and communities that these stores serve; acknowledges the ongoing support provided by the Living Well Project to vulnerable people throughout Aberdeen; commends the project's dementia cafes, which aim to provide a safe and welcoming space for some of the most vulnerable in society; recognises the admirable work undertaken by the project's volunteer force in staffing these cafes and providing what it sees as an invaluable service for the area, and welcomes the continued funding provided by the Asda Foundation for third sector organisations.

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*S6M-18481 Jackie Dunbar: Asda Foundation Grant for Bridge of Don Men's Shed—That the Parliament congratulates Bridge of Don Men's Shed on receiving a £2,000 grant from the Asda Foundation; understands that the grant was awarded through the Asda stores at Dyce and Middleton Park, with this project having been nominated by the people and communities that these stores serve; commends the continuing work of the Bridge of Don's Men Shed in supporting men's mental health through community-based initiatives, such as its monthly Producers' Market, which is held at the Gordon Barracks; recognises the work of the organisation's dedicated volunteers in providing an open space for the benefit of the community, and welcomes the continued funding provided by the Asda Foundation for third sector organisations.

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*S6M-18480 Alexander Stewart: Asda Foundation Grants via Asda Alloa—That the Parliament is delighted at the news that Asda Alloa is amongst six Asda stores in the Mid Scotland and Fife region to have been awarded funding for local groups; believes that Wimpy Park Community Group is to receive £2,000, Scots Recovery from Childhood Abuse (SRFCA) is to receive £1,788 and Ochil Youths Community Improvement (OYCI) is to receive £1,000; understands that this funding was awarded by the Asda Foundation, which is the retailer's charitable company that provides grants to a range of good causes in Scotland; notes that each project that the stores support is nominated by the local areas' people and communities; understands that this funding was part of a larger tranche for six Asda stores in Mid Scotland and Fife and that a total of 15 groups received monies from an initial award of £18,149; congratulates Wimpy Park Community Group, SRFCA and OYCI on their awards; commends them all for what it

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sees as their extremely magnanimous community endeavours, and further commends the Asda Foundation for what it sees as its equally magnanimous community work.

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*S6M-18479 Clare Adamson: Recognition of Asda Foundation Grants Supporting Local Groups Across Motherwell and Wishaw—That the Parliament commends the Asda Foundation for its continued commitment to supporting local communities through charitable giving; recognises the valuable role played by community champions at the Asda stores in Motherwell and Newmains in facilitating grant support for local groups; welcomes the recent award of grants to five local organisations, including £500 to the 24th Motherwell Boys' Brigade, £1,000 to the Lanarkshire Deaf Hub, £990 to You Are My Sunshine (YAMS), £532 to the Parent Council of Coltness High School, and £1,000 to Pathway Church; acknowledges the positive impact of these grants in addressing the rising cost of living and supporting children and young people, especially during school holidays, and congratulates all the recipients on their successful applications and ongoing contributions to community wellbeing.

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*S6M-18478 Beatrice Wishart: Celebrating the Reopening of the Fair Isle Bird Observatory —That the Parliament celebrates the reopening of the Fair Isle Bird Observatory, in Fair Isle, Shetland, six years after a fire totally destroyed the original wooden building; understands that the internationally renowned bird observatory burned down in March 2019 and that it has been rebuilt with assistance from donations from bird watchers around the world and grants from Highlands and Islands Enterprise, the Scottish and UK governments and Shetland Islands Council; further understands that the rebuild has faced challenges, including the logistics of shipping prefabricated modules to Fair Isle; believes that the successful rebuilding is a testament to the dedication of the observatory team and congratulates all at the charity on this milestone; recognises the importance of the observatory for Fair Isle's economy and community; notes that Fair Isle is considered one of the best places in Europe to see migrating birds; further notes that the observatory attracts hundreds of visitors to stay in the guest house every year, with visitors having the opportunity to learn about wildlife, see wardens ringing the birds, and look out for rare birds passing through during migration, and wishes all at the Fair Isle Bird Observatory a successful summer season.

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*S6M-18477 Martin Whitfield: Wampis Nation Representatives Visit to Scotland—That the Parliament welcomes the recent visit to Scotland by representatives of the Autonomous Territorial Government of the Wampis Nation in Peru; notes the publication of a position paper on protecting and realising the human rights of indigenous peoples, Afro-descendant peoples and other communities in the context of business and human rights; understands that this paper makes a variety of recommendations to the UK Government; notes that it outlines some of the shared experiences of the types of human rights and environmental harms that are commonly linked to business activities; believes that it also sets out some of the UK's international human rights law obligations and arguments for a UK corporate accountability law; notes that it suggests a need for

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increased direct funding as an essential form of support that the UK Government can provide to indigenous peoples, Afro-descendant peoples and other communities; recognises that it makes recommendations for the UK Government, which are aimed at ensuring a holistic, human rights-based approach across UK diplomacy, policies, laws, strategies and official development assistance, and welcomes the paper's contribution to discussions on enhancing human rights protection for indigenous peoples, Afro-descendant peoples and other communities, including representatives from the Wampis Nation, the region of Maria la Baja and Indigenous Resguardo Canamomo y Lomaprieta in Colombia, and Liberia and Indonesia, who contributed to its development.

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*S6M-18476 Christine Grahame: Recognition of the Great Tapestry of Scotland Visitor Centre in Tripadvisor Travellers' Choice Awards 2025—That the Parliament congratulates the team at the Great Tapestry of Scotland Visitor Centre in Galashiels on being named among the top 10% of visitor attractions worldwide for the second consecutive year in the Tripadvisor Travellers' Choice Awards 2025; acknowledges what it sees as the dedication, creativity and passion of the small team behind the centre, whose commitment to delivering a consistently five-star visitor experience has earned international acclaim; recognises the vital role played by the local community in supporting and contributing to the centre's ongoing success; believes that the centre has importance as a cultural and tourism landmark in the Scottish Borders, and celebrates what it considers is its growing global reputation as a welcoming, inclusive and inspiring attraction at the heart of Galashiels.

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*S6M-18475 Mark Griffin: Support for Shared Parenting Scotland's Work with Separated Families and Veterans—That the Parliament recognises the ongoing work of Shared Parenting Scotland, which is a leading national charity supporting separated parents when raising children; acknowledges the development and delivery of its New Ways for Families programme, which focuses on helping parents acquire the skills of emotion management, flexible thinking and behaviour moderation in the interests of reducing conflict and making child-centred decisions; notes the contribution of its Love, Loss and Living programme, which offers further support to parents dealing with separation and the emotional impact of disrupted family life; welcomes the charity's specific outreach to veterans and serving military personnel in recent years, including in the Central Scotland region, offering free opportunities for participation in these programmes as part of its post-service, or family, support; understands that separation, child contact, and shared parenting arrangements are often significant and recurring issues affecting people who serve or have served in the armed forces; considers that the charity's work contributes to fulfilling Article 9 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, which upholds the child's right to maintain contact with both parents, where this is in their best interests, and commends Shared Parenting Scotland for expanding its reach to meet the complex needs of separated families, including those with military backgrounds, with programmes that prioritise children's wellbeing and the value of cooperative parenting across households.

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*S6M-18474 Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Learning Disability Forum—That the Parliament is enthused that an important event for people with learning disabilities is set to take place in Alloa; understands that the Clackmannanshire Learning Disability Forum is being

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organised by People First Scotland's Clackmannanshire members and will take place on 28 August 2025 at the Hawkhill Community Centre; further understands that the forum aims to bring people with learning disabilities, and other interested parties, together to talk about topics such as health and social care support, the impact of the new benefits system, access to support services in the community and the functionality of public transport systems; notes that the event will also look at the support and services available to people with learning disabilities; believes that the work being carried out at the forum hopes to raise awareness and encourage discussions about the challenges that can be being faced by people in Clackmannanshire with learning disabilities; commends People First Scotland's Clackmannanshire members for arranging this event, and wishes everyone involved all the very best for the forum's ultimate success.

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*S6M-18473 Alexander Stewart: First Aid-Themed Drop-in Sessions at Sauchie Hall—That the Parliament is enthused by a recent first aid drop-in session at Sauchie Hall, Mar Place, Alloa, with more than 50 local parents and children taking part in a fun event that was designed to build confidence regarding basic first aid; understands that the session was run by Mums the Word, which is a community group dedicated to supporting families across Clackmannanshire; believes that the event was held with the support of Active8, which is a charity run in Clackmannanshire by volunteers to address the health and wellbeing needs of residents, both young and old; understands that the event was held in a relaxed and playful environment, where families could learn together in a way that felt safe and friendly; considers that, alongside special quests from Saline First Responders who led the interactive demonstrations on CPR and how to respond to choking, this event was said to very much help to inform parents, many of whom said that they often felt too anxious to attend formal first aid courses; notes that the children took part in a range of themed activities, including the bandaging of teddies, dressing up as medical professionals, coaching on how to "wash away the germs" and even a Peppa Pig 999 call station; believes that these creative activities helped to introduce important life skills in a way that was easily understood by the children; acknowledges that the event was part of Mums the Word's ongoing series of free weekly drop-in sessions, which are held every Monday from 9:30 to 11:30am at Sauchie Hall; believes that the charity aims to continue to grow as a trusted group in Clackmannanshire in which families can feel supported, meet others and know that they are not alone: commends everyone involved, and wishes Mums the Word, Active8, Saline First Responders and all of the parents and children, continued success with their events.

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*S6M-18472 Alexander Stewart: Harviestoun Brewery Pop-Up Night Returns—That the Parliament welcomes the news that a local brewery is set to welcome the public for another night of beer, street food, and community goodwill; understands that Harviestoun Brewery in Alva will host its latest pop-up night on 29 August 2025 at Alva's Hillfoots Business Village, continuing its monthly series of relaxed, family-friendly and supervised events; believes that these open evenings have become an excellent way for the business to connect with the local community and to encourage the goodwill and wellbeing that exist in communities right across the Wee County; further believes that this is also an ideal opportunity for local catering businesses to showcase their own products, such as fresh street food by Streat Scullery and handcrafted ice cream by Milk & Honey, as well as a selection of beer products by Harviestoun, including seasonal brews;

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commends the businesses and entrepreneurs for this event of community goodwill, and wishes everyone involved all the very best for a highly successful evening.

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*S6M-18471 Liam Kerr: Blether in Cults Chosen as Second Best Café in Britain in Study by Pens.com—That the Parliament commends Blether, a café on North Deeside Road in Cults, Aberdeen, for being crowned second best café in Britain in a study by Pens.com; understands that the study analysed Tripadvisor reviews and ratings of more than 4,000 cafés located in the most populated cities in the UK; acknowledges that cafés were scored according to their review and rating counts; recognises that Blether's high score is a testament to what it sees as the excellent customer service, atmosphere, and food and drinks that it offers; celebrates the positive impact that receiving the title has had on Blether, with more people visiting the café; applauds the work of owner Dawn Forrest, who has managed Blether with her husband Alan since 2019, and has placed the local community at the heart of the business, and wishes Dawn, Alan and the team at Blether all the very best for the future.

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*S6M-18470 Neil Bibby: 50th Anniversary of BBC Scotland's Sportscene—That the Parliament celebrates 50 years of BBC Scotland's *Sportscene*; recognises that the programme first broadcast on 9 August 1975 on BBC One Scotland; notes that *Sportscene* now provides content on BBC One Scotland, the BBC Scotland channel, BBC iPlayer and online; understands that the programme brings the big games and the big names from across men's and women's Scottish football, providing news, highlights, analysis and action; welcomes the range of coverage that the programme offers, including Scottish Championship football, Scottish Cup finals for men, women and youth football, international matches for Scotland's men and women's national teams, the Scottish Women's Premier League and Scottish Premiership highlights; recognises what it sees as the importance of Scotland's international matches now being available to view free-to-air on the BBC; acknowledges the contribution that it believes the programme has made to Scottish football, and wishes BBC Scotland's *Sportscene* continued success bringing audiences together.

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*S6M-18468 Emma Harper: ArtsD&G Relaunch New Vision for Dumfries and Galloway—That the Parliament congratulates ArtsD&G on its relaunch; notes that ArtsD&G was formally known as the Dumfries and Galloway Arts Festival; believes that the new name, ArtsD&G, will see a shift from a traditional festival to an ongoing cultural movement; understands that the new year-round events programme aims to capture theatre, dance, music, comedy, spoken word and performances; believes that the rebranding denotes a brave step forward for creativity in Dumfries and Galloway, which will provide a platform to celebrate the wide ranging and excellent talent across the community, so that residents and visitors can engage with high-quality arts experiences; acknowledges that this regeneration has been made possible with the support from Creative Scotland, which awarded multi-year funding to continue to bring in the new generation, along with other sponsors, Holywood Trust, Dumfries and Galloway Council, William Grant

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Foundation, ANCBC, The People's Project, D&G Developing the Young Workforce, Alba Printers, Dumfries and Galloway Life, Alive Radio, Youngstart – The National Lottery Community Fund and D&G What's Going On, and wishes ArtsD&G all the best in its future programmes, events and performances.

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*S6M-18467 Clare Adamson: Congratulations to Friends of Hartwood Paupers Cemetery on Being Awarded Funding for the Voices from the Grave Project—That the Parliament congratulates the group, Friends of Hartwood Paupers Cemetery, in Hartwood, on being awarded funding from the North Lanarkshire Environmental Key Fund to deliver the innovative project, Voices from the Grave, in partnership with the Lanarkshire Songwriters Group; understands that this project will include providing songwriting lessons to local school pupils and delivering entertainment and cultural engagement opportunities for the wider community; notes that the cemetery holds the remains of 1,255 former hospital patients from Motherwell and Wishaw, across Scotland, and from around the world, reflecting the rich and diverse history of the area; recognises the important role that the group plays in preserving and promoting awareness of the cemetery's heritage and mental health, with volunteers coming from across the local area and further afield; applauds the groups' commitment to combining community education, artistic expression and heritage preservation, and encourages ongoing support for initiatives that connect local history with contemporary culture, fostering a sense of identity and community pride. R

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*S6M-18466 Clare Adamson: Celebrating Ponies Help Children's 10th Anniversary—That the Parliament congratulates Ponies Help Children on celebrating its 10th anniversary; recognises what it sees as the vital and compassionate work carried out by this charity in rescuing ponies and horses, providing them with care, rehabilitation and loving new homes; believes that these rescued animals have a powerful and positive impact on children and young people across Lanarkshire, including Motherwell and Wishaw, who might face a range of personal, emotional and social barriers; considers that, through equine-assisted activities and therapy, Ponies Help Children supports the mental health and wellbeing of vulnerable young people by fostering confidence, resilience and mindfulness; commends the charity's innovative and inclusive approach in creating safe and nurturing environments in which children can develop meaningful connections with the ponies, which in turn can help promote emotional healing and personal growth; appreciates the dedication and hard work of all staff, volunteers and supporters who have contributed to the charity's success over the past decade, and encourages continued recognition and support for Ponies Help Children, and similar organisations that use animal-assisted interventions to enrich the lives of young people and strengthen communities.

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*S6M-18465 Clare Adamson: Stage Skool Students from Motherwell Performing at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe—That the Parliament congratulates the young performing arts students from Stage Skool in Motherwell on their opportunity to perform at the 2025 Edinburgh Festival Fringe; believes that, from 4 to 9 August at the Space @ Surgeons' Hall, this talented group are presenting *Disney's Newsies Jr*, which is a stage adaptation of the movie and Broadway

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musical, telling the story of the 1899 newsboys' strike in New York; recognises that Stage Skool has bases in Motherwell and Bathgate, offering performing arts training to young people aged eight to 16; notes that students from both locations come together over the summer to take part in Stage Skool Live, an intensive theatre programme where they work with professional directors, choreographers and musical coaches to stage a full-scale production; applauds the dedication and hard work of these young performers as they prepare to showcase their talents at one of the world's most prestigious cultural festivals, and wishes them every success in their Edinburgh performances. **R**

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S6M-18464 Clare Adamson: Recognition of North Lanarkshire Archives with National Award—That the Parliament congratulates North Lanarkshire Archives on officially meeting the UK standard for managing and sharing historical records, as confirmed by the Archive Service Accreditation Panel; notes that the Archives, including what it sees as a significant collection held in Motherwell, contain important documents dating from the 1500s to the present day, preserving a rich and diverse history; recognises that the Archive Service Accreditation is supported by key organisations, including the National Records of Scotland, the National Archives, the Scottish Council on Archives and the Welsh Government; commends the Archive staff for their dedication to maintaining and providing access to what it believes are these invaluable historical resources, and encourages continued support for the preservation of Scotland's documentary heritage. R Supported by: Jeremy Balfour, Annie Wells*, Alasdair Allan*, Miles Briggs*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Colin Beattie*, Emma Harper*, Annabelle Ewing*, Paul Sweeney*, Bill Kidd*, Tess White*, Jackie Dunbar*, Kevin Stewart*

*S6M-18463 Clare Adamson: Catherine Muldoon Celebrating her 100th Birthday—That the Parliament congratulates Catherine Muldoon, of Wishaw, on celebrating her 100th birthday on 24 July 2025 at Houldsworth Court in the town, surrounded by family and friends; acknowledges her remarkable life journey; notes that she was born Catherine Leonard in 1925 in Newmains as the youngest of five siblings; further notes her marriage to Pat Muldoon in 1944 and their life together raising five children; recognises her dedicated working life, including her time at the Costain Concrete Works canteen and over a decade of service as a nursing assistant at Hartwood Hospital; commends her selfless and generous spirit in requesting donations to St Vincent de Paul at St Ignatius Parish Church and Made for You in ML2 instead of gifts; celebrates her longstanding commitment to her community and family, and wishes Catherine continued health, happiness and peace in her centenarian years.

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*S6M-18462 Clare Adamson: Cornerstone Service Awarded Grade 5 by Care Inspectorate—
That the Parliament congratulates Cornerstone on being awarded a grade 5 by the Care
Inspectorate; understands that Cornerstone provides support and care at home for adults over the
age of 18 with learning disabilities, autism, or acquired brain injuries who live in their own homes;
notes that the service supports 19 individuals across Airdrie, Motherwell, and Cumbernauld;
acknowledges the inspectors' praise, highlighting that the service proactively supports and
promotes people's independence and choices, and that some supported individuals were
observed planning busy and engaging days, and commends the staff for their dedication to
delivering high quality, person-centred care that empowers individuals and enhances their quality
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*S6M-18461 Clare Adamson: Condolences on the Passing of Mr Frank Cassidy—That the Parliament notes with deep sadness the passing of Mr Frank Cassidy, who served with dedication as Chancellor of the Diocese of Motherwell from 1997 to 2014; recognises the significant contribution that Frank made to the life of the church and the wider community over many years; acknowledges his commitment to public service, faith, and pastoral support; expresses sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all those in the Diocese of Motherwell who mourn his loss, and commends his legacy of faith, leadership, and quiet dedication.

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*S6M-18460 Clare Adamson: 25th Anniversary of Father Riki's Religious Profession—That the Parliament recognises and celebrates the 25th anniversary of Father Riki's religious profession; acknowledges the deep commitment, pastoral care, and spiritual guidance that he has provided to his parishioners and the wider community over the past quarter century; notes that a Holy Mass was held in St Patrick's RC Church in Shieldmuir Street, Wishaw, to mark this significant milestone; recognises what it sees as the valuable role that faith leaders such as Father Riki play in supporting individuals and families, strengthening community bonds, and offering compassion and leadership in times of both joy and hardship, and wishes Father Riki continued strength, peace, and fulfilment in his ongoing vocation.

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*S6M-18459 Foysol Choudhury: 80th Anniversary of VJ Day and the Contributions of Sikh, Muslim and Hindu Communities During the Second World War—That the Parliament recognises the 80th anniversary of Victory over Japan (VJ) Day on 15 August 2025 and the sacrifices of the British Indian Army during the Second World War; understands that 2.5 million British Indian Army soldiers from Sikh, Muslim and Hindu communities, in what are now Bangladesh, India and Pakistan, fought to secure victory against Japan during the Second World War; notes that the 14th Army, which liberated Burma (now Myanmar), was composed mostly of troops from the British Indian Army, as well as African, British and Gurkha units; further notes that the contribution of soldiers from Sikh, Muslim and Hindu communities in both the First and the Second World Wars was marked during an event at the Guru Nanak Gurdwara in Edinburgh on 20 July 2025; believes that the contributions of soldiers from British colonies in the First and Second World Wars are sometimes neglected or omitted; thanks all those, including soldiers from prepartition India, for their sacrifice and service during wars, and commends those who continue to serve in the Armed Forces today.

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*S6M-18458 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Congratulations to Passion4Fusion on Being Named Winner at the National Youth Work Awards—That the Parliament congratulates Passion4Fusion, a grassroots organisation based in Edinburgh, on being named winner in the Equality and Diversity category at the YouthLink Scotland National Youth Work Awards in 2025; recognises the organisation's outstanding work in supporting marginalised young people to

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overcome systemic barriers, build confidence, and embrace their cultural identity; commends its provision of safe and inclusive spaces where young people can connect, express themselves, and develop leadership skills; highlights the achievements of its Social Action youth group, which has taken young leaders to both the Scottish Parliament and 10 Downing Street to advocate for equity and challenge discrimination; praises Passion4Fusion's intersectional and community-rooted approach, combining mentorship, arts, and sport to inspire transformational change, and wishes the organisation continued success as it empowers the next generation to lead with hope, purpose, and resilience.

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*S6M-18457 Ariane Burgess: Celebrating the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland's Work to Halt Biodiversity Loss—That the Parliament commends the Royal Zoological Society of Scotland (RZSS) on its outstanding commitment to reversing the decline of at least 50 species globally by 2030; acknowledges the charity's leadership in groundbreaking conservation projects, including the reintroduction of wildcats to Scotland following their designation of being functionally extinct in 2019, and the initiative, Feisty Five, to protect and restore five key native invertebrate species; believes that these efforts are essential to halting biodiversity loss and restoring Scotland's natural environment; understands that projects of this nature depend on long-term and secure financial investment, which is becoming increasingly difficult for conservation charities to obtain; believes that urgent action is needed to support organisations such as RZSS, which are delivering nature-based solutions to the climate and biodiversity crises, and calls on the Scottish Government to increase the level of funding committed to the Nature Restoration Fund and to explore additional avenues of sustained support for wildlife conservation projects across the country.

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*S6M-18456 Jackie Baillie: Congratulating the Sir Walter Scott Trust on the 125th Anniversary of the Steamship's First Sail—That the Parliament congratulates the Sir Walter Scott Trust on the 125th anniversary of the steamship's first sail on Loch Katrine and the launch of the new edition of its souvenir guide; further congratulates the Trust on receiving the award, Flagship of the Year, from Historic Ships UK; understands that this award is in recognition of the outstanding work carried out by the dedicated trustees and staff responsible for preserving the Sir Walter Scott; further understands that the Trust had been custodian of the steamship since 2005, aiming to ensure its preservation and operation for the enjoyment of over one million visitors; notes the Dumbarton connection to the Sir Walter Scott, which was built by the steam engine manufacturer, Matthew Paul, and sub-contracted to William Denny Bros. Ltd; recognises that the skills and work of those Dumbarton shipbuilders in 1899 have contributed to the longevity of the steamship; wishes the staff and trustees well for the future, and looks forward to many more years of sailing ahead.

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*S6M-18455 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Tinderbox Collective Leader Nominated for Award—That the Parliament congratulates Jed Milroy, of Tinderbox Collective, on being shortlisted as a finalist in the National Youth Work Awards, in the category, Inspirational Leader, which is sponsored by the Institute of Directors; acknowledges that Jed has led Tinderbox's community team since 2015 with care and commitment through creative music making; highlights Jed's progression model, which has provided journeys for participants to succeed in leading sessions, becoming mentors and, in some cases, working for the organisation; acknowledges his work through the COVID-19

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pandemic, creating an entire online programme so that participants could still be involved in the group and attend workshops in an innovative way; thanks Jed for his work in the community, and wishes him the very best for the future.

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*S6M-18454 Beatrice Wishart: Marking the 80th Anniversary of VJ Day—That the Parliament marks the 80th Anniversary of Victory over Japan (VJ) Day; recognises that 15 August 1945 was the day that Japan surrendered and brought an end to fighting in the Far East, and with it, the Second World War; remembers the sacrifices and the debt of gratitude owed to all those in the Armed Forces, including those from Shetland and the Northern Isles, and the suffering endured by thousands held as prisoners of war who fought for their country in difficult conditions; acknowledges the lifelong impact of their experiences on those who came home; highlights the service and work of the photographers and cameramen of the Army Film and Photographic Unit (No. 9), who received jungle warfare training before taking their cameras to and behind the frontline in the war in South East Asia, and the lasting legacy of their images of war; further highlights what it sees as the importance of accurate newsgathering from the frontline today by civilians, reporters, photographers and videographers in conflicts around the world, including Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan, and commends their bravery; recognises what it considers to be the futility of war, and commends the Scottish Government and local communities for their action to ensure that anniversaries like VJ Day are commemorated and the horrors of war are not forgotten.

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*S6M-18453 Michelle Thomson: Future Change Finalists at National Youth Work Awards **2025—**That the Parliament congratulates Future Change, a social action movement that is led by young people within HMP & YOI Polmont, on being named a finalist at the National Youth Work Awards 2025; understands that this youth-led initiative is supported by the Children and Young People's Centre for Justice (CYCJ), and that those participating utilise their lived experience and leadership potential to drive change within the prison; recognises that Future Change was conceptualised from the University of Glasgow's Activate course on the topic of community learning and development; notes that Future Change is the first project of its kind within a young offenders' institute, with over 45 graduates taking part in a variety of roles, from leading participatory budgeting projects to organising Christmas hampers and engaging directly with Scottish Prison Service staff to improve daily life and build relationships; understands that members of Future Change have secured over £50,000 in funding, act as advisors to CYCJ, engage with the third sector and contribute to national research and consultations; considers that the work of Future Change members challenges negative perceptions, promotes rehabilitation and evidences that through participation it is possible to thrive in the difficult context of incarceration; congratulates Future Change once again on being named a finalist at the National Youth Work Awards 2025, and wishes all members of the project the best for the future.

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*S6M-18452 Beatrice Wishart: Celebrating Shetland Youth Voice's Success—That the Parliament congratulates Shetland Youth Voice on its success in having been named winner in the Participation and Youth Voice category at the National Youth Work Awards 2025, hosted by

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YouthLink Scotland, the national agency for youth work; recognises that the group was reestablished in 2024 and enables young people aged 12 to 25 across the isles to lead change in their communities, with a leadership team, an executive of 17, and 54 members representing schools and voluntary groups; understands that, within just a few short months, it has made a significant impact, hosting a youth-led Transport and Connectivity Summit aboard the *MV Hjaltland*, influencing Shetland Islands Council's Corporate Plan, and forming partnerships with stakeholders including Transport Scotland, NorthLink Ferries and Ocean Kinetics; considers that this approach is reshaping how young people engage with decision-makers to be on equal terms, from advocating for better transport and youth spaces to planning its next summit on employment; celebrates that Shetland Youth Voice is proving what can be achieved when young people are trusted to lead, and wishes it well in its future endeavours.

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*S6M-18451 Tess White: Welcoming the LGB Alliance's Report, Compelled Conformity— That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the LGB Alliance report, Compelled Conformity: Lesbian, gay, and bisexual experiences of EDI in UK workplaces; notes in particular the finding that 91% of lesbian, gay and bisexual (LGB) respondents to the report's survey did not feel comfortable being grouped under the broader LGBTQ+ umbrella, which, it understands, is often used in workplaces as part of an organisation's equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) policy; further notes that the report states that there is a perception that current EDI approaches often overlook or misunderstand LGB-specific experiences; expresses concern that 35% of respondents to the report's survey reported experiencing social exclusion or hostility from colleagues or management due to their beliefs, while more than a third of respondents said that they were informally advised to stay silent about their views, resulting, it understands, in reported selfcensorship and self-excluding from workplace conversations; notes the finding that 90% of respondents who participate in formal EDI teams and LGBTQ+ staff networks feel that these networks do not represent them, and that lesbian, gay and bisexual voices are often sidelined from such networks; regrets that the report finds that 65% of respondents reported feeling pressure to publicly affirm views they do not hold, including mandatory pronoun sharing and compulsory training; acknowledges the report's conclusion that workplaces can be difficult environments for LGB staff whose views on sex, gender, and sexual orientation align with biological definitions under the law, and believes that EDI practices and policies should be based on the law rather than what it considers to be the ideological agendas of activist organisations and lobby groups.

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*S6M-18440 John Mason: Donald Trump's Visit—That the Parliament notes the recent private visit to Scotland by the President of the United States, Donald Trump; further notes that UK and EU leaders travelled to Scotland to meet President Trump, and believes that this underscores the key role that Scotland has, and can have, in international relations; understands that the visit, which focused on time at his golf courses in Ayrshire and Aberdeenshire, required a substantial deployment of Police Scotland and other police officers, as well as other public service resources; notes reports that as many as 5,000 officers were involved, including the cancellation of rest days and annual leave, and the redeployment of officers from across the country, placing pressure on routine policing; recognises the professionalism and dedication of all officers and staff involved in

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the planning of the security operation; believes that, as the visit was not undertaken in any official capacity, the significant costs involved should not be footed by Scottish or UK taxpayers; considers that there is no justifiable reason for either the Scottish or UK public to subsidise the private travel or commercial activity of the President, and hopes to see the recovery of public expenditure from Mr Trump or his associated business interests.

*S6M-18413 John Mason: UK Aid Cuts Hit Africa Hardest—That the Parliament recognises that the UK asylum costs, which, it considers, are to be welcomed, are reportedly set to take up one fifth of the UK Government's reduced aid budget; believes that this leaves as little as 0.3% of gross national income for actual international development; recognises that the Independent Commission for Aid Impact (ICAI) found that this rise in domestic spending, coupled with reductions to the aid budget since 2020, has significantly impacted traditional aid programmes; believes that this affects parts of Africa the most; notes reports that funding going directly to developing countries has fallen from £5.9 billion in 2019, 57% of bilateral aid, to £2.7 billion in 2023, 27% of bilateral aid, with allocations to individual country partners reduced significantly; further notes reports that the UK asylum system costs are expected to take up £2.2 billion of total UK Overseas Development Aid (ODA) funding for 2026-27; considers that both streams are important and that each should be fully and properly funded; recognises what it sees as the positive desire to eliminate the use of hotels for housing asylum seekers while regretting that the current asylum is reportedly fraught with delay and indecision; believes that the drop from 0.5% to 0.3% in the aid budget was at least partly taken to fund an increase in defence spending to 2.5%; recognises these changes in the ODA and related budgets, and urges the UK Government to ensure that maximum ODA funding actually goes overseas.

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*S6M-18386 John Mason: Value of Free Education—That the Parliament welcomes the reported comments on education made by the Glasgow-born artist, Jasleen Kaur; congratulates her on receiving an honorary doctorate from the Glasgow School of Art and for the unveiling of a public mural in her honour near the Gurdwara that she attended as a child; recognises her achievement in becoming the 2023 Turner Prize winner; notes Jasleen's reported testimony about the importance of free, state-funded education in enabling her to access the creative industries, particularly as someone from a background without traditional access to galleries or arts spaces; notes her reflection that talent alone is not enough, and that removing financial barriers is essential to ensuring that working-class and underrepresented young people can pursue their potential; further notes Jasleen's reported concern for the future of the arts in education and her belief in the importance of public support, from nursery through to higher education; believes that her story is an example of what can be achieved when access to education is a right, not a privilege, and hopes that the Scottish Government and educational institutions reaffirm their commitment to maintaining free access to higher education for decades to come.

*S6M-18374 John Mason: Concerns Regarding Power of Attorney Safeguards—That the Parliament notes the reported concerns regarding the current legal framework for powers of attorney and financial guardianship under the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000; understands that, while the Act contains some important safeguards, there is a disparity in oversight and accountability between continuing attorneys and financial guardians, with attorneys not subject to the same requirements for inventories, accounting or ongoing supervision by the Office of the Public Guardian; notes that the Act is now 25 years old and considers that it predates modern understandings of human rights, adult protection and capacity law; expresses disappointment that long-anticipated reforms have reportedly been delayed, despite multiple public

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consultations and the announcement of an Adults with Incapacity Amendment Bill in 2024; acknowledges the Law Society's continuing engagement on this issue and its reported calls for stronger investigative and supervisory powers, improved support and training for attorneys and guardians, and a framework more fully aligned with current human rights standards; notes with concern a recent case in the Glasgow Shettleston constituency, in which an appointed financial guardian exploited their position to withdraw nearly £28,000 from the bank account of an elderly relative with Alzheimer's disease, over a period of several months, in breach of their legal duties; considers that this incident, which came to light only after intervention by the Office of the Public Guardian and a financial institution, underscores what it sees as serious shortcomings in the monitoring and enforcement mechanisms currently in place, and hopes to see a priority made for comprehensive reform of adults with incapacity law early in the next parliamentary session.

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<u>S6M-18450</u> Liam Kerr: University of Aberdeen's School of Law Ranked Highest for Student Satisfaction (lodged on 01 August 2025)

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<u>S6M-18449</u> Clare Haughey: Off the Hook Cambuslang Supporting Scottish Autism (lodged on 01 August 2025)

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S6M-18448 Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen's Award Winning Parks (lodged on 01 August 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Sharon Dowey*, Mercedes Villalba*

S6M-18447 Kevin Stewart: Return of Whisky Week Aberdeen (lodged on 01 August 2025)

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<u>S6M-18446</u> Elena Whitham: Girvan Academy Joint Venture Project Named Finalist (lodged on 01 August 2025)

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<u>S6M-18445</u> Marie McNair: Thanking Canon William McGinley for 63 Years of Service to the Catholic Church (lodged on 01 August 2025)

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S6M-18444 Craig Hoy: Recognising Anna Rutherford (lodged on 01 August 2025)

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<u>S6M-18443</u> Craig Hoy: Congratulating Mr Crollas Takeaway (lodged on 31 July 2025)

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<u>S6M-18442</u> Craig Hoy: Congratulating Zurie Dempster and Tara Kane (lodged on 01 August 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18441</u> Emma Roddick: Congratulations to Inverness Street Art Project on the Successful Completion of Merkinch Murals (lodged on 01 August 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18439</u> Mark Griffin: The Miracle Foundation SCIO: Supporting Trauma Experienced Children and Young People in Lanarkshire (lodged on 31 July 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18438</u> Kenneth Gibson: Congratulations to Clyde Coast and Cumbraes Men's Shed (lodged on 31 July 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Sharon Dowey*, Mercedes Villalba*

S6M-18437 Alex Cole-Hamilton: RNLI Open Day Success (lodged on 31 July 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18436</u> Rachael Hamilton: Protecting Fire Services in Hawick and the Scottish Borders (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Douglas Lumsden*, Sharon Dowey*, Mercedes Villalba*

<u>S6M-18435</u> Willie Rennie: Growers Garden Cauliflower Crisps Reducing Food Waste (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Mercedes Villalba*

<u>S6M-18434</u> Willie Rennie: The Waid Academy in the HRUC National Innovation Challenge Final (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18433</u> Paul O'Kane: Neilston Youth to Spend a Year Teaching Abroad (lodged on 31 July 2025)

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

<u>S6M-18432</u> Alexander Stewart: Duncan Scott Helps to Set a New British Record in Japan (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Douglas Lumsden*, Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18431</u> Jackie Dunbar: Flexible Childcare Services Scotland Named as STV Children's **Appeal Charity Partner** (lodged on 31 July 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Sharon Dowey*

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S6M-18427 Clare Haughey: 138th Glasgow's Sandy Hutchison and Ally Bower Gain Silver Acorn Awards (lodged on 31 July 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Sharon Dowey*, Kevin Stewart*

<u>S6M-18426</u> Paul O'Kane: Barrhead Pipe Band Achieves National Success (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18425</u> Clare Haughey: M Factor Recognised at the National Youth Work Awards (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

S6M-18424 Clare Adamson: Gas Safety Week 2025 (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18423</u> Tim Eagle: Celebrating 20 Years of Moray's Be Active Life Long (BALL) Groups (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

S6M-18422 Annie Wells: Youth Mental Health Day 2025 (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

S6M-18420 Annie Wells: World Sepsis Day 2025 (lodged on 30 July 2025)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18417</u> Finlay Carson: Kirkcudbright Dark Space Planetarium Sees Stars in its Skies (lodged on 29 July 2025)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Douglas Lumsden*

<u>S6M-18416</u> Sarah Boyack: Celebrating Five Years of the Environmental Rights Centre for Scotland (ERCS) (lodged on 29 July 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Mercedes Villalba*

<u>S6M-18410</u> Martin Whitfield: East Lothian Archaeology and Heritage Fortnight (lodged on 29 July 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Mercedes Villalba*

S6M-18409 Martin Whitfield: McDermid Debut Award Winner (lodged on 29 July 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-18408 Martin Whitfield: Opening of The Ridge Dunbar (lodged on 28 July 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Mercedes Villalba*

<u>S6M-18407</u> Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Paddy Lillis on his Retirement and Joanne Thomas on her Appointment as General Secretary of USDAW (lodged on 31 July 2025)

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New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Carol Mochan*, Bill Kidd*, Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-18406</u> Beatrice Wishart: Celebrating Shetland Success at the Island Games 2025 (lodged on 28 July 2025)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane*, Bill Kidd*, Foysol Choudhury*, Annie Wells*, Paul McLennan*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liam McArthur*, Martin Whitfield*, Miles Briggs*, Tim Eagle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Pam Gosal*

<u>S6M-18398</u> Marie McNair: Bearsden Woman Receives PRIDE Award for Coastal Trek (lodged on 25 July 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

S6M-18397 Clare Adamson: World Drowning Prevention Day 2025 (lodged on 25 July 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Mercedes Villalba*, Neil Bibby*

<u>S6M-18395</u> Maurice Golden: Recognising the Success of NHS Grampian Dietitians in Recycling and Environmental Leadership (lodged on 25 July 2025)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Foysol Choudhury*, Mercedes Villalba*

<u>S6M-18394</u> Paul McLennan: World Boxing Champion Josh Taylor's Retirement (lodged on 25 July 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Jackie Dunbar*, Brian Whittle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*, Kevin Stewart*

S6M-18393 Brian Whittle: EACHa Given National Lottery Award (lodged on 24 July 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*, Annie Wells*

<u>S6M-18391</u> Brian Whittle: Killie Heartmates Host a Successful Tartan Tea Party (lodged on 24 July 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*, Annie Wells*

<u>S6M-18390</u> Sarah Boyack: Edinburgh International Festival, the First Charity and Arts Organisation to Receive Net Zero Pathway Verification (lodged on 24 July 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

<u>S6M-18389</u> Alexander Burnett: Neurological Alliance of Scotland's Report, "Today's Challenge, Tomorrow's Hope" (lodged on 24 July 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*, Mercedes Villalba*

<u>S6M-18387</u> Stephanie Callaghan: Recognising the Life and Service of Matron Agnes McGearey (lodged on 24 July 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Stuart McMillan*

<u>S6M-18385</u> Alexander Burnett: Royal Highland Show Gold Award for Graintek, Huntly (lodged on 30 July 2025)

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New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Meghan Gallacher*, Douglas Ross*, Pam Gosal*, Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*, Alexander Stewart*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Craig Hoy*, Miles Briggs*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Murdo Fraser*, Jeremy Balfour*, Brian Whittle*, Kevin Stewart*

<u>S6M-18384</u> Alexander Stewart: Ludgate Church Afternoon Tea Raises Over £1,700 (lodged on 24 July 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

<u>S6M-18383</u> Alexander Stewart: Ruby Henderson, Taekwondo Champion, Heading to Croatia (lodged on 24 July 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

<u>S6M-18380</u> Alexander Stewart: Further Award for uGym in Tillicoultry (lodged on 24 July 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

<u>S6M-18379</u> Alexander Stewart: Congratulating Alloa Community Shed on Acquiring Marshill House, Alloa (lodged on 24 July 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

S6M-18373 Miles Briggs: 10th Anniversary of TalkTime Scotland (lodged on 23 July 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*

<u>S6M-18369</u> Kenneth Gibson: Recognising the Impact of Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) (lodged on 23 July 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

<u>S6M-18364</u> Clare Haughey: Opposition to Proposed Closure of Cambuslang Jobcentre (lodged on 22 July 2025)

New Support: Gordon MacDonald*, Stephanie Callaghan*, John Mason*

<u>S6M-18358</u> Katy Clark: Kilwinning Academy Achieves Silver LGBT Charter Award (lodged on 21 July 2025)

New Support: Ross Greer*

<u>S6M-18319</u> Annie Wells: Scullion LAW Champions Community Spirit with Home-Start Garden Makeover and Fundraising (lodged on 15 July 2025)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*

<u>S6M-18306</u> Paul Sweeney: Celebrating Pinar Aksu's Decade at the Maryhill Integration Network (lodged on 17 July 2025)

New Support: Patrick Harvie*

<u>S6M-18265</u> Paul O'Kane: Renfrewshire Women and Children First Celebrates Quarter Century of Service (lodged on 10 July 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

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S6M-17991 Colin Smyth: Fairtrade Tea Campaign (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

<u>S6M-17919</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: Celebrating 100 Years of Partick Library (lodged on 11 June 2025)

New Support: Patrick Harvie*

S6M-17902 Elena Whitham: Celebrating 20 Years of Humanist Marriage in Scotland (lodged

on 10 June 2025)

New Support: Patrick Harvie*

S6M-17811 Daniel Johnson: Celebrating ShopKind Week, 30 June to 6 July 2025 (lodged on

05 June 2025)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

S6M-17721 Monica Lennon: Celebrating Ten Years of TIE (Time for Inclusive Education)

(lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Patrick Harvie*

S6M-17714 Marie McNair: Clydebank Football Club Promoted to Scottish Lowland Football

League (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

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Written Questions

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

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

Government initiated questions lodged from 04 August 2025 to 08 August 2025

<u>S6W-39797</u> Rona Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the Plan of Action on Cladding, which was published in March 2025.

<u>S6W-39798</u> Emma Harper: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the escalation status of NHS Dumfries and Galloway.

Written questions lodged from 04 August 2025 to 08 August 2025

<u>S6W-39694</u> **Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered the implications of the High Court decision relating to Northumbria Police participating in Pride marches for the impartiality of school teachers in Scotland.

<u>S6W-39702</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many offences involving air weapons were recorded between (a) 2009 and 2016 and (b) 2017 and 2024.

<u>S6W-39707</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government how many rural bus routes have been reduced or withdrawn in each year since 2010, broken down by local authority area.

<u>S6W-39708</u> Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government how much financial support it has provided to local authorities specifically to maintain or enhance rural bus services since 2019, broken down by local authority.

<u>S6W-39709</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government how many ScotRail evening rail services currently operate on each route, and how this compares with the number of evening rail services on each route in 2019.

<u>S6W-39710</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government at what time the last ScotRail service of the day on each route (a) currently departs and (b) departed in 2019.

<u>S6W-39711</u> **Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the use of the 101 non-emergency number is an appropriate and sufficient reporting route for incidents of suspected spiking, and whether it plans to review its guidance on this matter.

<u>S6W-39712</u> **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will commission a new design options appraisal for the cancelled Edinburgh Airport Rail Link (EARL) project as a means of providing a direct heavy rail connection between Edinburgh Airport and Glasgow Queen Street Station.

<u>S6W-39713</u> Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports that 9,515 tonnes in 2024 was the lowest volume of freight handled at Glasgow Prestwick Airport since 1997, what action it is taking to promote the growth of air freight traffic at the airport.

<u>S6W-39714</u> Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government what the total cost has been to SEPA of responding to the oil pipeline leak at Glen Fruin to date, and whether this cost will be recovered from the operator, Petroineos.

<u>S6W-39715</u> **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether Scottish Water owns the Glasgow Harbour Tunnel, or only the water main pipe within the tunnel.

<u>S6W-39716</u> **Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the Central Legal Office of NHS Scotland (a) provides cost-effective advice and (b) protects the public purse from costly litigation.

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S6W-39717 Tess White: To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the £756 million in ScotWind option fees that it has received, how much of this revenue has been used to date and for what purposes.

S6W-39718 Tess White: To ask the Scottish Government whether a review of the Central Legal Office of NHS Scotland has been undertaken in the past five years, and, if so, what its conclusions were.

S6W-39719 Tess White: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work that it is doing to (a) prevent sexual violence in hospitals and (b) accurately record incidents of sexual assault that have been reported across the NHS estate.

S6W-39720 Tess White: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work that it is doing to determine whether it will introduce a standalone offence of non-fatal strangulation.

S6W-39721 Michelle Thomson: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Scottish Retail Consortium's reported forecast that food price inflation is set to increase to 6% by the end of 2025.

<u>S6W-39722</u> Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will ensure that the contractual commitment of around £70 million that is reportedly still outstanding on the Glasgow Subway modernisation project is fully funded so that the key milestone of achieving unattended train operation by the third quarter of 2026 is achieved.

S6W-39723 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the findings laid out in the British Society for Haematology's 2025 workforce report, The Haematology Workforce: A comprehensive view.

S6W-39724 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to boost the cancer workforce, and whether haematology professionals are included in any such plans.

S6W-39725 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve recruitment and retention levels among the blood cancer workforce.

S6W-39726 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the reported findings by the British Society for Haematology that 19.7% of consultant haematologists in Scotland are due to retire in the next three years.

S6W-39727 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, for the purpose of Freedom of Information, which public body is considered to "hold" information relating to the direct staffing and remuneration costs associated with the Scottish Child Abuse Inquiry, if not the Scottish Government itself.

S6W-39728 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what structures are in place for determining the allocation of public funding to inquiries.

S6W-39729 Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government which region of Scotland has the (a) fastest and (b) slowest broadband connection speeds, and what its investment plans are to ensure that all parts of the country can access reliable, high-speed connections.

S6W-39730 Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government how many train journeys have been cancelled for non-weather-related reasons in (a) 2025 to date and (b) each of the past five years, and what compensation was offered to passengers.

S6W-39731 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will introduce an equivalent to the UK Government's Procurement Policy Note 002: The Social Value Model in Scotland.

S6W-39732 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many Petroineos workers who were made redundant as a result of the closure of the Grangemouth refinery have, to date, subsequently been offered new employment by Ineos and other firms operating within the Grangemouth petrochemical industrial cluster.

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<u>S6W-39733</u> Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government to what extent Kaldor's growth laws are considered in its policies for economic growth and industrial development.

<u>S6W-39734</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what work has been done to provide extended resources to GP practices that will enable them to provide NHS prescriptions following a private diagnosis of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

<u>S6W-39735</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether there has been a review of the guidance released in April 2022 by the National Autism Implementation Team on prescribing ADHD medication to adults following private sector diagnosis, and, if this is not the case, when any such review may take place.

<u>S6W-39736</u> Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government, in the light of recent reported medical breakthroughs, including the new Aberdeen-designed Field Cycling Imaging brain scan, whether it will work with partners in the medical equipment industry to create a dedicated medical equipment manufacturing site in Scotland to ensure that any innovations developed in Scotland are exploited in Scotland.

<u>S6W-39737</u> Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government what work it is undertaking to ensure that any intellectual property created in Scotland is exploited in Scotland.

<u>S6W-39738</u> Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government how many deaths have been reported where the cause of death was sepsis, either on its own or alongside other factors, in each month of the past 10 years.

<u>S6W-39739</u> Roz McCall: To ask the Scottish Government what funding was in place for the Psychology of Parenting Programme in (a) 2023-24 and (b) 2024-25.

<u>S6W-39740</u> Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recent introduction of mandatory remote electronic monitoring (REM) for scallop fishing vessels, what the current levels of compliance are among these vessels.

<u>S6W-39741</u> Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government, regarding its commitment to introduce mandatory remote electronic monitoring (REM) for pelagic vessels from March 2026, what the current status is of the REM roll-out in the (a) pelagic sector and (b) wider Scottish fishing industry.

<u>S6W-39742</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made on the roll-out of (a) Fisheries Management Plans and (b) fisheries management measures for Marine Protected Areas.

<u>S6W-39750</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will suspend any further decisions on the Flamingo Land Lomond Banks development until all reported concerns about potential document falsification are resolved.

<u>S6W-39751</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what strategic objectives were used to justify the purchase of the Glen Prosen estate.

<u>S6W-39752</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it reportedly approved the purchase of the Glen Prosen estate without a published management plan.

<u>S6W-39753</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what return on investment it anticipates from the £17.6 million spent on the Glen Prosen estate.

<u>S6W-39755</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason no public consultation or stakeholder engagement was carried out before the acquisition of the Glen Prosen estate.

<u>S6W-39756</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what accountability mechanisms are in place for land acquisitions made through Forestry and Land Scotland.

<u>S6W-39757</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has undertaken of the causes of the reported loss of more than 13,000 oil and gas jobs in the last 12 months.

<u>S6W-39758</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with UK regulators and industry bodies regarding any licensing delays for North Sea development.

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<u>S6W-39759</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to support retraining for any oil and gas workers who have lost their jobs as a result of the energy transition.

<u>S6W-39764</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what legal advice it received before its ministers publicly stated its position that Israel is committing genocide.

<u>S6W-39765</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed any legal and diplomatic risks of using the term "genocide" regarding Gaza, in relation to live international conflicts.

<u>S6W-39766</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what procedures are in place to ensure that any statements by its ministers on international law are properly verified.

<u>S6W-39767</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what protocols exist to distinguish personal political statements by its ministers from official government positions.

<u>S6W-39768</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the reasons for the reported increase in patient falls recorded in hospitals since 2019.

<u>S6W-39769</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what share of recorded patient falls occurred in NHS facilities known to be in poor condition or scheduled for replacement.

<u>S6W-39770</u> Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the percentage of total hospital buildings that currently fail basic modern safety standards for older and vulnerable patients.

<u>S6W-39771</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what safeguards exist to ensure impartiality in ministerial planning decisions for nationally significant developments.

<u>S6W-39772</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether any material differences exist between the planning documents lodged by Flamingo Land, in relation to the proposed Lomond Banks development, and those relied upon in the final decision.

<u>S6W-39773</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish all (a) internal and (b) external correspondence relating to the Flamingo Land Lomond Banks planning process.

<u>S6W-39774</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the delivery of the BE FAST (balance, eyes, face, arms, speech, time) stroke awareness campaign in NHS Forth Valley's accident and emergency department.

<u>S6W-39775</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of NHS Forth Valley delivering the BE FAST (balance, eyes, face, arms, speech, time) stroke awareness campaign in its accident and emergency department, whether it is considering rolling out the campaign to other NHS boards' accident and emergency departments.

<u>S6W-39776</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what types of support, including financial support, it provides to credit unions.

<u>S6W-39777</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government how many credit unions there currently are in Scotland, and how this compares with five years ago.

<u>S6W-39778</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding it has awarded to credit unions in each of the last five financial years.

<u>S6W-39779</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with the (a) Association of British Credit Unions Limited (ABCUL) and (b) Scottish League of Credit Unions, and what issues were discussed.

<u>S6W-39780</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to encourage young people to save money using schemes run by credit unions.

<u>S6W-39781</u> **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to promote financial literacy to young people in schools.

<u>S6W-39782</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to conduct a full scale review of the Oral Health Improvement Plan, with the aim of providing higher levels of NHS dentists across the country.

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<u>S6W-39783</u> Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that SEPA's indicative pay offer does not meet the Scottish Government minimum increase policy of 3%, and by what date SEPA will confirm its proposed pay increase for 2025.

<u>S6W-39784</u> **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-38881 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 16 July 2025, what actions Social Security Scotland (SSS) is exploring to strengthen its support for veterans and service members, and whether these will include the establishment of a network of armed forces and veterans champions in SSS.

<u>S6W-39785</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its decision to not proceed with plans to designate Galloway and Ayrshire as a national park, what resources it plans to make available to south-west Scotland to promote investment and economic growth in the area.

<u>S6W-39786</u> **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of NatureScot's recommendation in its report, *A report on the proposal for a National Park in Southwest Scotland*, what plans it has to better resource the Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere Reserve.

<u>S6W-39787</u> Clare Haughey: To ask the Scottish Government how many emergency mental health assessment units are operational (a) nationally and (b) in each NHS board. R

<u>S6W-39788</u> Clare Haughey: To ask the Scottish Government how many children and young people have received support from school counsellors in each of the last three years, broken down by local authority area.

<u>S6W-39789</u> Clare Haughey: To ask the Scottish Government how many people in each (a) local authority and (b) NHS board area have accessed distress brief intervention services in each of the last five years. **R**

<u>S6W-39790</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made providing additional funding to NHS dental practices in order for more people to be registered with them.

<u>S6W-39791</u> **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to discourage NHS dental practices from moving wholly to private practice.

<u>S6W-39792</u> Brian Whittle: To ask the Scottish Government how much (a) it and (b) Public Health Scotland (i) budgeted for and (ii) spent in each of the last three years running (A) mass and (B) social media campaigns to raise smokers' awareness of the (1) Quit Your Way cessation services delivered by NHS boards and (2) health benefits and financial savings that might be achieved through quitting, broken down by how many people made enquiries or sought support, and how much it has (aa) budgeted for and (bb) spent so far in 2025-26, broken down by the (AA) current and (BB) expected uptake.

<u>S6W-39794</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the finding in the Scottish Grocers' Federation 2024 Crime Survey that 99.6% of retailers that responded reported that violence against staff occurs at least once a month, whether it will provide an update on what action it is taking to reduce violence against retail staff.

<u>S6W-39795</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government whether, in the next Budget, it will renew the additional £3 million of targeted funding allocated to Police Scotland to reduce retail crime.

<u>S6W-39796</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve the resources available to support the mental health and wellbeing of retail staff following an incident of retail crime.

<u>S6W-39799</u> Craig Hoy: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a full list of the incentives offered in each of its designated Enterprise Areas, also broken down by the statutory basis of each incentive.

<u>S6W-39801</u> Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to the fourth supplementary to question S6O-02531 by Siobhian Brown on 20 September 2023, in light of the minister's comment that Scotland is "maintaining frontline services by having a higher number of

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firefighters than there is in other parts of the UK", whether it can confirm how many firefighters there are in Scotland, and how this compares with the rest of the UK, also broken down by how many firefighters from (a) Scotland and (b) the rest of the UK are currently available for operational service and are employed (i) in a full-time equivalent (FTE) role or (ii) on a retained duty system (RDS), and how it ensures that, when calculating these figures, it does not double-count firefighters in Scotland who hold dual contracts with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service as both FTE and RDS staff.

<u>S6W-39802</u> Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the document appointing a reporter to proceed work on the recalled appeal in relation to the proposed Loch Lomond development by Flamingo Land (PPA-002-2021), which was published by its Planning and Environmental Appeals Division (DPEA) on 4 July 2025, appears to be signed and dated 24 June 2025 when the file uploaded was created on 4 July 2025.

<u>S6W-39803</u> Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government on what date a reporter was appointed to proceed work on the recalled appeal in relation to the proposed Loch Lomond development by Flamingo Land (PPA-002-2021).

<u>S6W-39804</u> Willie Coffey: To ask the Scottish Government, further to reported missed deadlines for the implementation of the McCloud Remedy, including the most recent on 31 July 2025, what action it is taking to ensure that the Scottish Public Pensions Agency (SPPA) delivers the necessary pension adjustments for affected retired public servants without any additional delay; what assessment it has made of the SPPA's communications with retirees, and whether it will publish a timetable for the completion of all McCloud-related cases.

<u>S6W-39805</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many children and young people have received treatment for an eating disorder in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board.

<u>S6W-39806</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many children and young people have been placed in adult services to receive treatment for an eating disorder in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board.

<u>S6W-39807</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many children and young people have received treatment for an eating disorder in private healthcare facilities in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board.

<u>S6W-39808</u> Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government what statutory power it used to give instructions to a reporter on 24 June 2025 in relation to the proposed Loch Lomond development by Flamingo Land (PPA-002-2021), having previously recalled the appeal for its own determination.

<u>S6W-39809</u> Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made regarding removing the three hectare condition from the eligibility requirements for farm income support payments, as legislated for in the Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Act 2024, and how else it is supporting small-scale food growers.

<u>S6W-39810</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-13680 by Michael Matheson on 18 January 2023, what information it holds on how much water production has been lost as a result of leakages in the Scottish Water supply area covering Argyll Islands, Argyll Mainland, Caithness, Fort William, Orkney, Ness, Shetland, Skye, and West Coast and Western Isles, in each month since January 2021.

<u>S6W-39811</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the number of category (a) 1 and (b) 2 potholes on the trunk road network that were (i) reported and (ii) repaired, in each year since 2021, broken down by local authority area.

<u>S6W-39812</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how many people resident in Scotland have received NHS treatment in the rest of the UK in each year since 2021.

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<u>S6W-39813</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how many Significant Adverse Event Reviews have been commissioned for a Category I adverse event in each year since 2021, broken down by NHS board.

<u>S6W-39814</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has allocated to Refugee Festival Scotland in each year since 2021.

<u>S6W-39815</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-14790 by Keith Brown on 23 February 2023, how many (a) incidents of and (b) emergency service callouts for mountaineering accidents there were in each year since 2021.

<u>S6W-39816</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how many citizens' assemblies it has held since May 2021, and what the cost has been of each assembly.

<u>S6W-39817</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government what the total cost has been of staff redundancy payments for people who worked in its international offices in each year since 2021, broken down by office.

<u>S6W-39818</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-14450 by Angus Robertson on 9 February 2023, how many (a) prints and (b) artworks have been donated to ministers in each year since 2021.

<u>S6W-39819</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government what the current backlog is of title holders who are awaiting copies of their title deeds from the Registers of Scotland, and how this compares with the previous year.

<u>S6W-39820</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the operational hours of all vessels operating on (a) CalMac and (b) NorthLink ferry services in each of the last three years, broken down by vessel.

<u>S6W-39821</u> Patrick Harvie: To ask the Scottish Government what the timescale is for the completion of the work by the Scottish Law Commission regarding tenement law reform; in the event that it is not achieved before May 2026, how early in the next parliamentary session it expects to be in a position to introduce legislation resulting from this, and whether the reforms will include consideration of mandatory block insurance.

<u>S6W-39822</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many Police Scotland officers have been signed off work for mental health reasons in each of the last five years.

<u>S6W-39823</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what work it has conducted on the issue of the cancellation of police officers' rest days, which has reportedly had a detrimental impact on officers' mental health.

<u>S6W-39824</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with the Scottish Police Federation to discuss the reported impact of police officers' rest days being cancelled, and what was discussed.

<u>S6W-39825</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what work it has conducted on the issue of minimum police staffing levels not being met, which has reportedly had a detrimental impact on the mental health of the police force.

<u>S6W-39826</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with Police Scotland to discuss the reported issue of minimum police staffing levels not being met, and what was discussed.

<u>S6W-39827</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the Scottish Police Federation regarding the issue of post-traumatic support for officers.

<u>S6W-39828</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve access to evidence-based treatments for lipoedema, including manual lymphatic drainage massage and compression therapy.

<u>S6W-39829</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will review the decision to suspend liposuction procedures for lipoedema on the NHS, in light of patient-reported outcomes and reports that international clinical practices have been introducing this treatment.

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<u>S6W-39830</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-39313 by Neil Gray on 28 July 2025, whether the £4 million invested to deliver extra dermatology activity has been allocated to NHS boards, and, if so, whether there has been a noticeable difference to waiting times throughout the country as a result.

<u>S6W-39831</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether the resources allocated for dermatology departments across NHS boards have assisted with decreasing waiting times in NHS Lothian, in light of reported figures suggesting that, as of 18 July 2025, 13,312 patients are waiting to be seen by a dermatologist in this NHS board.

<u>S6W-39832</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what processes are in place to ensure that farmed salmon producers comply with *Scottish Government Guidance on Welfare at the Time of Killing in Salmon Farming.*

<u>S6W-39836</u> Clare Adamson: To ask the Scottish Government what devolved powers could be used to limit youth access to all nicotine products, including nicotine pouches, for example through restrictions on advertising, public awareness campaigns, or voluntary agreements with retailers, in light of reported concerns that these products, which can contain high levels of nicotine, are currently unregulated and can be sold legally to under-18s in Scotland.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 1 completed, 13 May 2025

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

Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 5 June 2025

Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 17 June 2025

Lead committee - Education, Children and Young People

Children (Withdrawal from Religious Education and Amendment of UNCRC Compatibility Duty) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 17 June 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2025)

Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)

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Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 24 June 2025

Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 25 June 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (50th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 2 completed, 11 June 2025

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

Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 11 June 2025

Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 14 May 2025

Lead committee - Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture

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 Report (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee) published, 2 July 2025

Ecocide (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 24 June 2025

Education (Scotland) Bill (G)

Royal Assent, 6 August 2025

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

Following a reference under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland, the Supreme Court has ruled that some provisions of the Bill are outwith the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its unamended form.

Freedom of Information Reform (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 2 June 2025

Lead committee - Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments

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

Lead committee – Rural Affairs and Islands

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (52nd Report, 2025)

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Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 3 June 2025

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Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 24 June 2025

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

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

Stage 1 Report (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee) published, 23 June 2025

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 25 June 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (40th Report, 2025)

Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 25 June 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (56th Report, 2025)

Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 25 June 2025

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

Introduced, 17 March 2025

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (53rd Report, 2025)

Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 27 May 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 (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 19 June 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (44th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education, Children and Young People), 28 May 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (31st Report, 2025)

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture)), 26 June 2025

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Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (43rd Report, 2025)

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

Stage 2 completed, 2 April 2025

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

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (39th Report, 2025)

Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 19 June 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (54th Report, 2025)

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Bill LCM-S6-59

Lodged on 12 June 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

Report – Lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments) (2nd Report, 2025)

Animal Welfare (Import of Dogs, Cats and Ferrets) Bill LCM-S6-58

Lodged on 3 June 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 17 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

Lead committee – Rural Affairs and Islands

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

Lodged on 12 March 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

Report – Lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice) (2nd Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27th Report, 2025)

Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill LCM-S6-60

Lodged on 12 June 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (8th Report, 2025)

Crime and Policing Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-57b

Lodged on 1 August 2025

Employment Rights Bill LCM-S6-53

Lodged on 11 December 2024

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Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (6th Report, 2025)

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

Employment Rights Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-53a

Lodged on 3 April 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (5th Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (32nd Report, 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

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9th Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (34th Report, 2025)

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

Lodged on 21 March 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 3 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

Report – Lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security) (5th Report, 2025)

Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025

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

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

Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill LCM-S6-61

Lodged on 24 July 2025

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 May 2025

Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (3rd Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (29th Report, 2025)

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 3 September 2025

<u>Scottish Parliament (Constituencies and Regions) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (22 May 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

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Subject to approval by 18 September 2025

<u>Scottish Parliament (Disqualification) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (6 June 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to approval by 1 October 2025

<u>Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 (Scottish Carbon Budgets) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (19 June 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

<u>Climate Change (Local Development Plan) (Repeals) (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (19 June 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to approval by 5 October 2025

Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (23 June 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to approval by 6 October 2025

<u>Social Security (Cross-border Provision, Case Transfer and Miscellaneous Amendments)</u>
(<u>Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (24 June 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 10 September 2025 Lead committee report due by 8 September 2025

Town and Country Planning (Fees for Appeals) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/166) (29 May 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment 30 September 2025 Lead committee report due by 29 September 2025

<u>Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes (Amendment) Order 2025 (SI 2025/678)</u> (18 June 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment 2 October 2025 Lead committee report due by 29 September 2025

<u>Firefighters' Pensions (Remediable Service) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2025</u> (SSI 2025/187) (20 June 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 7 October 2025 Lead committee report due by 6 October 2025

<u>Teachers' Pensions (Remediable Service) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/197) (25 June 2025)</u> (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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Subject to annulment 10 October 2025 Lead committee report due by 6 October 2025

Council Tax Reduction (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) (No. 4) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/212) (24 July 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

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Other Documents

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Standards Commission for Scotland: Annual Report and Accounts Year Ending 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/159) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Waste Reprocessing Infrastructure in Scotland - August 2025 (SG/2025/153) laid under Section 23(5) of the Circular Economy (Scotland) Act 2024

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