

Thursday 19 June 2025

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-17647 Marie McNair: Action Mesothelioma Day 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

followed by Portfolio Questions: Social Justice

followed by Ministerial Statement: A Public Services Reform Strategy for Scotland

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Progressing National Advisory Council on Women and Girls Recommendations on Equality

followed by Ministerial Statement: Alexander Dennis Limited

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:15 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

9:00am Social Justice and Social Security Committee

9:00am Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

9:50am Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

1. John Mason: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the proposed establishment of Great British Railways and any potential implications for devolved responsibilities over rail services and infrastructure in Scotland. ([S6O-04816](#))

2. Jamie Halcro Johnston: To ask the Scottish Government what new measures it has introduced in relation to supporting improved community engagement and respecting local democratic decision-making, when section 37 applications for energy infrastructure are considered. ([S6O-04817](#))

3. Collette Stevenson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its work to tackle and prevent youth violence, including any outcomes from the summit held on 12 June. ([S6O-04818](#))

4. Ben Macpherson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how it is assessing the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's capacity to provide emergency response cover and ensure community safety in Edinburgh, including in relation to meeting any needs resulting from population growth in the Lothians. ([S6O-04819](#))

5. Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of the recent changes to college funding arrangements on Fife College. ([S6O-04820](#))

6. Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when the consultation results of the A96 corridor review will be published. ([S6O-04821](#))

7. Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the Armed Forces Covenant obligation on NHS boards to have due regard for the unique challenges faced by service children, what discussions the veterans minister has had with ministerial colleagues in relation to ensuring that relocations for military postings do not lead to service children being reprioritised to the back of NHS waiting lists, including through the provision of guidance to clinical teams to ensure that this does not happen. ([S6O-04822](#))

8. Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in response to the consultation by Alexander Dennis on the future of its facilities in Falkirk and Larbert. ([S6O-04823](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

1. Russell Findlay: Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04187](#))

2. Anas Sarwar: Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04188](#))

3. Patrick Harvie: Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04189](#))

4. Audrey Nicoll: To ask the First Minister whether he will provide an update on the Scottish Government's latest engagement with the UK Government regarding funding and timescales for the development of the Acorn carbon capture and storage project. ([S6F-04200](#))

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5. Maurice Golden: To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that up to 100 truckloads of Scotland's waste will be moved each day to England as a result of the landfill ban on biodegradable waste. ([S6F-04195](#))

6. Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the First Minister whether he will provide an update on the Scottish Government's position on the funding of Scotland's higher education institutions. ([S6F-04201](#))

followed by Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

[S6M-17647](#) Marie McNair: Action Mesothelioma Day 2025—That the Parliament recognises Action Mesothelioma Day 2025, which is on 4 July 2025; understands that mesothelioma is a rare cancer that is usually caused by exposure to asbestos, with tiny fibres getting into the lungs and damaging them over time; notes that the cancer most commonly occurs in the lining of the lung, but can also occur in the lining of the abdomen and the lining of the heart, with symptoms including shortness of breath, chest pain, coughing and tiredness; understands that there are around 2,700 new mesothelioma cases in the UK every year, including around 200 in Scotland; recognises that Action Mesothelioma Day is a national event to raise awareness of asbestos and mesothelioma, raise vital funds to support the research into tackling mesothelioma, and to remember and support those who have been affected by the disease; notes with concern what it sees as the time bar injustice for mesothelioma victims and welcomes the Scottish Law Commission report, *Report on Damages for Personal Injury*, published in December 2024, which recommends that “an asymptomatic condition such as pleural plaques will no longer result in a time bar preventing recovery of damages for a later-developing symptomatic condition such as mesothelioma”; applauds the long-standing and ongoing work of the Clydebank Asbestos Group, which has provided information and support to people with asbestos-related conditions for over 30 years; notes the calls for continued research into mesothelioma, and hopes for a successful Action Mesothelioma Day 2025.

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

1. Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body, further to the response to question S6O-04050, what the findings were of the review of the terms and conditions of staff employed by MSPs, particularly in relation to parental leave policies. ([S6O-04832](#))

2. Patrick Harvie: To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what responses have been received from LGBTQ+ staff or organisations that it has consulted with, or been contacted by, since the announcement of its interim policy on Parliament facilities, following the UK Supreme Court ruling. ([S6O-04833](#))

followed by Portfolio Questions: Social Justice

Social Justice

1. Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its discussions with the UK Government regarding the Asylum Right to Work Pilot proposal, in light of

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the Home Office reportedly stating that it is unable to commit to exploring the feasibility of the proposal. ([S6O-04824](#))

2. James Dornan: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure that women who share a lease in a social or private tenancy with their abuser are not left homeless if they are forced to flee due to domestic abuse. ([S6O-04825](#))

3. Ash Regan: [Withdrawn] ([S6O-04826](#))

4. Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with Orkney Islands Council regarding any support needed to allow development projects to be taken forward to tackle the reported growing demand for housing in the islands. ([S6O-04827](#))

5. Evelyn Tweed: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent ILGA-Europe Rainbow Index of LGBTI equality laws, which shows that the UK, including Scotland, has fallen from first place in 2015 to second worst this year. ([S6O-04828](#))

6. Fergus Ewing: [Not Lodged] ([S6O-04829](#))

7. Jackie Dunbar: To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting tenants in Aberdeen to protect and enhance their rights to a safe, secure and affordable place to live. ([S6O-04830](#))

8. Humza Yousaf: [Not Lodged] ([S6O-04831](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: A Public Services Reform Strategy for Scotland

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Progressing National Advisory Council on Women and Girls Recommendations on Equality

[S6M-18016](#) Shirley-Anne Somerville: Progressing National Advisory Council on Women and Girls Recommendations on Equality—That the Parliament notes the publication of the first Annual Statement on Gender Policy Coherence.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendment

[S6M-18016.1](#) Tess White: Progressing National Advisory Council on Women and Girls Recommendations on Equality—As an amendment to motion S6M-18016 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Progressing National Advisory Council on Women and Girls Recommendations on Equality), insert at end "; highlights that inequalities still exist for women and girls in Scotland in areas including health, poverty, education, earnings and employment; expresses concern that the Scottish Government continues to conflate the terms 'sex' and 'gender' following the findings of the Sullivan Review and the UK Supreme Court's judgment in *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers*; believes that progress towards equality for women and girls has been hampered by the Scottish Government contesting the lawful definition of 'woman'; regrets that the Scottish Government has scrapped plans for a Misogyny Bill, and urges the Scottish Government to urgently ensure that all public bodies are following their legal obligations in light of the Supreme Court's ruling on 16 April 2025."

followed by Ministerial Statement: Alexander Dennis Limited

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followed by Business Motions

[S6M-18035](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for Thursday 26 June 2025—

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followed by Members' Business

and after

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

insert

followed by Members' Business

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S6M-18024](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Membership—That the Parliament agrees that—

Alasdair Allan be appointed to replace Elena Whitham as a member of the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee;

Elena Whitham be appointed to replace Gordon MacDonald as a member of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee;

Paul McLennan be appointed to replace Evelyn Tweed as a member of the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee; and

Evelyn Tweed be appointed to replace Emma Roddick as a member of the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee.

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Committee Meetings

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

Social Justice and Social Security Committee 19th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 2, 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
3. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider its approach to Pre-Budget Scrutiny.
4. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the UK Government on its proposed welfare reforms.
5. **Financial considerations when leaving an abusive relationship (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 11th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Graham Simpson, Member in charge of the Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill, Scottish Parliament;
Ben McKendrick, Senior Clerk, The Scottish Parliament;
Catriona Lyle, Solicitor, Legal Services, Scottish Parliament.
3. **Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the legislative consent memorandum lodged by Shona Robison MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government ([LCM-S6-59](#)).
4. **Evidence Session:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 19th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:50 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **UK-EU summit Feedback:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Angus Robertson, Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Benjamin Graham, Head of Negotiating Strategy, Scottish Government.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 18 June 2025

Tuesday 24 June 2025

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Budget - Provisional Outturn 2024-2025

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Education (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

10:00 pm Decision Time

Wednesday 25 June 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business
Justice and Home Affairs

followed by Ministerial Statement: The Scottish Government's Medium-Term Financial Strategy and Fiscal Sustainability Delivery Plan

followed by Stage 3 Debate: Education (Scotland) Bill

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Employment Rights Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Animal Welfare (Import of Dogs, Cats and Ferrets) Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:50 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-17910 Patrick Harvie: The Future of Glasgow's Bus Services

Thursday 26 June 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

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12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Education and Skills

followed by Ministerial Statement: Ensuring the Right Support for Young People's Neurodivergence, Mental Health and Wellbeing

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Product Regulation and Metrology Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

4:55 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-17969 Douglas Ross: Action to Address the Impact of Gulls in Scotland

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

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12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

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Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

Scottish Commission for Public Audit

23 June 2025

1st Meeting, 2025

The Commission will meet at 10:00 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

- Audit Scotland Annual Report and Accounts for the year to 31 March 2025 and Auditor's Report on the Accounts:** The Commission will take evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Colin Crosby, Chair of the Board, Vicki Bibby, Chief Operating Officer, and Stuart Dennis, Corporate Finance Manager, Audit Scotland;
and then from—
David Jeffcoat, Partner, and Jillian So, Manager, Alexander Sloan.
- Quality of Public Audit in Scotland Annual Report 2024/25:** The Commission will take evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Colin Crosby, Chair of the Board, Vicki Bibby, Chief Operating Officer, and Owen Smith, Senior Manager, Audit Quality and Appointments, Audit Scotland.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Secretary to the Scottish Commission for Public Audit at scpa@parliament.scot

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Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- * before the number indicates publication for the first time
- *...* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

Motions for Debate

[S6M-18016 Shirley-Anne Somerville: Progressing National Advisory Council on Women and Girls Recommendations on Equality](#)—That the Parliament notes the publication of the first Annual Statement on Gender Policy Coherence.

Supported by: Kaukab Stewart

[*S6M-18016.1 Tess White: Progressing National Advisory Council on Women and Girls Recommendations on Equality](#)—As an amendment to motion S6M-18016 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Progressing National Advisory Council on Women and Girls Recommendations on Equality), insert at end "; highlights that inequalities still exist for women and girls in Scotland in areas including health, poverty, education, earnings and employment; expresses concern that the Scottish Government continues to conflate the terms 'sex' and 'gender' following the findings of the Sullivan Review and the UK Supreme Court's judgment in *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers*; believes that progress towards equality for women and girls has been hampered by the Scottish Government contesting the lawful definition of 'woman'; regrets that the Scottish Government has scrapped plans for a Misogyny Bill, and urges the Scottish Government to urgently ensure that all public bodies are following their legal obligations in light of the Supreme Court's ruling on 16 April 2025."

Other new and altered motions and amendments

[*S6M-18026 Douglas Lumsden: Refuelling of US Air Force Aircrafts at Prestwick Airport](#)—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Government on the reported refuelling of four United States Air Force KC-135 Stratotanker aircrafts at the publicly owned Prestwick Airport between 16 and 18 June 2025; commends the Scottish Ministers for what it sees as their demonstration of support of the United States and Israel in allowing this refuelling action to take place; understands that these air-to-air tankers could play an important role in any upcoming conflict in Iran; believes that Iran can never and should never possess a nuclear weapon; notes what it considers to be the economic benefit that the United States military has brought and continues to bring to Scotland; recognises what it sees as the important global role that Scotland

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and the UK can play in supporting their allies and democracy around the globe; applauds what it considers to be the bravery of the airmen and women of aircrafts RCH035, RCH036, RCH037 and RCH038, and wishes them the very best of luck in any upcoming operations in the Middle East.

Supported by: Meghan Gallacher*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alexander Stewart*, Murdo Fraser*, Douglas Ross*, Stephen Kerr*, Tim Eagle*

***[S6M-18024](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Membership—**That the Parliament agrees that—

Alasdair Allan be appointed to replace Elena Whitham as a member of the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee;

Elena Whitham be appointed to replace Gordon MacDonald as a member of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee;

Paul McLennan be appointed to replace Evelyn Tweed as a member of the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee; and

Evelyn Tweed be appointed to replace Emma Roddick as a member of the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee.

***[S6M-18019](#) Pam Gosal: Dr Richa Sinha Receives MBE in The King's Birthday Honours List—**That the Parliament congratulates Dr Richa Sinha on her award from The King, who has

been graciously pleased, on the occasion of the Celebration of His Majesty's Birthday, to approve her appointment as Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE); notes that Dr Sinha is the chair of the Scottish Hindu Foundation and was given her award for services to the Hindu community in Scotland and tackling Hinduphobia; acknowledges her dedication and service to her community across Scotland, and wishes her every success for the future.

Supported by: Douglas Ross*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Meghan Gallacher*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Colin Beattie*, Tim Eagle*, Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Foysol Choudhury*

***[S6M-18018](#) Pam Gosal: Adarsh Khullar of EKTA Group Receives a British Empire Medal in The King's Birthday Honours List—**That the Parliament congratulates Adarsh Khullar on her award from The King, who has been graciously pleased, on the occasion of the Celebration of His Majesty's Birthday, to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (BEM) for her services to the Scottish Asian Ekta Group; understands that, as founder and chair of the group, she has dedicated 25 years of her life to ensuring that ladies from ethnic minority backgrounds are not left behind; appreciates her efforts to alleviate loneliness, arrange yoga classes, workshops centred around mental wellbeing, and arrange daytrips in order to improve the lives of members, and wishes her every success in her future endeavours.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Meghan Gallacher*, Tim Eagle*, Annie Wells*

***[S6M-18017](#) Paul Sweeney: Motion of Condolence—**That the Parliament expresses its deepest condolences following the death of Eulalia Stewart on 9 June 2025; recognises her contribution to Glasgow's award-winning charity, Alive and Kicking, in Springburn; acknowledges that she served as the charity's deputy manager for over 30 years; believes that she played a vital role in ending social isolation and loneliness amongst generations of older and disabled residents in north Glasgow, and expresses sympathy to her family, friends and members of the community following the sad news of her passing.

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***[S6M-18015](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Celebrating 15 Years of Hillhead Bookclub**—That the Parliament congratulates Hillhead Bookclub, in Glasgow's west end, on its 15th birthday; notes that the venue first launched in the summer of 2010 and has become a staple in the community, including playing a role in welcoming new residents to the area; understands that the venue is hosting a series of events between 16 and 22 June 2025 to celebrate its birthday week, and commends the dedication and hard work of Hillhead Bookclub and its staff in contributing to the venue's success over the past 15 years.

***[S6M-18014](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Congratulating Glasgow Women's Library on Recognition as Library of Sanctuary**—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow Women's Library, in Bridgeton, on being officially recognised as a Library of Sanctuary; notes that the announcement was made during Refugee Festival Scotland, which runs until 22 June 2025; understands that the award recognises the library's long-standing commitment to being a "safe, inclusive and empowering" space for women from all walks of life, especially those who have lived experience of seeking sanctuary; further understands that Glasgow Women's Library is one of only 30 Libraries of Sanctuary in the UK, and commends the staff and all those involved in ensuring that the library acts as a safe space for service users.

***[S6M-18012](#) Alasdair Allan: Island Residents Recognised in The King's Birthday Honours List**—That the Parliament congratulates the four Western Isles residents who have been recognised in The King's Birthday Honours List 2025; understands that John and Lorna Norgrove, co-founders of the Linda Norgrove Foundation, have been appointed OBEs for services to women and children affected by conflict in Afghanistan; praises the positive work that the Linda Norgrove Foundation has undertaken in supporting a range of humanitarian and development projects; understands that John and Lorna established the Linda Norgrove Foundation in memory of their daughter, who was tragically killed in 2010 during a rescue attempt in eastern Afghanistan; further understands that Angus Campbell of Kilbride Shellfish Ltd, South Uist, has also been appointed an OBE for services to the Scottish fishing industry; commends Angus for his innovative and sustainable approach to shellfish farming, which, it believes, has had an enduring impact on the fishing industry in Scotland; understands that Donald John MacSween has been awarded the MBE for dedication to services within the Western Isles community; recognises that Donald John has previously served as a local councillor for Sgìre an Rubha, as well as holding significant leadership positions in the not-for-profit sector, including establishing Western Isles Foyer, an organisation that provides housing support for vulnerable young people; highlights Donald John's contributions to national Gaelic development, having served as chief executive of An Comunn Gàidhealach, and congratulates all who received recognition in The King's Birthday Honours List.

***[S6M-18011](#) Douglas Ross: Marking the Retirement of Forres Businessman, Alan James**—That the Parliament congratulates Forres businessman, Alan James, on his retirement from the company he founded nearly three decades ago, AJ Engineering; notes that he has sold his successful engineering company to the RSK Group, a global leader in the delivery of environment and engineering solutions; understands that Alan James started his career as an apprentice in 1971 with William Reid Engineering and then became involved in project management; further understands that he was promoted to project director after he studied for and secured an MSc in Project Management at Aberdeen University; notes with interest that on being made redundant from William Reid Engineering in 1999, Alan set up his own company, AJ Engineering & Construction Services, which was a supply chain provider for infrastructure development projects with a specialism in fabrication and installation; welcomes that this business has been so successful that it now employs 125 staff across sites from Forres, Fort William and Carlisle, working on high profile projects such as the space launch facility at SaxaVord space port on Unst,

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and understands that, for the last five years, the company has been sending teams to work on the Rothera Research Station in Antarctica; believes that AJ Engineering is a highly successful company, which is community-based and assists with various community events; congratulates Alan James on leading this team of dedicated employees through many challenges to the successful position that the company now enjoys, and wishes Alan James, who is also Depute Lord-Lieutenant of Moray and a director of Forres Events Limited, which staged Piping at Forres for six years and the Grant Park 100 celebration in 2024, a happy and well-deserved retirement.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Murdo Fraser*, Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Meghan Gallacher*, Bill Kidd*, Evelyn Tweed*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Edward Mountain*, Annabelle Ewing*, Tim Eagle*, Annie Wells*, Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-18010](#) Kenneth Gibson: Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of St Anthony's Primary School, Saltcoats**—That the Parliament congratulates St Anthony's Primary School in Saltcoats on its 50th anniversary; notes that the school, originally known as St Brendan's Primary and briefly Our Lady and St Brendan's, adopted its current name in 1975; acknowledges the contributions of pupils, staff, former pupils and the wider community in celebrating this milestone with a special day of activities on 12 June 2025; recognises that the school currently has 242 pupils and 15 teachers, reflecting its continued importance to the local community, and wishes the school, its staff and pupils every success for the future.

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***[S6M-18009](#) Michael Matheson: Diving for Peace – Limassol 2025**—That the Parliament welcomes the Diving for Peace initiative, which has been developed by the Professional Association of Diving Instructors (PADI) and the National Paralympic Committee of Cyprus, which will take place on 20 September 2025 in Limassol; understands that Diving for Peace aims to promote peace, inclusion, environmental awareness, and equal access to sport, by bringing together Paralympic athletes from across Europe and the Middle East, and that the initiative is said to symbolise unity through action; notes that the event in September will include a peace dive and sea-cleaning initiative, with athletes from across Europe and divers from Cypriot armed and emergency services, which will signify the universal values of freedom, equality and environmental respect; recognises that Fraser Bathgate, of PADI Worldwide, has played a key role in transforming the discipline of diving for disabled people, and will attend Diving for Peace in Cyprus; notes that the event in September will conclude with a gala dinner, with dignitaries from sports authorities, Paralympic committees, world governments and others to promote unity, resilience and inclusion of diving as a sport and discipline; commends PADI and the National Paralympic Committee of Cyprus for promoting Diving for Peace internationally, and wishes Fraser, and all involved, the very best for the event.

***[S6M-17992](#) Colin Smyth: Fur Free Britain Campaign**—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the overwhelming volume of public support for a ban on the sale and import of fur, reflected by the 1.5 million-signature petition recently handed to the UK Government by the Fur Free Britain campaign, calling for an end to fur being imported and sold in Britain; understands that, despite Scotland banning fur farming more than two decades ago on animal cruelty grounds, Britain continues to import millions of pounds worth of fur from overseas; believes that animals endure a terrible existence in small, barren cages before being electrocuted or gassed to death for fashion; commends the work being done on this issue by organisations, including Humane World for Animals alongside Ruth Jones MP, whose Bill proposes a ban, and urges the Scottish

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Government to take action north of the border to end what it sees as the double standard of fur farming being banned, yet still allowing fur imports and sales to continue.

***S6M-17985 Nicola Sturgeon: 25th Anniversary of the Repeal of Section 28—**That the Parliament notes that 21 June 2025 is the 25th anniversary of the passing of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000, including the repeal of the provision that banned the "promotion of homosexuality", commonly referred to as section 28; recalls that the legislation was passed by 99 votes to 17; believes that the repeal of section 28 was a watershed moment for the new Scottish Parliament, as an important and clear signal that the Parliament was willing to stand up for equality and fairness; thanks all those who campaigned against the introduction of section 28 in 1988 and afterwards for its repeal, the then Scottish Executive ministers who led on repeal, and all MSPs who voted for it; recognises the reported harm caused by section 28 during the 12 years that it was in effect, most seriously, it understands, by suppressing any discussion of LGBT+ issues in schools and making life for young LGBT+ people much more difficult; welcomes the progress made since the repeal of section 28, including other changes to the law affecting LGBT+ people, such as equal parental rights and responsibilities, equal marriage, and the pardons legislation, and policies such as the introduction of LGBT+ inclusive education, and believes that the history of section 28 demonstrates that, although there may be setbacks along the way, remaining steadfast and clear in support of fairness and non-discrimination for all will over time deliver continued progress towards that goal.

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***S6M-17970 Humza Yousaf: Govan Schools and Community Pipe Band—**That the Parliament recognises the ongoing good work of the Govan Schools and Community Pipe Band; understands that the band was born out of an idea in 2013 by retired police inspector Iain MacPherson and retired constable Iain Watson, with the aim to bring the joy of music to the local community, and to give children, who may otherwise not have access, the opportunity to learn a traditional Scottish instrument such as the bagpipes or pipe band snare drum; considers that, since 2013, the project has seen nearly 600 pupils and secured 14 pipers and drummers who went on to form a mixed schools band that is part of the after-school club in Govan High School; notes that, post-COVID-19 pandemic lockdown, the band competed in its first competition in the 2022 Scottish Pipe Band Championships in Dumbarton, and came first in its grade; commends the band for, from their first competition to the present, having been on the prize list of every competition that it has taken part in, bar one; acknowledges that the band gained promotion to grade 4A for the 2025 pipe band competition season, and has already won its first competition in the new grade; believes that the dedication that the band members have shown in learning their respective instruments has directly helped them in their higher education and career paths; commends the years of hard work and dedication to this project by Iain MacPherson, Iain Watson, Stevie Burns, and Alan McGeachie, and everyone else involved, and thanks them for shining a light on the talent and accomplishments of the people of Govan.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing*

***S6M-17955 Emma Roddick: Success of Growing2gether Youth Social Action Showcase—**That the Parliament congratulates Growing2gether on the successful hosting of its Youth Social Action showcase at Eden Court, Inverness, in May 2025; recognises the dedication and achievements of the young changemakers from Inverness and Alness who, following 16 weeks of

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youth-led project development, presented impactful initiatives, including awareness-raising on children's rights under article 29 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), and fundraising efforts in support of St Clements School; commends the confidence, creativity and leadership displayed by the participants, including six emerging young leaders and the young facilitator, Lorelei; acknowledges the valuable community partnerships fostered through the involvement of local leaders and mentors; applauds Growing2gether for its commitment to personal development, civic engagement and the empowerment of disadvantaged young people across the Highlands, and wishes the young participants and all those involved continued success in their efforts to build more inclusive, empowered and compassionate communities.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Paul McLennan*, Kevin Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Audrey Nicoll*, David Torrance*, Jackie Dunbar*

***[S6M-17857](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating the University of Aberdeen on its Research on Chronic Pain** —That the Parliament welcomes the work of Dr Guy Bewick and his team of researchers from the University of Aberdeen, who, it understands, working with Academia Sinica in Taiwan and a group of international experts, have shown that chronic pain is physiologically different from acute pain and can now be a target for future therapies; understands that the findings have been welcomed by Pain Association Scotland and GPs, and calls on the Scottish Government to work with charities, researchers and clinical staff to ensure that anyone living with chronic pain has access to the best possible pathway for treatment.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S6M-18008](#) Douglas Lumsden: Recognition of the Community Council Convention on Major Energy Infrastructure in the Highlands (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Annie Wells*

[S6M-18000](#) Kevin Stewart: Electricity Transmission Charges (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*, Fulton MacGregor*, Elena Whitham*

[S6M-17998](#) Mercedes Villalba: Welcoming the UK Government Proposals to Ban Seafloor Bottom Trawling (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Monica Lennon*, Elena Whitham*, Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17997](#) Kevin Stewart: Myeloma UK's Know the Warning Signs Campaign (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Brian Whittle*, John Mason*, Beatrice Wishart*, Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-17996](#) Gordon MacDonald: Congratulating Local School Crossing Patrol, Shirley Jamieson, on Receiving Honour (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-17995](#) Alexander Stewart: MBE Awarded to Johnny Dreckowski, Bridge of Allan, who Completed a 2,500-mile Cycle to Africa for Charity (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Foysol Choudhury*

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S6M-17993 Jackie Baillie: Cancer Prevention Action Week Highlights Links Between Alcohol and Cancer (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

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

New Support: Martin Whitfield*, Alasdair Allan*, Alexander Stewart*, Foysol Choudhury*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Fulton MacGregor*, Miles Briggs*, John Mason*, Mercedes Villalba*, Elena Whitham*

S6M-17990 Pam Duncan-Glancy: Congratulating Maryhill's Charlie Nugent on Raising over £5,000 for Beatson Cancer Charity (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-17989 Paul Sweeney: Motion of Condolence (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-17987 Tim Eagle: Congratulating Robert Macintyre Finishing Runner-up at the US Open (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Brian Whittle*

S6M-17986 Sandesh Gulhane: ENT Emergency Nurse at QEU Hospital Wins Adult Nursing Award (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Craig Hoy*, Bob Doris*, Fulton MacGregor*, Brian Whittle*

S6M-17984 Clare Adamson: Tanz Tanning Team Completes Pink Ribbon Walk in Memory of Ashleigh Craig (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*, Brian Whittle*

S6M-17983 Clare Adamson: Congratulations to Race for Life and Pretty Muddy Event at Strathclyde Park (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*, Brian Whittle*

S6M-17979 Sandesh Gulhane: Beatson Cancer Nurse Awarded MBE in The King's Birthday Honours List (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-17975 Alexander Stewart: Kathleen Baird Awarded a BEM (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-17974 Alexander Stewart: Edna Auld Awarded a BEM (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Evelyn Tweed*

S6M-17973 Alexander Stewart: Fiona Campbell MBE (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-17972 Liam McArthur: Moira Sinclair and Sue Foard Recognised in The King's Birthday Honours List (lodged on 16 June 2025)

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New Support: Foysol Choudhury*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-17967](#) Paul O'Kane: Houston United FC Wins the GGPAFL Cup (lodged on 16 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17965](#) Emma Roddick: Nairn Academy Wins the Donald Dewar Memorial Trophy (lodged on 16 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*, Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17963](#) Patrick Harvie: Glasgow Women's Library Awarded Library of Sanctuary Status (lodged on 16 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Bob Doris*, Elena Whitham*, Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17961](#) Humza Yousaf: Congratulating Regained Foods on Win at the Scottish Sustainable Curry Awards 2025 (lodged on 16 June 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17960](#) Foysol Choudhury: Queen Margaret University Named Higher Education Institute of the Year (lodged on 16 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-17958](#) Edward Mountain: Opening of Pittyvaich Care Home, Inverness (lodged on 13 June 2025)

New Support: Rhoda Grant*

[S6M-17957](#) Annabelle Ewing: Young Lochgelly Footballers Raise Over £1,200 with Forth Road Bridge Walk (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-17956](#) Annabelle Ewing: Kelty Primary School Pupil Completes Three Peaks Challenge (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*, Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17954](#) Marie McNair: Success Once Again for St Peter the Apostle High School's Football Teams (lodged on 16 June 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-17951](#) Stuart McMillan: King's Oak Primary School Achieves the UNICEF Gold Rights Respecting School Award (lodged on 12 June 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Evelyn Tweed*, Colin Beattie*, Audrey Nicoll*, David Torrance*, Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Martin Whitfield*, Jackie Dunbar*, Bill Kidd*

[S6M-17950](#) Michelle Thomson: In Memoriam of Peter Krykant (lodged on 13 June 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Elena Whitham*, Jackie Dunbar*, Paul Sweeney*

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S6M-17947 Emma Roddick: Success of Inverness Businesswoman Jill McAlpine at the UK StartUp Awards (lodged on 13 June 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-17944 Jackson Carlaw: Playlist for Life Supports People in Eastwood Diagnosed with Dementia (lodged on 12 June 2025)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Craig Hoy*, Pam Gosal*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*, Evelyn Tweed*, Meghan Gallacher*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Kenneth Gibson*, Kevin Stewart*, Elena Whitham*, Douglas Ross*, David Torrance*, Tim Eagle*

S6M-17938 Stuart McMillan: 250th Anniversary of Port Glasgow (lodged on 12 June 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*, Marie McNair*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Brian Whittle*, Bob Doris*, Pam Gosal*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Evelyn Tweed*, Elena Whitham*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-17934 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Opening of Alzheimer Scotland's Outdoor Brain Health and Dementia Resource Centre in the Grounds of Lauriston Castle (lodged on 12 June 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Elena Whitham*, Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-17932 Fulton MacGregor: The Passing of Coatbridge Teacher, Les Jenkins (lodged on 12 June 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-17931 Alex Rowley: Fish Farm Insecticide Impacting Wild Salmon (lodged on 13 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett* R, Elena Whitham*

S6M-17917 Carol Mochan: 20th Anniversary of the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Act 2005 (lodged on 11 June 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth* R, Elena Whitham*

S6M-17916 Rhoda Grant: Celebrating Trade Relationship with Taiwan (ROC) (lodged on 11 June 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-17914 Christine Grahame: Scottish Borders Widowed Community (lodged on 11 June 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Jackie Dunbar*, Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-17911 Kenneth Gibson: Congratulating Viking Café Saltcoats on Success at the Scottish Sustainable Curry Awards 2025 (lodged on 11 June 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

S6M-17910 Patrick Harvie: The Future of Glasgow's Bus Services (lodged on 11 June 2025)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*

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[S6M-17904](#) Stuart McMillan: Recognising Inverclyde ASN Parent and Carer Group (lodged on 11 June 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-17875](#) Paul O'Kane: Lochwinnoch Primary School Pupil Helping Fellow Students to Feel Less Lonely (lodged on 11 June 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17864](#) Paul Sweeney: Marking Scotstounhill Bowling Club Ladies Section Centenary (lodged on 11 June 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17855](#) Jeremy Balfour: World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (lodged on 09 June 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S6M-17847](#) Patrick Harvie: Calling for Exclusion of Belarus from UEFA Competitions (lodged on 12 June 2025)

New Support: Bob Doris*, Kevin Stewart*, Liam McArthur*

[S6M-17840](#) Oliver Mundell: Celebrating Trinity Primary Pupils' Inspiring Presentation on Dyslexia (lodged on 06 June 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S6M-17837](#) Colin Beattie: LCTS Women's Night Bus (lodged on 06 June 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-17824](#) Emma Harper: Supporting First Aid Confidence in South Scotland Through the "Taking the Fear Out of First Aid" Campaign (lodged on 05 June 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S6M-17811](#) Daniel Johnson: Celebrating ShopKind Week, 30 June to 6 July 2025 (lodged on 05 June 2025)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S6M-17799](#) Pam Gosal: Celebrating Helensburgh and Lomond Highland Games 15th Anniversary (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17796](#) Martin Whitfield: Celebrating 250 Years of Building Societies (lodged on 04 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Colin Smyth*

[S6M-17791](#) Annabelle Ewing: Welcomes the New Dog Exercise Area at Wallsgreen Park, Cardenden (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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[S6M-17790](#) Annabelle Ewing: Mossgreen Bell Returns to Churchyard Home (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17789](#) Annabelle Ewing: New Home for Cardenden Scouts (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17786](#) Christine Grahame: Mick McGahey and the 1984-85 Miners' Strike (lodged on 10 June 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-17784](#) Audrey Nicoll: Congratulating North East Scotland College (NESCol) on Achieving CIPD Platinum Centre Status (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17782](#) Emma Roddick: Success of Cardiac Screening in Carrbridge and Fundraising in Memory of Calum Mackintosh (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17780](#) Mercedes Villalba: UN World Oceans Day 2025 (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-17776](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Ice Hockey Club (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-17775](#) David Torrance: Burntisland Scout Achieves Top Award (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham* R

[S6M-17773](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating the CIRCLE Recovery Hub in Paisley on its NHSGGC Celebrating Success Award (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Elena Whitham*

[S6M-17772](#) Paul O'Kane: Commemorating Cllr Betty Cunningham OBE (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17771](#) Keith Brown: Celebrating Volunteers' Week 2025 (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17766](#) Michelle Thomson: 35 Entrepreneurs Celebrate Success at the 25th Scottish EDGE Awards (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17762](#) Clare Adamson: New College Lanarkshire HNC Childhood Practice Students Raise £1,400 for Jak's Den (lodged on 03 June 2025)

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[S6M-17761](#) Liam Kerr: Celebrating Sea Salt and Sole's Success in the Deliveroo Restaurant Awards 2025 (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17756](#) Liam McArthur: Princess Royal to Open 2025 Island Games in Orkney (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17755](#) Liam McArthur: New MRI Scanner to Come to Orkney on 10-month Trial (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17750](#) Tess White: Burnside Brewery Nominated for Three North East Scotland Food & Drink Awards 2025 (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17749](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Coatbridge Schoolgirl Grace McLuckie on her Outstanding Literary Achievement (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17747](#) Tess White: NHS Grampian Breast Surgeon Ms Beatrix Elsberger Honoured in National Portrait (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17746](#) Claire Baker: Celebrating the Achievements of Invergowrie Primary School's Nursery Class on Gaining Three Digital Schools Awards (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17745](#) Clare Adamson: Recognition of Industrial Cadets Bronze Project Graduation Day (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17744](#) Clare Adamson: Recognising Steven Cross's Miles for Maggie's and Supporting a Remarkable Journey (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17742](#) Colin Beattie: Musselburgh Inner Wheel Club Celebrates its 70th Anniversary (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17740](#) Clare Adamson: Hugh Black & Sons Crowned South-East Scotland Sausage Champions (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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S6M-17736 Colin Beattie: East Lothian Courier Named Weekly Newsbrand of the Year
(lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17735 Marie McNair: Celebrating Milngavie Woman for Over Three Decades of Volunteering (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17734 Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen FC Wins Scottish Cup (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17732 Alexander Stewart: Firpark Ski Centre in Tillicoultry Marks 40th Anniversary
(lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17731 Fulton MacGregor: Coatbridge: The Disappearance of Moira Anderson Named Runner-up for Podcast of the Year (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17727 Evelyn Tweed: Vincenzo's Fish and Chips Honoured for Charitable Fundraising in Memory of Lisa McGloin (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17724 Meghan Gallacher: Right There's New Initiative - Furnish Forward (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17721 Monica Lennon: Celebrating Ten Years of TIE (Time for Inclusive Education)
(lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-17720 Monica Lennon: World Menstrual Hygiene Day 2025: Together for a #PeriodFriendlyWorld (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Elena Whitham*

S6M-17719 Michael Matheson: Charity Ball Raises £6,261 for Maggie's Forth Valley and MS Society (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17718 Evelyn Tweed: Commending the Trossachs Tractor Run for Fundraising for Strathcarron Hospice (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17716 Annie Wells: Glasgow Student's Stunning Sustainable Fashion Debut at Cannes 2025 (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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S6M-17715 Annie Wells: Congratulations to Breea Keenan on Winning Debut Romantic Novel Award (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17713 Annie Wells: Celebrating Glasgow's Teddy Hospital and its Impact on Children's Health Education (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17711 Annie Wells: Celebrating 200 Years of the Glasgow Looking Glass – The World's First Comic (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17710 Annie Wells: Congratulations to Scotstoun Chamber Choir on Hosting World Premiere in Glasgow (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17700 Alexander Stewart: Revitalising High Streets (lodged on 04 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Colin Smyth*

S6M-17699 Bill Kidd: Dementia Awareness Week, 2 to 8 June 2025 (lodged on 28 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17698 Christine Grahame: National Children's Gardening Week 2025 (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17697 Emma Roddick: 25 Years of MECOPP Supporting Black and Minority Ethnic Unpaid Carers (lodged on 04 June 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

S6M-17696 Roz McCall: 40 Years Service to Fife Show (lodged on 03 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17692 Tim Eagle: Ray's Opportunities Investing in Forres Public Facilities (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17691 Karen Adam: Forever Faithful Wins Fishing Boat of the Year (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17690 Liam McArthur: Celebrating Orkney Folk Festival 2025 (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-17686 Willie Coffey: Brodie Engineering Winners (lodged on 29 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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[S6M-17685](#) Karen Adam: The Codfather Wins Fish and Chip Shop of the Year (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17682](#) Stephen Kerr: Congratulating The Duchess of Rothesay on Officially Naming HMS Glasgow (lodged on 29 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17679](#) Ben Macpherson: Congratulating Street Soccer Scotland on the Launch of Kitback (lodged on 29 May 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-17676](#) Evelyn Tweed: 55th Birthday of Blair Drummond Safari and Adventure Park (lodged on 28 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17668](#) Karen Adam: Fundraiser of the Year at the Moray and Banffshire Heroes Awards (lodged on 28 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17666](#) Karen Adam: Carer of the Year at Moray and Banffshire Heroes (lodged on 28 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17664](#) Jackie Baillie: Welcoming the Launch of St Andrew's First Aid's National Campaign, Taking the Fear Out of First Aid (lodged on 28 May 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-17660](#) Colin Beattie: Addressing Anti-Social Behaviour in Coastal Towns (lodged on 02 June 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17659](#) Tim Eagle: 50th Anniversary of Comhairle nan Eilean Siar (lodged on 28 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17652](#) Douglas Lumsden: Congratulating Lord Gove of Torry (lodged on 28 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17649](#) Jackie Dunbar: Denis Law Legacy Trail Officially Open (lodged on 28 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17647](#) Marie McNair: Action Mesothelioma Day 2025 (lodged on 29 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17646](#) Tim Eagle: Recognising Robert Kincaid's Donation to Marine Science Education (lodged on 27 May 2025)

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New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17645](#) Jackie Dunbar: Boards & Beans Officially opens in Aberdeen Donside (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17642](#) John Mason: Walk to School Week 2025 (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17641](#) Murdo Fraser: The 12th Anniversary of Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17638](#) Stuart McMillan: Pawel Martynk Wins Unox Cookery Competition in Italy (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17636](#) Pam Gosal: Janet Marshall of Helensburgh Receives Scotland Regional Recognition Award by SSAFA (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17634](#) Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen International Airport to Host Sixth Annual Midnight Runway Run (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17632](#) Claire Baker: Isla Gear's Petition on Early Detection and Pancreatic Cancer UK's Unite. Diagnose. Save Lives. Campaign (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17630](#) Rona Mackay: Aphasia Awareness Month (lodged on 29 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Elena Whitham*

[S6M-17629](#) Rachael Hamilton: Supporting the Work of My Name's5 Doddie Foundation and the Success of Doddie Aid 2025 (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17627](#) Karen Adam: Queen's Guide Award (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17626](#) Karen Adam: Whitehills Community Spirit (lodged on 30 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17589](#) Ben Macpherson: Congratulating Rohan Seilman of A.R.Ts Afternoon on Scottish Charity Awards Nomination (lodged on 19 May 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-17501](#) Paul O'Kane: Election of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV (lodged on 12 May 2025)

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New Support: Alasdair Allan*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 25 June 2025

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business

- 1. Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government, as part of its work to further the case for Scottish independence, what specific actions it is taking to strengthen Scotland's democratic infrastructure, authority and state-building preparations to ensure that the Scottish Parliament could become the legislature of an independent Scotland. ([S6O-04834](#))
- 2. Elena Whitham:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the latest births and deaths figures published by National Records of Scotland. ([S6O-04835](#))
- 3. Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason medical supplies were sent to Ukraine with a condition that they be used for civilian purposes only. ([S6O-04836](#))
- 4. Stephanie Callaghan:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding its provision of funding for humanitarian aid, when it last engaged with the UK Government in relation to the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza. ([S6O-04837](#))
- 5. Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how it supports rural museums. ([S6O-04838](#))
- 6. Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what restrictions it places on the use of its overseas aid. ([S6O-04839](#))
- 7. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government, as part of its work to further the case for Scottish independence, what discussions it has had with the UK Government in relation to the Prime Minister's reported comments that he does not believe that there will be another independence referendum during his administration and that nobody is raising this with him as their first priority, in light of reports that recent polling shows support for independence at over 50%. ([S6O-04840](#))
- 8. Humza Yousaf:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what support it is providing for humanitarian assistance in Gaza. ([S6O-04841](#))

Justice and Home Affairs

- 1. Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide further details of any plans to introduce continuous alcohol monitoring technology for offenders across Scotland. ([S6O-04842](#))
- 2. Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to tackle violence against women. ([S6O-04843](#))
- 3. Douglas Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Police Scotland regarding the decision to euthanise police dog Zara in December last year and the subsequent review by the force. ([S6O-04844](#))
- 4. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with North Lanarkshire Council on addressing antisocial behaviour involving the use of off-road vehicles in Motherwell and Wishaw. ([S6O-04845](#))
- 5. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide details of its engagement with stakeholders on violence prevention during its youth violence summit on 12 June. ([S6O-04846](#))

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6. Bob Doris: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether Police Scotland and other public bodies have appropriate powers to tackle the misuse of off-road vehicles and promote community safety. ([S6O-04847](#))

7. Annabelle Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government when the Scottish Prison Service will conclude any work required to ensure that it fully complies with the judgment of the UK Supreme Court handed down on 16 April 2025 in the case, *For Women Scotland v The Scottish Ministers*. ([S6O-04848](#))

8. Clare Haughey: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the findings of the latest Scottish Crime and Justice Survey, which included for the first time new questions around crimes of fraud and computer misuse. ([S6O-04849](#))

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 26 June 2025

Education and Skills

1. Lorna Slater: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the reported significant demand for apprenticeships from both employers and applicants, what it is doing to increase the number of apprenticeship places available. ([S6O-04858](#))

2. Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government how the new guidance on behaviour in schools addresses pupil-on-staff violence. ([S6O-04859](#))

3. Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government what it plans to do to ensure that children in care are not excluded from school, as set out in *The Promise*. ([S6O-04860](#))

4. Monica Lennon: [Not Lodged]

5. Evelyn Tweed: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any regional variability in the availability of apprenticeships. ([S6O-04862](#))

6. Ben Macpherson: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of holiday hub provision for children with disabilities and ASN in the City of Edinburgh and elsewhere in Scotland. ([S6O-04863](#))

7. Michelle Thomson: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to supporting schools to raise awareness of, and provide the required assistance to, people with hearing and sight difficulties. ([S6O-04864](#))

8. Kevin Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tailor funding to colleges to ensure that they are providing courses to meet the needs of businesses in an ever changing world. ([S6O-04865](#))

General Questions selected for answer on 26 June 2025

1. Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with local stakeholders regarding the protection of wild goats in the Scottish Borders. ([S6O-04850](#))

2. Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to review planning laws regarding the provision of private purpose-built student accommodation, in light of reported concerns over the concentration of student accommodation in certain localities and objections from local residents. ([S6O-04851](#))

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3. Sue Webber: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to undertake a regulatory check of existing Transport (Scotland) Act 2001 powers to allow local authorities and regional transport partnerships to implement local road user charging schemes. ([S6O-04852](#))

4. Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has plans to reform the planning appeals process. ([S6O-04853](#))

5. Colin Beattie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the aim under action 20 of the Housing to 2040 strategy to streamline and accelerate the adaptations system. ([S6O-04854](#))

6. Keith Brown: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with NHS Forth Valley regarding access to health services for communities that rely on local bus links. ([S6O-04855](#))

7. Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government what health policies it has in place to support the neurodevelopment of children born prematurely through their early years and adolescence. ([S6O-04856](#))

8. Marie McNair: To ask the Scottish Government how it is working with NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde to meet the demand for ADHD and autism assessments. ([S6O-04857](#))

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Written Questions

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

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

Government initiated questions lodged on 18 June 2025

[S6W-38801 Collette Stevenson](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the delivery of Pension Age Winter Heating Payment in Scotland this winter, in light of the recent change in UK Government policy to extend Winter Fuel Payment eligibility.

[S6W-38855 Ben Macpherson](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will set out its policy position on coal extraction in Scotland.

[S6W-38856 Bob Doris](#): To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to lay regulations setting carbon budgets in order to set an emissions trajectory to 2045.

[S6W-38857 Emma Harper](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will set out its policy position on onshore conventional oil and gas.

Written questions lodged on 18 June 2025

[S6W-35793 Stephen Kerr](#): To ask the Scottish Government what role it has in overseeing financial agreements at Ferguson Marine; what its response is to reports that there was a "verbal agreement" with a subcontractor that led to the shipyard facing a bill for almost £48,000 in unpaid tax, and whether it was aware of any such deal.

[S6W-35794 Stephen Kerr](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it is aware of any informal pay arrangements at Ferguson Marine and, if so, what action it has taken in response to these.

[S6W-35795 Stephen Kerr](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish details of any financial agreements and pay arrangements involving Ferguson Marine's (a) recent interim chief executive, (b) most recent permanent chief executive and (c) current senior personnel.

[S6W-37898 Finlay Carson](#): To ask the Scottish Government what contingency plans are in place in the event that emissions reductions from agriculture and land use do not progress in line with its net zero targets.

[S6W-37909 Finlay Carson](#): To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to prevent carbon leakage from agricultural imports as a result of any reduction in domestic agricultural production.

[S6W-38648 Ariane Burgess](#): To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in relation to reports of land being sold at auctions as investment or lifestyle plots, despite being situated on crofting, arable or protected land, such as the Parallel Roads of Lochaber Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) at Achnabobane.

[S6W-38688 Liam McArthur](#): To ask the Scottish Government, regarding virtual attendance at criminal court, whether it remains its position that "all stakeholders are of the view that the provisions...work well as currently framed", in light of the comments by the (a) Faculty of Advocates that "valuable court time is regularly lost due to delays in establishing remote links and re-establishing failed remote links", (b) Law Society of Scotland that "the virtual systems that we have had so far have tended to be pretty inflexible" and (c) Scottish Solicitors Bar Association that the pilot scheme for a virtual custody court at Kilmarnock Sheriff Court was "a singular failure".

[S6W-38758 Jeremy Balfour](#): To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the report, *Older People's Economic Wellbeing Index: Scotland 2024–25*, by Independent Age, which found that almost one in four (24%) older people with a health condition are not aware of Pension Age

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Disability Payment or its predecessor, Attendance Allowance, how it will raise awareness of the financial support available to older disabled people.

S6W-38759 Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the report, *Older People's Economic Wellbeing Index: Scotland 2024–25, by Independent Age*, which found that almost one third (32%) of older people with a health condition have skipped meals because of costs and that 58% of people with a health condition or disability are more likely to have reduced their social interactions because of financial difficulties.

S6W-38779 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve the (a) management and (b) tracking of marine traffic in Scotland's coastal waters.

S6W-38780 Willie Rennie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W- 38271 by Alasdair Allan on 12 June 2025, and in light of the commitment in its 2025-26 Programme for Government to simplify the Home Energy Scotland application process, when it expects the detailed analysis of average application and claim processing timescales relating to the Home Energy Scotland Grant and Loan Scheme to be published, and whether it plans to set a target date for publication of such analysis.

S6W-38781 Beatrice Wishart: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the study, *Is the Whole Farm Plan Suitable for the Shetland Islands?*, conducted by Katrina Coutts as part of her Honours degree in Agriculture at Scotland's Rural College (SRUC) Craibstone, which identified negative impacts of the Whole Farm Plan on Shetland's crofting community.

S6W-38782 Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to provide adequate outdoor space for all pupils, in light of the findings in the report, *School Grounds in Scotland in 2025*, that 15% of primary schools and 16% of secondary schools have lost outdoor space because of building development.

S6W-38783 Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the statistic in the report, *School Grounds in Scotland in 2025*, that around one in three primary schools have reported issues with flooding within school grounds.

S6W-38784 Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to promote any benefits of outdoor learning and access to high-quality green spaces in schools, in light of the finding in the report, *School Grounds in Scotland in 2025*, that almost 40% of Scottish schools have fewer than five trees within their boundaries.

S6W-38785 Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to amend curriculum guidelines to promote any positive effects of learning in outdoor spaces, in light of the finding in the report, *Schools Grounds in Scotland in 2025*, that only around one third of secondary schools regard outdoor spaces as either very useful or essential learning resources.

S6W-38786 Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will change its guidance on school ground improvement planning, in light of the *School Grounds in Scotland in 2025* research, which has reportedly identified budget reductions over the past two decades as a major barrier to the improvement of outdoor spaces in Scottish schools.

S6W-38788 Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government how much it (a) has spent to date and (b) is projected to spend in total on implementing the national strategy for 20mph speed limits.

S6W-38791 Beatrice Wishart: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has undertaken with stakeholders regarding a workable solution to enable patients in Scotland to take part in proton beam therapy clinical trials, and what the estimated timeline is for the conclusion of any such work.

S6W-38792 Beatrice Wishart: To ask the Scottish Government what the Chief Scientist Office's budget for excess treatment costs has been in each of the last five years.

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S6W-38793 Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what powers local authorities have under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 to reduce non-domestic rates, and when any such powers came into effect.

S6W-38794 Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government which local authorities have used or are seeking to use their powers under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 to adjust non-domestic rates, broken down by financial year.

S6W-38795 Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to encourage more local authorities to consider and utilise their existing powers under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 to adjust non-domestic rates.

S6W-38797 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will call in planning application 24/01680/FUL for the "erection of purpose-built student accommodation with ground floor food hall (Class 1A), food and drink (Class 3), public house and hot food takeaway (Sui generis), and assembly and leisure uses (Class 11) with associated landscaping, amenity, access and other ancillary works", which was reportedly granted by Glasgow City Council's Planning Applications Committee on 17 June 2025, in light of the objection raised by a statutory consultee, namely Historic Environment Scotland, due to the proposed development having a "significant adverse impact on the setting of A-listed Glasgow School of Art".

S6W-38798 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the development of the final code of practice for regenerative agriculture, and when it expects it to be laid before the Scottish Parliament.

S6W-38799 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how often it plans to review its code of practice for regenerative agriculture once published, and how it will engage stakeholders on their views ahead of these updates.

S6W-38800 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to accelerate the adoption of soil health measures on farms.

S6W-38802 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what outcomes have been achieved through the Just Transition Fund.

S6W-38803 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government how much of its £100 million Green Jobs Fund has been allocated to date, (a) in total and (b) broken down by financial year.

S6W-38804 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what outcomes have been achieved through the Green Jobs Fund.

S6W-38805 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government how many jobs have been created through the Green Jobs Fund.

S6W-38806 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how much of the £500 million Just Transition Fund for the North East and Moray has been allocated since the establishment of the fund.

S6W-38807 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been allocated from the Just Transition Fund in each financial year since the fund was established.

S6W-38811 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what impact it anticipates the long-term conditions framework will have on the role of the current national advisory committees and taskforces that provide clinical leadership to the delivery of strategies.

S6W-38812 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what (a) patient, (b) clinical and (c) third sector engagement was undertaken in the long-term conditions framework consultation, and whether it will summarise the feedback given on the strategic direction.

S6W-38813 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how funding will be allocated to condition-specific projects under the long-term conditions framework.

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S6W-38814 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many full-time equivalent civil servants currently work within its (a) cancer policy unit, (b) long-term conditions policy unit, broken down by condition, and (c) long-term conditions strategy unit.

S6W-38815 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what changes will be made to the civil servant resource for conditions such as stroke and heart disease within the long-term conditions policy unit, in light of the publication of the long-term conditions framework.

S6W-38818 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many children and young people living in temporary accommodation have been required to move school in each year since 1999, broken down by local authority area.

S6W-38819 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what updated guidance it plans to publish in relation to a presumption against children and young people living in temporary accommodation being required to move schools.

S6W-38820 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many weapons have been seized and recorded as being carried by pupils in schools in each year since 1999.

S6W-38821 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to extend access to counselling provision in primary schools, building on its existing commitment to secondary school counselling.

S6W-38822 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what monitoring is in place to ensure consistency and quality in school-based counselling services across local authority areas.

S6W-38823 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish data on the (a) frequency, (b) type and (c) availability of counselling provision in schools in the last five years, broken down by local authority area, including rural and island areas.

S6W-38825 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will explore the introduction of mobile or hybrid counselling models in any under-served areas.

S6W-38830 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions S6W-38221 and S6W-38222 by Marie Todd on 17 June 2025, whether its answer means that fewer than five people under 18 have been subject to a place of safety order in each of the last five years, and, if this is not the case, in which of the last five years there were more than five people under 18 who were made subject to a place of safety order.

S6W-38831 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-38220 by Maree Todd on 17 June 2025, what analysis it has carried out of whether missing data may reflect a failure to fulfil the legal obligations set out in section 298 of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003, and, in the event that these legal obligations are not being fulfilled, what action the Scottish Government plans to take to address this.

S6W-38833 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-38218 by Maree Todd on 17 June 2025, whether it has attempted to estimate the "true" proportion of people detained in police stations under a place of safety order, adjusting for any missing data and data collection practices, and, if so, what estimates it has made.

S6W-38834 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-38218 by Maree Todd on 17 June 2025, what analysis it has undertaken to explore to what extent the reported reduction in the number of people detained in police stations under a place of safety order may simply reflect missing data, rather than an actual reduction.

New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New accompanying documents printed on 18 June 2025

Education (Scotland) Bill (As amended at Stage 2)— A revised version of the Explanatory Notes has been printed. (SP Bill 49A–EN) (Government Bill)

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Amendments

Amendments to Bills lodged on 18 June 2025

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Section 10

Tim Eagle

225A As an amendment to amendment 225, line 24, at end insert—

“(7A) Any notice given by the tenant under this section must be given in writing.>

Tim Eagle

225B As an amendment to amendment 225, line 25, leave out <may> and insert <must>

Tim Eagle

225C As an amendment to amendment 225, leave out line 27

Tim Eagle

543 In section 10, page 31, leave out lines 16 and 17

Section 14

Tim Eagle

544 In section 14, page 46, line 5, at end insert—

<(1BA) Where notice is given to the landlord under subsection (1B), the landlord may request further information from the tenant about the improvement.

(1BB) Where the tenant receives a request under subsection (1BA), the tenant must, within 14 days of the request being made, provide to the landlord such further information as is reasonably required to enable the landlord to fully consider the request for consent and make an informed decision.

(1BC) If the tenant fails to respond to a request for information in accordance with subsection (1BB), the tenant is deemed to have withdrawn the notice given under subsection (1B).

(1BD) Where the landlord requests information under subsection (1BA), the period mentioned in subsection (1C) is extended by 14 days.>

Tim Eagle

276A As an amendment to amendment 276, line 6, after <holding,> insert—

<(aa) whether sufficient information has been provided to the landlord pursuant to a request under (1BA) to enable the landlord to make an informed decision,>

Section 23

Douglas Lumsden

545 In section 23, page 62, line 27, after <landlord> insert <that is used>

Douglas Lumsden

299A As an amendment to amendment 299, line 4, at beginning insert <insofar as>

Douglas Lumsden

299B As an amendment to amendment 299, line 10, leave out <for which> and insert <insofar as>

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 18 June 2025 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes \(Amendment\) Order 2025 \(SI 2025/678\)](#)

Laid under section 48 and paragraph 12 of schedule 3 of the Climate Change Act 2008

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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 Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 completed, 13 May 2025

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 5 June 2025

Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

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

Passed, 10 June 2025

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

Introduced, 17 June 2025

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

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Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 2 April 2025

Lead committee – Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice

Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 18 June 2025

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 3 June 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

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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 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 21 May 2025

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

Ecocide (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 29 May 2025

Lead committee – Net Zero, Energy and Transport

Education (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 3 (proceedings, meeting of the Parliament), 24 June 2025

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 25 June 2025

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (45th Report, 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

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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

Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 3 June 2025

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

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Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 5) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee), 24 June 2025

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 10 June 2025

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

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 18 June 2025

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

Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 7 May 2025

Lead committee – Criminal Justice

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

Introduced, 20 May 2025

Lead committee – Criminal Justice

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 20 May 2025

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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 10 June 2025

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

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Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Passed, 17 June 2025

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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)), 8 May 2025
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
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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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 10 June 2025

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

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

Lodged on 12 June 2025

Meeting (lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 19 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 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, 25 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 (lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 18 June 2025

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Meeting of the Parliament 26 June 2025

Crime and Policing Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-57a

Lodged on 12 June 2025

Lead committee – Criminal Justice

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

Lodged on 22 November 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 1 April 2025

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

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

Employment Rights Bill LCM-S6-53

Lodged on 11 December 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

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, 25 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

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 27 May 2025

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

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

Lodged on 29 May 2025

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 18 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (47th Report, 2025)

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

Lodged on 21 March 2025

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 12 June 2025

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

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025

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Report – Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (9th Report, 2024)
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69th Report, 2024)

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

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 24 June 2025

[Home Detention Curfew \(Amendment of Specified Time Periods\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (16 May 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to approval by 3 September 2025

[Scottish Parliament \(Constituencies and Regions\) Order 2025 \(2025/Draft\)](#) (22 May 2025)
(Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to approval by 18 September 2025

[Scottish Parliament \(Disqualification\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (6 June 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

[Winter Heating Assistance \(Pension Age\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (6 June 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 21 June 2025

Lead committee report due by 16 June 2025

[Scotland Act 1998 \(Agency Arrangements\) \(Specification\) \(Recognition of Qualifications\) Order 2025 \(SI 2025/555\)](#) (13 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to annulment 23 June 2025

Lead committee report due by 23 June 2025

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(2025/149\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Education \(Appeal Committee Procedures\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(2025/144\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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[Bankruptcy and Diligence \(Scotland\) Act 2024 \(Consequential Amendments and Forms\) Regulations 2025 \(2025/145\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Valuation \(Proposals Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(2025/146\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Health Boards \(Membership and Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(2025/147\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Road Traffic \(Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area\) \(Highland Council\) Designation Amendment Order 2025 \(2025/148\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment 24 June 2025
Lead committee report due by 23 June 2025

[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 3\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/150\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[St Mary's Music School \(Aided Places\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/151\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Teachers' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/152\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to annulment 27 June 2025
Lead committee report due by 23 June 2025

[Seed \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(2025/154\)](#) (19 May 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Marketing of Fruit Plant and Propagating Material \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(2025/155\)](#) (19 May 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

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 \(2025/166\)](#) (29 May 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

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

[Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes \(Amendment\) Order 2025 \(SI 2025/678\)](#) (18 June 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 18 June 2025—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 48th Report, 2025 (Session 6):
Subordinate Legislation Considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee
on 17 June 2025 (SP Paper 830)

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee, 2nd Report 2025 (Session 6)
Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee Report on the Legislative Consent
Memorandum (LCM) on the Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill (SP Paper 831)

The following report will be published on 19 June 2025—

Education, Children and Young People Committee, 8th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Report
on the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill (SP
Paper 832)

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

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 18 June 2025 and are not subject to
parliamentary procedure—

**HM Fire Service Inspectorate: Organisational Culture in the Scottish Fire and Rescue
Service - Volume 1 (SG/2025/60)** laid under Section 43C(5) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

**Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Compendium of Case Reports for June 2025
(SPSO/2025/06)** laid under Sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services
Ombudsman Act 2002

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