

Friday 20 June 2025

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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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: Dr Yekemi Otaru, Chancellor of University of West Scotland

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

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

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

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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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>

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

24 June 2025

24th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 5).
3. **Planning and Infrastructure Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider a draft report on legislative consent memorandum LCM-S6-56.
4. **Ecocide (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath on 85232 or at peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot

Finance and Public Administration Committee

24 June 2025

22nd Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Public administration in government:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Joe Griffin, Permanent Secretary, Lesley Fraser, Director-General Corporate, Gregor Irwin, Director-General Economy, and Richard McCallum, Director of Public Spending, Scottish Government.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Joanne McNaughton, at FPA.committee@parliament.scot.

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

24 June 2025

20th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Children and young people's participation in sport and physical**

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activity: The Committee will take evidence from—

Jillian Gibson, Policy Manager – Sport and Physical Activity, COSLA;
Gregor Muir, Policy and Communications Officer, Scottish Sports Association;
Ailsa Wyllie, Lead Manager, Sports Development, sportscotland.

- Children and young people's participation in sport and physical activity:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
- Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider its approach to Pre-Budget Scrutiny.
- Good Food Nation:** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny of the Good Food Nation proposed national plan.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Alex Bruce on 85229 or at Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

24 June 2025

20th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
- National Planning Framework 4 Annual Review:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, Cara Davidson, Head of Environment and Net Zero, Andy Kinnaird, Head of Transforming Planning, Fiona Simpson, Chief Planner, Director of Planning, Architecture and Regeneration, and Carrie Thomson, Head of Development Planning & Housing, Scottish Government.
- National Planning Framework 4 Annual Review:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jenny Mouncer on 85051 or at Jenny.Mouncer@parliament.scot

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

24 June 2025

22nd Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in private.
- Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Police \(Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny\) \(Scotland\) Act 2025 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/175 (C.18))
[Bovine Viral Diarrhoea \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/176)
- Greyhound Racing (Offences) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

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4. **Children (Withdrawal from Religious Education and Amendment of UNCRC Compatibility Duty) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
5. **Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Scottish Government's response to points raised on the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
7. **Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the response from the Member-in-charge to points raised on the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
8. **Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the response from the Member-in-charge to points raised on the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
9. **Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the Legislative Consent Memorandum and powers to make subordinate legislation within devolved competence in the Bill.
10. **Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the Legislative Consent Memorandum and powers to make subordinate legislation within devolved competence in the Bill.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Greg Black on 86266 or at Greg.Black@parliament.scot

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

24 June 2025

17th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Post-legislative scrutiny and the non-implementation of specific Acts of the Scottish Parliament:** The Committee will take evidence on the Domestic Abuse Protection (Scotland) Act 2021; the Children (Scotland) Act 2020 and the Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Act 2020, in that order, from—
 Siobhian Brown, Minister for Victims and Community Safety, and Jeff Gibbons, Violence Against Women and Girls Unit Head, Scottish Government;
 and then from—
 Siobhian Brown, Minister for Victims and Community Safety, and Simon Stockwell, Family Law Unit Head, Scottish Government;
 and then from—
 Kaukab Stewart, Minister for Equalities, and Nel Whiting, Violence Against Women and Girls Team Leader, Scottish Government.
3. **Post-legislative scrutiny and the non-implementation of specific Acts of the Scottish Parliament:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 2.
4. **Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

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5. **Temporary and tied visa holders:** The Committee will consider a briefing from the Worker Support Centre.
6. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2026-27 (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach.
7. **Civil Legal Aid Inquiry (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Euan Donald on 85204 or at ewan.donald@parliament.scot

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

25 June 2025

22nd Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will continue its consideration of a draft report.
2. **Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Emma Johnston on 85225 or at emma.johnston@parliament.scot

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

1. **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.
2. **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, Interim Audit Director, 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

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

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***[S6M-18027](#) Michelle Thomson: Remembering Hiroshima and Nagasaki: The Vital Importance of Peace Education**—That the Parliament acknowledges what it sees as the vital importance of peace education as part of global citizenship education, a facet of learning for sustainability; remembers with solemnity the devastating atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945, which claimed over 200,000 lives and left countless others with lifelong injuries and trauma; recognises the powerful testimony of Hibakusha, survivors of these atomic bombings, who have visited the Scottish Parliament and shared their experiences with the clear message, "never again"; recalls motion S6M-10229, which recognised the work of Quakers in Britain and Quakers in Scotland in their initiative, Peace at the Heart of Scottish Schools, and highlighted the benefits of peace education among young learners across Scotland, including its strong links to the Curriculum for Excellence; considers that Scotland continues to host nuclear weapons of mass destruction on the Clyde and that the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons has been supported by the Scottish Government, which, it understands, has called on the UK Government to sign and ratify the treaty, joining what it sees as the growing number of nations committed to banning nuclear weapons; understands that, under the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, the UK is obliged to pursue negotiations in good faith on effective measures relating to nuclear disarmament; further understands that, since 1978, the UN has urged governments to take steps to develop programmes of education for disarmament and peace studies at all levels; notes the reported research from the Nuclear Education Trust, which found that more information, education and public debate is urgently needed on nuclear weapons issues; further notes the view that it is important to continue to provide funding for Scotland's Development Education Centres, which, it considers, provide essential training on global citizenship education, equipping young people with critical thinking skills, political literacy, ethical reasoning and the ability to empathise with others; celebrates what it sees as the valuable global citizenship resources that are provided by Scotdec to teachers in the Falkirk East constituency and beyond, and the resources and support available for pupils in Scotland from organisations such as the Peace Education Network, CND Peace Education, Peace Education Scotland, Scientists for Global Responsibility and others; welcomes the reported funding to pilot the Scottish Peace Platform initiative and enhance Scotland's vibrant peacebuilding sector; commends the Educational Institute of Scotland (EIS) for its support of peace education, and notes the view that it is important to support a range of peace education initiatives for Scottish schools, through

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recognition and funding, to enable young learners across Scotland to become ethical global citizens now and in the future.

***[S6M-17982](#) Foyso! Choudhury: Honouring the Life and Legacy of Professor Sir Geoff Palmer OBE, CD, KT**—That the Parliament notes with sadness the recent death of Professor Sir Geoff Palmer; recognises and celebrates the outstanding contributions of Professor Sir Geoff Palmer to Scotland as a pioneering scientist, academic, human rights advocate, and champion of racial equality; acknowledges his ground-breaking scientific work in the field of brewing and cereal science, which, it understands, revolutionised the malting process and earned him international acclaim; notes his role as the first Black professor in Scotland, and his lifelong commitment to education, inclusion and justice; commends his tireless advocacy for addressing Scotland's historical links to slavery and colonialism, including his leadership as chair of the Edinburgh Slavery and Colonialism Legacy Review Group; recognises what it sees as his influence in shaping a more honest and inclusive national narrative; further recognises that he has been the recipient of numerous honours for his work, including being knighted in 2014 for services to human rights, science and charity, as well as receiving the Jamaican Order of Distinction and Royal Order of the Thistle in 2024; notes the calls for permanent recognition of his legacy through educational programmes, commemoration, and the inclusion of his achievements in Scotland's national story, so that future generations remember and celebrate his extraordinary life and contributions; celebrates the incredible life and achievements of Professor Sir Geoff Palmer, and hopes that his vision of a world free of prejudice and racism can be achieved.

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-18032](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Neil McMullen on Winning the Pearson National Teaching Silver Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Neil McMullen, a lecturer at the Coatbridge campus of New College Lanarkshire, on being named a Silver winner in the Further Education Lecturer of the Year category at the 2025 Pearson National Teaching Awards; notes that these awards are among the most prestigious and largest education awards in the UK, recognising outstanding contributions across all sectors; further notes that Neil was selected as one of six Silver winners from thousands of entries, following a rigorous judging process, including a visit from previous winners; understands that Neil is the first lecturer from a Scottish college to reach this stage in the 10 years that the category has run; acknowledges that he now progresses to consideration for a Gold Award, with the final results to be announced on *The One Show* and at a ceremony in London in November; recognises Neil's remarkable career, having joined the then Coatbridge College in 1985 as an 18-year-old student in its first hairdressing class, before going on to teach and mentor thousands of students over the past four decades; commends what it sees as his innovative, community-based teaching, including work with cancer survivors and victims of domestic violence, celebrates his status as an inspiring educator, valued colleague, and Lanarkshire legend, and offers its best wishes for continued success.

***[S6M-18031](#) Meghan Gallacher: Homes for Scotland Contribution in Helping to Launch Five New Future Planners Initiatives**—That the Parliament recognises the contribution of Homes for Scotland in helping to address the reported skills shortage in Scotland's planning system through the launch of five new Future Planners bursaries; notes that the bursaries total to £25,000; further notes that these bursaries aim to attract individuals from diverse backgrounds into the planning

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profession by supporting course fees, living expenses and mentoring opportunities, which are administered by the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI); understands that the bursaries will support students on RTPI-accredited Planning master's courses at the University of Glasgow, the University of Dundee and Heriot-Watt University for the 2025-26 academic year; recognises that this initiative, supported by Brodies, Mac Mic Group, Miller Homes, Persimmon Homes and Taylor Wimpey, complements the 30 bursaries already available via Scottish Government grant funding; welcomes this initiative during a time of what it sees as significant pressure on Scotland's planning system, and amid an ongoing housing emergency, and commends Homes for Scotland for its leadership in marking its 25th anniversary year by investing in the future of planning in Scotland and supporting a sustainable pipeline of talent to help deliver the homes that it considers Scotland needs.

Supported by: Murdo Fraser*, Paul McLennan*, Douglas Ross*, Alexander Burnett* **R**, Pam Gosal*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*

***S6M-18030 Kevin Stewart: Field Cycling Imaging Developments in Aberdeen—**That the Parliament welcomes the news that scientists at the University of Aberdeen and NHS Grampian have been awarded £350,000 by the Scottish Government to investigate a new way of scanning glioblastoma brain tumours; understands that glioblastoma is the most common and aggressive type of brain tumour, with over 3,000 new diagnoses in the UK every year, half of which die within 15 months of diagnosis, despite extensive surgery and treatment; further understands that the team will use field cycling imaging (FCI), a new and specialist type of low-field MRI scanning, which is exclusive to Aberdeen, to generate unprecedented images of these brain tumours; believes that this study exemplifies the pioneering, world-class research in medical technology taking place at the University of Aberdeen, and hopes that the study, and related future work, will lead to huge advances in glioblastoma diagnosis and treatment across Scotland and beyond.

Supported by: Clare Haughey*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sandesh Gulhane* **R**, Stephanie Callaghan*, Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, Christine Grahame*

***S6M-18029 Michael Marra: Welcoming the Successful Pilot of the Breastfeeding Friendly Early Years Scheme in Tayside—**That the Parliament recognises the excellent work of the Breastfeeding Friendly Early Years Scheme in NHS Tayside; understands that the scheme was created to support nurseries and early years settings to promote a breastfeeding-friendly environment and to support families and colleagues who breastfeed; believes that the scheme encourages nurseries and early years settings to adopt a breastfeeding and returning to work policy, to assure pregnant and breastfeeding employees that, should they wish to, they will be supported to continue breastfeeding on return to work; welcomes that the scheme promotes awareness of local services where breastfeeding families can access support and information; understands that, after a successful pilot in Tayside, the scheme is being rolled out across Scotland, and wishes all involved in Breastfeeding Friendly Early Years Scheme continued success as they support families across Scotland.

***S6M-18028 Pam Gosal: Bearsden Tennis Club Wins Scottish Inter-Club Challenge Cup—**That the Parliament congratulates Bearsden Tennis Club on winning the prestigious Scottish Inter-Club Challenge Cup; acknowledges the dedication, exceptional teamwork and exemplary sportsmanship demonstrated by the players, coaches and supporters; recognises the significance of this victory as a testament to the club's hard work and commitment to excellence; celebrates the positive impact that this win has on the local community, fostering a sense of pride and unity, and wishes Bearsden Tennis Club continued success and many more victories in future competitions.

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***[S6M-18025](#) Murdo Fraser: Scottish Women's Convention's Perth Roadshow Report**—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Women's Convention's (SWC) Perth roadshow report; notes that the report provides an insight into the views and opinions of women residing in Perth; further notes that multiple themes were highlighted in the findings, including issues with health, education, employment and the community, along with key recommendations put forward by SWC; acknowledges that the SWC was set up by the Scottish Executive in 2003 in recognition of the need to ensure that women's voices reached policymakers, and urges policy makers at all levels to pay attention to the report's findings.

***[S6M-18023](#) Alexander Burnett: Angus Pelham Burn MBE to Receive a Master of the University**—That the Parliament congratulates Angus Pelham Burn MBE on receiving a Master of the University from Aberdeen University; recognises that Angus is both a philanthropist and retired businessman, who started his career with Hudson's Bay Company in Canada, and returned to Scotland to farm after seven years; commends Angus for his successful career in business in both senior company and board roles, including chair of Aberdeen Assessment Management, Scottish Provident, and the Aberdeen Airport Consultative Committee; recognises that he also served as the Vice Lord Lieutenant of Kincardineshire for over 20 years; understands that he contributed to the university's work, including donations to the Sir Duncan Rice Library and Cruickshank Botanic Garden; recognises that Angus was appointed a Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE), and congratulates Angus on his achievements. **R**

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***[S6M-18022](#) Foyso Choudhury: Launch of South Asian Network TV**—That the Parliament congratulates the team behind the launch of South Asian Network TV (SAN TV), the UK's first dedicated public service channel celebrating and representing South Asian communities; recognises the channel's commitment to inclusion, representation and empowerment, and its focus on arts, education, business and wellbeing; commends the leadership of director and editor Ranjith Sankaranarayanan, broadcasting director Mian Tariq, and technical director Sooraj Alanal for their hard work and dedication in bringing this community-driven platform to life, and wishes for the success of SAN TV in bringing South Asian culture to Scotland's screens.

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***[S6M-18021](#) Foyso Choudhury: BBC Radio Scotland Young Classical Musician of the Year 2025**—That the Parliament warmly congratulates Sofía Ros, winner of BBC Radio Scotland's Young Classical Musician of the Year 2025 competition; notes that Sofía, who plays the accordion, moved to Scotland from Spain at the age of 13 to study music at St Mary's Music School in Edinburgh, before going on to study at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland; congratulates all finalists who performed alongside the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra in the final; notes that, as well as the title of BBC Radio Scotland Young Classical Musician 2025, the prize includes a further performance on BBC Radio Scotland later this year; recognises that the competition aims to encourage and highlight the wealth of talent in Scotland's vibrant classical music scene, and wishes those involved every success.

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***[S6M-18020](#) Douglas Ross: Bijou Wins Independent Gift Retailer of the Year Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Bijou, in Elgin, on being named the Scottish Independent Gift Retailer of the Year at the Great Gift Retailer Awards in London, which are often referred to as the "Oscars" of gift retailing; notes that the award recognises the outstanding success of the shop, which celebrates its 21st anniversary in 2025, in what it considers continue to be challenging trading times for many small businesses; understands that the judges commented on the shop's friendly staff, customer service and product selection, tastefully comprising key brands as well as start-up companies, and commends the owner, David Robertson, and his team at Bijou for the outstanding customer service that they provide, and have provided for more than two decades.

Supported by: Meghan Gallacher*, Craig Hoy*, Alexander Stewart*, Liam Kerr*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Annie Wells*, Pam Gosal*, Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*, Jeremy Balfour*, Emma Roddick*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*

***[S6M-17821](#) Christine Grahame: Calling for the BBC to Get its Act Together and Report Accurately on Devolved Issues**—That the Parliament believes that the BBC regularly fails to distinguish the difference between the situation in England, with regards to its privately owned water companies, and that in Scotland, where, since 2002, Scottish Water is in public ownership; considers that the distinction between the publicly owned ScotRail, and the various private rail companies in England, is ignored; believes that reference is often made to various ministers, who are responsible for domestic issues in England, as if they represent Scotland; notes the view that, as a public service broadcaster, the BBC has a duty, and an obligation, to ensure that it is accurate in its reporting; further notes the reported concerns, including from some in the Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale constituency, that such instances continue, despite the fact that devolution is more than a quarter of a century old, and calls on the BBC to get its act together and report accurately on devolved issues.

Supported by: Kevin Stewart*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Colin Beattie*, Audrey Nicoll*, Bill Kidd*, John Mason*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S6M-18026](#) Douglas Lumsden: Refuelling of US Air Force Aircrafts at Prestwick Airport (lodged on 18 June 2025)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Pam Gosal*, Craig Hoy*

[S6M-18019](#) Pam Gosal: Dr Richa Sinha Receives MBE in The King's Birthday Honours List (lodged on 18 June 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*, Liam Kerr*

[S6M-18018](#) Pam Gosal: Adarsh Khullar of EKTA Group Receives a British Empire Medal in The King's Birthday Honours List (lodged on 18 June 2025)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Tess White*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*, Liam Kerr*

[S6M-18012](#) Alasdair Allan: Island Residents Recognised in The King's Birthday Honours List (lodged on 18 June 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, Beatrice Wishart*, Rhoda Grant*

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Motions Gluasadan				

S6M-18011 Douglas Ross: Marking the Retirement of Forres Businessman, Alan James
(lodged on 18 June 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Tess White*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*, Liam Kerr*

S6M-18009 Michael Matheson: Diving for Peace – Limassol 2025 (lodged on 18 June 2025)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Rona Mackay*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*

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

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Tim Eagle*, Russell Findlay*, Edward Mountain*

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

New Support: Tess White*, Russell Findlay*

S6M-17992 Colin Smyth: Fur Free Britain Campaign (lodged on 18 June 2025)

New Support: Mark Ruskell*, Pauline McNeill*

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

New Support: Paul O'Kane*, Monica Lennon*, Liam McArthur*, Evelyn Tweed*, Pauline McNeill*, Mercedes Villalba*, Kevin Stewart*, Bob Doris*, Audrey Nicoll*, Martin Whitfield*, Colin Beattie*, Patrick Harvie*, Bill Kidd*

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

New Support: Tess White*, Russell Findlay*

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

New Support: Tess White*, Russell Findlay*

S6M-17985 Nicola Sturgeon: 25th Anniversary of the Repeal of Section 28 (lodged on 18 June 2025)

New Support: Liam McArthur*, Mark Ruskell*, Lorna Slater*, Joe FitzPatrick*, Clare Haughey*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Tess White*, Russell Findlay*

S6M-17977 Pam Gosal: Congratulating the University of Aberdeen on Progressing Towards Opening a Campus in India (lodged on 17 June 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Russell Findlay*

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

New Support: Tess White*, Russell Findlay*

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Motions Gluasadan				

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

New Support: Tess White*, Russell Findlay*

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

New Support: Tess White*, Russell Findlay*

S6M-17970 Humza Yousaf: Govan Schools and Community Pipe Band (lodged on 18 June 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Audrey Nicoll*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Paul McLennan*, Kevin Stewart*, Stephanie Callaghan*

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

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Audrey Nicoll*, Kevin Stewart*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Paul McLennan*, Miles Briggs*

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

New Support: Pam Gosal*

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

New Support: Russell Findlay*, Liam Kerr*

S6M-17863 Kevin Stewart: 10 Years of the NHS Grampian Family Nurse Partnership (lodged on 09 June 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S6M-17860 Colin Beattie: Alison Rafferty Named NHS Call Handler of the Year (lodged on 09 June 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S6M-17856 Liam McArthur: Welcoming the Introduction of Marie Curie Services for Patients in Orkney (lodged on 09 June 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

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

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S6M-17845 Michelle Thomson: Bo'ness Academy's Ruiraidh Porteous Named Young Person of the Year (lodged on 06 June 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S6M-17841 Karen Adam: Commending the Work of North East Sensory Services in Supporting People with Sight and Hearing Loss (lodged on 06 June 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

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Motions Gluasadan				

S6M-17838 Mercedes Villalba: Freelance and Forgotten: A Report on Worker Exploitation in Scotland's Creative Industries (lodged on 06 June 2025)

New Support: Patrick Harvie*, Lorna Slater*

S6M-17832 Ruth Maguire: Silver LGBT Charter for Kilwinning Academy (lodged on 06 June 2025)

New Support: Joe FitzPatrick*

S6M-17653 Maggie Chapman: Celebrating Dundee Book Festival 2025 (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

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

New Support: Willie Coffey*

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Questions Ceistean				

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 19 June 2025

[S6W-38872](#) Rona Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to end the use of WhatsApp and other mobile messaging applications in the Scottish Government, as announced by the Deputy First Minister in December 2024.

[S6W-38877](#) Ben Macpherson: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish its improved methodology for the climate change taxonomy for its Budget 2025-26.

[S6W-38897](#) Clare Adamson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will report on the outcome of the recent Summit of the British-Irish Council, held in Northern Ireland.

[S6W-38899](#) Marie McNair: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish its Disability Equality Plan.

Written questions lodged on 19 June 2025

[S6W-38789](#) Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government whether it anticipates that at least 16,500 police officers will be employed by Police Scotland across the financial year 2025-26.

[S6W-38790](#) Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the increase in employer national insurance contributions from April 2025, whether it will provide additional funding to Police Scotland in the financial year 2025-26 to mitigate the impact of this increase, and, if so, how much extra funding it will provide.

[S6W-38816](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28109 by Jenni Minto on 25 June 2024, when it plans to next report on progress towards the *Mental health and wellbeing strategy: delivery plan 2023-2025*, and whether any such progress report will include an analysis of the impact of the strategy on addressing the mental health impact of non-communicable diseases, including chronic kidney disease, in light of Kidney Care UK's report, *Left to get on with it: The real impact of inadequate psychosocial support in kidney care*, published in June 2025.

[S6W-38817](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Kidney Care UK's recent report, *Left to get on with it: The real impact of inadequate psychosocial support in kidney care*, whether it plans to implement measures to train and upskill NHS kidney care teams, general practitioners and talking therapies professionals, to ensure timely referral and access to psychosocial support for people living with chronic kidney disease.

[S6W-38826](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what rules were in place in relation to ministerial use of the Government Car Service in 2007, and when any changes to those rules occurred.

[S6W-38827](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether any changes have been made to the rules relating to the ministerial use of the Government Car Service; if so, what specific changes were made, and on what date each change was made.

[S6W-38828](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether the practice that a minister could not be both dropped off at and collected from a private or party engagement on the same day, by the Government Car Service, changed, and, if so, when.

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Questions Ceistean				

S6W-38835 Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government how many tonnes of waste it has directly generated in each of the last five financial years; how many tonnes of this waste were sent to landfill; how many tonnes it estimates it will generate in 2026, and how many tonnes of this waste it estimates will be sent to England from January 2026.

S6W-38836 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of it adopting a mechanism for the carbon contracts pilot to offer to buy a portion of carbon credits at an agreed price, what other options to support investment were considered; for what reasons they were rejected, and whether it will publish its latest assessment of these reasons.

S6W-38837 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the reported call for the registration of peatland restoration projects for carbon contracts, how many hectares of degraded peatland it anticipates the carbon contracts pilot will restore, and how many tonnes of CO₂e reductions it estimates this restoration will deliver.

S6W-38838 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what criteria it will use to determine which projects that register an interest will be offered a carbon contract under the carbon contracts pilot; whether it will utilise the services of consultants to help assess projects for acceptance, and, if so, which consultants.

S6W-38839 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government how many projects have registered an interest in carbon contracts since the launch of the call for interest in the carbon contracts pilot.

S6W-38840 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has set an upper limit on the (a) annual and (b) cumulative amount of any contingent liability associated with the carbon contracts pilot.

S6W-38841 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government which of its departmental budgets will be used to pay for any contingent liability from carbon contracts, and whether the Peatland ACTION budget will be affected.

S6W-38842 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what (a) steps it has taken and (b) plans it has to report any contingent liability arising from the carbon contracts pilot.

S6W-38844 Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Ofgem following the regulator's announcement on 26 May 2025 that the Radio Teleswitch Service (RTS) switch-off will take a phased approach, starting from 30 June 2025, and what it anticipates the impact of this switch-off will be for consumers in Scotland who have not yet switched to a smart meter.

S6W-38846 Ash Regan: The ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in response to reports that women wait longer than men for NHS operations.

S6W-38847 Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Healthcare Improvement Scotland reportedly stating that the endometriosis pathway for Scotland is over 500 days past its review date, when it plans to complete its review of the pathway.

S6W-38848 Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent on methadone prescriptions in total in each of the last four years, broken down by the cost in each NHS board area.

S6W-38849 Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government how much funding (a) in total and (b) per capita has been allocated for public transport in each of the last two years, also broken down by (i) local authority area and (ii) parliamentary region.

S6W-38850 Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government how many manufacturing jobs have been created through inward investment in (a) Scotland and (b) each local authority area, in each of the last five years.

S6W-38851 Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the trade deal between the UK and India, whether it is considering expanding its current list of nine trade and investment envoys to include an envoy for the Indian market.

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Questions Ceistean				

S6W-38852 Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the UN defining any formal marriage or informal union between a child under the age of 18 and an adult, or another child, as child marriage, whether it is considering increasing the minimum age for marriages and civil partnerships in Scotland to 18, and, if so, what work it has already carried out on this matter.

S6W-38853 Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has reviewed the UK Government's national audit on group-based child sexual exploitation and abuse; if so, what lessons it has learned that are applicable in Scotland, and what its response is to reported calls for a national inquiry into grooming gangs in Scotland.

S6W-38858 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made to develop and align private sector incubators within the national entrepreneurial infrastructure.

S6W-38859 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made in the development of a national system of pre-scaler hubs to stimulate early-stage entrepreneurship.

S6W-38860 Foyso Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to action 36 of the Ministerial Scottish Nursing and Midwifery Taskforce report, *Delivering Together for a Stronger Nursing and Midwifery Workforce*, whether it will provide an update on (a) progress made on the development of alternative entry routes into nursing and midwifery, including part-time routes and (b) any timeline that has been set for the roll-out of new entry routes.

S6W-38861 Foyso Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to action 44 of the Ministerial Scottish Nursing and Midwifery Taskforce report, *Delivering Together for a Stronger Nursing and Midwifery Workforce*, whether it will provide an update on progress made towards identifying the barriers and enablers to attracting candidates to nursing and midwifery.

S6W-38862 Foyso Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to action 44 of the Ministerial Scottish Nursing and Midwifery Taskforce report, *Delivering Together for a Stronger Nursing and Midwifery Workforce*, whether it has started a review of the package of financial support available to nursing and midwifery students, and, if so, when it expects to complete this review.

S6W-38863 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how many of the energy consents that it has issued since February 2023, when National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4) was adopted, include requirements for biodiversity enhancements, as set out in policy 3 of NPF4.

S6W-38864 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether it is appropriate to attach conditions to energy consents, granted under the Electricity Act 1989, to secure proposals for biodiversity enhancements, under the terms of National Planning Framework 4.

S6W-38865 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to extending free ferry travel for passengers aged 22 and under on all routes on the public contract for (a) Northern Isles Ferry Services and (b) Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Services.

S6W-38866 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that energy consent projects that it approves contribute to positive outcomes for biodiversity, as required by National Planning Framework 4.

S6W-38867 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on what the relevance of National Planning Framework 4 is in determining energy consents.

S6W-38868 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will list the current fare concessions available to disabled passengers on the public ferry network.

S6W-38869 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve the (a) accessibility and (b) affordability of inter-island ferry travel for disabled passengers.

S6W-38870 Beatrice Wishart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-35682 by Fiona Hyslop on 27 March 2025, and in light of the CPI rate announcement on 18 June 2025, when the Northern Isles Ferry Service booking system will open for bookings for dates beyond 31 December 2025.

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Questions Ceistean				

S6W-38873 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government when a mid-year review will take place of its progress on the recommendations in the Session 5 Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee report, *Salmon farming in Scotland*.

S6W-38880 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the timeline for providing the £5 million of funding allocated to the hospice sector in its Budget 2025-26.

S6W-38881 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether Social Security Scotland (SSS) will follow the example of Scotland's local authorities and NHS boards by creating a network of armed forces and veterans champions within SSS to (a) help raise awareness of issues faced by the armed forces community, veterans and their families and (b) protect veterans' rights when accessing services.

S6W-38882 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government what progress Social Security Scotland has made in making sure that frontline staff are trained in the particular needs of the veteran community, to ensure that veterans are not subjected to any unnecessary misunderstanding or distress when accessing financial support.

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Amendments Atharrachaidhean				

Amendments

Amendments to Bills lodged on 19 June 2025

Education (Scotland) Bill — Stage 3

Amendments 130A, 318, 319, 320, 215A, 240A and 321 have been lodged as manuscript amendments under Rule 9.10.6. The Presiding Officer has decided under that rule to allow these amendments be moved at the meeting of the Parliament on 24 June 2025

Section 10

Jenny Gilruth

130A As an amendment to amendment 130, line 15, leave out <, to be construed in accordance with the public sector duty in section 1 of the Equality Act 2010>

After section 17

Jenny Gilruth

318 After section 17, insert—

<Guidance by the Scottish Ministers

- (1) In addition to having regard to any guidance issued as mentioned in section 8(2) or 9(3)(b)(iii), Qualifications Scotland must also have regard to any other guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers in respect of the exercise of Qualifications Scotland's functions.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must publish any guidance issued as mentioned in subsection (1).>

Section 33A

Jenny Gilruth

319 In section 33A, page 16, line 3, leave out <where appropriate> and insert <in every case in which it appears to the Chief Inspector appropriate to do so>

Section 34

Jenny Gilruth

320 In section 34, page 16, line 16, after <including> insert <those with educational support needs and>

Jenny Gilruth

215A As an amendment to amendment 215, line 2, leave out <additional> and insert <educational>

Section 36

Jenny Gilruth

240A As an amendment to amendment 240, line 4, after <functions> insert <as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate>

Section 49

Jenny Gilruth

321 In section 49, page 23, line 16, leave out first <the> and insert <an inclusive>

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New Subordinate Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to affirmative procedure

The following draft instruments were laid before the Parliament on 19 June 2025 and are subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Climate Change \(Scotland\) Act 2009 \(Scottish Carbon Budgets\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 96(4) of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

[Climate Change \(Local Development Plan\) \(Repeals\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 96(4) of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

Withdrawal of instrument

The following draft instrument was laid before the Parliament on 6 June 2025 and withdrawn on 19 June 2025—

[Winter Heating Assistance \(Pension Age\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 96(2) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 1 completed, 13 May 2025

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

Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 5 June 2025

Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 June 2025

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)

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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 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
legislationteam@parliament.scot

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

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

Ecocide (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

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

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.

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 June 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)), 25 June 2025

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

Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 June 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), 24 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

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

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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

Crime and Policing Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-57a

Lodged on 12 June 2025

Lead committee – Criminal Justice

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 (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 24 June 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 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 3 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

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

Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025

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

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

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 May 2025

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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)

Subject to approval by 1 October 2025

[Climate Change \(Scotland\) Act 2009 \(Scottish Carbon Budgets\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (19 June 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Climate Change \(Local Development Plan\) \(Repeals\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (19 June 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning 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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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[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 19 June 2025—

Finance and Public Administration Committee, 8th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Report on the Scottish Budget process in practice (SP Paper 829)

Social Justice and Social Security Committee, 5th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Public authorities (fraud, error and recovery) Bill (SP Paper 833)

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 19 June 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Food Standards Scotland: Our Food 2024, An annual review of food standards across the UK (SG/2025/101) laid under Section 15(6) of the Food (Scotland) Act 2015

Scottish National Adaptation Plan - Annual Progress Report 2024 – 2025 (SG/2025/108) laid under section 54 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

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