Tuesday 11 March 2025 **Business Bulletin** *Iris Ghnothaichean*



Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Kayleigh Brown (née Haggo)

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills

followed by Appointment of Chair to Environmental Standards Scotland

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-15955 Alexander Stewart: Additional Support Needs in Scotland

Committee Meetings

8:45am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

9:30am Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

9:30am Finance and Public Administration Committee

10:00am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

10:00am Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

10:30am Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

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1. Audrey Nicoll: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of joint calls on the UK Government from business leaders in Scotland for the project to be progressed as a priority, whether it will provide an update on what engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding the Acorn carbon capture and storage project and Scotland's journey to net zero. (<u>S6T-02407</u>)

2. Meghan Gallacher: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that people live in safe, warm homes, in light of reports that the number of properties falling below the "tolerable standard" in order to be fit for habitation has increased from an estimated 54,000 in 2018 to 729,000 in 2023. (<u>S6T-02395</u>)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills

<u>S6M-16750</u> Shirley-Anne Somerville: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills—That the Parliament notes that Ofgem's energy price cap has soared to £1,849 for the average household, which is the third increase in a row and 9.4% (£159) higher than this time last year; recognises that this will compound cost of living pressures for households across Scotland; welcomes the Scottish Government's action in the recently passed Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill, including the reintroduction of universal winter fuel payments for pensioners and through energy efficiency programmes; believes that reforming energy markets and harnessing Scotland's renewable potential will bolster energy security and, in turn, reduce consumer bills, and calls on the UK Government to make urgent progress on delivering its commitment to reduce bills by £300, against which no progress has yet been made.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

<u>S6M-16750.3</u> Liz Smith: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills—As an amendment to motion S6M-16750 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills), leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert "notes the ongoing concerns amongst the Scottish business community about the effects of the widening tax differential between Scotland and the rest of the UK; further notes the failure of both the UK Government and the Scottish Government to prioritise policies that will deliver sustained economic growth, investment in infrastructure and more efficient public services, and calls on the Scottish Government to take a balanced approach to net zero, which includes supporting Scotland's oil and gas industry and ending policies that worsen cost of living pressures."

<u>S6M-16750.4</u> Paul O'Kane: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills—As an amendment to motion S6M-16750 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills), leave out from "notes" to end and insert "recognises that there are significant cost of living pressures in

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the UK and globally; further recognises the impact that rising energy bills have for families and communities across Scotland; welcomes the recent announcement by the UK Labour administration that it is expanding the £150 Warm Home Discount scheme so that 220,000 more Scottish households receive help to reduce energy costs; further welcomes the other support delivered by the UK Labour administration, including an extra £41 million in funding this past winter for the Scottish Government and delivering a record budget settlement for Scotland; demands that the Scottish Government works to urgently introduce greater support in the short term and accelerate insulating and decarbonising homes to bring down energy bills in the long term, and calls on the Scottish Government to deliver the policies that the Scottish Labour Party is calling for, such as scrapping peak rail fares, delivering affordable housing and keeping council tax low while boosting Scotland's energy security through its sprint to clean power to keep bills low."

followed by Appointment of Chair to Environmental Standards Scotland

S6M-16749 Gillian Martin: Appointment of Chair to Environmental Standards Scotland—

That the Parliament notes the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee's consideration of Dr Richard Dixon as the nominated candidate for the role of Board Chair of Environmental Standards Scotland at its meeting on 18 February 2025; welcomes the committee's recommendation that the Parliament approves the appointment of Dr Richard Dixon for four years in accordance with schedule 1, paragraph 2(4) of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021, and approves the appointment as required by schedule 1, paragraph 2(2) of the Act.

followed by Committee Announcements

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5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

<u>S6M-15955</u> Alexander Stewart: Additional Support Needs in Scotland—That the Parliament acknowledges that, in Scotland, additional support needs (ASN) is a term used to describe the requirements for an estimated 190,000 children and young people, or 26.6% of all school pupils, who require extra help to reach their full learning potential; believes that ASN can include having motor or sensory impairments, learning difficulties such as dyslexia, English as an additional language or a myriad of emotional and social difficulties; notes that all schools have a duty to provide appropriate support and that this requirement was laid out in the Education (Additional Support for Learning) Scotland Act 2004; further notes that the Additional Support for Learning: Statutory Guidance 2017 sets out that schools have a number of responsibilities to support pupils who have ASN, such as making adequate and efficient provision for the support required, publishing, reviewing and updating specified information about their ASN policy, providing the parents of the pupils with all of the information that they are required to publish, providing, where

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needed, co-ordinated support plans for the pupils, and keeping this under regular review, and providing independent and free mediation services for parents and pupils, including publishing information about these services; believes that, with the right resources and focus, schools and further education settings, including those in Stirling and Clackmannanshire, can create a whole-school environment with an emphasis on inclusion and cooperation and delivering high aspirations; further believes that social and emotional skills programmes, which aim to build resilience through learning or coordinated support plans, can build skills step by step to bring success and give pupils with ASN a chance to test their skills out and receive encouragement and feedback, developing inclusiveness that can be encouraged through good quality health and wellbeing lessons, promoting relationships and diversity, supporting pupils to feel accepted and to belong; believes that, in addition to myriad other ambitions, they can help to deal with, and reduce, bullying and discrimination, and notes the calls that, in order for all pupils with ASN to benefit in full from their education, the support that they receive should be tailored to meet their individual needs and build on their strengths to help them overcome any difficulties that they experience.

Committee Meetings

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

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 10th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
- 2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument— Environmental Protection (Disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyls and other Dangerous Substances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025
- 3. Work programme: The Committee will review its work programme.
- 4. Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (in private): The Committee will continue its consideration of a draft Stage 1 report.

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 7th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
- 2. **Operation of the Public Sector Equality Duty in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Clare Gallagher, Human Rights Officer, CEMVO (Council of Ethnic Minority Voluntary Sector Organisations) Scotland;

Jatin Haria, Executive Director, Coalition for Racial Equality and Rights (CRER);

Lindsey Millen, Head of Policy and Development, Close the Gap;

Jill Wood, Policy Manager, Engender;

and then from—

Dr Pauline Nolan, Head of Policy and Engagement, Inclusion Scotland;

Rohini Sharma Joshi, Diversity and Inclusion Manager, Age Scotland;

Vic Valentine, Scottish Trans Manager, Equality Network.

- 3. **Operation of the Public Sector Equality Duty in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 2.
- 4. **Civil Legal Aid Inquiry:** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.

Finance and Public Administration Committee 9th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill: Financial Memorandum:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Douglas Ross, Member in Charge of the Bill, and Neil Stewart, Senior Clerk, Non-Government Bills Unit, Scottish Parliament.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Landfill Tax (Standard Rate and Lower Rate) Order 2025 [draft] from—

Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, and Jonathan Waite, Aggregates Tax Bill Team Leader, Scottish Government.

- 3. **Subordinate legislation:** Ivan McKee (Minister for Public Finance) to move—
 - S6M-16546—That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Scottish Landfill Tax (Standard Rate and Lower Rate) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/41) be approved.
- 4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Part 2 Further Extension) Order 2025 [draft] from—

Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, and Angus MacLeod, Head, Public Bodies Support Unit, Scottish Government.

- Subordinate legislation: Ivan McKee (Minister for Public Finance) to move— S6M-16547—That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 (Part 2 Further Extension) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.
- 6. Work programme (in private): The Committee will consider its work programme.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 9th Meeting, 2025

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
- Instruments subject to affirmative procedure: The Committee will consider the following— <u>Environmental Authorisations (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025</u> (SSI 2025/Draft)
- 3. Instruments subject to negative procedure: The Committee will consider the following— Education (Scotland) Act 1980 (Modification) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/44) Council Tax Reduction and Council Tax (Discounts) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/55) Council Tax (Exempt Dwellings) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2025 (SSI 2025/56) Health and Care Professions Council (Miscellaneous Amendments) Rules Order of Council 2025 (SI 2025/240)
- 4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Act 2023 (Commencement No. 2) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/52 (C.6))

5. **Framework legislation and Henry VIII powers:** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 8th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
- 2. **sportscotland:** The Committee will take evidence from— Maureen Campbell, Chair, and Forbes Dunlop, Chief Executive Officer, sportscotland.
- Subordinate legislation: The Committee will consider the following negative instruments— <u>National Assistance (Sums for Personal Requirements) (Scotland) Regulations 2025</u> <u>National Assistance (Assessment of Resources) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations</u> <u>2025</u>

National Health Service (Common Staffing Method) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025

4. **sportscotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 8th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

- 1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
- Public petitions: The Committee will consider the following petitions— PE1743: Amend the law to protect the rights of pre-1989 Scottish Secure Tenants PE1778: Review the Scottish Landlords Register scheme PE1912: Funding for council venues
- 3. Subordinate legislation: The Committee will consider the following negative instruments— <u>Non-Domestic Rate (Scotland) Order 2025</u> (2025/37) <u>Non-Domestic Rates (Levying and Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations</u> <u>2025</u> (2025/38) <u>Non-Domestic Rates (Transitional Relief) (Scotland) Regulations 2025</u> (2025/39) <u>Non-Domestic Rates (Hospitality Relief) (Scotland) Regulations 2025</u> (2025/40) <u>Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2025</u> (2025/48)
- 4. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee and the Finance and Public Administration Committee.
- 5. **Heat in Buildings:** The Committee will consider an approach to the proposed bill on heat in buildings and forthcoming draft climate change plan.

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 5 March 2025

Wednesday 12 March 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Protecting Single-sex Spaces in the Public Sector

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-16573 Audrey Nicoll: International Women's Day 2025

Thursday 13 March 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-16302 Paul O'Kane: Young Carers Action Day 2025

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions Social Justice

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scottish Hospitals Inquiry Interim Report on the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People and Department of Clinical Neuroscience Edinburgh

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Adoption of Innovation in Health and Social Care

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 18 March 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 Chamber | Seòmar

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 19 March 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business; Justice and Home Affairs
followed by Scottish Labour Party Business
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)
5:10 pm Decision Time
followed by Members' Business

Thursday 20 March 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions
11:40 am General Questions
12:00 pm First Minister's Questions
followed by Members' Business
2:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2:15 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions
2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills
followed by Rural Affairs and Islands Committee Debate: Salmon Farming in Scotland
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5:00 pm Decision Time

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

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee 12 March 2025 9th 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 3 and 4 in private.
- A climate transition for Scottish agriculture: The Committee will take evidence from— Jonnie Hall, Deputy CEO and Director of Policy, National Farmers Union Scotland; Pete Ritchie, Director, Nourish Scotland; Kate Rowell, Chair, Quality Meat Scotland; Im Walker, Chair, Suckler Reef Climate Group Programme Reard;

Jim Walker, Chair, Suckler Beef Climate Group Programme Board;

Neil Wilson, Executive Director, Institute of Auctioneers and Appraisers in Scotland.

- 3. A climate transition for Scottish agriculture: The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- 4. **Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

Proposed future business

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

Criminal Justice Committee 12 March 2025 9th Meeting, 2025

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

1. Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie on 85931 or at <u>Stephen.Imrie@parliament.scot</u>

Education, Children and Young People Committee 12 March 2025 9th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument— Education (Scotland) Act 1980 (Modification) Regulations 2025

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Qualifications Scotland as Specified Authority) Order 2025 [draft] from—

Jenny Gilruth, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, and Clare Hicks, Director, Education Reform, Scottish Government;

Nico McKenzie-Juetten, Lawyer, and Andrew Rea, Legal Trainee, Scottish Government Legal Directorate.

- Subordinate legislation: Jenny Gilruth Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills to move—S6M-16297—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Qualifications Scotland as Specified Authority) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.
- 4. Scottish Attainment Challenge Inquiry: Post-Legislative Scrutiny: The Committee will take evidence from—

Jenny Gilruth, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, Scottish Government; David Gregory, Strategic Director - Scottish Attainment Challenge, Education Scotland; David Leng, Head of Scottish Attainment Challenge, and Alison Taylor, Deputy Director for Improvement, Attainment and Wellbeing, Scottish Government.

5. **Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 4.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Pauline McIntyre on 85252 or at Pauline.McIntyre@parliament.scot

Public Audit Committee 12 March 2025 9th Meeting, 2025

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

1. Work programme (in private): The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katrina Venters at Katrina.Venters@Parliament.scot

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 13 March 2025 9th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Review of the UK-EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement: Part 2** The Committee will take evidence from—

Professor Ana Basiri, Director of Centre for Data Science and AI, University of Glasgow;

Professor Mark Schaffer, Professor of Economics, Heriot Watt University, and Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh;

and then from-

Dr Kirsteen Davidson Kelly, Artistic Director, National Youth Orchestras of Scotland; Lisa Whytock, Director, Active Events;

Colin Keenan, Booking Agent, ATC Live.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, James Johnston on 85215 or at james.johnston@parliament.scot

Social Justice and Social Security Committee 13 March 2025 8th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
- Pensioner Poverty: digital exclusion: The Committee will take evidence from— Louise Coupland, Digital Health and Social Care Manager, the ALLIANCE; Jillian Matthew, Senior Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland; Kyle Scott, Policy Manager, Stronger Communities and Public Affairs, Citizens Advice Scotland;

Miriam Craven, Chief Operating Officer, Social Security Scotland.

3. **Pensioner Poverty: digital exclusion:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under item 2.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Diane Barr on 85220 or at diane.barr@parliament.scot

SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review Committee 13 March 2025 6th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **SPCB supported bodies landscape review:** The Committee will take evidence from— Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;

and then from-

Sarah Boyack MSP; Jeremy Balfour MSP; Colin Smyth MSP;

Roz Thomson, Head of Non-Government Bills Unit, Scottish Parliament.

- 2. **SPCB supported bodies landscape review (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.
- 3. Work programme (in private): The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, David Millett on 85244 or at David.Millett@parliament.scot

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
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- 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

*<u>S6M-16755</u> Russell Findlay: Protecting Single-sex Spaces in the Public Sector—That the Parliament believes that the Scottish Government has failed to give sufficient clarity to the public sector about ensuring the availability of single-sex spaces for women and girls, such as toilets and changing rooms; acknowledges that this failure has resulted in workers in the public sector and school pupils having to share single-sex spaces with individuals of the opposite sex, jeopardising their safety, dignity and privacy, and subjecting some to horrific incidents of sexual abuse and harassment, and calls on the Scottish Government to urgently issue a directive to all public sector organisations requiring that adequate single-sex spaces for biological women and girls are provided on their premises in line with legal obligations.

*<u>S6M-16750</u> Shirley-Anne Somerville: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills—That the Parliament notes that Ofgem's energy price cap has soared to £1,849 for the average household, which is the third increase in a row and 9.4% (£159) higher than this time last year; recognises that this will compound cost of living pressures for households across Scotland; welcomes the Scottish Government's action in the recently passed Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill, including the reintroduction of universal winter fuel payments for pensioners and through energy efficiency programmes; believes that reforming energy markets and harnessing Scotland's renewable potential will bolster energy security and, in turn, reduce consumer bills, and calls on the UK Government to make urgent progress on delivering its commitment to reduce bills by £300, against which no progress has yet been made.

Supported by: Kaukab Stewart*, Paul McLennan*, Gillian Martin*, Alasdair Allan*

*<u>S6M-16750.4</u> Paul O'Kane: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and

Rising Energy Bills—As an amendment to motion S6M-16750 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills), leave out from "notes" to end and insert "recognises that there are significant cost of living pressures in the UK and globally; further recognises the impact that rising energy bills have for families and communities across Scotland; welcomes the recent announcement by the UK Labour administration that it is expanding the £150 Warm Home Discount scheme so that 220,000 more Scottish households receive help to reduce energy costs; further welcomes the other support delivered by the UK Labour administration, including an extra £41 million in funding this past Motions & Questions Gluasadan agus Ceistean

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winter for the Scottish Government and delivering a record budget settlement for Scotland; demands that the Scottish Government works to urgently introduce greater support in the short term and accelerate insulating and decarbonising homes to bring down energy bills in the long term, and calls on the Scottish Government to deliver the policies that the Scottish Labour Party is calling for, such as scrapping peak rail fares, delivering affordable housing and keeping council tax low while boosting Scotland's energy security through its sprint to clean power to keep bills low."

*<u>S6M-16750.3</u> Liz Smith: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills—As an amendment to motion S6M-16750 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills), leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert "notes the ongoing concerns amongst the Scottish business community about the effects of the widening tax differential between Scotland and the rest of the UK; further notes the failure of both the UK Government and the Scottish Government to prioritise policies that will deliver sustained economic growth, investment in infrastructure and more efficient public services, and calls on the Scottish Government to take a balanced approach to net zero, which includes supporting Scotland's oil and gas industry and ending policies that worsen cost of living pressures."

*<u>S6M-16750.2</u> Patrick Harvie: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills—As an amendment to motion S6M-16750 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills), leave out "and through energy efficiency programmes" and insert "; is concerned, however, by the lack of progress on energy efficiency and the heat transition, including the delay to the introduction of the planned Heat in Buildings Bill, which is essential to support households in Scotland to reduce their exposure to volatile fossil fuel prices".

*<u>S6M-16750.1</u> Ash Regan: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills—As an amendment to motion S6M-16750 in the name of Shirley-Anne Somerville (Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills), insert at end "; understands that the much vaunted GB Energy that has been created by the UK Government will not supply electricity directly to households, and that promises of cuts to energy bills are unlikely to materialise, and calls on the Scottish Government to bring forward plans for the creation of a Scottish publicly owned energy company to sell Scotland's abundance of gas and electricity to customers at low prices, and to set out which powers it believes must be devolved to the Scottish Parliament in order to make such a company a reality."

*<u>S6M-16749</u> Gillian Martin: Appointment of Chair to Environmental Standards Scotland — That the Parliament notes the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee's consideration of Dr Richard Dixon as the nominated candidate for the role of Board Chair of Environmental Standards Scotland at its meeting on 18 February 2025; welcomes the committee's recommendation that the Parliament approves the appointment of Dr Richard Dixon for four years in accordance with schedule 1, paragraph 2(4) of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021, and approves the appointment as required by schedule 1, paragraph 2(2) of the Act.

Supported by: Alasdair Allan*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

*<u>S6M-16683</u> Stuart McMillan: Cholangiocarcinoma Awareness Month—That the Parliament recognises that February 2025 was Cholangiocarcinoma Awareness Month, and considers that

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challenges continue; understands that cholangiocarcinoma (CCA) is a type of primary liver cancer with an incidence now similar to the more well-known hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC), yet is harder to diagnose, cannot be screened for and is affecting increasing numbers of otherwise healthy adults in Scotland, with the cause of this rise being unknown; supports the #FacesOfCholangiocarcinoma campaign, photographed by the Scottish photographer known as Rankin, to raise awareness of CCA; celebrates the work of NHS staff at CCA centres across Scotland; calls for better patient access to psychologists, dietitians and palliative care; understands that, while CCA currently has one of the worst survival rates of all cancers in the UK, the management of this cancer is being transformed by new life-extending therapies; encourages the Scottish Government to address a reported ongoing treatment disparity between Scotland and England, caused by a reported continuing lack of NHS Scotland funding for molecular testing necessary for CCA patients to access all Scottish Medicines Consortium-approved therapies now available, and looks forward to the event at the Scottish Parliament in June 2025 with AMMF, the UK's only charity dedicated to CCA.

Supported by: Miles Briggs, Annabelle Ewing, Audrey Nicoll, Jeremy Balfour, Clare Haughey, Kevin Stewart, Martin Whitfield, Bob Doris, Colin Beattie, Kenneth Gibson, Emma Harper, Bill Kidd, Jackie Dunbar, Ben Macpherson, Karen Adam, David Torrance, Marie McNair, Brian Whittle

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

<u>S6M-16753</u> Jenny Gilruth: Social Security Information-sharing (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] (lodged on 10 March 2025)

New Support: Natalie Don-Innes*, Graeme Dey*

<u>S6M-16752</u> Gillian Martin: Environmental Authorisations (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] (lodged on 10 March 2025)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

<u>S6M-16748</u> Shirley-Anne Somerville: Supporting Households with Cost of Living Pressures and Rising Energy Bills (lodged on 10 March 2025)

New Support: Kaukab Stewart*, Paul McLennan*, Gillian Martin*, Alasdair Allan*

<u>S6M-16732</u> Sandesh Gulhane: Citizens Theatre Reopening in Summer 2025 After Extensive Refurbishment (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Craig Hoy*, Kenneth Gibson*, Annie Wells*, Edward Mountain*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sharon Dowey*, Brian Whittle*, Bill Kidd*, Douglas Ross*, Pam Gosal*, Miles Briggs*, Jamie Greene*, Foysol Choudhury*, Martin Whitfield*, Meghan Gallacher*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S6M-16731</u> Liam Kerr: Volunteer Group NERVS Takes Delivery of New Vehicle (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

<u>S6M-16730</u> Fulton MacGregor: Brodie Young Breaks Scottish 400m Record for a Second Time (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Bob Doris*, Bill Kidd*, Audrey Nicoll*, Stuart McMillan*

<u>S6M-16729</u> Liam Kerr: Hazlehead School in Aberdeen Listed in The Sunday Times League Table for Top Performing Schools (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

<u>S6M-16728</u> Mercedes Villalba: Fire Brigades Union "Fight for 52" Campaign and International Women's Day 2025 (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

S6M-16727 Sandesh Gulhane: World Kidney Day 2025 (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Craig Hoy*, Edward Mountain*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Annie Wells*, Alexander Stewart*, Sharon Dowey*, Brian Whittle*, Douglas Ross*, Liam McArthur*, Pam Gosal*, Jamie Greene*, Monica Lennon*, Bob Doris*, Foysol Choudhury*, Martin Whitfield*, Meghan Gallacher*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S6M-16726</u> Douglas Ross: Scottish Wildlife Trust Acquires the Inverbroom Estate (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annie Wells*, Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Pam Gosal*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Jamie Greene*, Meghan Gallacher*, Craig Hoy*, Brian Whittle*, Sharon Dowey*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S6M-16725</u> Sandesh Gulhane: Amore Ristorante e Pizzeria Wins Let Glasgow Flourish Robertson Silver Spade Award (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Edward Mountain*, Craig Hoy*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kenneth Gibson*, Annie Wells*, Alexander Stewart*, Sharon Dowey*, Brian Whittle*, Bill Kidd*, Pam Gosal*, Douglas Ross*, Miles Briggs*, Jamie Greene*, Meghan Gallacher*, Liam Kerr*

<u>S6M-16724</u> Sandesh Gulhane: Glasgow Knitters to Provide 850 Blankets for Homeless People (lodged on 07 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Pam Gosal*, Sharon Dowey*, Pauline McNeill*

<u>S6M-16723</u> Fulton MacGregor: Dads' Survey 2024 Report Published (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Kevin Stewart*

<u>S6M-16721</u> Paul Sweeney: Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2025 (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

<u>S6M-16720</u> Jackie Dunbar: Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Hosts Fire Skills Course for Northfield Academy Students (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Kevin Stewart*

<u>S6M-16719</u> Alexander Burnett: Hollie Davidson Receives Referee Cap (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

<u>S6M-16718</u> Alexander Burnett: Cromar Community Council Provides 1,400 Meals Through its Christmas Food Help Run (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Pam Gosal*

<u>S6M-16716</u> Finlay Carson: Curler Katie Wins Back-to-back National Titles (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Pam Gosal*

<u>S6M-16715</u> Monica Lennon: Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month (lodged on 05 March 2025) New Support: Annie Wells*, Jackie Baillie*, Beatrice Wishart*, Mark Ruskell*

<u>S6M-16714</u> Marie McNair: Golden Jubilee Conference Hotel Wins Two Categories at the National Hotel of the Year Awards (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Kevin Stewart*, Pam Gosal*

<u>S6M-16709</u> Maggie Chapman: Young Traditional Musician of the Year (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Mark Ruskell*, Colin Beattie*, Michelle Thomson*, Emma Harper*, Kevin Stewart*

<u>S6M-16705</u> Tess White: Addressing Sexual Violence in Scotland's Hospitals (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

<u>S6M-16704</u> Clare Haughey: Codfather Named Best Fish and Chip Shop in the Glasgow Region (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-16702</u> Jackson Carlaw: Williamwood High Wins National Badminton Tournament for Two Years in a Row (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-16701</u> Jackson Carlaw: Giffnock's Glasgow Hutcheson's Aloysians Rugby Team Wins League Title Undefeated (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-16695</u> Gordon MacDonald: Edinburgh Pentlands Primary Schools Top Sunday Times Primary School League Table (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*

S6M-16678 Alexander Burnett: Cairngorms Glamping Wins the Channel 4 Show, Four in a Bed (lodged on 06 March 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

<u>S6M-16677</u> Ruth Maguire: Irvine Running Club Centenary Book (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Clare Haughey*, Miles Briggs*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Martin Whitfield*, David Torrance*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*, Kevin Stewart*

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<u>S6M-16676</u> Ruth Maguire: Caledonian Paper Mill Employees Charity Fund (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Clare Haughey*, Miles Briggs*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Martin Whitfield*, David Torrance*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Kevin Stewart*

<u>S6M-16675</u> Ruth Maguire: Irvine Royal Academy Participation in the 2025 SP Energy Networks Warriors School Championship (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Clare Haughey*, Miles Briggs*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Martin Whitfield*, David Torrance*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Kevin Stewart*

S6M-16673 Miles Briggs: World Kidney Day 2025 on 13 March (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

<u>S6M-16669</u> Sue Webber: Men and Women Rugby Teams from Broughton Rugby Club Win League Titles in Year of Club's Centenary (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-16664</u> Annabelle Ewing: Cardenden Community Development Forum Lottery Success (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-16663</u> Annabelle Ewing: Cardenden Scouts Lottery Success (lodged on 04 March 2025) New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-16662</u> Annabelle Ewing: Inverkeithing Community Garden Lottery Success (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

S6M-16659 Miles Briggs: Young Carers Action Day 2025 (lodged on 04 March 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-16652</u> Jackson Carlaw: Maidenhill Site Manager, David McClure, Wins Prestigious National Award (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

<u>S6M-16637</u> Jackie Dunbar: Mamacita Foundation Awarded £10,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

<u>S6M-16634</u> Foysol Choudhury: Brain Tumour Awareness Month 2025 (lodged on 28 February 2025)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane* R

<u>S6M-16569</u> Emma Harper: New Community Service Partnership, ELVES CIC in Dumfries (lodged on 05 March 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*

<u>S6M-16491</u> Stuart McMillan: Ardgowan Distillery's Success at the World Whisky Awards (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16487</u> Liz Smith: Flight Lieutenant Graham Wilf Taylor (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16485</u> Liz Smith: Hamish MacInnes Donation (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16484</u> Claire Baker: Welcoming the New Bike Pump Track and Jump Loop in in King George V Park in Clackmannan (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16483</u> Bob Doris: Summerston Netball Club Wins Glasgow Lord Provost Award 2024 (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16480</u> Claire Baker: Congratulating Finalists Announced in Fife Chamber of Commerce Business Awards 2025 (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16477</u> Alexander Stewart: New SPFL Trust Community Hub to Open at The Hive in Alloa (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16476</u> Alexander Stewart: Alloa-based Structural Engineering Consultancy Provides Local Apprenticeships (lodged on 18 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16473</u> Audrey Nicoll: Welcoming Over £30 Billion Investment in Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire (lodged on 13 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16472</u> Christine Grahame: 150 Years of Burgh Primary School, Galashiels (lodged on 13 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16471</u> Miles Briggs: Rugby Legend Scott Hastings and Teammates Raise Over £16,000 for Charity (lodged on 13 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

S6M-16460 Ariane Burgess: Celebrating The Northern Scot's Achievement as Newspaper of the Year (lodged on 13 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16458</u> Colin Beattie: Skyrora Listed in UK Top 100 Tech Companies (lodged on 13 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16457</u> Finlay Carson: Footballer Ryan Helps Defeat Liverpool in FA Cup Shock (lodged on 13 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16455</u> Maggie Chapman: WayWORD Festival Aberdeen Funding Success (lodged on 13 February 2025) New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16454</u> Finlay Carson: Curler Robyn Munro Carries on Family Sporting Success (lodged on 13 February 2025) New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16447</u> Willie Coffey: Two Outstanding Awards for Local NHS Worker (lodged on 13 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16446</u> Tim Eagle: Eddie Gillanders Recognised for Decades of Agricultural Journalism (lodged on 13 February 2025) New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16431</u> Brian Whittle: National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society Receives National Lottery Award (lodged on 12 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16429</u> Brian Whittle: National Lottery Supports the Stroke Association (lodged on 12 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16421</u> Brian Whittle: Grant Success for Healthy Valleys (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16415</u> Brian Whittle: National Lottery Grant for Clydesdale Housing Association (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16414</u> Brian Whittle: National Lottery Funding for Biggar Parish Church of Scotland (lodged on 11 February 2025) New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16413</u> Brian Whittle: National Lottery Funding for Biggar Area Climate Care (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16412</u> Brian Whittle: Avondale Radio SCIO National Lottery Award (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16411</u> Brian Whittle: Abington Community Development Group Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 11 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16371</u> Gillian Mackay: World Cancer Day 2025 (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16370</u> Gillian Mackay: International Day of Women and Girls in Science (lodged on 10 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

<u>S6M-16358</u> Collette Stevenson: Celebrating the Success of Caledonia Gladiators Women's Team (lodged on 07 February 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 11 March 2025

1. Audrey Nicoll: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of joint calls on the UK Government from business leaders in Scotland for the project to be progressed as a priority, whether it will provide an update on what engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding the Acorn carbon capture and storage project and Scotland's journey to net zero. (<u>S6T-02407</u>)

2. Meghan Gallacher: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that people live in safe, warm homes, in light of reports that the number of properties falling below the "tolerable standard" in order to be fit for habitation has increased from an estimated 54,000 in 2018 to 729,000 in 2023. (<u>S6T-02395</u>)

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 13 March 2025

1. Russell Findlay: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S6F-03889)

- 2. Anas Sarwar: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S6F-03890)
- 3. Patrick Harvie: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S6F-03891)

4. Christine Grahame: To ask the First Minister, regarding any potential impact on planning legislation in Scotland, what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that the UK Government has proposed giving people living near power infrastructure hundreds of pounds off their bills each year. (<u>S6F-03892</u>)

5. Jamie Greene: To ask the First Minister what steps the Scottish Government is considering to further support Scotland's universities, in light of reports that the University of the West of Scotland reported a multi-million pound deficit in the last financial year, with other universities across Scotland in a similar financial position. (<u>S6F-03906</u>)

6. Carol Mochan: To ask the First Minister whether he will provide an update on how the Scottish Government is working to improve healthy life expectancy. (<u>S6F-03900</u>)

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 19 March 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 12 March 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 13 March 2025.

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business

- 1. Maurice Golden
- 2. Rachael Hamilton
- 3. Pam Duncan-Glancy
- 4. Kenneth Gibson
- 5. Stephen Kerr
- 6. Stuart McMillan
- 7. Sue Webber
- 8. Ash Regan

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Justice and Home Affairs

- 1. Oliver Mundell
- 2. Annie Wells
- 3. Finlay Carson
- 4. Douglas Ross
- 5. Brian Whittle
- 6. Patrick Harvie
- 7. Willie Rennie
- 8. Maggie Chapman

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 20 March 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 12 March 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 13 March 2025.

Education and Skills

- 1. Jamie Halcro Johnston
- 2. Liam McArthur
- 3. Evelyn Tweed
- 4. Clare Adamson
- 5. Audrey Nicoll
- 6. Fulton MacGregor
- 7. Elena Whitham
- 8. Willie Coffey

Members selected for General Questions on 20 March 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 12 March 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 13 March 2025.

- 1. Mark Ruskell
- 2. Rona Mackay
- **3.** Jackie Dunbar
- 4. Emma Harper
- 5. James Dornan
- 6. Annabelle Ewing
- 7. Lorna Slater
- 8. Karen Adam

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Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 10 March 2025

<u>S6W-35366</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to support the Ayrshire, Lanarkshire and Fife coalfield populations, in light of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust's report, *State of the Scottish Coalfields 2024*, which suggests that nearly one in 10 adults in those areas have bad or very bad health compared with the Scottish average of around one in eight adults. <u>S6W-35368</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how it measures the number of women who leave the workforce due to experiencing menopause; from which sector, and whether such women seek financial benefits.

<u>S6W-35371</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how it measures any progress made by each NHS board to follow the diagnostic pathways for gastrointestinal problems.

<u>S6W-35373</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with community justice teams regarding offering support to those who provide help to people experiencing alcohol problems in the justice system.

<u>S6W-35374</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with (a) sheriff courts and (b) Police Scotland to ensure that the best pathways are available for providing help to people experiencing alcohol problems in the justice system.

<u>S6W-35377</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to improve the "job density", the ratio between the number of employee jobs and the local working age population, for people living in former coalfield areas, in light of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust's report, *State of the Scottish Coalfields 2024*, which suggests that this ratio remains much lower in these areas compared with the Scottish average.

<u>S6W-35479</u> Elena Whitham: To ask the Scottish Government what advice (a) it and/or (b) NatureScot has received regarding the enforceability of the grouse shoot licence condition pertaining to raptor crimes on land outside the area licensed for killing or taking grouse, and whether it will publish this. **R**

<u>S6W-35480</u> Elena Whitham: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of estates applying for a section 16AA licence to shoot grouse in the 2024-25 season has registered the grouse moor only, rather than the whole landholding. **R**

<u>S6W-35481</u> Elena Whitham: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason relevant offences under the Animal Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006, Badgers Act 1992 and other similar legislation, are not included in the NatureScot licensing conditions relating to a whole landholding for an estate that has only licensed its grouse moor under section 16AA of the Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Act 2024. **R**

<u>S6W-35524</u> Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is a statutory requirement for initiatives that are aimed at increasing public transport use, in order to reduce emissions, to be cost neutral.

<u>S6W-35525</u> Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government what changes there have been to (a) rail passenger numbers and (b) the patterns of useage of rail services following the end of the removal of the peak fares pilot, including by passengers from lower income households.

<u>S6W-35526</u> Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government what the outcome was of the most recent research it has carried out into the affordability of rail fares for (a) average and (b) low income households.

<u>S6W-35527</u> Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government what action is has taken to encourage a modal shift to rail following the end of the removal of peak fares pilot, and how it is monitoring the effectiveness of any such interventions.

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<u>S6W-35528</u> Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to update the ScotRail Peak Fares Removal Pilot Final Evaluation Report to cover the whole of the trial period. <u>S6W-35532</u> Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that retired police officers affected by the 2018 McCloud judgment receive a remediable service statement by the 31 March 2025.

<u>S6W-35533</u> Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reduce waiting times for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) assessments in the Highlands and Islands region.

<u>S6W-35534</u> Gillian Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the causes of the reported delay in implementing the fracture liaison service audit, and what steps it is taking to prevent further delays.

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New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to affirmative procedure

The following draft instrument was laid before Parliament on 10 March 2025 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Social Security Information-sharing (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) Laid under section 96(2) of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

Not subject to parliamentary procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 10 March 2025 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session 1994 Amendment) (Nautical Assessors) 2025 (SSI 2025/61)

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

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 III Adults (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 4 February 2025 Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 17 December 2024 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2024)

Budget (Scotland) (No. 4) Bill (G)

Passed, 25 February 2025

Care Reform (Scotland) Bill (G) *(introduced as the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill)* Stage 2 completed, 4 March 2025

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 5 March 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (3rd Report, 2025)

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)), 26 February 2025

Education (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 23 April 2025 All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 2 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 December 2022

Following an Order under section 35 of the Scotland Act 1998 made by the Secretary of State for Scotland, this Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its current form.

Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 20 March 2025 Any amendments specifically on matters relating to the part 5 homelessness prevention provisions or the part 6 fuel poverty provisions, except any such amendments to the schedule or the long title, should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 14 March with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 29 April 2025 All amendments other than those that are to be considered by the Social Justice and Social Security Committee should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 23 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (<u>legislationteam@parliament.scot</u>)

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 11 March 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (5th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 18 February 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (12th Report, 2025)

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 12 March 2025

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 28 January 2025 Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 4 February 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 Report (Education, Children and Young People Committee) published, 4 February 2025

Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 11 December 2024 Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot) Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (14th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 20 February 2025

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

Introduced, 5 February 2025 Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Criminal Justice Committee), 12 March 2025

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Passed, 23 January 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

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

Lodged on 22 November 2024 *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 (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 19 February 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (16th Report, 2025)

Great British Energy Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-48c

Lodged on 24 February 2025 Meeting of the Parliament, 25 February 2025

High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill LCM-S6-15

Lodged on 7 February 2022

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9th Report, 2022) Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27th Report, 2022)

Product Regulation and Metrology Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-50a Lodged on 3 March 2025

Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49

Lodged on 24 September 2024 Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025 Report – Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (9th Report, 2024) Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69th Report, 2024)

Tobacco and Vapes Bill LCM-S6-51

Lodged on 21 November 2024 Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 17 December 2024 *Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (15th Report, 2025)*

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Made affirmative instrument

Subject to approval by 17 March 2025

<u>Scottish Landfill Tax (Standard Rate and Lower Rate) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/41)</u> (19 February 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 13 March 2025

<u>Social Security Up-rating (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (24 January 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 16 March 2025

<u>Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025</u> (SSI 2025/Draft) (27 January 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

National Bus Travel Concession Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (27 January 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 18 March 2025

Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 (Treatment of Qualifications Scotland as Specified Authority) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (29 January 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to approval by 19 March 2025

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Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (4 February 2025) (The Parliament)

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<u>Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (7 *February 2025*) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

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<u>Tied Pubs (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (re-laid 10 February 2025) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

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Other Documents

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