

Friday 14 November 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

Meeting of the Parliament

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 12 November 2025

Tuesday 18 November 2025

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Professor Fergus McNeill, Professor of Criminology and Social Work at the University of Glasgow

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Supporting Scotland's Fishing Industry

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Kenneth Gibson: Congratulations to CHAP on 25 Years of Serving the Community

Wednesday 19 November 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 Labour Party Debate: Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Education

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Finlay Carson: The Growing Tide of Ongoing Challenges Facing Rural Communities

Thursday 20 November 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: Clare Adamson: Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month and World Pancreatic Cancer Day 2025

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Climate Action and Energy, and Transport

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill

followed by Ministerial Statement: Publication of UK Covid-19 Inquiry Module 2ABC Report

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 25 November 2025

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Children (Withdrawal from Religious Education and Amendment of UNCRC Compatibility Duty) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 26 November 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 Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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5:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 27 November 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

followed by Portfolio Questions: Social Justice and Housing

followed by Scottish Government Business

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.

<https://www.parliament.scot/chamber-and-committees/committees>

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

18 November 2025

31st Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00AM in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider correspondence from Jeremy Balfour on the Bill.

2. **Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill:**

The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 3).

If necessary, the Committee will continue its consideration of the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 3) from 18:00 in Committee Room 1.

Proposed future business

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

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

18 November 2025

32nd Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15AM in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.

2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:**

The Committee will consider the following—

[Food Safety Act 1990 Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)

3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:**

The Committee will consider the following—

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[Public Procurement \(Agreement on Government Procurement\) \(Thresholds\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI/2025/299)
[Scottish Register of Tartans Fees Order 2025](#) (SSI/2025/334)
[Official Controls \(Import of High Risk Food and Feed of Non-Animal Origin\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI/2025/335)
[National Health Service \(General Ophthalmic Services\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI/2025/337)
[The Charities Accounts \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI/2025/341)

4. Document subject to parliamentary control:

The Committee will consider the following—

[Draft Code of Practice: The Non-Party Campaigner Campaign Expenditure \(Scottish Parliament Elections\) Code of Practice 2025](#) (SG/2025/289)

5. Contract (Formation and Remedies) (Scotland) Bill:

The Committee will take evidence from—

Lady Ann Paton, Chair, Professor Hector MacQueen, Former Lead Commissioner, and Rachel Rayner, Chief Executive, Scottish Law Commission.
and then from—
Lorna Richardson, Senior Lecturer, Commercial Law, University of Edinburgh;
Dr David Christie, Associate Dean for Academic Development and Student Experience, Robert Gordon University;
Dr Jonathan Brown, Lecturer in Scots Private Law, University of Strathclyde;
Professor Stephen Bogle, Professor of Law and Interpersonal Justice, University of Glasgow;
Dr Hamish Patrick, Member of the Banking, Company and Insolvency Sub-Committee, Law Society of Scotland.

6. Evidence Session: The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 5.

Proposed future business

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

Finance and Public Administration Committee 18 November 2025 31st Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15AM in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

- 1. Work programme (In Private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.
- 2. Revenue Scotland: annual evidence session:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Elaine Lorimer, Chief Executive and Aidan O'Carroll, Chair, Revenue Scotland.

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3. **Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
 Elaine Lorimer, Chief Executive, Michael Paterson, Head of Tax, John McVey, New Devolved Taxes Programme Manager, and James Lindsay, Tax Design Lead, Revenue Scotland.
 and then from—
 Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, Hannah Taylor, Building Safety Levy Team Leader, Martin Davidson, Head of New and Environmental Taxes Unit, Christine McGregor, Head of Operations, Directorate for Cladding Remediation, and Hugh Angus, Lawyer, Scottish Government.

Proposed future business

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

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 18 November 2025 34th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15AM in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Adapting to the impacts of climate change:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 Richard Millar, Head of Adaptation, Climate Change Committee.
3. **Subordinate legislation:**
 The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
[Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Order 2025](#) (SI 2025/1101)
[Motor Vehicles \(Competitions and Trials\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/300)
4. **UK Subordinate legislation:**
 The Committee will consider proposals by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating in a devolved area as set out in the following UK statutory instrument proposals—
 The GB Biocidal Products (Amendment) Regulations 2025
 The Control of Mercury (Amendment) Regulations 2025
5. **Adapting to the impacts of climate change:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

18 November 2025

26th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:30AM 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. Human rights, equalities and access to services in rural areas of Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence in a roundtable format from—
Juliana Amaral, Chief Executive Officer, Borders Community Action;
Wendy Hand, Deputy and Facilities Manager, Voluntary Action Shetland;
Kirsty Harding, Senior Development Officer, Highland Third Sector Interface;
Megan MacInnes, Board Member, Community Land Scotland;
Artemis Pana, National Coordinator, Scottish Rural Action;
Alasdair Ross, Policy and Consultations Officer, Aberdeenshire Voluntary Action;
Sheena Stewart, Chief Officer, Uist Council of Voluntary Organisations;
Alan Webb, Chief Executive Officer, Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway;
Dr Luis F. Yanes, Economic, Social and Cultural Rights Lead, Scottish Human Rights Commission.
- 3. Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.
- 4. EU Law Tracker:** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee.
- 5. Human rights, equalities and access to services in rural areas of Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 2.
- 6. Children (Withdrawal from Religious Education and Amendment of UNCRC Compatibility Duty) (Scotland) Bill (In Private):** The Committee will continue consideration of a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

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

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

18 November 2025

29th Meeting, 2025

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

- 1. Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.

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2. Draft Climate Change Plan: The Committee will take evidence in roundtable format from—
Dr Richard Atkins, Chartered Architect, The Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland;
Jocelyne Fleming, Senior Policy and Public Affairs Officer, Chartered Institute of Building;
Io Hadjicosta, Representative, Stop Climate Chaos Coalition;
Cornelia Helmcke, Representative, Scottish Research Alliance for Energy, Homes and Livelihoods (SRAEHL);
Alistair Hill, Head of Energy Transition, Consumer Scotland;
Neil Osborne, Service Lead, Climate and Energy, Highland Council;
David Raine, Policy Manager, Homes for Scotland;
Derek Rankin, Head of Policy and Strategy, Built Environment Forum Scotland;
Professor Janette Webb, Professorial Fellow, Social and Political Science, University of Edinburgh.

3. Subordinate legislation:

The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—

[Title Conditions \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Rural Housing Bodies\) Amendment Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/298);
[Building \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/312).

4. Draft Climate Change Plan: The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier in the meeting.

5. Tracker Report 2024-25 (In Private): The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jenny Mouncer on 85980 or at localgov.committee@parliament.scot.

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee 19 November 2025 32nd Meeting, 2025

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

1. Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).

2. Work programme (In Private): The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Emma Johnston on 85225 or at emma.johnston@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
- *...* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

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

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

Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

[*S6M-19675](#) Patrick Harvie: Unacceptable Waiting Times for Accessing Gender Identity Clinics—That the Parliament notes with deep concern the figures on what it sees as the unacceptable waiting times at NHS Scotland gender identity clinics (GIC), which were published by Public Health Scotland on 28 October 2025; further notes in particular that Scotland’s largest GIC, the Sandyford in Glasgow, which serves eight NHS boards covering nearly half of Scotland’s population, is reportedly overwhelmed, with around 4,000 people on its waiting list and fewer than 50 first appointments per year as of March 2025; shares the concern of Scottish Trans that “the most hopeful estimate is that you would wait 80 years for a first appointment” and that “without drastic action, most people on the waiting list will never be seen”; believes that the strategic action framework for 2022-24 for the improvement of NHS gender identity services, which was published in 2021, has failed to deliver its aims, which included piloting new gender identity services to reduce waiting times and improve trans people’s experiences, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to urgently set out a plan of action to ensure that trans people in Glasgow and throughout Scotland are able to access the services they need.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Elena Whitham*, Ariane Burgess*, Ross Greer*, Maggie Chapman*, Mark Ruskell*, Lorna Slater*, Jamie Greene*, Paul McLennan*, Paul Sweeney*

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

[*S6M-19707](#) Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Recognising the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence Campaign—That the Parliament recognises the annual 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence campaign, which runs from 25 November 2025, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, until 10 December, which is Human Rights Day; further recognises that this year’s theme is titled, UNiTE to End Digital Violence against All Women and Girls, as digital violence is one of the fastest-growing forms of abuse against women and girls; expresses concern over the fact that one-in-three women worldwide are affected by gender-based violence, with approximately 51,100 women and girls killed by their intimate partners or other family members during 2023, the equivalent of one women or girl killed every 10 minutes; notes that there were 15 female homicide victims in Scotland in 2024-25; expresses concern over the rising number of cases of domestic abuse in Scotland, including in the West Scotland region, with 63,867 incidents of domestic abuse recorded in 2023-24, and notes calls on the Scottish Government to take immediate action to eradicate gender-based violence, including digital hate.

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Supported by: Meghan Gallacher*, Craig Hoy*, Alexander Stewart*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Douglas Ross*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*, Liam McArthur*, Tess White*

***[S6M-19701](#) Tim Eagle: Recognising Public Concerns About Moray FLOW-Park Proposals—**That the Parliament expresses its deep concern over the proposed Moray FLOW-Park project; understands that the FLOW-Park would be an anchorage development for floating offshore wind assets, which would be based across two sites on the Moray Firth, with the south site opposite Nairn and the north site opposite Findhorn and Burghead; acknowledges the recent public meeting in Findhorn in which an estimated 400 members of the public attended, as well as an estimated 200 attendees at a satellite venue in Nairn, to ask questions and express concerns over the proposals; believes that worries have been expressed by fishermen about the potential loss of fishing grounds as a result of the project, and by environmental campaigners about the possible impact on flora and fauna, particularly marine mammals; recognises what it sees as the growing number of major planning applications across the Highlands and Islands region, as well as other rural communities across Scotland, and the belief that the voices of local communities are not being listened to when such developments are being considered, and notes calls urging the Scottish Government to ensure that communities are properly engaged by developers, and that projects, such as the Moray FLOW-Park proposal, are subject to thorough and robust scrutiny.

Supported by: Craig Hoy*, Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*, Edward Mountain*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Douglas Ross*, Russell Findlay*, Meghan Gallacher*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Brian Whittle*, Miles Briggs*, Tess White*

***[S6M-19522](#) Katy Clark: Ferguson Marine—**That the Parliament notes the belief that the Scottish Government should have an industrial strategy that prioritises building critical infrastructure, such as ferries, within Scotland and by Scottish manufacturers; acknowledges what it considers to be the highly skilled workforce at Ferguson Marine and the shipyard's previous role in delivering vessels for the CalMac fleet; understands that CMAL, as a procuring body, must seek to maximise domestic manufacturing and content and can do so whilst remaining within the law; expresses its disappointment that CMAL chose not to award the contract for seven small CalMac vessels to Ferguson Marine, and that the Scottish Government also ruled out a direct award of this contract to the yard earlier in 2025; notes the ongoing public calls led by the GMB trade union and supported by workers, local businesses, members of the public and Ferguson Marine's management for the Scottish Government to make a direct award to the yard for the replacement of MV Lord of the Isles; further notes the view that CMAL and the Scottish Government should seek to use the second round of the Small Vessel Replacement Programme (SVRP) to support Ferguson Marine; highlights what it sees as the economic and social significance of the yard to the West Scotland region; believes that procurement law in the rest of the UK requires a minimum 10% social value weighting element in the assessment of bids for shipbuilding contracts, but that this is not currently replicated in Scotland; understands that the Scottish Government has only delivered £570,000 of the £14.2 million investment promised in June 2024 to help make the Ferguson Marine yard more productive, efficient and competitive to win more work, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to make a direct award to the yard for the replacement of MV Lord of the Isles, to deliver the remaining promised investment and to take appropriate steps to improve procurement law to ensure proper social value weighting in the assessment of future shipbuilding contract bids.

Supported by: Jamie Greene*, Paul Sweeney* **R**

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-19714](#) Alexander Stewart: Rotary Club of Alloa Festive Appeal Donates 250 Shoeboxes Filled with Gifts—**That the Parliament welcomes the news that hundreds of shoeboxes packed with gifts are being delivered to families overseas; understands that residents in Clackmannanshire donated 250 shoeboxes through the Rotary Club of Alloa's annual festive appeal; believes that the boxes, which were filled with toys, toiletries and household essentials, are now on their way to

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countries across Eastern Europe, including Ukraine, where many families continue to face hardship; notes that a van, kindly donated by Woods Coaches in Tillicoultry, delivered the boxes to the distribution centre in Perth for onward transportation to Eastern European countries; further notes that the Rotary Club believes that this donation could be the largest single-club contribution in the Rotary district during 2025; understands that the effort was supported by individuals, schools and businesses across the county, and commends everyone involved on their highly benevolent work. **R** Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Tess White*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Craig Hoy*, Bill Kidd*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Murdo Fraser*, Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*

***S6M-19713 Alexander Stewart: Two Clackmannanshire Primary Schools Praised by Inspectors**—That the Parliament commends two schools, Park and St Bernadette's RC primaries in Clackmannanshire, which have been praised by inspectors for what it sees as their nurturing approach and strong focus on pupil wellbeing; understands that they received positive evaluations from Education Scotland following visits earlier in 2025; notes that Park Primary was rated "good" across the categories, leadership of change, learning, teaching and assessment, and ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion, while St Bernadette's was evaluated as "good" in both learning, teaching and assessment and raising attainment and achievement; understand that both schools were recognised for creating nurturing environments where children are supported to thrive academically and personally, and congratulates everyone involved, both pupils and staff, on these excellent results. Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Craig Hoy*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Tess White*, Bill Kidd*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Murdo Fraser*, Paul Sweeney*

***S6M-19712 Alexander Stewart: Dollar's Strathdevon Primary School Marks its 60th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Strathdevon Primary School in Dollar on marking its 60th anniversary; understands that for the anniversary commemorative event, the children dressed up in 1960s-themed clothes, rounding off a block of learning which saw them explore the institution's past; commends the school for focusing on cultural aspects such as what the school and its area were like back then compared to now, as well as creating an interest in how the building has changed and how the school uniforms are still the same; notes that the event had displays of learning material, showcases and performances as well as a birthday cake outside; considers that after six decades at the heart of a small community, many families have now had three generations pass through the school's gates; is enthused that the children are said by the head teacher to feel really proud of their school, as is the case with everyone who has attended, and congratulates everyone involved, past and present, on their sterling work within the community. Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Tess White*, Craig Hoy*, Bill Kidd*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Murdo Fraser*, Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*

***S6M-19711 Alexander Stewart: Stirling Engineering Star Wins ECITB New Entrant Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Annalise Clark, a young trainee maintenance operative (TMO) from Stirling, who has won the Engineering Construction Industry Training Board (ECITB) New Entrant Award at the 13th annual Engineering Construction Industry (ECI) Training and Development Awards; understands that ECITB is the employer-led skills body for the engineering construction industry in Great Britain; believes that the ceremony took place in London at Glaziers Hall and was hosted by Dr Dame Maggie Aderin-Pocock; acknowledges that Annalise, who works at Altrad's Grangemouth site, was recognised for her achievements through the ECITB-led new entrant programme; notes that the awards celebrate excellence in training and development across the engineering construction sector; considers that Annalise completed the ECITB's (TMO) Work Ready Programme at Forth Valley College before securing her current role at Altrad; acknowledges that the award submission described her as excelling in welding, pipe bending and threading, while also highlighting her teamwork, leadership, resilience and personal growth throughout the programme; further acknowledges the vital role that colleges such as Forth Valley College in the Mid Scotland and Fife region play in preparing Scotland's workforce by providing foundational skills, offering technical and vocational training, and fostering partnerships with employers to address skills shortages, and commends Annalise and all the winners and finalists for excelling in their fields and setting standards to which we can all aspire.

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Supported by: Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Craig Hoy*, Tess White*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Murdo Fraser*, Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-19709](#) Foyso! Choudhury: 40 Years of Inverleith Pétanque Club—**That the Parliament congratulates Inverleith Pétanque Club on its 40th anniversary; notes the club's significant achievements in that time, including representing Scotland in the European Cup for Clubs, producing players to play for the Scottish national team, and hosting national and international competitions; thanks the club for its contribution to the Inverleith community, from hosting community events to helping members become qualified coaches, and wishes it the best in working with the City of Edinburgh Council to secure its long-term future and become a centre of excellence for pétanque. Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-19708](#) Dr Pam Gosal MBE: East Dunbartonshire Primary Schools Recognised Among Scotland's Top Performers—**That the Parliament congratulates Craigdhu, Milngavie, Westerton, Baljaffray, Balmuildy, Bearsden, Clober, Killermont, Lenzie Meadow, Holy Trinity, Oxbang, Harestanes, Gartconner, St Machan's and Meadowburn primary schools in East Dunbartonshire on their remarkable achievement of being ranked among Scotland's top performing schools in 2025; recognises the unwavering commitment of these schools to academic excellence and the holistic development of their pupils; acknowledges the tireless efforts of teachers, support staff, parents and carers in creating nurturing environments where young learners can thrive; commends the innovative approaches that have enabled these schools to excel in literacy and numeracy, with several attaining perfect scores and five securing places in the national top 50, and wishes all 15 schools continued success.

Supported by: Tess White*, Craig Hoy*, Bill Kidd*, Alexander Stewart*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Murdo Fraser*, Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*

***[S6M-19706](#) Clare Adamson: Forgewood Boxing Club Celebrates Success at King of the Ring Championship in Sweden—**That the Parliament congratulates Forgewood Boxing Club on its impressive achievements at the King of the Ring Championship in Sweden; notes that Lewis Wardrope won a gold medal, while Carson Moffat and Andrew Sneddon each secured silver medals; recognises the dedication, skill and hard work of the athletes and their coaches in reaching this international level of competition; believes that boxing provides significant benefits, including improving physical fitness, mental resilience, discipline, teamwork and self-confidence, particularly for young people in the community, and wishes Forgewood Boxing Club continued success in future competitions and in supporting the development of boxing in Lanarkshire and beyond.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-19705](#) Clare Adamson: Tribute to the Life and Work of Journalist David Gow—**That the Parliament notes with great sadness the passing of David Gow on 3 November 2025; recognises what it sees as his outstanding career as a Scottish journalist and trade unionist, specialising in analysing and reporting on geopolitical change and its impact on Europe, and his position as a respected and influential voice in Scottish journalism for over 50 years; acknowledges his work with *The Scotsman* and *The Guardian*, including roles as European business editor and Germany correspondent, as well as his freelance reporting from Brussels, Bonn and Berlin, France and New York City; recognises his service as a trustee of the National Union of Journalists, his support for the David Hume Institute and his fellowship at the Royal Society of Edinburgh, where he led its Scotland-Europe Initiative; notes also his voluntary contributions to the British Red Cross at its Leith Walk shop in Edinburgh; expresses gratitude for his remarkable contributions to journalism, public service and Scottish civic life, and extends condolences to his family, friends and colleagues. **R**

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-19704](#) Clare Adamson: Wishaw Men's Shed—**That the Parliament congratulates the Wishaw Men's Shed on its launch and successful open day at Wishaw Bowling Club on 15 November 2025; notes that the charity's patron is former World Snooker Champion, John Higgins; recognises that meetings had previously been held at Cambusnethan Old Parish Church, but that the shed now has a permanent base at Gowkthrapple Community Centre; acknowledges the important role of Men's

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Sheds across Scotland in promoting mental health, wellbeing, social connection and practical skills among men of all ages; commends the organisers and volunteers for providing a safe and supportive space for men in the local community, and wishes the Wishaw Men's Shed continued success in supporting men's health and fostering community engagement.

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***[S6M-19703](#) Clare Adamson: Motherwell Biotech Company RoukenBio Celebrates 10 Years of Innovation**—That the Parliament congratulates RoukenBio, a Motherwell-based biotechnology company, on its 10th anniversary on 24 November 2025; notes that the company was founded in 2015 by CEO Andy Upsall, originally as Antibody Analytics, and has grown from three employees to over 110, serving customers in 27 countries; recognises the company's expansion through investment in the Rouken Discovery Centre and the launch of its proprietary technology, IndEx-2, which is a platform for improving discovery-stage therapeutics; commends RoukenBio for its contributions to scientific innovation and the local economy, and wishes the company continued success in its aim to become a globally trusted contract research organisation. **R**

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***[S6M-19702](#) Clare Adamson: Motherwell & Wishaw Inner Wheel Celebrates 78th Birthday**—That the Parliament congratulates Motherwell & Wishaw Inner Wheel on celebrating its 78th birthday with a club meeting and dinner at Herdshill Guest House in Wishaw; notes that the club dedicated the dinner to the United Nations campaign to end violence against women and girls, which this year is themed "Orange the World"; recognises that the members collected 110 orange-themed food items, which were donated to the Food Bank at South Wishaw Parish Church to support those in need; further notes that Inner Wheel, one of the largest women's service organisations in the world, brings together women from diverse backgrounds to promote friendship, service and international understanding, and commends the club for its ongoing commitment to community service, raising awareness of gender-based violence and supporting vulnerable people in Lanarkshire, across Scotland and the wider world. Supported by: Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Jamie Hepburn*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Annie Wells*, Kevin Stewart*, Annabelle Ewing*, Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-19700](#) Clare Adamson: Recognition of Lynsey McLuckie's Finalist Status at the Contact Awards and Advocacy for Families Affected by Tuberous Sclerosis Complex**—That the Parliament congratulates Lynsey McLuckie on being named a finalist in the national Contact Awards in recognition of her extraordinary dedication to her daughter, who lives with the rare genetic condition, tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC), and for her tireless work supporting other families across Scotland affected by the same condition; notes that TSC is estimated to affect around one in 6,000 live births, according to one UK clinic estimate; recognises the importance of her advocacy in raising awareness of the condition, promoting timely diagnosis, and improving support for families living with TSC, and wishes her every success as a finalist and in her ongoing efforts to champion the needs of those affected by rare genetic conditions.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-19699](#) Clare Adamson: World Premiere of The Pebbles We Keep**—That the Parliament congratulates the Motherwell opera singer, Monica McGhee, on the forthcoming world premiere of her debut song cycle, *The Pebbles We Keep*, at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland; notes that the work celebrates and brings to life four centuries of words and experiences from Scotland's female writers by setting eight poems by women from across the country's history to music; understands that the oldest poem featured in the eight-movement cycle is Elizabeth Melville's *Ane Godlie Dreame*, from 1603, which it understands is the first published poem by a Scottish woman, and that the most recent is contemporary poet Lisa Kennedy's *The Pebbles We Keep*, from which the piece takes its title; recognises the creative achievement of composing a work that honours Scotland's literary and cultural

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heritage through music, and wishes Monica McGhee every success with the premiere performance and in her ongoing artistic career. **R**

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[*S6M-19698](#) Clare Adamson: NHS Lanarkshire Pharmacy Technician, Adele Pessina, Recognised as Scottish Healthcare Awards Finalist—That the Parliament congratulates Adele Pessina, Senior Pharmacy Cancer Care Technician at University Hospital Wishaw, on being named a finalist in the Pharmacy Technician of the Year category at the Scottish Healthcare Awards 2025; notes that Adele was nominated by her colleague, Kelly Baillie, Lead Cancer Care Pharmacist, in recognition of her exceptional dedication to patient-centred care and her outstanding contributions to oncology pharmacy; understands that Adele played an instrumental role in launching education sessions for patients with prostate cancer, which, with the support of fellow pharmacy technicians, have now been expanded to include a wider range of medications; recognises the important role that pharmacy teams play in improving patient experience and outcomes across NHS Lanarkshire, and wishes Adele every success at the awards ceremony, which will take place on 19 November 2025 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Glasgow, as well as continued success in her career supporting cancer care patients.

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[*S6M-19697](#) Claire Baker: Welcoming Funding from the National Lottery Community Fund to Perth and Kinross Countryside Trust for the Steady Strides Project —That the Parliament welcomes funding from the National Lottery Community Fund to Perth and Kinross Countryside Trust for its project, Steady Strides; understands that the funding will support a partnership with Minds & Manes to provide six equestrian sessions for 12 children and young people in Perth and Kinross in the spring of 2026; recognises that horses can be a great tool in supporting wellbeing and that the project aims to offer the young people an opportunity to gain new skills, confidence, self-esteem and emotional regulation, all while spending time outdoors and appreciating nature, offering a positive impact; extends its very best wishes for the success of the project, and thanks everyone involved with it on their hard work to deliver the project

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[*S6M-19696](#) Clare Adamson: Fool On Celebrates 10 Years of Creativity, Community and Recovery—That the Parliament congratulates Fool On, which is a pioneering mental health support group based in Lanarkshire, on celebrating its 10th anniversary at Pather Arts Centre; recognises that Fool On was founded by individuals with lived experience of mental health challenges who discovered that involvement in the performing arts played a vital role in their recovery; notes that over the past decade, the group has grown into a highly regarded community organisation across Lanarkshire, offering free weekly workshops in music, singing, comedy and songwriting; commends all those involved, past and present, for their dedication to supporting positive mental health through creativity and connection, and wishes Fool On continued success in empowering people through the arts for many years to come.

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[*S6M-19695](#) Clare Adamson: Specsavers Wishaw Supports Community Food Bank and Marks World Homeless Day—That the Parliament commends Specsavers Wishaw for its generous donation of multiple bags of non-perishable items, including toiletries, dried pasta, coffee and biscuits, to the Wishaw Community Food Bank; recognises that this contribution will support individuals and families in need within the local community; notes that this initiative was part of the company's efforts to mark World Homeless Day, which took place on 10 October; further notes that more than 180

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Specsavers stores and Home Visits businesses across Scotland and the UK held out-of-hours or pop-up clinics to offer free eye and hearing care services to those affected by homelessness; expresses gratitude to all the local organisations, volunteers, foodbanks and community food larders across Scotland who continue to provide vital assistance and compassion to people during the ongoing cost of living crisis, and commends Specsavers and its staff for their ongoing commitment to supporting vulnerable people and strengthening community wellbeing.

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***S6M-19694 Clare Adamson: Lanarkshire Restaurants Celebrate Nominations at Scottish Italian Awards 2025**—That the Parliament congratulates both Cotto Via in Wishaw and Mancini's Street Food in Newmains on being named among the 35 national finalists in the Scottish Italian Awards 2025; understands that Cotto Via will compete in the prestigious Scotland's Best Pizza live cook-off, and is shortlisted in the Family-Run Business and Scotland's Best Pasta categories; congratulates Mancini's Street Food on reaching the final in the Best Fish and Chips category; recognises that both establishments are among 10 Lanarkshire finalists taking part in this year's gala awards ceremony in Glasgow, which celebrates excellence in Italian cuisine and culture across Scotland; notes that more than 120,000 public votes were cast for the 12th annual awards, highlighting the strong community support for local hospitality businesses, and wishes all the Lanarkshire finalists every success at the finals and in continuing to showcase the very best of Scottish-Italian food and culture.

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***S6M-19693 Douglas Ross: Angharad Rogers Named 2025 Scotland Loves Local Awards High Street Hero for the Highland Region**—That the Parliament congratulates Angharad Rogers, Town Centres Development Manager at Moray Chamber of Commerce, who has recently been named the 2025 Scotland Loves Local Awards, High Street Hero for the Highland Region; notes that she was part of the emergency response for businesses in Elgin following the sudden closure of the St Giles Centre earlier in 2025; understands that Angharad's passion and commitment go far beyond her job description as she brings people together, creates innovative solutions and is unwavering in her mission to make Scotland's town centres places that residents and visitors alike are proud to enjoy; recognises that Angharad has delivered an impressive range of initiatives and support, which has helped business and charities, increased footfall and fostered community pride by getting vacant properties back into use; notes that Angharad's work has included collaborating with architects and developers to find solutions for first floor vacant properties, to create more spaces for people to live and work, and applauds Angharad for all her effort and endeavour, which included creating three pop-up shops in Keith to encourage new enterprise, as well as encouraging local businesses to support each other.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

***S6M-19692 Tim Eagle: Zain Younis Wins Pharmacist of the Year Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Zain Younis, a pharmacist based in Campbeltown, for winning the Pharmacist of the Year Award at the 2025 Scottish Health Awards; understands that the award recognises the achievements of individuals and teams who go above and beyond to deliver high quality health and social care in their community; notes that Zain, along with his colleagues Idreece Khan and Ali Kazam, opened his pharmacy in Campbeltown earlier this year and is hoping to open a unit in Oban pending the outcome of a pharmacy consultation process; acknowledges the crucial role that pharmacists and other medical professionals play in supporting local residents, particularly in rural communities, and wishes the full team at Zakpharma more success into the future.

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***[S6M-19691](#) Tim Eagle: Recognising Springfield Properties' Commitment to Apprenticeships—**That the Parliament commends the homebuilding business, Springfield Properties, which is based in Elgin, for taking on 14 school leavers who have now started careers in various trades, including painting and decorating, and taping and joinery; understands that it took on its first apprentice in 2002, and now around 20% of its site workers are also apprentices; believes that apprenticeships play an important role in growing the workforce of the trade sector, and recognises that apprenticeships are an essential positive destination for many school leavers.

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***[S6M-19690](#) Bob Doris: Abolition of the Unelected House of Lords—**That the Parliament believes that the UK's unelected House of Lords is an affront to democracy; considers that, for as long as Scotland remains part of the UK, any revising chamber at the UK Parliament should be fully elected; deplores what it sees as a situation in which UK political parties, including both the Conservative and Unionist Party and the Labour Party, often make political appointments to the House of Lords as a reward to friends and allies; believes that the Labour Party has pledged to abolish the House of Lords for the last 115 years and has singularly failed to do so, even following landslide UK election victories; recognises reports that the UK Government appears to be delaying the implementation of a range of modest reforms to the House of Lords, and calls for the unelected UK House of Lords to be fully abolished.

Supported by: Jamie Hepburn*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Rona Mackay*, Kevin Stewart*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Paul McLennan*, Kenneth Gibson*, James Dornan*

***[S6M-19669](#) Karen Adam: Best of Banff and Buchan Award Winner—**That the Parliament congratulates Albert Ross, of Fraserburgh, on receiving a Best of Banff and Buchan Award from Aberdeenshire Council in recognition of his decades of service to the community; acknowledges Albert's outstanding commitment to promoting health, wellbeing and personal development through martial arts and fitness; pays tribute to his work as founder and chairman of the Satorishido Martial Arts Club, which, it believes, has helped generations of young people build confidence, discipline and resilience; recognises the years of dedication Albert invested in transforming disused sheds at James Ramsay Park into a thriving community fitness facility, personally undertaking much of the renovation work to create a welcoming space that opened to the public in 2004, and celebrates his enduring contribution to Fraserburgh's community spirit, inspiring others through his leadership, determination and lifelong commitment to helping others reach their potential.

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***[S6M-19638](#) James Dornan: The Football Association of Ireland's Stance on Palestine —**That the Parliament recognises the motion submitted by the Dublin-based League of Ireland club, Bohemian, members of the Football Association of Ireland (FAI), that would mandate the FAI to submit a motion to the UEFA to ban Israel from UEFA's club and international competitions on the grounds that the Israeli Football Association (IFA) has reportedly violated two UEFA statutes, organising clubs in occupied Palestinian territories without the consent of the Palestinian Football Association, and the alleged failure of the IFA to enforce an effective anti-racism policy; recognises the vote taken by the members of the FAI and urges UEFA to enact the ban expeditiously, and presses the SFA to follow the example of the FAI, the Norwegian Football Association and the Turkish Football Federation in supporting this ban immediately to stand in solidarity with Palestine and demonstrate what it considers is Scotland's revulsion to Israel's state-sponsored policy of genocide.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

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[S6M-19688](#) **Craig Hoy: Nationwide Building Society and Virgin Money Maintain Branch Network** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Tess White*, Stephen Kerr*, John Mason*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19687](#) **Alex Cole-Hamilton: Commemorating Scotland's Lost Souls and the Unmarked Graves Outside Former Psychiatric Institutions** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19686](#) **Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Seaton School** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, David Torrance*, Karen Adam*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19685](#) **Clare Haughey: Rutherglen Busy Bees Community Knitting Project** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Annie Wells*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19684](#) **Clare Haughey: Glen Travel in Blantyre Named Best Small Independent Agency of the Year** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Annie Wells*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19683](#) **Colin Beattie: Congratulating Bridges Project on Opening its Volunteer Hub** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19682](#) **Paul McLennan: Celebrating 100 Years of Dunbar United Football Club** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Annie Wells*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*, Jamie Hepburn*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19680](#) **Colin Beattie: Mayfield and Easthouses Youth 2000 Project Receives National Lottery Community Fund Grant** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19679](#) **Paul McLennan: Commending The Exceptional Work of Kids Operating Room** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19677](#) **Paul McLennan: Commending East Lothian Libraries for National Recognition** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19676](#) **Emma Harper: Celebrating Dumfries and Galloway's Inaugural Disability Sport Awards 2025** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Alexander Stewart*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Brian Whittle*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*, David Torrance*, Kenneth Gibson*, Miles Briggs*, Jamie Hepburn*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19674](#) **Joe FitzPatrick: Kanzen for Life Wins People's Choice Award** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

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New Support: Tess White*, Annie Wells*, Kevin Stewart*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19673](#) **Alexander Burnett: Celebrating Local Success Through Tesco's Stronger Starts Programme** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Russell Findlay*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19672](#) **George Adam: The Importance of Football within Scotland** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19671](#) **Karen Adam: Banff & Macduff Men's Shed Given The King's Award for Voluntary Service** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Liam McArthur*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Annie Wells*, Brian Whittle*, Audrey Nicoll*, David Torrance*, Kenneth Gibson*, Miles Briggs*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19670](#) **Karen Adam: Peterhead Area Community Trust Named Most Enterprising Community 2025** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Jamie Hepburn*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19668](#) **Stephen Kerr: The Need for Parliamentary Reform 25 Years on from Devolution** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle*

[S6M-19667](#) **Pauline McNeill: Commemoration of Professor Stuart Gulliver** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Kevin Stewart*, Annabelle Ewing*, Karen Adam*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*, Miles Briggs*

[S6M-19666](#) **Christine Grahame: Hawick Flood Protection Scheme Wins Award** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19665](#) **Michael Matheson: Congratulating Evie, Poppy and Violet on Being Included in the Young Women's Movement Scotland's 30 Under 30 List** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Karen Adam*, Jamie Hepburn*

[S6M-19664](#) **Carol Mochan: Carers Rights Day 2025** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: John Mason*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19663](#) **Liam McArthur: Congratulating Paul Hewison on Being Named Outstanding Tradesperson at the 2025 Construction Awards of Excellence** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*, Alexander Burnett* R, David Torrance*

[S6M-19662](#) **Joe FitzPatrick: Winning Scotland 20th Anniversary** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19661](#) **Joe FitzPatrick: Dundee and US-based Stroke Surgeons Perform World's First Thrombectomy Using a Robot** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*, Paul Sweeney*

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[S6M-19660](#) **Christine Grahame: Peeblesshire Youth Trust Young Start Award** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19648](#) **Douglas Ross: Praising The Cabrach Tapestry Project** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-19645](#) **Emma Harper: Celebrating the Success of the Dumfries and Galloway Life Awards** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19644](#) **Kevin Stewart: Rise in UK Unemployment** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19642](#) **Marie McNair: STUC St Andrew's Day Anti-racism and Anti-fascism March and Rally 2025** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Pauline McNeill*, Audrey Nicoll*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19641](#) **Marie McNair: World COPD Day 2025** (lodged on 11 November 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19636](#) **David Torrance: Growing Kirkcaldy Celebrate Gold in Britain in Bloom** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-19635](#) **Emma Harper: Marking World Diabetes Day 2025 and Supporting the Strike Out Stigma Campaign** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19634](#) **Liam McArthur: Congratulating Scott Macgregor on Being Named Clinical Team Member of the Year at the Daffodil Standards Awards** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-19633](#) **Liam McArthur: Congratulating Alfred Flett Ltd on Being Named Best Building Contractor of the Year 2025** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Alexander Burnett* R

[S6M-19631](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Hawick Winchman Marcus Wigfull Honoured for Bravery in Falklands Rescue** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19630](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Galashiels Campaigner John Davidson MBE Inspires with Film About Tourette Syndrome I Swear** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-19629](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Community and Staff Support Brings Emergency Trolleys to Borders Hospital** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*

[S6M-19626](#) **Tess White: Aberdeen Remembers: Commemorating the North East's Wartime Heroes** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

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New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-19625](#) **Liz Smith: Wardside House Care Home** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S6M-19624](#) **Sarah Boyack: Recognition of the Youth Manifesto for Scotland's Seas 2026–2031 by YSCS** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*

[S6M-19623](#) **Mercedes Villalba: 50th Anniversary of the Fall of the Spanish Dictatorship** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*

[S6M-19622](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Borders College Celebrates Graduation 2025 and Student Achievement** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*

[S6M-19619](#) **Rachael Hamilton: France Honours Greenlaw's Evelyn Armstrong with the Légion d'Honneur** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*

[S6M-19616](#) **Jackson Carlaw: Cross-Generational Community Celebration Event at Mearns House** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19615](#) **Jackson Carlaw: Newton Mearns Community First Responders Deliver Free CPR and Defibrillator Training** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19612](#) **Stephanie Callaghan: Focus Youth Project Awarded £99,999 in National Lottery Community Funding** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19611](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Celebrating East Dunbartonshire Netball Club's 10th Anniversary** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19610](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Congratulations to MCK Windows & Doors of Kirkintilloch on Award** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19609](#) **Kenneth Gibson: Sylvia's Soapy Suds in Ardrossan Wins Best Cleaning Business at Scotland's Business Awards** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19608](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Turnbull High School in Bishopbriggs Achieves Gold Reading School Award** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19607](#) **Jamie Hepburn: 70th Anniversary of Cumbernauld as a New Town** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Alasdair Allan*, David Torrance*, Emma Harper*

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[S6M-19606](#) **Rona Mackay: Tribute to Peter Fraser's 70 Years of Devotion to The Kirkintilloch Band** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19605](#) **Liam McArthur: Chloe Wooldrage Named on The Young Women's Movement Scotland's 30 Under 30 List** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19604](#) **Jackie Dunbar: Gritter Named Den-Ice Law** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19602](#) **Jackie Baillie: Running Facility at Posties Park Renamed in Honour of Lachie Stewart** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S6M-19601](#) **Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Lomond Radio on the Launch of Two New Stations** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S6M-19600](#) **Paul McLennan: Congratulations to Major Archie Douglas and Cocoa on Soldiering On Award Win** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*, Karen Adam*, David Torrance*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-19599](#) **Paul McLennan: Tribute to Rev Dr David J Graham on His Retirement** (lodged on 10 November 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19598](#) **Paul McLennan: Condemnation of Ongoing Atrocities in Palestine, Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Bill Kidd*

[S6M-19596](#) **Kenneth Gibson: Our Garnock Valley Recognised with National Award** (lodged on 7 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19594](#) **Fulton MacGregor: Out of the Shadows, AIMS at the Scottish Mental Health Arts Festival 2025** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19593](#) **Annie Wells: Celebrating Scottish Friendly's Extraordinary Community Spirit** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19591](#) **Paul O'Kane: Liz Couser Walks to Raise Awareness of Lung Cancer** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19590](#) **Marie McNair: Duntocher Black Stars Disability Football Club Raises £1,150 at End of Season Awards** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

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[S6M-19589](#) **Marie McNair: NHS Golden Jubilee University National Hospital Continues to Provide World Class Treatment** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19587](#) **Annie Wells: Glasgow Street Aid, Champion Team** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19586](#) **Annie Wells: FARE Scotland's Community Allotment in Easterhouse, Health & Wellbeing Champion** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19585](#) **Annie Wells: Glasgow Girls Club, Arts Champion** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19584](#) **Annie Wells: Impact Arts Named Arts Champion** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19583](#) **Rachael Hamilton: From Classroom to Community, Bruce Aitchison Recognised by Borders College** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19582](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Future Engineers in the Fast Lane, Eyemouth Cluster Goblin Challenge** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19581](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Full Throttle to Goodwood, Eyemouth High ERacing Leads the Way** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19580](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Coldstream Butcher's Triple Triumph** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19579](#) **Rachael Hamilton: From Verges to Victory, Berwickshire's Fight Against Litter** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19578](#) **Tess White: Recognising the Angus Book Fest 2025** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19577](#) **Evelyn Tweed: Condolences on the Death of Dr Elspeth King** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19576](#) **Kevin Stewart: Calling for an End to Nuclear Testing Brinkmanship** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19575](#) **Liam McArthur: Jo Sutherland Treks to Mount Everest Base Camp on Behalf of Charities** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

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[S6M-19574](#) **Tess White: Celebrating J & P Metal Technologies' Commitment to Innovation and Scottish Engineering** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd*

[S6M-19573](#) **Michelle Thomson: Callum Gibbs, Falkirk East's World Solo Drumming Champion** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*

[S6M-19572](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Keep Duns in Bloom, 10 Years of Blossoming Success** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19570](#) **Michelle Thomson: Forth Valley Oncology Team Wins Myeloma UK Award** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*

[S6M-19569](#) **Sue Webber: Finlay Menzies Wins Bronze Medal at the World Para Athletics Championships 2025** (lodged on 6 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19567](#) **Craig Hoy: Congratulating Mogerleys Butchers in Dumfries** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19566](#) **Pam Duncan-Glancy: Fight for the Night Walk in Glasgow** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19565.1](#) **Kevin Stewart: Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill** (lodged on 12 November 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19563](#) **Jackie Dunbar: Forehill School Awarded Tesco Golden Grant** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19561](#) **Jackie Dunbar: Northfield Community Centre Wins Community Impact of the Year Award at the Celebrate Aberdeen Awards** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19560](#) **Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen Youth Movement Named Team of the Year at the Celebrate Aberdeen Awards** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19559](#) **Jackie Dunbar: Charlene Kilpatrick Wins Heart of the Community Award** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19556](#) **Jackie Dunbar: Welcoming Asda's Winter Warmer Café Initiative** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

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[S6M-19554](#) **Finlay Carson: Family Butcher is Upper Crust with its Steak Pies** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19553](#) **Finlay Carson: New Initiative Gives Hope to Older Farmers and Crofters** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-19551](#) **Marie McNair: Bearsden Woman Completes Charity Trek of Great British Coast** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19549](#) **Alexander Stewart: Applauding Scotland's College Sector** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-19548](#) **Finlay Carson: The Growing Tide of Ongoing Challenges Facing Rural Communities** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-19547](#) **Paul McLennan: Recognising Transgender Awareness Week and Transgender Day of Remembrance** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Karen Adam*

[S6M-19544](#) **Sharon Dowey: Prestwick Travel Agent Named Best in Scotland** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19543](#) **Clare Adamson: University Hospital Wishaw Radiographers Shortlisted for National Award** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19542](#) **Tim Eagle: Forres Rotary Club's Annual Fireworks Display** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-19541](#) **Tim Eagle: Elgin Rotary Club's Annual Fireworks Display** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-19532](#) **Sharon Dowey: Ayr Business Named Scottish Motorhome Dealership of the Year** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19528](#) **Sarah Boyack: Congratulating Lothian Buses on 100 Years of Night Bus Services** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells*, David Torrance*

[S6M-19527](#) **Sharon Dowey: Troon Charity Donates to South Ayrshire Infant Nursing Team** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Ruth Maguire*

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[S6M-19526](#) **Maurice Golden: Welcoming the Findings of Carnegie UK's Life in the UK Index 2025** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-19525](#) **Jackson Carlaw: Eaglesham Knitting and Crochet Club's Display of 15,000 Poppies** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19524](#) **Monica Lennon: Celebrating 21 Years of Care & Repair in Lanarkshire** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19521](#) **Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Celebrate Aberdeen Awards Winners** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19520](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Denbridge Medical Practice Team of Bearsden Participate in the Great Scottish Run** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19519](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Kilbowie Primary in Clydebank Achieves Sportscotland Gold School Sport Award** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19518](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Lennox Primary in Alexandria Achieves Sportscotland Gold School Sport Award** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19517](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Aitkenbar Primary School Dumbarton Achieves Sportscotland Gold School Sport Award** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19516](#) **Colin Beattie: Voice of Carers Across Lothian (VOCAL) LGBT Charter Success** (lodged on 3 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19515](#) **Liam McArthur: Congratulating Graham Campbell on His Retirement from the RNLI** (lodged on 3 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19514](#) **Michelle Thomson: Building Links with Bhutan** (lodged on 3 November 2025)

New Support: Claire Baker* R

[S6M-19508](#) **Maggie Chapman: Celebrating 25 Years of the Coalition for Racial Equality and Rights** (lodged on 3 November 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-19502](#) **Paul McLennan: Retirement of Linda Mitchell and Recognition of Service to Lammermuir Larder** (lodged on 4 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19479](#) **Monica Lennon: Big Phil's Pasta Project** (lodged on 5 November 2025)

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New Support: Bill Kidd*, Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19478](#) **Foysol Choudhury: Work of Iron CIC in Granton** (lodged on 3 November 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19473](#) **Roz McCall: World Stroke Day 2025** (lodged on 29 October 2025)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*

[S6M-19405](#) **Humza Yousaf: Standing Together** (lodged on 23 October 2025)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*

[S6M-19387](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Borders Winners Celebrated at Helping It Happen Awards 2025** (lodged on 27 October 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19386](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Borders Finalists Recognised at Scotland's Health Awards 2025** (lodged on 27 October 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19385](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Borders Book Festival Schools Day Success** (lodged on 27 October 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-19317](#) **Monica Lennon: Celebrating Margaret McAuley Rae During Scottish Women and Girls in Sport Week** (lodged on 21 October 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

[S6M-18439](#) **Mark Griffin: The Miracle Foundation SCIO: Supporting Trauma Experienced Children and Young People in Lanarkshire** (lodged on 31 July 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam*

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Questions

Written Questions

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

Government Initiated Questions lodged on 13 November 2025

[S6W-41855](#) **Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made towards its commitment to review the law on abortion to ensure that abortion services are a healthcare matter.

Written Questions lodged on 13 November 2025

[S6W-41833](#) **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Scottish Retail Consortium's suggestion in its Scottish Budget 2026–27 recommendations paper that the business rate is at a 26-year high.

[S6W-41834](#) **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Scottish Retail Consortium's suggestion in its Scottish Budget 2026–27 recommendations paper that the business rate levied on the 2,400 shops liable for the higher property rate results in them collectively paying £9 million more each year in rates than counterparts in similar sized stores in England.

[S6W-41835](#) **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Scottish Retail Consortium's suggestion in its Scottish Budget 2026–27 recommendations paper that the business rate levied on shops liable for the higher property rate has resulted in them collectively paying £93 million more in rates over the past decade than their counterparts in similar sized stores in England.

[S6W-41836](#) **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Scottish Retail Consortium's suggestion in its Scottish Budget 2026–27 recommendations paper that the business rate levied on shops liable for the higher property rate makes it more expensive for them to operate and trade profitably on high streets in Scotland than for similar sized stores in England.

[S6W-41840](#) **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-41283 by Mairi McAllan on 12 November 2025, and in light of the acute nature of the housing emergency in Glasgow, what its position is on whether the Scottish Government has an active leadership role to play in facilitating a Common Housing Register in Scotland's largest city, and if it should adopt a more proactive role to broker and to incentivise registered social landlords to cooperate to create one.

[S6W-41846](#) **Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-24400 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 23 January 2024, what progress has been made regarding its agreement with the UK Government in principle to proceed with a Section 104 Order relating to changing marriages to civil partnerships covering the reserved law of Scotland only.

[S6W-41847](#) **Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government how many teachers have been promoted to a senior leadership position within secondary schools, including (a) headteachers, (b) deputy headteachers and (c) principal teachers, who have completed a formal management training programme to support them in the discharge of their increased responsibilities, in (i) each of the last three full financial years and (ii) 2025-26 to date, broken down by local authority.

[S6W-41848](#) **Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to prevent cases collapsing as a result of witness disengagement caused by repeated adjournments.

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[S6W-41849 Liam Kerr:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it will introduce a multi-year funding model for the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service (SCTS), in light of SCTS stating in its 2025-26 business plan that its current budget is insufficient to increase court capacity to meet demand.

[S6W-41850 Liam Kerr:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of single-year budgets on court backlog recovery.

[S6W-41851 Liam Kerr:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what data it holds on the number of court cases that fail or are discontinued because witnesses do not appear for rescheduled hearings due to delays.

[S6W-41852 Brian Whittle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-41171 by Gillian Martin on 27 October 2025, what the estimated cost is for the Energy Consents Unit to process a representation from a member of the public, also broken down by the time taken to do so.

[S6W-41853 Brian Whittle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-41171 by Gillian Martin on 27 October 2025, whether the Energy Consents Unit employs AI in its processes for dealing with representations by members of the public and, if not, whether it plans to do so.

[S6W-41854 Russell Findlay:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its commitment, which was made in February 2021, to hold an inquiry into the malicious prosecutions relating to Rangers Football Club.

[S6W-41856 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6O-05134 by Angela Constance on 12 November 2025, what work has been done to establish a cross-sector coalition aimed at protecting children from online violence and abuse.

[S6W-41857 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of removing peak ferry fares on routes that it supports through public service contracts, including the Northern Isles Ferry Services.

[S6W-41860 Tim Eagle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to monitor and report on how well Scotland's seafood businesses adapt to the new EU traceability rules, including whether there is disruption to trade to the EU post-January 2026.

[S6W-41861 Tim Eagle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential impact on Scotland's seafood exporters of the incoming EU traceability rules, which take effect on 10 January 2026.

[S6W-41862 Tim Eagle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the definition of "processing" being expanded under the new EU traceability regime, which takes effect on 10 January 2026, and that only seafood "frozen and/or packed without further processing" is exempt, how many businesses in Scotland it estimates will be subject to the new documentation requirements.

[S6W-41863 Tim Eagle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it is working with the Marine Management Organisation campaign, Fish, Trace, Ship, to publicise the new EU traceability rules, which come into effect on 10 January 2026.

[S6W-41864 Tim Eagle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what support and funding is being made available to help Scotland's seafood (a) exporters, (b) processors and (c) suppliers meet the upgraded export requirements under the new EU traceability rules, which come into effect on 10 January 2026.

[S6W-41865 Tim Eagle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what contingency plans are in place to help any of Scotland's seafood businesses that might not be ready in time for the new EU traceability rules, which come into effect on 10 January 2026, and therefore are unable to export to the EU.

[S6W-41866 Tim Eagle:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it is working with UK-wide agencies, industry bodies and the EU to ensure that there is as smooth a transition as possible to the new EU traceability regime, which comes into effect on 10 January 2026, to allow Scotland's seafood businesses to maintain competitive access to its largest market.

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[S6W-41867](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government by what date it will publish a timetable for the Community Needs Assessment of the (a) Ardrossan- (i) Brodick and (ii) Campbeltown route and (b) all other routes in the Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Services (third generation) (CHFS3) contract, as required by the Islands Connectivity Plan.

[S6W-41868](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding Transport Scotland has provided to Dunoon Community Development Trust in each year since 2016-17.

[S6W-41869](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the Islands Connectivity Plan's project to replace the Gourock-Dunoon-Kilcreggan passenger vessels by December 2026, and what the budget is for this project.

[S6W-41870](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the Islands Connectivity Plan's proposed development of Gourock Ferry Terminal by December 2026, and what the budget is for this project.

[S6W-41871](#) **Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason no reconviction statistics have been published since the 2020-21 cohort, and what impact this delay has had on (a) the transparency of its approach to and (b) its monitoring of repeat offending.

[S6W-41872](#) **Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs last attended a meeting of the National Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Strategic Group.

[S6W-41873](#) **Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise last attended a meeting of the National Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Strategic Group.

[S6W-41874](#) **Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Minister for Victims and Community Safety last attended a meeting of the National Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Strategic Group.

Amendments to Bills lodged or withdrawn on 13 November 2025

Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Section 1

Pam Duncan-Glancy

28 In section 1, page 1, line 19, at end insert—

<6AB The principle of voluntarism

- (1) Teachers and Associated Professionals attending a course of residential outdoor education provided under section 6A of this Act do so on a voluntary basis.
- (2) The duties to provide residential outdoor education under section 6A of this Act must not alter or have any impact on the terms and conditions of employment of Teachers and Associated Professionals—
 - (a) as negotiated through the Scottish Negotiating Committee for Teachers (“SNCT”), and
 - (b) as defined in the SNCT Handbook of Conditions of Service.
- (3) Education authorities and grant-aided schools must ensure that no teacher is subject to detriment, disadvantage, or adverse treatment for declining to attend a course of residential outdoor education provided under section 6A of this Act.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, “Teachers” and “Associated Professionals” have the meanings given by Part 1 Appendix 1.2 of the SNCT Handbook.>

Pam Duncan-Glancy

29 In section 1, page 2, line 31, at end insert—

- <(ba) representatives from recognised trade unions which represent the interests of persons employed in—
- (i) public schools,
 - (ii) grant-aided schools,>

Pam Duncan-Glancy

30 In section 1, page 2, line 39, at end insert—

- <(8) For the purposes of subsection (7)(ba), “trade union” has the meaning given by section 1 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and “recognised”, in relation to a trade union, is to be construed in accordance with section 178(3) of that Act.>

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Section 1

Beatrice Wishart

165 In section 1, page 1, line 10, at end insert—

<() In section 1—

(a) after subsection (1) insert—

“(1A) In complying with the duty imposed by subsection (1), a body or office-holder must facilitate—

(a) the implementation of any strategy designated under section 2(1), and

(b) the meeting of any target set under section 2C.”.

(b) in subsection (2), paragraph (a) is repealed.>

Beatrice Wishart

166 In section 1, page 2, line 1, after <regeneration,> insert—

<(iv) the reversal of biodiversity loss against a historic baseline,>

Ariane Burgess

167 In section 1, page 2, line 1, after <regeneration,> insert—

<(iv) the date by which Scotland’s Atlantic rainforest is to be restored and its size doubled,>

Ariane Burgess

168 In section 1, page 2, line 1, after <regeneration,> insert—

<(iv) the status of missing native species, in particular the Eurasian lynx (*Lynx lynx*),>

Ariane Burgess

169 In section 1, page 2, line 1, after <regeneration,> insert—

<(iv) the population size and extent, in Scottish waters, of the following species of whale—

(A) fin (*Balaenoptera physalus*),

(B) gray (*Eschrichtius robustus*),

(C) humpback (*Megaptera novaeangliae*),

(D) Common minke whale,

(E) North Atlantic right whale (*Balaenoptera acutorostrata*),>

Ariane Burgess

- 170** In section 1, page 2, line 1, after <regeneration,> insert—
 <(iv) the extent of sea grass and kelp habitats,>

Ross Greer

- 171** In section 1, page 2, line 1, after <regeneration,> insert—
 <(iv) the population size and extent of red squirrel (*Sciurus vulgaris*),>

Douglas Lumsden

- 172** In section 1, page 2, line 1, after <regeneration,> insert—
 <(iv) the impacts of electricity infrastructure on biodiversity, including—
 (A) overhead vs underground/subsea routeing indicators,
 (B) habitat fragmentation,
 (C) bird/bat strike risk,
 (D) a “pylons-as-last-resort” indicator showing undergrounding/subsea
 was reasonably ruled out,>

Ariane Burgess

- 173** In section 1, page 2, line 5, at end insert—
 <(aa) set a target that restricts demersal mobile fishing gear in at least 30% of
 Scotland’s inshore waters, and>

Maurice Golden

- 174** In section 1, page 2, line 7, leave out from <and> to end of line 9

Ariane Burgess

- 175** In section 1, page 2, line 9, at end insert—
 <(2A) For the purposes of subsection (2)(aa), “demersal mobile fishing gear” means any
 fishing gear that is towed along the sea bed or is otherwise moved through the water
 on or close to the sea bed to catch fish, and includes a dredge, beam trawl, demersal
 seine net or demersal trawl.>

Maurice Golden

- 176** In section 1, page 2, line 9, at end insert—
 <(2A) In preparing regulations under subsection (1) the Scottish Ministers must have regard
 to the target-setting criteria in section 2CA.>

Tim Eagle

- 177** In section 1, page 2, leave out lines 10 to 14

Rhoda Grant

110 *Withdrawn*

Sarah Boyack

178 In section 1, page 2, line 14, leave out <coming into force> and insert <receiving Royal Assent>

Maurice Golden

179 In section 1, page 2, line 14, at end insert—

<(3A) On the same day as laying a draft of a Scottish statutory instrument (or drafts of Scottish statutory instruments) containing regulations under subsection (1) before the Parliament, the Scottish Ministers must publish a statement setting out the extent to which the targets to be set by the regulations take account of the target-setting criteria in section 2CA.>

Maurice Golden

180 In section 1, page 2, line 16, at end insert—

<2CA Target-setting criteria

- (1) In this Part, the “target-setting criteria” are—
 - (a) the duty to further the conservation of biodiversity under section 1,
 - (b) the principle that targets should be time-bound and measurable,
 - (c) international law and policy relating to biodiversity,
 - (d) scientific knowledge about biodiversity,
 - (e) the likely impact of a target on public health,
 - (f) the likely impact of a target on those living in island communities and remote rural communities,
 - (g) environmental considerations, in particular the likely impact of a target on achieving climate change targets,
 - (h) the likely impact of the target on the achievement of sustainable development, including the United Nations sustainable development goals,
 - (i) current international practice.>

Maurice Golden

181 In section 1, page 2, line 16, at end insert—

<2CA Target-setting criteria

- (1) In this Part, the “target-setting criteria” are that a target must be—
 - (a) based on scientific research and evidence,
 - (b) measurable, with interim targets for reaching the end target,
 - (c) achievable,
 - (d) relevant to furthering the conservation of biodiversity,
 - (e) time-bound. >

Maurice Golden

182 In section 1, page 2, line 22, at end insert—

<(2A) Environmental Standards Scotland must—

- (a) assess whether a target is met, and
- (b) having completed that assessment—
 - (i) submit a report to the Scottish Ministers setting out—
 - (A) the outcome of the assessment, and
 - (B) where a target is not met, or Environmental Standards Scotland believes it is no longer possible for that target to be met, recommendations as to the steps that are required to meet the target,
 - (ii) lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.>

Tim Eagle

183 In section 1, page 3, line 13, after first <to> insert—

<(a)>

Tim Eagle

184 In section 1, page 3, line 15, after <expertise> insert <, and

- (b) views in relation to the targets set under, and topics described in, section 2C(1) from such persons as the Scottish Ministers consider to be representative of the interests of land managers>

Douglas Lumsden

185 In section 1, page 3, line 15, at end insert—

<(2A) A report under subsection (1)(b) must include an assessment of how system-wide energy mix choices, including—

- (a) transmission built-out under different mixes,
 - (b) underground and subsea infrastructure options,
 - (c) firm low-carbon generation,
- impact on targets set under section 2C(1) being met.>

Beatrice Wishart

186 In section 1, page 3, line 26, at end insert—

<(5A) But regulations under subsection (5) must not remove any topic described in section 2C(1).>

Tim Eagle

187 In section 1, page 4, line 2, at end insert—

<(aa) seek and have regard to views in relation to any target the regulations would set or the amendments they would make to the targets or, as the case may be, to the topics, from such persons as the Scottish Ministers consider to be representative of the interests of land managers, and>

Maurice Golden

188 In section 1, page 4, line 2, at end insert—

<(aa) seek and have regard to views in relation to any target the regulations would set or the amendments they would make to the targets or, as the case may be, to the topics, from a committee of the Scottish Parliament whose remit includes matters relating to the natural environment for the time being appointed by virtue of the standing orders, and>

Tim Eagle

189 In section 1, page 4, leave out lines 5 to 9

Tim Eagle

190 In section 1, page 4, line 5, after <(1)(a)> insert <or views under subsection (1)(aa)>

Tim Eagle

191 In section 1, page 4, line 8, after <advice> insert <and views>

Tim Eagle

192 In section 1, page 4, line 9, leave out <is> and insert <are>

Douglas Lumsden

193 In section 1, page 4, line 16, at end insert—

<(4A) The Scottish Ministers must, at the same time as laying any regulations under section 2C(1) which set or amend any infrastructure-related target, publish a statement on an assessment of undergrounding and subsea alternatives against cost, biodiversity net-impact, resilience, and landscape, and explaining any decision to proceed with overhead lines.>

Douglas Lumsden

194 In section 1, page 4, line 38, at end insert—

<(c) assess whether the requirements set out in Part (*electricity infrastructure*) have been met, where the Scottish Ministers have pursued any target relating to energy infrastructure.>

After section 1

Maurice Golden

195 After section 1, insert—

<PART

POLICY STRATEGIES AND STATEMENTS

Duties to have regard to other relevant strategies and statements

- (1) The Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 is modified in accordance with subsection (2).
- (2) In section 2 (Scottish biodiversity strategy), after subsection (1), insert—
 - “(1A) Before designating a strategy under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must have regard to—
 - (a) the most recent environmental policy strategy published under section 47 of the UK (Withdrawal from the European Union) (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021,
 - (b) the most recent marine policy statement adopted for the purposes of section 44 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.”.
- (3) The UK (Withdrawal from the European Union) (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021 is modified in accordance with subsection (4).
- (4) In section 47 (environmental policy strategy), after subsection (3), insert—
 - “(3A) In preparing the strategy, the Scottish Ministers must have regard to—
 - (a) any biodiversity strategy designated under section 2 of the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004,
 - (b) the most recent marine policy statement adopted for the purposes of section 44 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.”.
- (5) The Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 is modified in accordance with subsection (6).
- (6) After section 18, insert—

“18A Marine policy statement

In preparing and adopting a marine policy statement in accordance with schedule 5 to the 2009 Act, the Scottish Ministers must have regard to—

- (a) any biodiversity strategy designated under section 2 of the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004,
- (b) the most recent environmental policy strategy published under section 47 of the UK (Withdrawal from the European Union) (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021.”.>

Section 2

Beatrice Wishart

196 In section 2, page 5, line 22, at end insert—

- <() Without prejudice to the purposes set out in section 3, the Scottish Ministers may exercise the power under subsection (1) only where they are satisfied that doing so will maintain or improve the level of environmental protection provided by the provisions being modified or restated.>

Douglas Lumsden

197 In section 2, page 5, line 22, at end insert—

- <() Where regulations under subsection (1) apply to electricity infrastructure, the Scottish Ministers must before making the regulations publish—
- (a) an Overhead vs Underground/Subsea Alternatives Assessment, and
 - (b) proof of compliance with Part (*electricity infrastructure*),
- before consent can be granted.>

Section 3

Douglas Lumsden

198 In section 3, page 6, line 24, at end insert—

- <() to enable hydrogen, nuclear, firm and low-carbon infrastructure to be built where such infrastructure would contribute to biodiversity targets set under section 2C of the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 being met and would comply with any requirements in the alternatives assessment code under section (*alternatives assessment code*),>

Douglas Lumsden

199 In section 3, page 6, line 31, at end insert—

- <() to avoid significant adverse effects from electricity infrastructure unless alternatives are demonstrably not feasible, and to embed community consent and benefit-sharing in consenting procedures,>

Section 4

Douglas Lumsden

200 In section 4, page 6, line 34, at end insert—

- <() “electricity infrastructure” includes overhead lines/towers, underground cables, subsea links, substations, converter stations, and battery energy storage systems,>

Section 5

Ross Greer

201 In section 5, page 8, line 5, at end insert—

- <(ba) protecting and enhancing the special qualities of the area’s landscapes,>

Tim Eagle

202 In section 5, page 8, line 10, at end insert—

- <(g) promoting the creation of jobs in the area. >

Tim Eagle

203 In section 5, page 8, line 10, at end insert—

<(g) increasing the supply of affordable housing in the area.>

Tim Eagle

204 In section 5, page 8, line 10, at end insert—

<(g) encouraging the development of businesses in the area.>

Douglas Lumsden

205 In section 5, page 8, line 10, at end insert—

<(g) prohibiting the installation of new overhead lines or large-scale battery energy storage systems in the area of, or adjacent to, a National Park, unless underground or sub-sea installation is not reasonably feasible.>

Ross Greer

206 In section 5, page 8, line 15, at end insert—

<(3A) In carrying out the duty in subsection (3), if it appears to the Scottish Ministers, the National Park authority, the local authority or, as the case may be, any other public body or office-holder that there is a conflict between the National Park aim set out in subsection (1)(a) and other National Park aims, greater weight must be given to the aim set out in subsection (1)(a).>

After section 5

Ross Greer

207 After section 5, insert—

<Planning functions of National Park authorities

Planning functions of National Park authorities

- (1) Section 10 of the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000 (planning functions) is modified as follows.
- (2) After subsection (1), insert—

“(1A) Where a National Park authority is designated as a planning authority under subsection (1), the process for considering any appeal against a decision of that planning authority must include a public hearing.”>

Ross Greer

208 After section 5, insert—

<National Park authorities to ensure public accountability

National Park authorities to ensure public accountability

- (1) Schedule 1 of the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000 (constitution etc. of National Park authorities) is modified as follows.

(2) After paragraph 3, insert—

“3A A National Park authority must ensure that each member provides public-facing contact information.”.>

Section 7

Tim Eagle

209 In section 7, page 8, line 38, leave out subsection (3)

Douglas Lumsden

210 In section 7, page 9, line 6, at end insert—

<(2A) Where a National Park Plan designates a no-go corridor for overhead lines, a planning authority must refuse any permission sought for linear infrastructure unless there is an exceptional justification for doing so.

(2B) In determining whether there is an exceptional justification under subsection (2A), the planning authority must take into account any alternative assessment prepared in accordance with section (*alternatives assessment code*).>

Tim Eagle

211 In section 7, page 9, line 13, leave out subsection (5)

Section 9

Ross Greer

212 In section 9, page 11, line 1, leave out <the amount of the fixed penalty which is to apply to an offence> insert <a scale of fixed penalties which are to apply to the offences>

Ross Greer

213 In section 9, page 11, line 40, at end insert—

<(5A) Regulations under this section must specify that a person committing the same offence for which that person has previously been issued a fixed penalty notice is liable to pay a higher penalty on the scale specified under subsection (5)(e).>

After section 9

Tim Eagle

214 After section 9, insert—

<Review of National Parks

Review of National Parks

(1) The Scottish Ministers must ensure that a review of the effectiveness of existing National Parks has been carried out before making a designation under section 6 of the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000 for the creation of a new National Park.

- (2) A review under subsection (1) must assess—
 - (a) the extent to which existing National Parks have achieved the statutory aims set out in section 1 of the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000,
 - (b) the effectiveness of governance, management structures, and delivery of National Park Plans.
- (3) A review under subsection (1) must be conducted by a person or body independent of the Scottish Ministers and National Park Authorities.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers must have regard to the findings and recommendations of the review when preparing any proposal for a new National Park designation.>

Section 10

Tim Eagle

- 215** In section 10, page 13, line 4, leave out <promote> and insert <further>

Tim Eagle

- 216** In section 10, page 13, leave out lines 6 and 7

Tim Eagle

- 217** In section 10, page 13, leave out line 12

Section 11

Douglas Ross

- 218** Leave out section 11

Section 12

Tim Eagle

- 219** In section 12, page 13, line 27, after <management)> insert <—
()>

Tim Eagle

- 220** In section 12, page 13, line 28, leave out <will> and insert <may>

Tim Eagle

- 221** In section 12, page 13, line 29, at end insert—
<() in subsection (12), in paragraph (b), for “have regard to” substitute “must comply with”.>

Beatrice Wishart

- 222** In section 12, page 14, line 7, leave out <10> and insert <5>

Section 13

Tim Eagle

- 223 In section 13, page 14, line 15, leave out <in relation to> and insert <on>

Tim Eagle

- 224 In section 13, page 14, line 27, leave out <in relation to> and insert <on>

Beatrice Wishart

- 225 In section 13, page 15, line 3, after first <or> insert <materially>

Tim Eagle

- 226 In section 13, page 15, line 3, leave out <, a project or natural process> and insert <or project>

Tim Eagle

- 227 In section 13, page 15, line 4, after <restores,> insert <and>

Tim Eagle

- 228 In section 13, page 15, line 4, leave out <, enhances or otherwise improves> and insert <and enhances>

Tim Eagle

- 229 In section 13, page 15, line 4, leave out <, enhances or otherwise improves> and insert <or enhances>

Tim Eagle

- 230 In section 13, page 15, line 5, leave out <or environment>

Section 14

Tim Eagle

- 231 In section 14, page 15, line 27, leave out <the land> and insert <a particular area of the land>

Beatrice Wishart

- 232 In section 14, page 15, line 36, leave out <3> and insert <6>

After section 14

Rachael Hamilton

- 233 After section 14, insert—

<Management of deer by local authorities

- (1) After section 6A of the 1996 Act, insert—

“6B Management of deer by local authorities

- (1) A local authority must manage the deer on any land owned, leased or otherwise under its control and, in particular, on any roads in the local authority area.
- (2) In exercising the duty under subsection (1), a local authority must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a deer management plan for any such land,
 - (b) from time to time review the plan, and
 - (c) ensure that deer management is conducted in a manner that is safe, sustainable and consistent with the Scottish Ministers’ objectives in relation to forestry, agriculture and ecological and nature restoration.
- (3) Before preparing a deer management plan, a local authority must consult—
 - (a) Transport Scotland,
 - (b) BEAR Scotland,
 - (c) such other persons as the local authority considers to have expertise in road traffic accidents involving deer.
- (4) A deer management plan must include any available information on the number of road traffic accidents involving deer.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers may, by regulations, make further provision in relation to the preparation, content, monitoring, review and implementation of deer management plans under this section.
- (6) Regulation under subsection (5) are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.
- (2) In section 47 (orders, regulations, etc.), in subsection (1) for “section” substitute “sections 6B(1) and”.>

Section 15

Tim Eagle

234 In section 15, page 16, line 20, leave out <must> and insert <may>

Tim Eagle

235 In section 15, page 17, line 2, leave out <must> and insert <may>

Section 16

Tim Eagle

236 In section 16, page 17, line 9, at end insert—

<() in subsection (A1), after paragraph (b) insert—

“(c) a control scheme independent advisory panel has, after receiving and considering the views of both SNH and the landowner, decided that a control scheme must be implemented; and”,

() after subsection (A1) insert—

“(A1A) For the purposes of subsection (A1)(c), a control scheme independent advisory panel is a panel of three or more persons with relevant experience in deer management, selected by the Scottish Ministers for the purpose of deciding whether a particular control scheme should be implemented.”.>

Tim Eagle

237 In section 16, page 17, leave out line 23

Tim Eagle

238 In section 16, page 17, line 37, leave out <register in the Land Register of Scotland or (as the case may be) record in the General Register of Sasines> and insert <publish on SNH’s website>

Beatrice Wishart

239 In section 16, page 18, line 9, after <requirement> insert <, or

(iii) an owner or occupier for the time being of land reasonably expected to be affected by the terms of the scheme referred to in sub-paragraph (i) or (ii).>

Emma Harper

240 In section 16, page 18, line 15, leave out <, if appropriate,>

Emma Harper

241 In section 16, page 18, line 23, at end insert—

<(ia) stating the date of first publication of the notice,>

Beatrice Wishart

242 In section 16, page 20, line 16, after <consult> insert <—

(a)>

Beatrice Wishart

243 In section 16, page 20, line 16, after <SNH> insert—

<(b) such persons as the Scottish Ministers consider to represent the interests of relevant persons,

(c)>

Section 17

Tim Eagle

244 In section 17, page 22, line 10, leave out <registration in the Land Register of Scotland or (as the case may be) recording in the General Register of Sasines> and insert <publishing on SNH’s website>

Section 19

Tim Eagle

- 245** In section 19, page 22, line 31, leave out <environment,>

After section 20

Mark Ruskell

- 246** After section 20, insert—

<National Deer Management Programme

National Deer Management Programme

- (1) The 1996 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 11, insert—

“11A National Deer Management Programme

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, within two years of the date that this section comes into force, publish and lay before the Scottish Parliament, a National Deer Management Programme.
- (2) A National Deer Management Programme must include—
 - (a) the latest population estimate for deer, of all species, in Scotland,
 - (b) the latest population estimate for deer, of all species, broken down by appropriate geographic unit,
 - (c) the total numbers of deer, of all species, that should be culled in Scotland for each year of the five year duration of the programme,
 - (d) the total numbers of deer, of all species, that should be culled in Scotland for each year of the five year duration of the programme, broken down by appropriate geographic unit, and
 - (e) policies and proposals, including those for funding, by which SNH will ensure that the cull targets under paragraphs (c) and (d) are met.
- (3) The numbers of deer to be culled, set out under subsection (2)(c) and (d), that should be sufficient, in the opinion of the Scottish Ministers, to ensure that the targets set under section 2C of the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 are met.
- (4) Before publishing a National Deer Management Programme, the Scottish Ministers must publish a draft and consult with—
 - (a) SNH,
 - (b) representatives of land owning and land management bodies,
 - (c) representatives of community interests in areas of Scotland where deer culls are to be carried out,
 - (d) representatives of those concerned with nature conservation and restoration, and
 - (e) any other person or body they consider has an interest in deer management.

- (5) The Scottish Ministers must, when laying a National Deer Management Programme under subsection (1) before the Parliament, lay a statement setting out—
 - (a) details of the consultation carried out under subsection (4),
 - (b) a summary of the responses to the consultation, and
 - (c) the changes (if any) they have made as a result of the consultation process and the reasons for those changes.
- (6) The Scottish Ministers must, five years following the publication of the first National Deer Management Programme, and every five years thereafter, review and update it.
- (7) The provisions of this section apply to a review under subsection (6) in the same manner as they apply to the first National Deer Management Programme.”.>

Section 28

Tim Eagle

247 In section 28, page 27, line 36, at end insert—

<() After subsection (2), insert—

“(2A) Regulations under subsection (2) must provide that a person who has been actively carrying out the practice of deer management or deer stalking for a period specified in the regulations can be determined to be fit and competent without having undertaken any particular training.”.>

Tim Eagle

248 In section 28, page 27, line 36, at end insert—

<() After subsection (2), insert—

“(2A) Regulations under subsection (2) must provide that a person need not complete any particular training that might otherwise be required to demonstrate that the person is fit and competent if that person can provide a reference as to the person’s ability to professionally kill deer.”.>

After section 28

Beatrice Wishart

249 After section 28, insert—

<Training to become authorised person

- (1) The 1996 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 17A, insert—

“17AA Training to become authorised person

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, introduce a training scheme for persons seeking to become authorised persons for the purposes of section 17A.

- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) must make provision for—
 - (a) a transition period during which persons must undertake any necessary training,
 - (b) the level of training required for persons who are new entrants to deer stalking to become authorised persons,
 - (c) the level of training required for persons who have professional experience of deer stalking to become authorised persons,
 - (d) such other matters as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (3) Before laying regulations under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) persons with experience of deer stalking,
 - (b) persons appearing to the Scottish Ministers to represent the interests of the persons mentioned in paragraph (a),
 - (c) such other persons as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.
- (3) In section 47 (orders, regulations etc.), in subsection (1), for “section” substitute “sections 17AA(4) and”.>

Tim Eagle

250 After section 28, insert—

<Training fund for authorised persons

- (1) The 1996 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 17A, insert—

“17AA Training fund for authorised persons

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, establish a fund for the purpose of meeting the costs for persons who are, or are seeking to be, authorised persons in undertaking any mandatory training to meet the requirements of fitness and competence under section 17A.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) may make such further provision in relation to the establishment and operation of the fund as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate, including in relation to—
 - (a) applications to the fund, and
 - (b) the determination such applications (including the criteria to be used to determine whether a person’s costs will be met from the fund).
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.
- (3) In section 47 (orders, regulations, etc.), in subsection (1), for “section” substitute “sections 17AA(1) and”.>

After section 32

Beatrice Wishart

251 After section 32, insert—

<Recording and publishing deer management data

Deer management dashboard

- (1) The 1996 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 16, insert—

“Deer management dashboard

16A Deer management dashboard

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must record and publish data in relation to deer management in a database to be known as a national deer management dashboard (“the dashboard”).
- (2) The dashboard must be publicly accessible in an electronic or web-based format.
- (3) The data published on the dashboard must include—
 - (a) the estimated number of deer, of all species, in Scotland,
 - (b) the estimated number of deer, of all species, in each geographic unit,
 - (c) the total numbers of deer, of all species, culled in Scotland each year,
 - (d) the total numbers of deer, of all species, culled each year, in each geographic unit,
 - (e) details of any proposed or agreed control agreements under section 7,
 - (f) details of any control schemes under section 8,
 - (g) any other matter that the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) SNH may advise the Scottish Ministers on an appropriate geographic unit by which to publish the information described in subsection (3).
- (5) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations amend or modify the information to be included under subsection (3).
- (6) The Scottish Ministers may delegate their functions under this section to SNH by written direction.
- (7) The Scottish Ministers may modify or revoke a direction under subsection (6).
- (8) Where a direction under subsection (6) is revoked, the Scottish Ministers must continue to record, collate and publish data in accordance with this section and any actions taken by SNH continue to have effect (unless the revoking direction provides otherwise).
- (9) The Scottish Ministers or, as the case may be, SNH, must—
 - (a) in the case of the first dashboard, publish the dashboard before the expiry of the period of 5 years beginning with the day after the Bill for the Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2026 receives Royal Assent, and

- (b) in the case of each subsequent dashboard, review the dashboard before the expiry of the period of 5 years beginning with day after publication of the previous dashboard.
- (10) Before publishing the first dashboard, or reviewing the dashboard, the Scottish Ministers or, as the case may be, SNH, must consult such persons as they consider to have relevant expertise, an interest in, or otherwise be affected by—
 - (a) the matters to be included in the dashboard under subsection (3),
 - (b) how the data for the dashboard is to be collected, collated and published.
- (11) Regulations under subsection (5) are subject to the affirmative procedure if they modify or repeal any provision in subsection (3).”
- (3) In section 47 (orders, regulations etc.), in subsection (1), for “section” substitute “sections 16A(10) and”.>

Section 33

Tim Eagle

252 Leave out section 33

After section 33

Tim Eagle

253 After section 33, insert—

<Review

Review in relation to certain sections

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of the period of 5 years beginning with the day on which this Act comes into force, carry out a review of the operation and effect of the modifications made to the 1996 Act by sections 13 to 16 of this Act.
- (2) The review under subsection (1) must, in particular, consider—
 - (a) how effectively the modifications made by those sections have been in achieving the purposes of this Act,
 - (b) whether those modifications remain necessary and appropriate, and
 - (c) whether any further modifications to the 1996 Act are required.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing the review under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report setting out—
 - (i) the conclusions of the review, and
 - (ii) any proposals for further action arising from it,
 - (b) lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers may carry out subsequent reviews of the operation and effect of the modifications made to the 1996 Act by sections 13 to 16 of this Act as they consider appropriate.>

Rachael Hamilton

254 After section 33, insert—

<Venison action plan

Venison action plan

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must prepare, publish and implement a venison action plan.
- (2) The action plan must set out what action Scottish Ministers will take to—
 - (a) ensure public bodies regularly offer venison as a meal in—
 - (i) hospitals,
 - (ii) schools, and
 - (iii) workplaces,
 - (b) remove barriers to demand and supply of venison available for human consumption.
- (3) In preparing and implementing the action plan, the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) stakeholders within the venison industry, and
 - (b) such other persons as they consider appropriate.>

Rachael Hamilton

255 After section 33, insert—

<Venison action plan

Venison action plan

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must prepare, publish and implement a venison action plan.
- (2) The action plan must set out how—
 - (a) deer larders,
 - (b) butchery facilities, and
 - (c) distributors,
 can be best utilised to maximise the amount of venison available for human consumption.
- (3) Before preparing a venison action plan, the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) review current processing capacity,
 - (b) consider what barriers (if any) exist in the processing of venison, and
 - (c) consult—
 - (i) stakeholders within the venison industry, and
 - (ii) such other persons as they consider appropriate.>

Emma Roddick

256 After section 33, insert—

<PART

ENFORCEMENT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY BYELAWS: WILDFIRES

Enforcement of local authority byelaws: wildfires

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision for and in connection with the issuing of fixed penalty notices for offences against local authority byelaws the purpose of which are to prevent wildfires.
- (2) Regulations under this section must specify—
 - (a) the byelaw or byelaws in relation to which fixed penalty notices may be issued, and
 - (b) the person who may issue fixed penalty notices, which must be a local authority.
- (3) A fixed penalty notice provided for in regulations under this section must state—
 - (a) the byelaw to which it relates,
 - (b) particulars of the circumstances alleged to constitute the offence,
 - (c) the date on which the fixed penalty notice is issued,
 - (d) the amount of the fixed penalty,
 - (e) the payment period,
 - (f) the method by which the payment may be made,
 - (g) the effect of paying the fixed penalty within the payment period and the consequences of not paying the fixed penalty within that period,
 - (h) details of any procedure for challenging or appealing the fixed penalty notice.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) may make further provision about fixed penalty notices, including the form and content of such notices.
- (5) The maximum penalty that may be provided for in regulations under this section creating an offence is, on summary conviction, a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.
- (6) Before making regulations under this section, the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider to be interested in or affected by the issuing of fixed penalty notices for local authority byelaw offences relating to wildfires.
- (7) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.
- (8) In this section, “fixed penalty notice” means a notice specifying a sum of money that may or must be paid as an alternative to prosecution for an offence.>

Douglas Ross

257 After section 33, insert—

<PART

REMOVAL OF LICENSING FUNCTIONS OF SCOTTISH NATURAL HERITAGE

Removal of licensing functions of Scottish Natural Heritage

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, make provision to remove any licensing function of Scottish Natural Heritage in relation to gulls, conferred on it by or under any enactment.

- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) may transfer any such licensing function to another person or body as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may make any incidental, supplementary, consequential, transitional, transitory or saving provision that the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) may—
 - (a) modify any enactment (including this Act),
 - (b) make different provision for different purposes.
- (5) Before making regulations under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider may have an interest in, or otherwise be affected by, the regulations.
- (6) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Douglas Ross

258 After section 33, insert—

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- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, make provision to remove any licensing function of Scottish Natural Heritage in relation to gulls, conferred on it by or under any enactment.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) must transfer any such licensing function to local authorities.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may make any incidental, supplementary, consequential, transitional, transitory or saving provision that the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) may—
 - (a) modify any enactment (including this Act),
 - (b) make different provision for different purposes.
- (5) Before making regulations under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider may have an interest in, or otherwise be affected by, the regulations.
- (6) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Douglas Ross

259 After section 33, insert—

<PART

REMOVAL OF LICENSING FUNCTIONS OF SCOTTISH NATURAL HERITAGE

Removal of licensing functions of Scottish Natural Heritage

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, make provision to remove any licensing function of Scottish Natural Heritage in relation to gulls, conferred on it by or under any enactment.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) must transfer any such licensing function to the Scottish Ministers.

- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may make any incidental, supplementary, consequential, transitional, transitory or saving provision that the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) may—
 - (a) modify any enactment (including this Act),
 - (b) make different provision for different purposes.
- (5) Before making regulations under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider may have an interest in, or otherwise be affected by, the regulations.
- (6) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Douglas Ross

260 After section 33, insert—

<PART

GULLS

Gull Management Fund

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of the period of 12 months beginning with the day after Royal Assent, undertake an analysis of the total annual spend by local authorities on gull management and deterrence.
- (2) The analysis under subsection (1) must, in particular, consider the total spend by each local authority in the previous year—
 - (a) to mitigate the impact of gulls in the local authority area, and
 - (b) to compensate for the impact of gulls in the local authority area.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing the analysis under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must establish a fund (to be known as “the Gull Management Fund”) for the purpose of providing funding to local authorities to carry out any activity aimed at—
 - (a) mitigating the impact of gulls in the local authority area,
 - (b) responding to the consequences of gulls in the local authority area.
- (4) Funding for the Gull Management Fund—
 - (a) must be managed by the Scottish Ministers,
 - (b) must be held separately and only used for the purposes of the Gull Management Fund.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers must undertake an annual review of the operation and use of the Gull Management Fund.
- (6) A review under subsection (5) must, in particular, consider whether there should be an increase in funding for the Gull Management Fund.
- (7) In this section, “activity” includes (but is not limited to)—
 - (a) hawking,
 - (b) the establishment and use of sonic devices.>

Douglas Ross

261 After section 33, insert—

<PART

GULLS

Gull numbers

- (1) Scottish Natural Heritage (in this Part referred to as “SNH”) must, in respect of each reporting period, conduct a survey on the number of gulls in Scotland.
- (2) A survey under subsection (1) must count the number of gulls in—
 - (a) urban areas,
 - (b) coastal areas.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing a survey under subsection (1), SNH must prepare and publish a report on the results of the survey.
- (4) In subsection (1), “reporting period” means—
 - (a) in the case of the first survey, the period of 12 months beginning with the day after Royal Assent,
 - (b) each subsequent period of 12 months.>

Rachael Hamilton

262 After section 33, insert—

<PART

GULL MANAGEMENT

Tackling urban gull problems

Tackling urban gull problems

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of 2 years beginning with the day of the 2025 gull summit, undertake a review of measures taken to tackle urban gull problems.
- (2) The review must consider—
 - (a) how much funding has been allocated to each local authority to tackle disruptive urban gull populations,
 - (b) the reason for funding being allocated in that way,
 - (c) how any funding allocated has been spent,
 - (d) what, if any, consultation was done in advance of allocating funding, and
 - (e) such other matters as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing the review under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report on the review,
 - (b) lay a copy of the report before the Scottish Parliament.

- (4) For the purposes of this section, “gull” is to be construed in accordance with the meaning of wild birds offered protection under section 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.
>

Rachael Hamilton

263 After section 33, insert—

<PART

GULL MANAGEMENT

Scottish Natural Heritage licences

Scottish Natural Heritage licences

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of each reporting period—
- (a) prepare and publish a report on the use of licences to manage gulls, and
 - (b) make a statement on the report to the Scottish Parliament.
- (2) The report prepared under subsection (1) must include information about—
- (a) the types of licences issued under section 16 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 in relation to gull management,
 - (b) the role of Scottish Natural Heritage in issuing any such licences,
 - (c) the number of licences issued during the reporting period,
 - (d) such other matters as the Scottish Ministers consider relevant.
- (3) For the purposes of this section—
- “gull” is to be construed in accordance with the meaning of wild birds offered protection under section 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981,
- “reporting period” means—
- (a) the period of 12 months beginning with the day after Royal Assent, and
 - (b) each subsequent period of 12 months.>

Douglas Ross

264 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND ENFORCEMENT

Review of marine environment protection and enforcement

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after Royal Assent, undertake a review of the monitoring and enforcement of laws relating to the protection of marine environment.
- (2) The review under subsection (1) must, in particular, consider—
- (a) the role of the AIRTASK operated and crewed Reims Cessna F406,
 - (b) the decision to dispose of the two AIRTASK operated and crewed Reims Cessna F406s that were in use,

- (c) the reasons for the decision,
- (d) the gaps in capacity that the decision has created,
- (e) the impact that this decision will have for the control and protection of Scotland's waters.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing the review under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report on the findings of the review, and
 - (b) if supported by those findings, return to the use of two AIRTASK operated and crewed Reims Cessna F406s.>

Sarah Boyack

265 After section 33, insert—

<PART

INSHORE FISHING

Prohibition on use of demersal mobile fishing gear in certain sea lochs

- (1) The Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 2A, insert—

“2AA Prohibition on use of demersal mobile fishing gear in certain sea lochs

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may, in relation to any sea loch, by order prohibit the use of demersal mobile fishing gear so far as is necessary to protect carbon sequestration within the sediments at the head of the sea loch.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—
 - “demersal mobile fishing gear” means any fishing gear that is towed along the sea bed or is otherwise moved through the water on or close to the sea bed to catch fish, and includes a dredge, beam trawl, demersal seine net or demersal trawl,
 - “head of the sea loch” is the area defined in relation to each sea loch by the Scottish Ministers in the order, having had regard to the best available scientific evidence.
- (3) An order made under subsection (1) must be based on the best available scientific evidence.
- (4) Before making an order under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons they consider may have an interest in, or otherwise be affected by, the order.
- (5) An order under subsection (1) shall be made by statutory instrument which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of the Scottish Parliament.”.>

Maurice Golden

266 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MARINE OFFENCES

Review of sentencing for marine offences

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of the period of 12 months beginning with the day after Royal Assent, undertake a review of sentencing in relation to marine offences.
- (2) The review under subsection (1) must, in particular—
 - (a) consider whether the low penalties for illegal fishing create an effective deterrent,
 - (b) consider the impact that low penalties have on the ecosystem from damaging activities,
 - (c) estimate the costs of the impact of damaging activities and consider how this should inform the level of penalties,
 - (d) consider the desirability and feasibility of increasing the level of penalties in order to strengthen enforcement and compliance.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing the review under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report on the review,
 - (b) lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.>

Tim Eagle

267 After section 33, insert—

<PART

SPECIES INTRODUCTION REVIEW

Species introduction review

- (1) The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 14O (species control orders: powers of control: supplemental) insert—

“14OA Species introduction: review

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the Bill for the Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2026 receives Royal Assent, carry out a review on the impact of species introduction.
- (2) A review under subsection (1) must consider the impact of—
 - (a) rewilding,
 - (b) species introduction,
 - (c) non-native species introduction.
- (3) A review under subsection (1) must in particular consider the impact of orders made under section 14.
- (4) But this section does not apply to deer or pheasants, but may apply to species such as beavers.

- (5) In carrying out a review under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) affected landowners and land managers,
 - (b) affected local communities,
 - (c) such other persons as they consider appropriate.
- (6) The Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report of the review, and
 - (b) lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.”.>

Tim Eagle

268 After section 33, insert—

<PART

SPECIES INTRODUCTION: COMPENSATION SCHEME

Species introduction: compensation scheme

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after Royal Assent, by regulations establish a compensation scheme for landowners who have experienced damage, economic loss or another negative impact to their business as a result of—
 - (a) rewilding,
 - (b) species re-introduction,
 - (c) non-native species introduction.
- (2) But this section does not apply to deer or pheasants, but may apply to species such as beavers.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may make further provision about the scheme, including—
 - (a) the application process,
 - (b) eligibility for compensation,
 - (c) documentation and evidence to be provided,
 - (d) levels of compensation to be paid.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Beatrice Wishart

269 After section 33, insert—

<PART

RELEASE OF NON-NATIVE GAME BIRDS

Release of non-native game birds

- (1) The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 14 (introduction of new species etc. Scotland)—
 - (a) in subsection (2A), for “Subsection” substitute “Subject to subsection (2AA), subsection”,

(b) after subsection (2A), insert—

“(2AA) The Scottish Ministers may, by order, specify circumstances where the animals described in subsection (2A) may not be released or allowed to escape from captivity for the purpose of being subsequently killed by shooting.

(2AB) An order under subsection (2AA) must specify—

- (a) the area of land to which it applies,
- (b) the period of time for which it applies.

(2AC) An order under subsection (2AA) may only be made where the Scottish Ministers consider that the flora, fauna or any other aspect of the natural environment has been, is being, or is at risk of being damaged as a result of the activity described under subsection (2A).”.>

Beatrice Wishart

270 After section 33, insert—

<PART

NON-NATIVE SPECIES

Access to monitor and assess non-native species

- (1) The Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 44 (powers of entry: authorised persons), in subsection (1), after paragraph (k), insert—
 - “(ka) to monitor or assess the presence (or otherwise) of species that SNH consider to be outside of their native range.”.>

Beatrice Wishart

271 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MUIRBURN LICENCE

Muirburn licence

- (1) The Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Act 2024 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 13 (application for muirburn licence), in subsection (2)—
 - (a) in paragraph (a), after sub-paragraph (vi), insert—
 - “(vii) training,”
 - (b) in paragraph (b), after sub-paragraph (iv), insert—
 - “(v) training,”
- (3) In section 14 (grant of muirburn licence)—
 - (a) in subsection (1)(b)—
 - (i) in sub-paragraph (i), for “necessary” substitute “appropriate”,
 - (ii) sub-paragraph (ii) is repealed,

(b) in subsection (2), in paragraph (b), for “(vi)” substitute “(vii)”.>

Emma Harper

272 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Offences related to methods of fishing for salmon

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 1 (methods of fishing: salmon), in subsection (6), for “level 4 on the standard scale” substitute “the statutory maximum for each salmon in respect of which the offence is committed”.>

Emma Harper

273 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Modification of offences and penalties related to fishing

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 1 (methods of fishing: salmon), in subsection (6), for “level 4 on the standard scale” substitute “the statutory maximum for each salmon in respect of which the offence is committed”.
- (3) In section 2 (methods of fishing: freshwater fish), in subsection (1), for “level 4 on the standard scale” substitute “the statutory maximum”.
- (4) In section 5 (prohibition against using explosive and other noxious substances for the destruction or taking of fish)—
 - (a) in subsection (3)(a), for “the statutory maximum” substitute “£40,000”,
 - (b) after subsection (3), insert—
 - “(4) Where an offence mentioned in subsection (1) results in the destruction of more than one salmon, the maximum fine which may be imposed under subsection (3) must be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”.
- (5) In section 6 (fishing for salmon without right or permission)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), leave out “or takes”,
 - (b) after subsection (1), insert—
 - “(1A) Any person who without legal right, or without written permission from a person having such right, fishes for and takes salmon in any waters, including any part of the sea within 1.5 kilometres of mean low water springs, shall be guilty of an offence, and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum.

- (1B) Where an offence mentioned in subsection (1) or (1A) results in the destruction of more than one salmon, the maximum fine which may be imposed under those subsections must be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”,
- (c) in subsection (2), after “(1)” insert “or (1A)”.
- (6) In section 7 (illegal fishing by two or more persons acting together)—
- (a) the existing text becomes subsection (1),
- (b) in that subsection, in paragraph (a), for “the statutory maximum” substitute “£40,000”,
- (c) after that subsection, insert—
- “(2) Where an offence mentioned in subsection (1) results in the destruction of more than one salmon, the maximum fine which may be imposed under that subsection shall be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”.
- (7) In section 10 (offences in relation to passage of salmon)—
- (a) in subsection (1), for “level 4 on the standard scale” substitute “the statutory maximum”,
- (b) after subsection (1), insert—
- “(1A) Where an offence mentioned in subsection (1) results in the destruction of more than one salmon, the maximum fine which may be imposed under that subsection shall be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”.
- (8) In section 19 (salmon roe), in subsection (1), for “level 3 on the standard scale” substitute “£40,000”.
- (9) In section 20 (possessing salmon which have been illegally taken, killed or landed), in subsection (2)(a), for “the statutory maximum” substitute “£40,000”.
- (10) In section 23 (young salmon and spawning beds), in subsection (7), for “level 3 on the standard scale” substitute “£40,000”.
- (11) In section 33A (unauthorised introduction of fish into inland waters), in subsection (5), for “level 3 on the standard scale” substitute “£40,000”.
- (12) In section 38 (salmon conservation regulations), after subsection (7) insert—
- “(7A) Any person who commits an offence under subsection (7) that results in a salmon being killed shall be liable for a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum.
- (7B) Where an offence in accordance with regulations made under subsection (7) results in the destruction of more than one salmon, the maximum fine which may be imposed shall be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”.>

Emma Harper

274 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Offences related to methods of fishing for freshwater fish

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 2 (methods of fishing: freshwater fish), in subsection (1), for “level 4 on the standard scale” substitute “the statutory maximum”.>

Emma Harper

275 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Prohibition against using explosive and other noxious substances for the destruction or taking of fish: offences and penalties

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 5 (prohibition against using explosive and other noxious substances for the destruction or taking of fish)—
 - (a) in subsection (3)(a), for “the statutory maximum” substitute “£40,000”,
 - (b) after subsection (3), insert—

“(4) Where an offence mentioned in subsection (1) results in the destruction of more than one salmon, the maximum fine which may be imposed under subsection (3) must be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”.>

Emma Harper

276 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Fishing for salmon without right or permission: offences and penalties

- (1) Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 6 (fishing for salmon without right or permission)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), leave out “or takes”,
 - (b) after subsection (1), insert—

“(1A) Any person who without legal right, or without written permission from a person having such right, fishes for and takes salmon in any waters, including any part of the sea within 1.5 kilometres of mean low water springs, shall be guilty of an offence, and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum.

(1B) Where an offence mentioned in subsection (1) or (1A) results in the destruction of more than one salmon, the maximum fine which may be imposed under those subsections must be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”,

(c) in subsection (2), after “(1)” insert “or (1A)”.>

Emma Harper

277 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Illegal fishing by two or more persons acting together: offences and penalties

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 7 (illegal fishing by two or more persons acting together)—
 - (a) the existing text becomes subsection (1),
 - (b) in that subsection, in paragraph (a), for “the statutory maximum” substitute “£40,000”,
 - (c) after that subsection, insert—

“(2) Where an offence mentioned in subsection (1) results in the destruction of more than one salmon, the maximum fine which may be imposed under that subsection shall be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”.>

Emma Harper

278 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Penalties for offences in relation to passage of salmon

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 10 (offences in relation to passage of salmon)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), for “level 4 on the standard scale” substitute “the statutory maximum”,
 - (b) after subsection (1), insert—

“(1A) Where an offence mentioned in subsection (1) results in the destruction of more than one salmon, the maximum fine which may be imposed under that subsection shall be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”.>

Emma Harper

279 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Salmon roe: penalties

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 19 (salmon roe), in subsection (1), for “level 3 on the standard scale” substitute “£40,000”.>

Emma Harper

280 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Salmon conservation regulations: offences and penalties

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 38 (salmon conservation regulations), after subsection (7) insert—
 - “(7A) Any person who commits an offence under subsection (7) that results in a salmon being killed shall be liable for a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum.
 - (7B) Where an offence in accordance with regulations made under subsection (7) results in the destruction of more than one salmon the maximum fine which may be imposed shall be determined as if the person found guilty of the offence has been convicted of a separate offence in respect of each salmon.”.>

Emma Harper

281 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Possessing salmon which have been illegally taken, killed or landed: penalties

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 20 (possessing salmon which have been illegally taken, killed or landed), in subsection (2)(a), for “the statutory maximum” substitute “£40,000”.>

Emma Harper

282 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Young salmon and spawning beds: offences and penalties

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 23 (young salmon and spawning beds), in subsection (7), for “level 3 on the standard scale” substitute “£40,000”.>

Emma Harper

283 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MODIFICATION OF OFFENCES RELATED TO FISHING

Unauthorised introduction of fish into inland waters: penalties

- (1) The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 33A, in subsection (5), for “level 3 on the standard scale” substitute “£40,000”.>

Rachael Hamilton

284 After section 33, insert—

<PART

PROTECTION OF CERTAIN WILD ANIMALS

Protection of Langholm wild goat

Protection of Langholm wild goat

- (1) The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 is modified as follows.
- (2) In schedule 5—
 - (a) after the entry in the first column for “Frog, Common” insert—

“Goat, Langholm-Newcastleton (as a discreet population to Langholm-Newcastleton hills in Scotland only”,
 - (b) at the corresponding place in the second column insert—

“Capra hircus (Langholm-Newcastleton Goat)”.>

Rachael Hamilton

285 After section 33, insert—

<PART

PROTECTION OF CERTAIN WILD ANIMALS

Sites of special scientific interest: protection of certain wild animals

- (1) The Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 is modified as follows.

- (2) In section 3 (duty to give notification of sites of special scientific interest)—
 - (a) in subsection (2), after first “its” insert “wildlife or”,
 - (b) after subsection (5) insert—

“(5A) SNH must consider whether to make an SSSI notification in relation to land which is the habitat of specific wildlife, including, but not exclusive to the Langholm-Newcastleton Goat.”.
- (3) In section 19 (offences in relation to sites of special scientific interest), after subsection (1), insert—

“(1A) Intentional or reckless damage to a natural feature under subsection (1) may include the taking or killing of certain wild animals as specified in the SSSI notification.”.>

Rachael Hamilton

286 After section 33, insert—

<PART

PROTECTION OF CERTAIN WILD ANIMALS

Protection of certain wild goats

- (1) The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 12 (protection of certain mammals), insert—

“12A Protection of certain wild goats

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may, by regulations, make provision for the protection of certain wild goats.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) may, without consultation with the local community, make it an offence to kill, capture or recklessly disturb any wild goats in the Langholm and Newcastleton hills, where those hills are considered to be in Scotland.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) may make such other provision as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.>

Rachael Hamilton

287 After section 33, insert—

<PART

WILDFIRES

Report on wildfires

Report on wildfires

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, in respect of each reporting period, prepare and publish a report on wildfires in Scotland.

- (2) The report must consider—
 - (a) the impact of wildfire on habitats of wildlife,
 - (b) the impact of wildfire on conservation of the natural environment,
 - (c) the availability of fire services to manage wildfires, and
 - (d) any other matters that the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (3) The report must include data on greenhouse gas emissions resulting from wildfires.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, “reporting period” means—
 - (a) the period of two years beginning with the day of Royal Assent, and
 - (b) each subsequent period of two years.>

Rachael Hamilton

288 After section 33, insert—

<PART

REPORT ON MOORLAND

Report on moorland

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of 12 months beginning with the day of Royal Assent, prepare and publish a report on—
 - (a) the proportion of land in Scotland that is moorland,
 - (b) the rate of moorland habitat loss, broken down by region,
 - (c) the land uses that are replacing moorlands,
 - (d) the consequences of moorlands being replaced with other land uses.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must lay a copy of the report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (3) For the purposes of this section “moorland” may refer to a wide range of habitats, including—
 - (a) open areas where heather (*Calluna vulgaris*) is dominant and other dwarf shrubs such as bilberry (*Vaccinium myrtillus*) and crowberry (*Empetrum nigrum*) are present,
 - (b) wetter areas of raised bog or blanket bog where sphagnum mosses and cotton-grasses may be dominant,
 - (c) acid grassland areas where purple moor-grass (*Molinia caerulea*) is dominant, which may be areas where over-grazing has reduced heather and dwarf shrub cover,
 - (d) areas with heather in the understorey of scattered trees or shrubs like rowan (*Sorbus aucuparia*), birch (*Betula pubescens*), scots pine (*Pinus sylvestris*) and juniper (*Juniperus communis*), which may include transitional habitats and areas on the fringes of woodland, and
 - (e) areas of coastal heathland where thin soils and high levels of exposure prevent vegetation succession, and coastal specialists like thrift (*Armeria maritima*) and sea campion (*Silene uniflora*) complement typical heathland vegetation.>

Rachael Hamilton

289 After section 33, insert—

<PART

REVIEW OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RURAL CRIME, FOOD PRODUCTION AND THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Review of relationship between rural crime, food production and the natural environment

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of 2 years beginning with the day after Royal Assent, undertake a review of the relationship between rural crime, food production and the natural environment.
- (2) The review must consider the impact of rural crime and, in particular, the theft of machinery, tools and vehicles in rural areas on—
 - (a) food production,
 - (b) soil health,
 - (c) climate,
 - (d) water sustainability.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing the review, the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report on the review, and
 - (b) lay a copy of the report before the Scottish Parliament.>

Rachael Hamilton

290 After section 33, insert—

<PART

REVIEW OF RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INFRASTRUCTURE FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY, FOOD PRODUCTION AND THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Review of relationship between infrastructure for renewable energy, food production and the natural environment

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of 2 years beginning with the day after Royal Assent, undertake a review of the relationship between infrastructure for renewable energy, food production and the natural environment.
- (2) The review must consider—
 - (a) where infrastructure for renewable energy is constructed,
 - (b) whether the land used for this infrastructure is suitable for food production,
 - (c) what impact (if any) infrastructure for renewable energy has on—
 - (i) soil health,
 - (ii) climate,
 - (iii) water sustainability.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing the review, the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report on the review, and

- (b) lay a copy of the report before the Scottish Parliament.>

Rachael Hamilton

291 After section 33, insert—

<PART

REPORT ON SQUIRREL POX VIRUS

Report on squirrel pox virus

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of the period of 2 years beginning with the day after Royal Assent, conduct a review on the impact of the spread of squirrel pox virus on red squirrels.
- (2) The review must consider—
 - (a) the impact of squirrel pox virus on red squirrels in each local authority area,
 - (b) the spread, if any, of squirrel pox virus in each local authority area,
 - (c) what action, if any, must be taken to tackle the spread of squirrel pox virus, and
 - (d) such other matters as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may delegate their duty to conduct a review to—
 - (a) local authorities,
 - (b) Scottish Natural Heritage.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers must, where they have delegated their duty under subsection (3), allocate additional resource to local authorities or, as the case may be, SNH, to fund the cost of conducting the review.
- (5) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing the review under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report on the review,
 - (b) lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.>

Rachael Hamilton

292 After section 33, insert—

<PART

RED SQUIRREL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Red squirrel awareness campaign

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must establish a campaign to promote awareness of the preservation and control of red squirrels.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must engage with relevant stakeholders when designing and implementing a campaign.>

Rachael Hamilton

293 After section 33, insert—

<PART

NON-NATIVE SPECIES

Review on changes to 1981 Act

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of 2 years beginning with the day after Royal Assent, undertake a review on whether any legislative change is required to further separate provision for non-native animals and non-native plants within the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.
- (2) The review must, in particular, consider whether—
 - (a) current control measures protect red squirrels from non-native grey squirrels,
 - (b) current control measures prevent the spread of squirrel pox virus to grey squirrels,
 - (c) the time frame for implementation of a species control order is appropriate for the protection of red squirrels,
 - (d) the right of appeal by landowners prevents the protection of red squirrels, and
 - (e) any legislative change is required.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after completing the review, the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) prepare and publish a report on the review, and
 - (b) lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.>

Rachael Hamilton

32A As an amendment to amendment 32, line 7, at end insert—

- <(1A) The Scottish Ministers must establish a horticulture group to advise on the provision to be made in regulations under subsection (1), in particular—
- (a) any technical matters,
 - (b) supply of alternatives to peat,
 - (c) market readiness.>

Rachael Hamilton

32B As an amendment to amendment 32, line 8, leave out from the first <the> to end of line 9 and insert <whichever is the later of—

- () the date that similar regulations have been introduced in other parts of the United Kingdom,
- () 1 January 2028.>

Rachael Hamilton

32C As an amendment to amendment 32, leave out lines 10 to 18

Rachael Hamilton

32D As an amendment to amendment 32, line 18, at end insert—

<(4A) Subject to subsection (4B), regulations under subsection (1) must not end professional use of peat earlier than 1 January 2028.

(4B) Regulations may specify exemptions to the restriction in subsection (4A) if recommended by the horticulture group established under subsection (1A).>

Rachael Hamilton

32E As an amendment to amendment 32, line 26, at end insert—

<() for the sale and supply of existing peat stock within 1 year of the regulations coming into force,>

Rachael Hamilton

32F As an amendment to amendment 32, line 43, at end insert—

<() the horticultural group established under subsection (1A),>

Rachael Hamilton

32G As an amendment to amendment 32, line 49, at end insert—

<() Before making regulations under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must conduct a full economic and environmental impact assessment that includes information on—

- (a) market readiness,
- (b) availability of alternatives,
- (c) projections on international trade and market access.>

Rachael Hamilton

32H As an amendment to amendment 32, line 52, at end insert—

<(11) Any provision made in regulations under subsection (1) must be reviewed by the horticulture group established under subsection (1A), no later than 12 months after the regulations have been made, in particular in relation to—

- (a) the impact on the market,
- (b) any unforeseen peat-free supply-chain disruption and market issues.

(12) The horticulture group must report to the Scottish Ministers on any review under subsection (11) including making any recommendation on changes to the regulations.

(13) Where the horticultural group has made recommendations under subsection (12) the Scottish Ministers may—

- (a) suspend the operation of any provision made in regulations under subsection (1),
- (b) revive the operation of a provision so suspended.>

Ross Greer

294 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MARINE ENFORCEMENT

Marine enforcement

- (1) Section 4 of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984 (offences.) is modified as follows.
- (2) In subsection (2), for “£5,000” substitute “£50,000”.
- (3) In subsection (4)—
 - (a) in paragraph (a), for “not exceeding” substitute “equivalent to”,
 - (b) in paragraph (b), after “offence,” insert “or, alternatively, impose a fine equivalent to the value of such net or other fishing gear.”.
- (4) After subsection (4) insert—
 - “(5) Where an offence under this section is committed in a protected area, the court by or before which a person is convicted of an offence under this section must, in addition to imposing any penalty under subsection (2) above—
 - (a) order the forfeiture of any fish in respect of which the offence was committed or, alternatively, impose a fine equivalent to the value of such fish,
 - (b) order the forfeiture of any net or other fishing gear used in the commission of the offence or, alternatively, impose a fine equivalent to the value of such net or other fishing gear,
 and any fish or gear forfeited under this subsection shall be disposed of as the court may direct.
 - (6) For the purposes of subsections (5) and (6), it shall be presumed, unless the contrary is proven, that all fish on board the fishing boat at the time of the offence were fish in respect of which the offence was committed.
 - (7) For the purposes of subsection (5), “protected area” means—
 - (a) any area which is a marine protected area designated under subsection 67(1) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010, or
 - (b) a “relevant conservation site” listed under subsection 79(4) of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010.”.>

Ross Greer

295 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MARINE ENFORCEMENT

Marine enforcement

- (1) The Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2007 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 27 (amount and payment of fixed penalty)—
 - (a) in subsection (1), for “£10,000” substitute “£13,000”,
 - (b) after subsection (1) insert—

“(1A) The Scottish Ministers must review the maximum penalty under subsection (1) at least once every five years.

(1B) The first review under subsection (1A) must be carried out within five years of section 1 of the Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2026 coming into force.

(1C) Following each review under subsection (1A), Scottish Ministers may by order substitute for the sum specified in subsection (1) such other greater sum as appears to them to be justified, taking into account matters including inflation.”

(3) In section 43 (Orders.), in subsection (3)(a), after “4A(6)” insert “, 27(1C)”.>

Ross Greer

296 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MARINE ENFORCEMENT

Marine enforcement

(1) Section 30 of the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2007 (restriction on proceedings and notification of procurator fiscal) is modified as follows.

(2) After subsection (4), insert—

“(5) Where a person is convicted of an offence to which a notice relates, the court must impose a fine no less than 50 per cent higher than the amount of the fixed penalty stated in the notice.”.>

Ross Greer

297 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MARINE ENFORCEMENT

Marine enforcement

(1) Section 25 of the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2007 (issue of fixed penalty notices) is modified as follows.

(2) After subsection (1), insert—

“(1A) Where the person issued a fixed penalty notice under subsection (1) is the master of the vessel used in the commission of the suspected offence, a fixed penalty notice must also be issued to the owner and the charterer (where applicable) of the vessel, where they are not the same person, unless the owner or charterer (as the case may be)—

(a) did not know the offence was being committed, and

(b) took all reasonable steps and exercised all due diligence to prevent the offence being committed.”.>

Ross Greer

298 After section 33, insert—

<PART

MARINE ENFORCEMENT

Marine enforcement

- (1) Section 94 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 (offences: contravening a marine conservation order) is modified as follows.
- (2) After subsection (3), insert—
 - “(3A) Where an offence under subsection (1) is committed in the course of sea fishing—
 - (a) subsection (3) does not apply,
 - (b) the master, the owner and the charterer (if any) of any vessel used in the commission of the offence shall each be guilty of the offence,
 - (c) the court by or before which a person is convicted of an offence under this section must, in addition to imposing any penalty under subsection (2) above—
 - (i) order the forfeiture of any fish in respect of which the offence was committed or, alternatively, impose a fine equivalent to the value of such fish,
 - (ii) order the forfeiture of any net or other fishing gear used in the commission of the offence, or, alternatively, impose a fine equivalent to the value of such net or other fishing gear.
 - (3B) Any fish or any net or other fishing gear forfeited under subsection (3A) shall be disposed of as the court may direct.
 - (3C) For the purposes of this section, it shall be presumed, unless the contrary is proven, that all fish on board the fishing boat at the time of the offence was fish in respect of which the offence was committed.”.>

Ross Greer

299 After section 33, insert—

<PART

SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL HARM

Significant environmental harm

- (1) Section 40 of the Regulatory Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (Significant environmental harm: offence) is modified as follows.
- (2) In subsection (7), in paragraph (a)(i), for “£40,000” substitute “£100,000”.>

Ross Greer

300 After section 33, insert—

<PART

SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL HARM

Significant environmental harm

- (1) Section 40 of the Regulatory Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (significant environmental harm: offence) is modified as follows.
- (2) After subsection (7), insert—
 - “(7A) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations amend this section to replicate the penalties in EU Directive 2024/1203, with particular consideration to setting maximum levels of fines as a percentage of the total worldwide turnover of the legal person concerned.”.>

Ariane Burgess

89 *Withdrawn*

Ariane Burgess

301 After section 33, insert—

<PART

WRASSE MANAGEMENT

Marine conservation order: wrasse

- (1) The Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2007 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 38, insert—
 - “38A **Protection of wrasse**
 - (1) Subject to subsection (3), a person is guilty of an offence under this section if the person fishes for or takes any wrasse species from—
 - (a) any Special Area of Conservation designated under the Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 for which rocky reefs are a qualifying conservation feature, or
 - (b) any marine protected area designated under section 67 for which kelp and seaweed on sublittoral sediment are a protected feature.
 - (2) Subject to subsection (3), a person commits an offence under this section if the person fishes for or takes any wrasse species from any part of the Scottish marine area in the period between the last day in March and the first day in September in any given year.
 - (2) It is not an offence under subsections (1) or (2) to fish for or take wrasse by single rod and line, where the rod is being held by the person, if the wrasse is returned at once to the water from which it came with the least possible injury.
 - (3) A person who is guilty of an offence under this section is liable—
 - (a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding £50,000,
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine.

- (4) Where a fishing boat is used in the commission of an offence under subsections (1) or (2), the master, the owner and the charterer (if any) shall each be guilty of that offence.
- (5) For the purposes of this section—
 - (a) “wrasse species” includes
 - (i) *Centrolabrus exoletus*,
 - (ii) *Ctenolabrus rupestris*,
 - (iii) *Labrus bergylta*,
 - (iv) *Labrus mixtus*, and
 - (v) *Symphodus melops*,
 - (b) “Scottish marine area” has the same meaning as section 1 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010.”.>

Ariane Burgess

302 After section 33, insert—

<PART

NON-NATIVE SPECIES

Access to monitor and assess non-native species

- (1) The Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 44 (powers of entry: authorised persons), in subsection (1), after paragraph (k), insert—

“(ka) to monitor or assess the presence (or otherwise) of species that SNH consider to be outside of their native range, for the purposes of exercising any function under—

 - (i) this Act, or
 - (ii) sections 14 to 14P of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (in accordance with the code of practice made under section 14C of that Act),”.>

Ariane Burgess

303 After section 33, insert—

<PART

NATURE CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT

Nature conservation and land management

- (1) The Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 23 (nature conservation orders)—
 - (a) after subsection (1), insert—

“(1A) For the purposes of subsection (1), “damage” includes—

- (a) progressive or chronic deterioration of any natural feature, habitat or species for which a site is designated, whether or not caused by a single act or omission,
- (b) deterioration arising from insufficient, inadequate or inappropriate management, including under-grazing or over-grazing, and
- (c) deterioration due to the establishment, spread or failure to control invasive non-native species.”.

(b) after subsection (2), insert—

“(2A) An order under this section may require the taking of specified management or restorative actions for the purpose of maintaining or improving the condition of any natural feature, habitat or species for which a site is designated.”.

(3) In section 29 (proposals for land management orders)—

(a) after subsection (2), insert—

“(2A) A land management order may be made where Scottish Ministers are satisfied that action is necessary to prevent progressive or chronic deterioration of any natural feature, habitat or species for which the land is designated, including where such deterioration is caused by under-grazing, over-grazing or invasive non-native species.

(2B) A land management order may require the taking of specified management or restorative actions for the purpose of maintaining or improving the condition of any natural feature, habitat or species for which the land is designated.”.

(4) After section 29 (proposals for land management orders), insert—

“29A Duty to consider restoration

- (1) In exercising functions under sections 23 to 29, Scottish Ministers must have regard to the desirability of securing active restoration of natural features, habitats and species in a degraded or declining condition.
- (2) In this section “restoration” includes measures to reverse deterioration, enhance ecological condition, and prevent further decline.”>

Mercedes Villalba

304 After section 33, insert—

<PART

PLANTING PERMISSION: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

Planting permission: Environmental Impact Assessments

- 5 (1) Any public funding for tree planting on land to which subsection (2) applies must only be provided if an Environmental Impact Assessment has been completed.
- (2) The land to which subsection (1) applies is land—
 - (a) of 50 hectares or above,

- 10 (b) where the cumulative area of land held by the person receiving support would be 50 hectares or above if—
- (i) adjoined with or adjacent to existing or proposed woodland also held by the person receiving support, and
- (ii) support is being provided for the same activity across the cumulative landholding,
- 15 (c) that is a sensitive area, including—
- (i) a Site of Special Scientific Interest,
- (ii) land to which an order has been made under section 23 of the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004,
- 20 (iii) an area classified as a National Park under section 6(1) of the National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000,
- (iv) a property appearing on the World Heritage List kept under article 11(2) of the 1972 UNESCO Convention for the Protection of the Worlds Cultural and Natural Heritage,
- 25 (v) a scheduled monument within the meaning of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979,
- (vi) a National Scenic Area as designated by a direction made by Scottish Ministers under section 263A of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997,
- (vii) a European site within the meaning of regulation 10 of the Conservation (Natural Habitats etc) Regulations 1994,
- 30 (viii) an area with deep peat soil which is organic soil containing more than 60 per cent organic matter and exceeds 30 centimetres in thickness.>

Mercedes Villalba

304A As an amendment to amendment 304, line 31, leave out <30 centimetres> and insert <50 centimetres>

Mercedes Villalba

304B As an amendment to amendment 304, line 31, leave out <30 centimetres> and insert <40 centimetres>

Douglas Lumsden

305 After section 33, insert—

<PART

ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENTS CODE

Alternative assessments code

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must prepare an alternative assessments code for electricity infrastructure.
- (2) The code must set out how underground and subsea alternatives to overhead transmission lines, and related above-ground infrastructure, are to be assessed against cost, biodiversity net-impact, resilience, and landscape, including—
 - (a) the methodology to be used,

- (b) the comparators to be used,
- (c) the minimum evidence base required for decision making, and
- (d) how decisions should be independently reviewed.
- (3) The code must be approved by resolution of the Scottish Parliament.
- (4) Scottish Ministers must not grant consent for new overhead transmission lines above 400,000 volts until a resolution under subsection (3) has been agreed.>

Douglas Lumsden

306 After section 33, insert—

<PART

ELECTRICITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Electricity infrastructure

- (1) Where energy infrastructure is of a type listed in subsection (2), a planning authority may only grant permission for the installation of the infrastructure where—
 - (a) community support for the infrastructure has been demonstrated through—
 - (i) a local community ballot, or
 - (ii) a local community petition, or
 - (b) the Scottish Ministers are satisfied that—
 - (i) it would be in the overriding public interest for the infrastructure to be installed, and
 - (ii) enhanced mitigation measures will be put in place.
- (2) The infrastructure is infrastructure—
 - (a) which generates over 50 megawatts,
 - (b) is a transmission project, or
 - (c) is a large-scale battery energy storage system.
- (3) Before applying for planning permission for electricity infrastructure of a type mentioned in subsection (2), the applicant must publish a comparative assessment which covers—
 - (a) lifecycle costs,
 - (b) net-impact on biodiversity,
 - (c) impact on landscape,
 - (d) resilience,
 - (e) impact on agriculture, soil and plant biosecurity.
- (4) The assessment published under subsection (3) must be independently reviewed.
- (5) In relation to applications to install the type of electricity infrastructure mentioned in subsection (2)(c)—
 - (a) the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service must be consulted by the planning authority,
 - (b) the application must be accompanied by—
 - (i) a site-specific thermal-runaway risk plan,

- (ii) an emergency response plan,
- (iii) dispersion modelling as part of any EIA or consent conditions to be imposed.
- (6) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations establish a statutory fund, to be paid for by energy infrastructure developers, for the purposes of providing funding—
 - (a) to compensate households for the impact of energy infrastructure,
 - (b) to local projects,
 - (c) habitat restoration.
- (7) Regulations under subsection (6) may make further provision about the fund, including in relation to its administration, audit and annual reporting.
- (8) Regulations under subsection (6) are subject to the affirmative procedure.
- (9) The Scottish Ministers may, by regulations may make such further provision as they consider necessary in relation to this section.
- (10) Regulations under subsection (9)—
 - (a) are subject to the affirmative procedure if they add to, replace or omit any part of the text of an Act, but
 - (b) otherwise are subject to the negative procedure.>

Douglas Lumsden

307 After section 33, insert—

<PART

ACCESS TO JUSTICE IN ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Access to justice in environmental matters

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must establish a scheme for the purpose of ensuring access to justice in environmental matters.
- (2) The scheme under subsection (1) must, in particular, ensure that communities are able to fund environmental legal action.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision about the scheme to be established under subsection (1).
- (4) Regulations under subsection (3) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Before section 34

Rachael Hamilton

35A As an amendment to amendment 35, leave out lines 11 and 12

After section 36

Douglas Lumsden

308 In section 36, page 31, line 10, at end insert—

- <() For the avoidance of doubt, regulations under this section may modify any enactment relating to planning or energy infrastructure that is necessary to give full effect to Part (*electricity infrastructure*).>

Section 37

Beatrice Wishart

- 309** In section 37, page 31, line 16, after <sections> insert <1,>

Tim Eagle

- 310** In section 37, page 31, line 18, at end insert—

- <() But regulations under subsection (2) bringing into force any or all of sections 10 to 33 may not be made until such time as a draft of the code of practice required under section 5A of the 1996 Act is laid before the Parliament.>

Tim Eagle

- 311** In section 37, page 31, line 18, at end insert—

- <() Regulations under subsection (2) bringing into force any or all of sections 10 to 33 are subject to the affirmative procedure. >

New Subordinate Legislation

Not subject to any parliamentary procedure

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 13 November 2025 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

[Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 \(Non-Party Campaigner Code of Practice\) \(Appointed Date\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/347\)](#)
Laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

[Scottish Languages Act 2025 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/348 \(C. 24\)\)](#)
Laid under section 30 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>

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 2 (Day 3) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 18 November 2025

Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Finance and Public Administration)), 18 November 2025
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (83rd Report, 2025)

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 5 November 2025
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (74th Report, 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)), 18 November 2025
Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 25 November 2025
Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2025)

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 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 20 November 2025
Stage 1 Report - Economy and Fair Work Committee (9th Report, 2025)

Contract (Formation and Remedies) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 18 November 2025
Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (77th Report, 2025)

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

Passed, 7 October 2025

Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 12 November 2025
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69th Report, 2025)

Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture)), 4 September 2025

Digital Assets (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 8 October 2025
Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (81st Report, 2025)

Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 2 completed, 5 November 2025
Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Ecocide (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 11 November 2025
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (70th 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)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 13 November 2025
Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (79th Report, 2025)

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 December 2022
Following an Order under section 35 of the Scotland Act 1998 made by the Secretary of State for Scotland, this Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its current form.

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 12 November 2025
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (52nd Report, 2025)

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 5 November 2025

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

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Stage 2 (Day 1) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee), 19 November 2025

Non-surgical Procedures and Functions of Medical Reviewers (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 28 October 2025

Lead committee - Health, Social Care and Sport

Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 5 November 2025

Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (80th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 12 November 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (53rd Report, 2025)

Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 19 November 2025

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

Stage 1 completed, 13 November 2025

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

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 26 November 2025

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 20 November with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee), 11 December 2025

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 5 December with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 13 November 2025

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

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

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

Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill LCM-S6-64

Lodged on 25 September 2025
 Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 28 October 2025
Lead committee – Net Zero, Energy and Transport

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

Lodged on 4 November 2025

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

Lodged on 12 June 2025
 Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 June 2025
 Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025
Report – Lead committee (Education, Children and Young People) (8th Report, 2025)

Crime and Policing Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-57b

Lodged on 1 August 2025
Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (7th Report, 2025)
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (67th Report, 2025)

Employment Rights Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-53b

Lodged on 14 August 2025
 Meeting of the Parliament, 4 September 2025
Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (6th Report, 2025)
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (56th 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)

Pension Schemes Bill LCM-S6-65

Lodged on 26 September 2025
 Meeting (lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 7 October 2025
Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (78th Report, 2025)

Planning and Infrastructure Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-56b

Lodged on 24 October 2025
 Meeting of the Parliament, 30 October 2025

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

Lodged on 3 October 2025
 Meeting of the Parliament, 9 October 2025

Public Office (Accountability) Bill LCM-S6-66

Lodged on 31 October 2025
Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-61a

Lodged on 27 October 2025

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 4 November 2025

Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill LCM-S6-62

Lodged on 27 August 2025

Report – Health, Social Care and Sport Committee (9th Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (73rd Report, 2025)

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 May 2025

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

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

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative Instruments

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 19 November 2025

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2025 Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (25 September 2025)
(Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 30 November 2025

[Public Procurement \(Iraq Free Trade Agreement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (6 October 2025) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 1 December 2025

[Sexual Offences Act 2003 \(Notification Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (7 October 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 4 December 2025

[Energy Performance of Buildings \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (10 October 2025)
(Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Rural Support \(Improvement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (10 October 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 5 December 2025

[Cross-Border Public Procurement \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (27 October 2025) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Good Food Nation \(Specified Functions and Descriptions\) \(Scottish Ministers\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (27 October 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 9 December 2025

[Sheep Carcase \(Classification and Price Reporting\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (31 October 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 13 December 2025

[Food Safety Act 1990 Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (4 November 2025)
(Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 16 December 2025

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Management of Offenders \(Scotland\) Act 2019 and the Prisoners \(Early Release\) \(Scotland\) Act 2025 \(Consequential Modifications\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (7 November 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 16 November 2025
Lead Committee report due by 16 November 2025

[Representation of the People \(Absent Voting at Local Government Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/263\)](#) (22 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment by 20 November 2025
Lead Committee report due by 20 November 2025

[Rural Support \(Simplification and Improvement\) \(Data Publication\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/274\)](#) (26 September 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 5\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/275\)](#) (26 September 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to annulment by 26 November 2025
Lead Committee report due by 26 November 2025

[Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions \(Scotland\) Amendment Rules 2025 \(SSI 2025/277\)](#) (2 October 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment by 30 November 2025
Lead Committee report due by 30 November 2025

[Qualifications Scotland \(Appointment of Initial Members\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/278\)](#) (6 October 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to annulment by 1 December 2025
Lead Committee report due by 1 December 2025

[National Health Service \(Charges to Overseas Visitors\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/280\)](#) (7 October 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 5 December 2025
Lead Committee report due by 5 December 2025

[Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Order 2025 \(SI 2025/1101\)](#) (17 October 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Subject to annulment by 8 December 2025
Lead Committee report due by 1 December 2025

[Title Conditions \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Rural Housing Bodies\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/298\)](#) (30 October 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Public Procurement \(Agreement on Government Procurement\) \(Thresholds\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/299\)](#) (30 October 2025) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Motor Vehicles \(Competitions and Trials\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/300\)](#) (30 October 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 9 December 2025
Lead Committee report due by 9 December 2025

[Food \(Promotion and Placement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/303\)](#) (31 October 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 12 December 2025
Lead Committee report due by 8 December 2025

[Building \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/312\)](#) (3 November 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment by 15 December 2025
Lead Committee report due by 8 December 2025

[Scottish Register of Tartans Fees Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/334\)](#) (6 November 2025) (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee)

[Official Controls \(Import of High Risk Food and Feed of Non-Animal Origin\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/335\)](#) (6 November 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 16 December 2025
Lead Committee report due by 15 December 2025

[National Health Service \(General Ophthalmic Services\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/337\)](#) (7 November 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 19 December 2025
Lead Committee report due by 15 December 2025

[The Charities Accounts \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/341\)](#) (10 November 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Documents subject to parliamentary control

Lead Committee report due by 27 November 2025

[Public Services Reform \(Scottish Water\) Order 2026 \[draft\] \(SG/2025/238\)](#) (3 October 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 4 December 2025

[Environmental Standards Scotland - Strategy 2026-2031 \(ESS/2025/01\)](#) (10 October 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 19 December 2025

[Draft Code of Practice: The Non-Party Campaigner Campaign Expenditure \(Scottish Parliament Elections\) Code of Practice 2025 \(SG/2025/289\)](#) (10 November 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

New Documents

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 13 November 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

HM Inspectorate of Prosecution in Scotland Annual Report 2024-2025 (SG/2025/251) laid under Section 79(8) of the Criminal Proceedings etc. (Reform) (Scotland) Act 2007

sportscotland Group Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/252) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 200

sportscotland National Lottery Distribution Fund Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/253) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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