

Tuesday 9 September 2025

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Margot Henderson, Poet Storyteller

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Ministerial Statement: Actions to Support Improved Relationships and Behaviour in Schools

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-18576 Liz Smith: Celebrating Residential Outdoor Education for Young People

Committee Meetings

8:45am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

9:00am Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

9:00am Finance and Public Administration Committee

9:00am Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

9:30am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

9:30am Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

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1. Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in response to reports that the synthetic drug, spice, has been found in vapes that are being sold to school children. ([S6T-02658](#))

2. Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that Scottish local authorities spent over £100 million last year on bed and breakfast and hostel accommodation for homeless people. ([S6T-02649](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: Actions to Support Improved Relationships and Behaviour in Schools

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future

[S6M-18763](#) Fiona Hyslop: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future—That the Parliament recognises that it is now 20 years since the devolution of executive powers over rail funding, specification and strategy for Scotland's railway; celebrates the 15th anniversary of the completion of the Airdrie-Bathgate route, instigated by the Labour and Liberal Democrat coalition and completed under the Scottish National Party, the 10th anniversary of the reopening of the Borders Railway and the first anniversary of the reopening of the Levenmouth route; recognises the many significant achievements over those 20 years, including electrification of over 570 kilometres of track, the opening of 30 new stations, and an increase of a fifth in ScotRail passenger numbers; welcomes the consistent delivery of operational performance and passenger satisfaction under public ownership and control, which are among the best levels in Britain; notes the need to continue to improve those performance levels; welcomes the investment of £13 billion over this period to sustain and grow the network through value-for-money projects, including the complete renewal of the Caledonian Sleeper fleet and operation; notes the cross-party support for the removal, for good, of ScotRail peak fares, first piloted while Scottish Green Party ministers were part of the Scottish Government; looks forward to the benefits from developments such as the completion of the electrification of the East Kilbride route, and the progression of procurement of new train fleets and further electrification, including the recently announced Fife and Borders routes; recognises that the UK Government's current proposals for rail reform draw heavily on the widely recognised success of the devolved approach to rail in Scotland; notes the Scottish Government's position that full devolution of rail is the optimal position but, in the absence of full devolution, Scotland's railway must benefit at least as much from those reforms as is promised for England and Wales, and agrees that any reforms that would diminish the Scottish Ministers' powers and the role of the Scottish Parliament already constrained by current UK legislation would be unacceptable to the Scottish Parliament, given the success the delivery model in Scotland has produced over the last two decades.

Today's Business <i>Gnothaichean an-diugh</i>	Future Business <i>Gnothaichean ri teachd</i>	Motions & Questions <i>Gluasadan agus Ceistean</i>	Legislation <i>Reachdas</i>	Other <i>Eile</i>
Chamber Seòmar				

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

S6M-18763.1 Sue Webber: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future—As an amendment to motion S6M-18763 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future), leave out from first "welcomes" to end and insert "urges the Scottish Government to ensure that value-for-money and passenger satisfaction remain at the forefront of railway delivery in Scotland; notes that the cross-party support for the removal of peak rail fares was made possible thanks to a Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party motion that called on the Scottish Government to remove them; recognises the importance of rail to the Scottish economy and business, such as in the transportation of whisky and fresh produce, and agrees that rail is important to the future decarbonisation of transport; notes that new railway developments should be linked to future centres of population growth, such as at Winchburgh, and calls on the Scottish Government to outline how it plans to deliver upgraded rail links in existing towns and villages, and connect those that do not have a rail link; recognises that future development of the railway in Scotland is hindered by aging 19th century infrastructure; calls on the Scottish Government to outline how it plans to future-proof the rail network, and urges the Scottish and UK governments to outline how they will work together to deliver private investment in the rail network."

S6M-18763.3 Claire Baker: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future—As an amendment to motion S6M-18763 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future), leave out from "that the UK Government's" to end and insert "the benefits of public ownership and welcomes proposals from the UK Government for the rest of the UK, including cross-border travel into Scotland; notes the repeated assurances from the UK Government that its plans on rail reform would not affect Scottish Government powers; welcomes the permanent removal of peak fares but notes that it only came about after significant pressure on the Scottish Government; acknowledges that ScotRail passenger numbers are still nearly 20% lower than pre-COVID-19-pandemic levels; recognises that, with punctuality and reliability being the highest complaint topics to ScotRail, more must be done to improve the service, including addressing overcrowding and short-forming, in order to achieve modal shift and attract passengers back to the railways, and acknowledges the importance of protections against violence and abuse for ScotRail workers."

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

S6M-18786 Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) to the following revisions to the programme of business for Wednesday 10 September 2025—
after

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Impact of Accommodating Asylum Seekers on Scottish Local Government

insert

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Bus Services (No. 2) Bill - UK Legislation

delete

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5.10 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.40 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of consideration of the legislative consent memorandum on the Bus Services (No. 2) Bill, Rules 9B.3.5 and 9B.3.6 of Standing Orders are suspended.

[S6M-18787](#) Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Referral of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Social Security (Residence and Presence Requirements) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 [draft] be considered by the Parliament.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business
Debate on the subject of—

[S6M-18576](#) Liz Smith: Celebrating Residential Outdoor Education for Young People—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the outstanding contribution of Scotland's residential outdoor education centres, including PGL Dalguise in the Mid Scotland and Fife region, in developing key life skills for young people, including confidence, independence, teamwork and resilience; considers that the will of the Parliament has been expressed on the Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill, with a majority of MSPs, including those representing all political parties, agreeing to the general principles at stage 1 on 27 March 2025; notes that the Scottish Government must lodge a financial resolution by 26 September 2025 or the Bill falls; further notes that the Member in Charge of the Bill has produced a series of policy proposals and associated costings for consideration by the Scottish Government that, it believes, would mean the Bill would cost significantly less; understands that the Scottish Government is yet to provide a view on any of these policy proposals and that it is yet to identify at what level of cost it considers the Bill would become "affordable" to enable a financial resolution to be lodged; further understands that the Scottish Government has not produced financial modelling with associated draft amendments on any proposals on affordability despite what it considers a commitment from the Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise when appearing before the Education, Children and Young People Committee to share draft amendments with the Member in Charge by the start of July 2025; notes the calls by members from all political parties, the outdoor education sector, and children and young people from across Scotland for the Bill to proceed to stage 2 for further scrutiny, and further notes the associated calls for a financial resolution to be lodged.

Committee Meetings

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

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 26th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 (Scottish Carbon Budgets) Amendment Regulations 2025 from—
Professor Gabi Hegerl, Professor of Climate System Science, University of Edinburgh;
Professor Fabrice Renaud, Professor of Environmental Risk & Community Resilience and Director of the National Centre for Resilience, University of Glasgow;
Dr Andrew Russell, Director, Environmental Change and Communities Research Centre;
Dr Ellie Murtagh, Post Doctoral researcher, Maynooth University;
and then from—
Gillian Martin, Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy, Philip Raines, Deputy Director, Domestic Climate Change, and Julia Burgham Pearson, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Gillian Martin (Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy) to move—S6M-18060—That the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee recommends that the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 (Scottish Carbon Budgets) Amendment Regulations 2025 be approved.

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 18th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor Angela O'Hagan, Chair, Scottish Human Rights Commission;
Emma Congreve, Equality and Human Rights Budget Advisory Group and Deputy Director and Principal Knowledge Exchange Fellow, Fraser of Allander Institute;
Sara Cowan, Director, Scottish Women's Budget Group;
Allan Faulds, Senior Policy Officer, Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland (the ALLIANCE);
and then from—
Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Kaukab Stewart, Minister for Equalities, Rob Priestley, Head of Mainstreaming Unit, and Alasdair Black, Deputy Director, Budget and Fiscal Coordination, Scottish Government.
3. **Civil Legal Aid Inquiry (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
4. **British Sign Language Inquiry (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.
6. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

Finance and Public Administration Committee

24th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2026-27: Responding to long-term fiscal pressures:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Richard Robinson, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;
João Sousa, Deputy Director and Senior Knowledge Exchange Fellow, Fraser of Allander Institute;
and then from—
Michael Kellet, Director of Strategy, Governance and Performance, Public Health Scotland;
David Livey, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations;
Dave Moxham, Deputy General Secretary, Scottish Trades Union Congress;
Mike Brown, Treasurer, Social Work Scotland;
Ian McCall, Policy and Campaigns Officer, Walking Scotland.
3. **Appointments to the Scottish Fiscal Commission:** The Committee will take evidence from the following nominees—
Dr Eleanor Ryan;
Justine Riccomini.
4. **Appointments to the Scottish Fiscal Commission:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 3.

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 22nd Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Pre-budget scrutiny 2026-2027:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor Neil Craig, Professor of Public Health Economics, Glasgow Caledonian University;
Dr Danny Ruta, Consultant in Public Health, NHS Grampian.
3. **Pre-budget scrutiny 2026-2027:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.
5. **Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 24th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Winter Heating Assistance \(Pension Age\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#)
(SSI 2025/Draft)

[Social Security \(Residence and Presence Requirements\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)

3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/239)
[Offshore Fishing \(Prohibition of Fishing Methods\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/240)
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Animal Products \(Control of Personal Importation\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/230)
5. **Ecocide (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
7. **Planning and Infrastructure Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum and powers to make subordinate legislation within devolved competence in the Bill.

**Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee
22nd Meeting, 2025**

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

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Proposed National Good Food Nation Plan:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Mairi Gougeon, Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands, James Hamilton, Solicitor, Emma Henderson, Organics and Community Food Growing Policy Officer, Laura Hunter, Procurement Policy, and Tracy McCollin, Head of Good Food Nation Team, Scottish Government.
3. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will take evidence as part of its Pre-Budget Scrutiny from—
Nikki Bridle, Chief Executive, Clackmannanshire Council;
Malcolm Burr, Chief Executive, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar;
Thomas Glen, Chief Executive, Perth & Kinross Council;
Ken Gourlay, Chief Executive, Fife Council;
Dr Dawn Roberts, Chief Executive, Dumfries and Galloway Council.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 4\) Regulations 2025](#)
5. **Proposed National Good Food Nation Plan:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
6. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
7. **Reform of Energy Performance Certificates:** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny of reform of Energy Performance Certificates.

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Chamber Seòmar				

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 3 September 2025

Wednesday 10 September 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

Health and Social Care

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Improving Scotland's Finances

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Impact of Accommodating Asylum Seekers on Scottish Local Government

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-18138 Stuart McMillan: Improving Bladder Cancer Diagnosis in Scotland

Thursday 11 September 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice and Housing
Social Justice and Housing

followed by Ministerial Statement: GFG Business Operations in Scotland

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Supporting Scottish Exports in Response to Global Uncertainty

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 16 September 2025

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill

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followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

10:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 17 September 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business; Justice and Home Affairs

followed by Stage 3 Debate: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Leases (Automatic Continuation etc.) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 18 September 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

followed by SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review Committee Debate: SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

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Committees Comataidhean				

Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

Education, Children and Young People Committee

10 September 2025

25th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 8:30 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

- Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill from—
Natalie Don-Innes, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise, Saskia Kearns, Team Leader, Learning for Sustainability and Outdoor Learning, Lewis Hedge, Deputy Director, Curriculum and Qualifications, and Kirstie McKerron, Solicitor, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
- Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Sheriff David Mackie, Chairperson, Hearings System Working Group;
Fiona Duncan, Independent Strategic Advisor, and Fraser McKinlay, Chief Executive, The Promise Scotland;
and then from—
Claire Burns, Director, CELCIS;
Kate Thompson, Policy Officer, Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland;
Katy Nisbet, Head of Legal Policy, Clan Childlaw;
Maria Galli, Convener of the Child and Family Law Sub-Committee, Law Society of Scotland.
- Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda items 1 and 2.

Proposed future business

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

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

10 September 2025

24th Meeting, 2025

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

- Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

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

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Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee

10 September 2025

13th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

- Declaration of interests:** Davy Russell will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
- Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
 - PE1947: Address Scotland's culture of youth violence;
 - PE2064: Ensure that under 16s charged with rape are treated as adults in the criminal justice system;
 - PE2089: Stop More National Parks in Scotland;
 - PE2109: Halt any further pump storage hydro schemes on Scottish lochs holding wild Atlantic salmon;
 - PE2110: Protect wild wrasse stocks;
 - PE2112: Conduct an independent review of childcare costs and availability in Scotland;
 - PE2120: Permanently remove peak fare pricing from ScotRail services; and
 - PE1864: Increase the ability of communities to influence planning decisions for onshore windfarms.
- Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
 - PE2151: Grant protected status to primitive goat species in the Scottish Borders;
 - PE2153: Reduce council tax by 50% for single persons;
 - PE2157: Update planning advice for energy storage issues and ensure that it includes clear guidance for the location of battery energy storage systems near residences and communities;
 - PE2158: Introduce a maximum temperature for serving hot liquids to children in childcare settings;
 - PE2162: Prevent strangers from filming or photographing children in public play parks; and
 - PE2161: Extend the time period for complaints through the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman for neurodivergent people to two years.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jyoti Chandola on 85227 or at jyoti.chandola@parliament.scot

Criminal Justice Committee

10 September 2025

22nd Meeting, 2025

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

- Inquiry into the harm caused by substance misuse in Scottish Prisons:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 - Phil Fairlie, Assistant General Secretary, and John Cairney, Scottish National Committee Chair, Prison Officers Association (Scotland);
 and then from—
 - Dr Victoria Marland, Lead researcher for Scottish Prison Service research project, Leverhulme Research Centre for Forensic Science;
 - Detective Chief Superintendent Raymond Higgins, Police Scotland;

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Committees Comataidhean				

Jim Smith, Head of Operations and Public Protection, and Gillian Walker, Governor in Charge HMP Shotts, Scottish Prison Service.

2. **Inquiry into the harm caused by substance misuse in Scottish Prisons (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme and will further consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill and the Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

Proposed future business

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

Economy and Fair Work Committee

10 September 2025

24th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Anne Peat on 0131 348 5182 or at anne.peat@parliament.scot

Public Audit Committee

10 September 2025

23rd Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **The Scottish National Investment Bank:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Gregor Irwin, Director-General Economy, Richard Rollison, Director for International Trade and Investment, and Andy Hogg, Deputy Director Investment and Financial Services, Scottish Government.
3. **Scottish National Investment Bank:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Catherine Young, Senior Manager, and Kirsty Ridd, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
4. **Scottish National Investment Bank:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3 and agree any further action it wishes to take.

Proposed future business

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

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

11 September 2025

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Committees Comataidhean				

22nd Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Pre-Budget scrutiny 2026-27: funding for culture:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Alistair Mackie, Chief Executive, Royal Scottish National Orchestra;
 Anne Lyden, Director General, National Galleries of Scotland;
 Alison Turnbull, Director of External Relations and Partnerships, Historic Environment Scotland;
 Tony Lankester, Chief Executive, Edinburgh Festival Fringe Society.

Proposed future business

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

Social Justice and Social Security Committee

11 September 2025

22nd Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
3. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will, not before 9.45am, take evidence as part of its Pre-Budget Scrutiny from—
 Chris Birt, Associate Director for Scotland, Joseph Rowntree Foundation;
 Professor Stephen Sinclair, Chair, Poverty and Inequality Commission;
 Emma Jackson, Head of Social Justice, Citizens Advice Scotland;
 Edel Harris OBE, Chair, Independent Review of Adult Disability Payment.
4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under item 3.

Proposed future business

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

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

11 September 2025

14th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Committee effectiveness (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Catherine Fergusson on 85186 or at catherine.fergusson@parliament.scot

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Motions Gluasadan				

Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- *** before the number indicates publication for the first time
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The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

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

Motions for Debate

***[S6M-18780](#) Craig Hoy: Impact of Accommodating Asylum Seekers on Scottish Local Government**—That the Parliament acknowledges that the current number of asylum seekers accommodated in Scotland's local authority areas is becoming financially "unsustainable" for them, as confirmed by the Scottish National Party leader of Glasgow City Council; believes that asylum seekers should never have originally been accommodated in taxpayer-funded hotels; calls for the closure of all asylum hotels across Scotland as soon as possible, and rejects the Scottish Government's position outlined in its response to the UK Government's immigration white paper, which would see a further increase in the number of asylum seekers coming to Scotland.

***[S6M-18779](#) Murdo Fraser: Improving Scotland's Finances**—That the Parliament notes with deep concern the Scottish Fiscal Commission's forecast of a £4.7 billion funding gap in 2029-30; recognises that without the Union dividend of £2,578 per person there would be a substantial deficit, with Scotland's 2024-25 net fiscal balancing standing at -£26.5 billion (-11.7% of GDP); regrets that the Scottish Government continues to dismiss these realities and prioritise constitutional campaigning over sound financial management; calls for urgent measures to restore credibility to Scotland's finances, including a full multi-year spending review to identify priorities, savings, and reform needs, a strategy to cap welfare spending growth, which is currently consuming a significant amount of resource growth, and create jobs by moving more people into work through reskilling and apprenticeships, a focus on productivity and economic growth to broaden Scotland's tax base by allowing businesses to thrive, and a robust public service reform and stronger Audit Scotland oversight to deliver better value; believes that the Parliament must focus on NHS waiting times, education standards, and community safety rather than fiscal denialism, and resolves that Scotland's future depends on fiscal discipline, growth, and accountable government within the United Kingdom.

***[S6M-18771](#) Fiona Hyslop: Bus Services (No. 2) Bill - UK Legislation**—That the Parliament agrees, in relation to the Bus Services (No. 2) Bill, introduced in the House of Lords on 17 December 2024, and subsequently amended, that the five clauses affecting registration of zero-emission vehicles for local services in Scotland, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament and alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

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***[S6M-18763](#) Fiona Hyslop: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future**—That the Parliament recognises that it is now 20 years since the devolution of executive powers over rail funding, specification and strategy for Scotland's railway; celebrates the 15th anniversary of the completion of the Airdrie-Bathgate route, instigated by the Labour and Liberal Democrat coalition and completed under the Scottish National Party, the 10th anniversary of the reopening of the Borders Railway and the first anniversary of the reopening of the Levenmouth route; recognises the many significant achievements over those 20 years, including electrification of over 570 kilometres of track, the opening of 30 new stations, and an increase of a fifth in ScotRail passenger numbers; welcomes the consistent delivery of operational performance and passenger satisfaction under public ownership and control, which are among the best levels in Britain; notes the need to continue to improve those performance levels; welcomes the investment of £13 billion over this period to sustain and grow the network through value-for-money projects, including the complete renewal of the Caledonian Sleeper fleet and operation; notes the cross-party support for the removal, for good, of ScotRail peak fares, first piloted while Scottish Green Party ministers were part of the Scottish Government; looks forward to the benefits from developments such as the completion of the electrification of the East Kilbride route, and the progression of procurement of new train fleets and further electrification, including the recently announced Fife and Borders routes; recognises that the UK Government's current proposals for rail reform draw heavily on the widely recognised success of the devolved approach to rail in Scotland; notes the Scottish Government's position that full devolution of rail is the optimal position but, in the absence of full devolution, Scotland's railway must benefit at least as much from those reforms as is promised for England and Wales, and agrees that any reforms that would diminish the Scottish Ministers' powers and the role of the Scottish Parliament already constrained by current UK legislation would be unacceptable to the Scottish Parliament, given the success the delivery model in Scotland has produced over the last two decades.

Supported by: Jim Fairlie*

***[S6M-18763.5](#) Jamie Greene: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future**—As an amendment to motion S6M-18763 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future), insert at end “; believes that further exploration of new lines must be carried out and presses the Scottish Government to make a positive decision on Newburgh train station; considers that more flexible ticket options should be brought in, such as two- or three-day-a-week season tickets that could help encourage more people to travel by train; recalls that the target to decarbonise all passenger trains was pushed back from 2035 to 2045, and calls, therefore, on the Scottish Government to finally publish its refreshed Rail Decarbonisation Action Plan so that work can be done to cut emissions and meet new decarbonisation targets.”

***[S6M-18763.3](#) Claire Baker: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future**—As an amendment to motion S6M-18763 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future), leave out from "that the UK Government's" to end and insert "the benefits of public ownership and welcomes proposals from the UK Government for the rest of the UK, including cross-border travel into Scotland; notes the repeated assurances from the UK Government that its plans on rail reform would not affect Scottish Government powers; welcomes the permanent removal of peak fares but notes that it only came about after significant pressure on the Scottish Government; acknowledges that ScotRail passenger numbers are still nearly 20% lower than pre-COVID-19-pandemic levels;

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recognises that, with punctuality and reliability being the highest complaint topics to ScotRail, more must be done to improve the service, including addressing overcrowding and short-forming, in order to achieve modal shift and attract passengers back to the railways, and acknowledges the importance of protections against violence and abuse for ScotRail workers."

***[S6M-18763.2](#) Mark Ruskell: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future**—As an amendment to motion S6M-18763 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future), insert at end ", and believes that delivering value and quality of service for the public will require more new rail stations, the removal of First Class ticketing on overcrowded commuter services and public financing for new rolling stock that re-invests in services rather than shareholder profit."

***[S6M-18763.1](#) Sue Webber: Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future**—As an amendment to motion S6M-18763 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Twenty Years of Scotland's Railway Providing a Strong Platform for the Future), leave out from first "welcomes" to end and insert "urges the Scottish Government to ensure that value-for-money and passenger satisfaction remain at the forefront of railway delivery in Scotland; notes that the cross-party support for the removal of peak rail fares was made possible thanks to a Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party motion that called on the Scottish Government to remove them; recognises the importance of rail to the Scottish economy and business, such as in the transportation of whisky and fresh produce, and agrees that rail is important to the future decarbonisation of transport; notes that new railway developments should be linked to future centres of population growth, such as at Winchburgh, and calls on the Scottish Government to outline how it plans to deliver upgraded rail links in existing towns and villages, and connect those that do not have a rail link; recognises that future development of the railway in Scotland is hindered by aging 19th century infrastructure; calls on the Scottish Government to outline how it plans to future-proof the rail network, and urges the Scottish and UK governments to outline how they will work together to deliver private investment in the rail network."

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-18772](#) Jackie Dunbar: Bridge of Don and District Men's Shed Awarded £18,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund**—That the Parliament congratulates Bridge of Don and District Men's Shed on receiving a £18,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that this award will allow the members to replace the windows and doors of their shed; commends the continued hard work and efforts of everyone involved with the shed, and wishes them all the best for its upcoming projects.

Supported by: Clare Haughey*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*, Paul McLennan*, Miles Briggs*

***[S6M-18770](#) Jackie Dunbar: Kingswells Community Centre Awarded £19,295 from the National Lottery Community Fund**—That the Parliament congratulates Kingswells Community Centre on receiving a £19,295 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that this award will help to refurbish the kitchen at the community centre, which will help support a range of community functions, such as the in-house coffee shop, pre- and after-school clubs, uniform groups and private hires; commends the work of the staff and volunteers at Kingswells Community Centre, and wishes them all the best for the future.

Supported by: Martin Whitfield*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*, Paul McLennan*, Miles Briggs*

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***[S6M-18769](#) Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen Action on Disability Limited Awarded £125,730 from the National Lottery Community Fund—**That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen Action on Disability Limited on receiving a £125,730 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that this award will allow the group to continue to deliver its programmes of support for accessing benefits, services and social activities to overcome isolation and loneliness for disabled people in Aberdeen; notes that Aberdeen Action on Disability Limited, which is based in the Bridge of Don area in Aberdeen, was founded in 1992 as a user-led organisation to give a helping hand to people with physical and sensory disabilities; commends the incredible work of all the staff at the group for all their hard work and efforts to help disabled people across Aberdeen, and wishes them all the best for the future.

Supported by: Stephanie Callaghan*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Martin Whitfield*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*

***[S6M-18768](#) Jackie Dunbar: Grampian Women's Aid Limited Awarded £167,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund—**That the Parliament congratulates Grampian Women's Aid Limited on receiving a £167,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that this award will allow the group to deliver a holistic programme of services to complement its frontline one-to-one support for women affected by domestic abuse; recognises the vital work carried out by Grampian Women's Aid, and wishes it all the best for the future.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Rona Mackay*, Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*, Audrey Nicoll*, Kenneth Gibson*

***[S6M-18767](#) Annie Wells: Pavlova Bakery Puts Glasgow on the Global Dessert Map—**That the Parliament congratulates the team at Pavlova Bakery in Partick, Glasgow, on being recognised by National Geographic Traveller as one of the best places in the UK to enjoy world-class pavlova; notes the bakery's commitment to high-quality ingredients, traditional French-inspired techniques and beautifully crafted desserts, which have earned international recognition; recognises the dedication of the family team in creating what it sees as a welcoming and innovative bakery that contributes to Glasgow's culinary reputation; acknowledges what it sees as the positive impact this recognition has on the local community and the wider Scottish hospitality and food sector, and understands the importance of celebrating small businesses whose creativity, hard work and excellence bring pride and international attention to Scotland.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Pam Gosal*, Miles Briggs*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Douglas Ross*, Meghan Gallacher*, Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Craig Hoy*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liam Kerr*, Bob Doris*, Kenneth Gibson*

***[S6M-18766](#) Annie Wells: Colourful Transformation for Glasgow Street—**

That the Parliament congratulates the residents and tenants of the Balgrayhill United Tenants Association (BUTA), housing association ng homes and the Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain (AUGB) Glasgow, who have transformed a previously neglected space into a vibrant community garden and mural; notes the collaborative work in clearing weeds and rubbish, repairing walls and creating a colourful mural with the involvement of children from the AUGB Glasgow art studio; recognises what it sees as the positive impact that the garden and mural have on the local community, including fostering social cohesion, reducing isolation and providing a welcoming space for all to enjoy; acknowledges the dedication, creativity and commitment of those involved in nurturing and improving the space, and recognises what it sees as the importance of community-led initiatives in enhancing neighbourhoods and bringing residents together.

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***[S6M-18765](#) Alasdair Allan: 57% of Children Entering Gaelic Medium Education Primary 1 in Western Isles**—That the Parliament congratulates Comhairle nan Eilean Siar on the increase in the proportion of P1 pupils enrolled in Gaelic Medium Education (GME) across the Western Isles, with 57% of children entering GME in 2025, which is the highest level recorded to date; commends what it sees as the extensive work carried out by the Comhairle, parents, and local communities in promoting Gaelic as a positive and valuable choice for young people, especially since the introduction in 2020 of the local authority's policy of Gaelic as the default medium of education; recognises the importance of GME in securing the future of the language in the Western Isles, which are reportedly likely to be designated as areas of linguistic significance under the Scottish Languages Act 2025, and further recognises what it sees are the benefits that this brings to cultural heritage, community life and the future of the Gaelic language.

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***[S6M-18762](#) Jackie Dunbar: Brain Health Services Pilot Report**—That the Parliament commends the publication and findings of the final evaluation report of the Brain Health Service pilot in Aberdeen, which was delivered collaboratively by Alzheimer Scotland, NHS Grampian and the Scottish Government; recognises what it sees as the effectiveness of the pilot's approach to promoting dementia prevention and targeted early interventions as part of a wider brain health model to improve the health outcomes of people who access the service; notes that up to 45% of dementia cases could be prevented by addressing 14 modifiable risk factors associated with dementia, including untreated hearing and vision loss, hypertension and cholesterol, traumatic brain injury and social isolation; understands that dementia affects around 90,000 people in Scotland today; believes that the impact of the condition on individuals, families and communities is so significant that every effort must be taken to address its underlying causes; acknowledges that the work of the Brain Health Service plays what it sees as a vital role in promoting long-term cognitive health through awareness-raising and early engagement around lifestyle modification and dementia risk reduction; celebrates the success of the Brain Health Service in delivering a responsive and holistic approach to care and support that enables service users to adapt their behaviours and access the range of support that they need to improve their brain health and overall wellbeing, and wishes the service and its users continued positive outcomes in the future.

Supported by: Liam McArthur*, Miles Briggs*, Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*, Audrey Nicoll*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Kenneth Gibson*

***[S6M-18761](#) Mercedes Villalba: Celebrating 157th Annual TUC Congress**—That the Parliament celebrates the 157th Annual TUC Congress, which is taking place from 7 to 10 September 2025 in Brighton; understands that trade union delegates, organisers and members from the North East Scotland region and across the country will be in attendance among the 48 unions represented by the TUC; agrees with the TUC General Council that the Employment Rights Bill represents the biggest improvement to workers' and trade union rights in a generation; believes that the Scottish Government needs to work proactively with trade unions and the UK Government to ensure that the Bill is delivered in full; welcomes what it sees as the transformative impact that new industrial strategies and public investment, such as the National Wealth Fund, British Steel and the Aberdeen-based GB Energy, will have for workers in the North East and

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across Scotland, and sends its solidarity to the TUC Congress, and all workers and trade unions across Scotland. **R**

***[S6M-18760](#) Alexander Stewart: Extreme Concern for Forth Valley College Alloa Campus—**

That the Parliament notes with extreme concern the proposed closure of the Forth Valley College Alloa campus; acknowledges what it believes is the deep worry and anxiety of people in the area, many of whom either are employed by the college or have children, friends or relatives who are either current or potential students of the campus, not only for their own security and employment but for their children's, friends' and relatives' futures; considers that the college sector in Scotland has been chronically underfunded over a protracted period of time under the current Scottish administration, which, it believes, has led to such a potentially devastating situation as the staff and students, some with additional support needs, now find themselves in through no fault of their own; understands that the college is a vital part of the Clackmannanshire community; believes that colleges are wonderful institutions that act as a community anchor and skills engine for the economy; understands with concern that a skills crisis is looming across colleges in the Mid-Scotland and Fife region; which, according to an Audit Scotland Report, is having to face a 17% real terms reduction, and implores the Scottish Government to outline what it plans to do to secure the future of the campus with its myriad facilities and retain its students, while maintaining the provision of skills education in the area.

Supported by: Meghan Gallacher*, Annie Wells*, Mark Ruskell*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Craig Hoy*, Jeremy Balfour*, Douglas Ross*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Gosal*

***[S6M-18759](#) Jeremy Balfour: Rapid Re-accommodation Welcome Centre Report 2024–25—**

That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the *Rapid Re-accommodation Welcome Centre Report 2024–25* by the Bethany Christian Trust; commends the Centre for what it sees as its vital contribution in providing emergency accommodation and support to people experiencing homelessness in Edinburgh; notes that, over 181 nights of operation, the Centre supported 618 people with private ensuite rooms and 24/7 care; recognises the extraordinary commitment of the 42 volunteer teams, which served over 23,000 meals; notes the collaborative work of 41 partner organisations in delivering holistic support, including healthcare, housing advice and addiction services; welcomes the finding that 99% of known outcomes were positive for those who engaged with the Centre; acknowledges the dedication of staff, volunteers and partners in delivering safety, dignity and hope to some of the most vulnerable people in society, and wishes the Bethany Christian Trust the well for the year ahead.

Supported by: Paul McLennan*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*

***[S6M-18758](#) Jeremy Balfour: Vintage Vibes 10th Anniversary—**That the Parliament congratulates Vintage Vibes on reaching its 10th anniversary; recognises the charity's work across Edinburgh in tackling loneliness and social isolation among older people by creating long-lasting friendships between volunteers and those over 60 who may otherwise feel disconnected; commends the organisation for its innovative approach to intergenerational connection, community building and wellbeing; notes that, since its founding in 2015, Vintage Vibes has supported thousands of older people to feel valued and included; thanks its staff, volunteers and supporters for their dedication over the past decade, and wishes the charity every success for the years ahead as it continues to strengthen communities and improve lives.

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***[S6M-18756](#) Tess White: Celebrating 30 Years of Montrose Basin Wildlife Reserve and Visitor Centre**—That the Parliament congratulates the Montrose Basin Wildlife Reserve and Visitor Centre as it celebrates its 30th anniversary; recognises what it sees as the vital role the centre has played since its opening in promoting conservation, education, and engagement with Scotland's rich natural heritage; commends the efforts of the Scottish Wildlife Trust and all those who have supported the reserve over the past three decades; gives special thanks to long-serving volunteers Andy Wakelin, Joyce Cooper and Jane Stewart; recognises the centre's success in attracting visitors from across Scotland and beyond to experience the unique beauty and biodiversity of the Montrose Basin, including its internationally important population of migratory birds, and wishes the centre, its staff, and volunteers continued success in the years ahead as they inspire future generations to protect and enjoy Scotland's natural environment.

Supported by: Meghan Gallacher*, Annabelle Ewing*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Audrey Nicoll*, Alexander Stewart*, Liam Kerr*, Mercedes Villalba*, Craig Hoy*, Annie Wells*, Liz Smith*, Paul McLennan*, Jeremy Balfour*, Douglas Ross*, Pam Gosal*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*

***[S6M-18737](#) Mercedes Villalba: Benefits of a 4 Day Week**—That the Parliament notes what it sees as the success of the recent public sector four-day week pilot project and the findings of the Autonomy Institute's report, *Introducing a shorter working week in Scotland's public sector*; understands that the pilot showed that a four-day week benefits both workers and businesses, with measurable gains including in wellbeing, satisfaction and productivity; notes that the Autonomy Institute's findings accord with evidence given by the chief executive of South of Scotland Enterprise to the Parliament's Finance and Public Administration Committee on 7 January 2025; further notes the position of the Public and Commercial Services (PCS) union, following the publication of the Autonomy Institute's report, that the Scottish Government deciding not to implement the policy more widely would undermine its stated ambitions for both a productive public sector and a healthier workforce; regrets that this decision prevents the pilot organisations from implementing a four-day week permanently, despite the proven success of the pilot, and risks disregarding the learnings and benefits of the project, and calls on the Scottish Government to pursue a wider roll-out across public bodies of a four-day, 32-hour working week with no detriment to pay or conditions, as called for by the 4 Day Week Foundation, so that Scotland's public sector can continue to attract dedicated and high-skilled workers from all backgrounds. **R**

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S6M-18776](#) Jackie Dunbar: Lovebridge Community Church Awarded £2,000 From the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 08 September 2025)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Paul McLennan*, Miles Briggs*

[S6M-18775](#) Jackie Dunbar: Oasis Christian Fellowship Awarded £9,538 from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 08 September 2025)

New Support: Paul McLennan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Alasdair Allan*, Miles Briggs*

[S6M-18774](#) Shirley-Anne Somerville: Carer's Assistance (Miscellaneous and Consequential Amendments, Revocation, Transitional and Saving Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 [draft] (lodged on 08 September 2025)

New Support: Kaukab Stewart*

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S6M-18773 Jackie Dunbar: Grampian SeaShed Awarded £9,750 from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 08 September 2025)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*

S6M-18755 Tess White: 100 Years of Montrose Tennis Courts and Pavilion (lodged on 05 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annie Wells*, Russell Findlay*, Stephen Kerr*, Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Alexander Burnett*

S6M-18754 Keith Brown: Calling for Forth Valley College's Clackmannanshire Campus in Alloa to be Kept Open (lodged on 05 September 2025)

New Support: Rona Mackay*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*, Paul Sweeney*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*, Jeremy Balfour*

S6M-18753 Clare Adamson: Gas Safety Week 2025 – Protecting Your Business, People and Community (lodged on 05 September 2025)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*, Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Jackie Dunbar*, Jeremy Balfour*

S6M-18752 Clare Adamson: Breast Cancer Now Awareness Day 2025 and Wear It Pink (lodged on 05 September 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*, Alexander Burnett*

S6M-18751 Clare Adamson: Condolences on the Passing of Bobby Graham (lodged on 05 September 2025)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Bob Doris*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kenneth Gibson*

S6M-18750 Clare Adamson: Congratulations to Stuart Gillespie on Winning Pride in the Job 2025 Quality Award (lodged on 05 September 2025)

New Support: Monica Lennon*, Kenneth Gibson*, Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*, Jeremy Balfour*

S6M-18749 Daniel Johnson: Celebrating the Contribution of Dr Liz Cameron (lodged on 05 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S6M-18748 Liam Kerr: Congratulating Maryculter House on the Occasion of its 800th Anniversary (lodged on 05 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18742 Kevin Stewart: A Pragmatic and Regulated Approach to Oil and Gas (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Jackie Dunbar*

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S6M-18741 Emma Harper: Support for the Solway Coast and Marine Project (SCAMP) in Stranraer (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Mercedes Villalba*, Kevin Stewart*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18740 Alex Cole-Hamilton: 30th Anniversary of Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland's Advice Line (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S6M-18738 Annie Wells: Springburn Community Festival, Celebrating Heritage, Fun and Togetherness (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Fulton MacGregor*, Craig Hoy*

S6M-18736 Fulton MacGregor: Commending Give Blood 4 Good's Efforts to Secure Scotland's Blood Supply (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper*, David Torrance*, Kevin Stewart*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18735 Emma Harper: Congratulations to LIFT D&G (Dumfries) on NANA's Community Garden (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18734 Murdo Fraser: Dr Liz Cameron, CEO of Scottish Chambers of Commerce Standing Down (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annie Wells*, Liam McArthur*, Monica Lennon*, Liam Kerr*, Alexander Stewart*, Pam Gosal*, Fergus Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Annabelle Ewing*, Meghan Gallacher*, Neil Bibby*, Tess White*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Liz Smith*, Fulton MacGregor*, Craig Hoy*, Jeremy Balfour*, Paul McLennan*, Douglas Ross*, Colin Beattie*, Martin Whitfield*, Kenneth Gibson*

S6M-18733 Clare Haughey: The Award-winning Wee Gurkha Curry House (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18731 David Torrance: Congratulations to Fife College on Being Awarded a £2.4 Million Modern Apprenticeship Contract (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Kevin Stewart*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18729 Annie Wells: Flamingo Beach Makes Waves for Glasgow Children's Hospital (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18728 Rachael Hamilton: Duns Food Bank (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18727 Emma Harper: Celebrating Stranraer Water Sports Association and International Water Sports Events on Loch Ryan (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

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S6M-18726 Clare Adamson: Congratulations to North Lanarkshire Council Housing Department on Breast Cancer Now Fundraiser (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S6M-18725 Alexander Burnett: Celebrating 150 Years of the Albert Memorial Hall in Ballater (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18724 Claire Baker: Best Wishes to Aleksei Solovjov and Stuart Grubb, Representing Stagecoach East Scotland in UK Bus Driver of the Year 2025 Final (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18723 Sandesh Gulhane: National Eye Health Week (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18722 Stuart McMillan: Congratulations to Katie D'Souza on Winning the Scottish Association of Minority Ethnic Educators Breaking Barriers Award (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18721 Colin Beattie: Bombay Lounge, Dalkeith, Wins Best Indian Takeaway in Scotland Award (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Kevin Stewart*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18719 Christine Grahame: Tempest Brewery Marks Borders Railway 10th Anniversary Milestone with Commemorative Beer (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S6M-18718 Colin Beattie: Musselburgh Windsor Community Football Club (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18717 Rona Mackay: Commending Milton of Campsie Parish Church for Eco-friendly Initiatives (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18716 Alexander Burnett: How a Tiny Beetle is Wiping Out British Heather (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18715 Alexander Burnett: Gairnshiel Jubilee Bridge Wins 2025 RIAS Award for Architectural Excellence (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S6M-18714](#) Rachael Hamilton: GoFibre Named Best Broadband Provider in Scotland (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephen Kerr*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18713](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Darnley Primary's Visual Impairment and Inclusion Unit Achieves Bronze LGBT Charter for Education (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18712](#) Pam Gosal: Celebrating First Anniversary of Daydreams Bookshop, Milngavie (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18711](#) Emma Roddick: Celebrating Highland Business Women Awards and Finalists (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-18710](#) Emma Roddick: Increasing Frequency and Intensity of Wildfires (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18709](#) Paul Sweeney: Norway Selects a Glasgow-built Type 26 as its Next Generation Frigate (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Bill Kidd*, Martin Whitfield*, Kenneth Gibson*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-18707](#) Kenneth Gibson: World Sepsis Day 2025 (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-18706](#) Katy Clark: Healthy Life Expectancy Data for 2021 to 2023 (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-18705](#) Claire Baker: Joining Children with Cancer UK in Marking Childhood Cancer Awareness Month Over September (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18702](#) Alexander Stewart: Bridge of Allan and Dunblane Given First and Second Places in Garrington House-hunting List 2025 (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18694](#) Roz McCall: Symbiosis Wins King's Award for Enterprise in International Trade Category (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-18689](#) Paul McLennan: Celebrating Had-Fab's Role in Supporting Critical Transmission Network Upgrades (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

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[S6M-18688](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Dumbarton Credit Union on its 35th Anniversary (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18685](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Beacon of Peace Scotland 5k Charity Walk (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Foysol Choudhury*

[S6M-18684](#) Mark Griffin: Recognition of the Neurodevelopmental Family Support Service in North Lanarkshire (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-18683](#) Alexander Stewart: Children's Asthma Inhaler Safety Book Generously Gifted to Clackmannanshire Primary Schools (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18682](#) Alexander Stewart: Kirsty Mack, The First Scottish Woman to Conquer K2 (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18681](#) Clare Haughey: Lanarkshire Climate Action Festival Returns for 2025 (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18679](#) Pam Gosal: Success of Milngavie Street Party 2025 (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18678](#) Joe FitzPatrick: Recovery Month 2025 (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18677](#) Stephen Kerr: Ancre Somme Association Scotland Armed Forces Day Parade in Laurieston (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18676](#) Stephen Kerr: Congratulates Stenhousemuir Football Club on Hosting a Successful Fundraising Day in Support of Guide Dogs UK (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18675](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating ScrapAntics in Dundee (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-18674](#) John Mason: International Day of Charity 2025 (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S6M-18669](#) Emma Harper: Celebrating the 2025 Nithraid Festival in Dumfries (lodged on 02 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18661](#) Meghan Gallacher: Recognising the Contribution of Asda Cumbernauld Through the Asda Foundation (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18660](#) Meghan Gallacher: Recognising the Contribution of Asda Coatbridge Through the Asda Foundation (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18659](#) Meghan Gallacher: Congratulating Monklands Replacement Project (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18658](#) Meghan Gallacher: Congratulating Keep Larbert and Stenhousemuir Beautiful (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18657](#) Kenneth Gibson: Malawi's TB Drug Shortage, UK Aid Reductions and the Urgent Need for Renewed International Commitment (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18655](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulations to Trinity High in Renfrew on its 50th Anniversary Event (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18654](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating Roaster's Paisley on Winning Two Love Paisley Star Awards (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18653](#) Clare Adamson: Connor Mooney Shortlisted for BikeBiz Mechanic of the Year (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18652](#) Clare Adamson: North College Lanarkshire Partners with Sureserve for Workforce Development (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18651](#) Clare Adamson: Big Barbecue Raises Funds for Les Hoey DreamMaker MBE Foundation (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18650](#) Clare Adamson: Celebrating the 100th Birthday of Anne McLaughlin (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

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S6M-18649 Pam Duncan-Glancy: Celebrating Graham Hutton's Service to Scottish Education (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18648 Clare Adamson: First Scottish Artistic Roller Skating Club in 20 Years to Reach GB Finals (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18647 Stephanie Callaghan: ACS Clothing Ltd Wins Second King's Award for Enterprise (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18646 Claire Baker: Welcoming the Award from the National Lottery Heritage Fund to the Visions of Hope Project, Celebrating 160 Years of Seescape in Fife (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18644 Clare Haughey: High Blantyre Primary Celebrates 150th Anniversary (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18643 Fulton MacGregor: Commending Jackson Youth Group's Contribution to Young People (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18642 Fulton MacGregor: Celebrating Parent Action for Safe Play's Work with Families (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18641 Fulton MacGregor: Recognition of Friends of Monkland Canal and Support from Asda Foundation (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Jackie Dunbar*

S6M-18640 Alasdair Allan: 95th Anniversary of the Evacuation of St Kilda (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18639 Rona Mackay: International FASD Day and the Need for Awareness (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark*, Fulton MacGregor*, Alexander Burnett*

S6M-18638 Sarah Boyack: Celebrating Scottish Environment LINK Reaching 50 Member Organisations (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-18633 Fulton MacGregor: 75th Anniversary of St Monica's RC Parish in Coatbridge (lodged on 29 August 2025)

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New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18631](#) Monica Lennon: Employer of the Year Recognition for Lanarkshire's Lisini Pub Company (lodged on 29 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18629](#) Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen International Airport's Sixth Annual Midnight Runway Run Raises Over £65,000 (lodged on 28 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18627](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Highgate Care Home Scottish Finalist in HC-One's Gardens in Bloom (lodged on 27 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18618](#) Clare Haughey: Ruglen Rolls Named Scotland's Best Roll Bar (lodged on 27 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18606](#) Tim Eagle: Oban Resident Takes Part in Four Kiltwalks for Charity (lodged on 28 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18590](#) Tess White: Congratulating Sharron Davies (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr*

[S6M-18587](#) Ruth Maguire: St Mary's RC Church, Irvine, 150th Anniversary (lodged on 25 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18583](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Sea Cadet Competes in Superhero Triathlon (lodged on 25 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18576](#) Liz Smith: Celebrating Residential Outdoor Education for Young People (lodged on 22 August 2025)

New Support: Daniel Johnson*

[S6M-18569](#) Fulton MacGregor: 66th Anniversary of the Auchengeich Mining Disaster (lodged on 22 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18561](#) Mercedes Villalba: CWU Supporting Postal Workers and Scotland's Postal Service (lodged on 21 August 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark*

[S6M-18549](#) Mercedes Villalba: Solidarity with PCS Members in Dispute with Ofgem (lodged on 19 August 2025)

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New Support: Katy Clark*

[S6M-18547.1](#) Tim Eagle: Oath of Allegiance (lodged on 29 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18544](#) Christine Grahame: Organ Donation Week 22 to 28 September 2025 (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-18527](#) Gordon MacDonald: Vision for New Centre for Sustainable Brewing and Distilling at Heriot-Watt University (lodged on 14 August 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18475](#) Mark Griffin: Support for Shared Parenting Scotland's Work with Separated Families and Veterans (lodged on 06 August 2025)

New Support: Willie Rennie*

[S6M-18401](#) Foyso Choudhury: Nepal Indigenous Film Festival 2025 (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18400](#) Foyso Choudhury: Bronze Bust of Rabindranath Tagore, Nobel Prize Winner, Unveiled in Edinburgh (lodged on 28 August 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18371](#) Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen Pupil Wins Young Writers UK Competition (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-18299](#) Tess White: Johnshaven Community Café Celebrates Successful Third Year (lodged on 14 July 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18297](#) Tess White: Angus Small Repairs Service Completes Successful First Year (lodged on 14 July 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18234](#) Tess White: Forfar Farmington Football Club U14s and U16s East League Final Winners (lodged on 08 July 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18232](#) Tess White: Paying Tribute to Joann Beattie, from Johnshaven, Aberdeenshire (lodged on 08 July 2025)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-18156](#) Pam Gosal: Marian Spiers of Helensburgh Receives MBE in The King's Honour List 2025 (lodged on 29 August 2025)

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<p>Motions Gluasadan</p>				

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 09 September 2025

- Sandesh Gulhane:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in response to reports that the synthetic drug, spice, has been found in vapes that are being sold to school children. ([S6T-02658](#))
- Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that Scottish local authorities spent over £100 million last year on bed and breakfast and hostel accommodation for homeless people. ([S6T-02649](#))

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 11 September 2025

- Russell Findlay:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04273](#))
- Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04274](#))
- Ross Greer:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04275](#))
- Ruth Maguire:** To ask the First Minister, in light of reports of the rising rate of poverty for families with a baby under one and new evidence from Save the Children that increasing Best Start Grant and Best Start Foods payments could significantly reduce the child poverty rate for this priority group, whether it will consider increasing these payments. ([S6F-04281](#))
- Brian Whittle:** To ask the First Minister what urgent steps the Scottish Government is taking in response to reports that nursing and midwifery vacancies have risen by 60% in six months. ([S6F-04284](#))
- Paul Sweeney:** To ask the First Minister what additional support the Scottish Government is giving to the Public Dental Service, in light of reports that there has been a 10% rise in spending over the last two years due to increased demand. ([S6F-04287](#))
- Jamie Greene:** To ask the First Minister whether the Scottish Government will review its policy on public sector settlement agreements, in light of reports that £4 million of public money was spent on public sector pay-offs in 2023-24. ([S6F-04291](#))

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 17 September 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 10 September 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 11 September 2025.

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business

1. Stuart McMillan
2. Daniel Johnson
3. Alexander Stewart
4. Roz McCall
5. Evelyn Tweed
6. Murdo Fraser

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7. Mark Griffin
8. Michelle Thomson

Justice and Home Affairs

1. Annie Wells
2. Alexander Burnett
3. Bob Doris
4. Liam McArthur
5. Sue Webber
6. Paul Sweeney
7. Maggie Chapman
8. Claire Baker

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 18 September 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 10 September 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 11 September 2025.

Education and Skills

1. Gordon MacDonald
2. Emma Roddick
3. Richard Leonard
4. Oliver Mundell
5. Martin Whitfield
6. Rachael Hamilton
7. Elena Whitham
8. Meghan Gallacher

Members selected for General Questions on 18 September 2025

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 10 September 2025. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 11 September 2025.

1. Fergus Ewing
2. Fulton MacGregor
3. Pauline McNeill
4. Tess White
5. Sandesh Gulhane
6. Kenneth Gibson
7. Katy Clark
8. Douglas Ross

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Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 08 September 2025

S6W-40180 Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports that an estimated 27% of state pension age people in Glasgow are not aware of Pension Credit and an estimated £30,263,573 goes unclaimed annually by 13,377 pensioners, what measures it can take to communicate directly with state pension age people to encourage maximum uptake of all relevant social security benefits they are entitled to.

S6W-40378 Fulton MacGregor: To ask the Scottish Government what measures are in place to support NHS (a) boards and (b) Lanarkshire to improve performance against the 18-week referral-to-treatment standard.

S6W-40379 Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what the uptake of Free Personal and Nursing Care has been in each local authority area, and what action it is taking to (a) address any regional disparities and (b) increase the overall uptake.

S6W-40380 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work that it is carrying out to reduce the use of single-use plastic.

S6W-40381 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work that it is carrying out towards the regulation of companies contributing to marine litter pollution.

S6W-40382 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work that it is carrying out to maximise the efficiency of household recycling systems.

S6W-40383 Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-39892 by Graeme Dey on 1 September 2025, how many of the students from each university were domiciled (a) in Scotland, (b) in the rest of the UK and (c) internationally, broken down by year.

S6W-40384 Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-39892 by Graeme Dey on 1 September 2025, how many of the graduates took up an NHS placement, broken down by NHS board area.

S6W-40385 Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its international development strategy, what its position is on discussing with the UK Government (a) legislating to compel private creditors to participate in debt restructuring on equal terms with other lenders and (b) supporting the establishment of a UN debt workout mechanism.

S6W-40386 Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its international development strategy and reported evidence suggesting that over 60% of African nations spend more on external debt repayments than on healthcare or education, what steps it is taking to support international efforts to address the global debt crisis,

S6W-40387 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether all prisoners should have access to kettles, including those designated as "High Supervision".

S6W-40388 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that eight prison officers were attacked with boiling water in the last year.

S6W-40389 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government (a) what the cost has been of and (b) how much time has been spent on inspection and repair work between the St Ann's and Keithock junctions of the A90 near Brechin, (i) in each year since 2015 and (ii) since April 2025.

S6W-40391 Davy Russell: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding (a) how many and (b) what proportion of care experienced people have enrolled in (i) the Open University and (b) other university education in each of the last 10 years.

S6W-40392 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that young people are taught critical thinking skills and resilience in engaging with political debate.

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S6W-40393 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what guidance it has issued on engaging with elected representatives in schools, and ensuring that there is a balanced representation of views.

S6W-40394 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what evidence it has assessed regarding any impact of mobile phone use in classrooms on educational attainment.

S6W-40395 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any link between mobile phone use and safeguarding risks in schools, including exposure to harmful content.

S6W-40396 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider introducing legislation restricting mobile phone use in schools.

S6W-40397 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to identify all residential buildings containing Large Panel System concrete.

S6W-40398 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many high-rise residential buildings are currently assessed as high-risk due to Large Panel System construction.

S6W-40399 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure the safety certification of all Large Panel System buildings.

S6W-40402 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how much public funding has been allocated to the Techscaler scheme since its inception.

S6W-40403 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has investigated any reports of the misuse of funds in the Techscaler scheme.

S6W-40404 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of the Techscaler budget has been spent on overseas travel since its inception.

S6W-40405 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many homes have been bought back by local authorities since the Right to Buy scheme ended.

S6W-40406 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the effectiveness of buyback schemes in addressing the reported housing shortage.

S6W-40407 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many households are on waiting lists for social housing.

S6W-40408 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to accelerate planning approvals for affordable housing.

S6W-40409 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of new housing starts are classified as affordable homes.

S6W-40410 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government by what date it will reach a decision on the request by the Caithness Health Action Team for an independent review of maternity services in Caithness.

S6W-40411 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on discussions that it has had with NHS Highland since 30 July 2025 regarding the request from the Caithness Health Action Team for an independent review of maternity services in Caithness.

S6W-40412 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what evaluation it has carried out of the reported decision to no longer have zero tolerance sentencing for knife possession.

S6W-40414 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of early release on knife crime rates.

S6W-40415 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to recover the reported £36 million of benefit overpayments currently held by Social Security Scotland.

S6W-40416 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many recipients of Social Security Scotland support owe overpaid benefits, and what proportion of these debts is more than one year old.

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S6W-40417 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how much Social Security Scotland has written off in overpaid benefits since 2018.

S6W-40418 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the financial risks of Social Security Scotland not recovering overpaid benefits.

S6W-40419 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the economic impact of beaver introductions on (a) farmland and (b) crop yields.

S6W-40420 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to compensate farmers for any damage caused by beaver activity.

S6W-40421 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has with (a) farmers and (b) landowners before authorising wildlife releases.

S6W-40422 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent on mitigation measures relating to beaver activity since 2020.

S6W-40423 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many stroke patients have (a) died or (b) experienced disability due to delayed thrombectomy access since 2020.

S6W-40425 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has invested in (a) specialist staff and (b) facilities to deliver thrombectomy treatment since 2021.

S6W-40426 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how it is addressing any reported regional inequality in access to emergency stroke treatment.

S6W-40427 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what cost-benefit analysis of 24/7 thrombectomy provision it carries out.

S6W-40430 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it reportedly can no longer ensure that no patient waits longer than one year for NHS treatment by March 2026.

S6W-40431 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many NHS patients have died while waiting for treatment since 2020.

S6W-40432 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how many jobs in Scotland will be supported by the recently announced Type 26 frigate contract.

S6W-40433 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding what infrastructure upgrades have been funded at BAE Systems Govan to support the recently announced Type 26 frigate contract.

S6W-40434 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how many apprenticeships will be created as part of the recently announced Type 26 frigate contract.

S6W-40435 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how it is working with UK defence contractors to safeguard Scotland's role in shipbuilding supply chains.

S6W-40436 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its forecast is for devolved welfare spending for the next five years.

S6W-40437 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how much it plans to raise through taxation to fund the reported welfare spending increase.

S6W-40438 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that welfare policies incentivise work.

S6W-40439 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of devolved welfare spending is allocated to means-tested benefits.

S6W-40440 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many welfare recipients are subject to active employment support requirements.

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Amendments

Amendments to Bills lodged on 8 September 2025

Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill — Stage 3

After section 14

Sharon Dowey

96 After section 14, insert—

<Power to gather information: further provision

- (1) The Commissioner may require a person mentioned in subsection (2) to supply information which the Commissioner reasonably requires for the purpose of determining the support that the person is providing to victims and witnesses.
- (2) The persons are—
 - (a) a local authority,
 - (b) a provider of social housing.
- (3) Where a requirement is imposed under subsection (1), the Commissioner must give a person mentioned in subsection (2) a written notice specifying—
 - (a) the information, or the nature of the information, which is to be supplied,
 - (b) the form in which it is to be supplied,
 - (c) in the case of information which is to be supplied by means of a statement in person, the place at which it is to be supplied, and
 - (d) the particular matters in connection with which the information is required.
- (4) A person mentioned in subsection (2) may refuse to supply information which that person would be entitled to refuse to provide in any proceedings in a court in Scotland.
- (5) The Commissioner may revoke any requirement imposed under subsection (1) by giving written notice to the person mentioned in subsection (2) to whom notice of the requirement was given.
- (6) Where a person refuses, under subsection (4), to supply information, the Commissioner may report the matter to the Court of Session for determination if the Commissioner considers that the person was not entitled to so refuse.
- (7) In this section, “information” has the same meaning as section 14.>

Section 14A

Sharon Dowey

97 In section 14A, page 8, line 9, after <14(1)> insert <or a person mentioned in section (*Power to gather information: further provision*)(2) under section (*Power to gather information: further provision*)(1)>

Sharon Dowey

98 In section 14A, page 8, line 12, after <14(2)> insert <, or

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- () a person mentioned in section (*Power to gather information: further provision*)(2) refuses (other than by virtue of section (*Power to gather information: further provision*)(4)), or fails without reasonable excuse, to supply the information in accordance with a notice issued under subsection (*Power to gather information: further provision*)(3).>

Sharon Dowey

- 99 In section 14A, page 8, line 15, after <(14(1)> insert <or on a person mentioned in section (*Power to gather information: further provision*)(2) under section (*Power to gather information: further provision*)(1)>

Sharon Dowey

- 100 In section 14A, page 8, line 17, after <agency's> insert <or the person mentioned in section (*Power to gather information: further provision*)(2)>

Before section 29A

Sharon Dowey

- 101 Before section 29A, insert—

<Decisions not to prosecute

- (1) The 2014 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) Before section 4 (rules: review of decision not to prosecute) insert—

“3K Victims’ right to be informed of decision not to prosecute

- (1) Where a prosecutor decides not to prosecute a person for an offence or alleged offence, the prosecutor must, as soon as reasonably practicable, inform any person who is, or appears to be, a victim in relation to that offence or alleged offence of the prosecutor’s decision, unless the person intimates that they do not wish to receive that information.
 - (2) The Scottish Ministers may, by regulations, make further provision in relation to the process by which a person may intimate that they do not wish to receive information under subsection (1).
 - (3) Regulations under subsection (2) are subject to the affirmative procedure.
 - (4) In this section, “prosecutor” means the Lord Advocate, Crown Counsel or the procurator fiscal (and any person duly authorised to represent or act for them).”.
- (3) The italic cross heading immediately preceding section 4 becomes “*Decisions not to prosecute*”.>

Russell Findlay

- 102 Before section 29A, insert—

<Victim’s right to information about plea agreements, etc.

- (1) The 2014 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 6 insert—

“6A Disclosure of information about plea agreements, etc.

- (1) This subsection applies where, in solemn proceedings—
 - (a) one or more of the following events has, as a result of agreement between the

prosecutor and the accused, occurred—

- (i) a relevant charge libelled in the indictment has been amended and the prosecutor has accepted a guilty plea to that charge,
 - (ii) the prosecutor has accepted a plea of not guilty to a relevant charge, and
 - (b) a person mentioned in subsection (2) (a “victim”) has not indicated to the prosecutor that they do not wish to be informed of the event mentioned in paragraph (a)(i) or (ii).
- (2) The person is—
- (a) a natural person against whom an offence libelled in the indictment is alleged to have been committed, or
 - (b) in a case where the death of a person mentioned in paragraph (a) was (or appears to have been) caused by the offence or alleged offence, a prescribed relative of the person.
- (3) The prosecutor must inform the victim of the event mentioned in paragraph (a)(i) or (ii) of subsection (1)—
- (a) as soon as reasonably practicable after the event has occurred, or
 - (b) where the prosecutor considers it is in the interests of justice, as soon as reasonably practicable after the proceedings have been substantively concluded.
- (4) In this section—
- “prescribed relative” means a person prescribed by the Scottish Ministers for the purposes of section 6(2)(b),
 - “prosecutor” means the Lord Advocate, Crown Counsel or the procurator fiscal (and any person duly authorised to represent or act for them),
 - “relevant charge” means a charge relating to an offence alleged to have been committed against the person mentioned in subsection (2)(a),
 - “substantively concluded”, in relation to criminal proceedings, means whichever is the earlier of—
 - (a) the accused being convicted or, as the case may be, acquitted in relation to all charges, or all charges remaining, in the indictment, or
 - (b) the proceedings otherwise being finally disposed of.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations modify this section to provide for its application in summary proceedings.
- (6) Regulations under subsection (5)—
- (a) may include incidental, supplementary, consequential, transitional, transitory or saving provision,
 - (b) may make different provision for different purposes,
 - (c) are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.>

After section 29G

Maggie Chapman

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103 After section 29G, insert—

<Referral to providers of victim support services

- (1) The 2014 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 3D (referral to providers of victim support services)—
 - (a) for subsection (1), substitute—

“(1) The chief constable of the Police Service of Scotland must ensure that, as soon as reasonably practicable after a constable identifies a person who is or appears to be a victim in relation to an offence or alleged offence, a constable refers the person to a provider of victim support services, unless that person intimates that they do not wish to be referred.
 - (1A) Where the person intimates that they do not wish to be referred, the constable must inform the person that—
 - (a) the person may request a referral to providers of victim support services from any competent authority at another time, and
 - (b) the person may contact providers of victim support services directly without referral.”,
 - (b) in subsection (2)—
 - (i) in the opening words,
 - (A) after second “offence” insert “is referred by a constable to or”,
 - (B) after “the” insert “constable or”,
 - (ii) in paragraph (a), after second “the” insert “constable or”,
 - (c) in subsection (3), for “(1) and (2)” substitute “(1), (1A) and (2)”.>

Sharon Dowey

104 After section 29G, insert—

<Reading of victim statement in court

- (1) The Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 14 (victim statements), after subsection (5) insert—

“(5A) Where a person has made a victim statement by virtue of subsection (2) (or that subsection and subsection (6)), that statement must be read aloud in court by—

 - (a) the person who made the statement if that person requests to do so,
 - (b) otherwise, the judge or sheriff.

(5B) The judge or sheriff may determine if a victim statement read aloud in court under subsection (5A) is to be read in whole or in part.”.>

Sharon Dowey

105 After section 29G, insert—

<Review of victim’s right to receive information on fixed penalties

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, within the period of 2 years beginning with the day of Royal Assent,

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undertake a review of the information provided to a person who is or appears to be a victim of an alleged offence in relation to—

- (a) the acceptance or rejection of a fixed penalty offer by the alleged offender in accordance with section 302 of the 1995 Act, and
 - (b) any reasons given by the alleged offender as to why the offer has been accepted or rejected.
- (2) The review under subsection (1) must, in particular, include consideration of—
- (a) whether changes should be made to the information provided, and
 - (b) if so, whether any legislative changes 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 on the review,
 - (b) lay a copy of the report before the Scottish Parliament.>

Section 29H

Russell Findlay

- 106** In section 29H, page 19, line 31, leave out <take into account whether> and insert <, where the victim's remains have not been recovered, not release the prisoner if>

Russell Findlay

- 107** Leave out section 29H and insert—

<Release of life prisoners where prisoner has information about victim's remains

- (1) The Prisoners and Criminal Proceedings (Scotland) Act 1993 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 2 (duty to release discretionary life prisoners), after subsection (5) insert—

“(5ZA) Where—

- (a) the prisoner is serving a sentence of life imprisonment for murder or culpable homicide, and
- (b) the conditions in subsection (5ZB) are met, the Board must not give a direction under subsection (4).

(5ZB) The conditions mentioned in subsection (5ZA) are—

- (a) the victim's remains have not been recovered,
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the prisoner has information about where the victim's remains are or about how or where the victim's remains were disposed of, and
- (c) the prisoner has not disclosed that information.”>

After section 29H

Russell Findlay

- 108** After section 29H, insert —

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<PART

ALLOCATION OF BUSINESS

Allocation of business in related criminal and civil proceedings

Allocation of business in related criminal and civil proceedings

- (1) The Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 37 insert —

“Allocation of business in related criminal and civil proceedings

37A Allocation of business in related criminal and civil proceedings

- (1) This section applies where —
 - (a) the Lord President of the Court of Session or the sheriff principal of a sheriffdom is exercising any function relating to the allocation of business among the judiciary of a sheriffdom,
 - (b) civil proceedings are brought by a person who is also involved in criminal proceedings, and
 - (c) the civil proceedings involve a person who is also involved in the same criminal proceedings as the person mentioned in paragraph (b).
- (2) The Lord President or, as the case may be, the sheriff principal, may have regard to the desirability of ensuring that the member of the judiciary who is dealing with the criminal proceedings is allocated to deal with the civil proceedings.”.>

After section 36

Pauline McNeill

109 After section 36, insert—

<PART

SEXUAL OFFENCES DIVISION

Sexual Offences Division

- (1) The 1995 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 305 (Acts of Adjournal), after subsection (2), insert—

“(2A) The High Court may by Act of Adjournal—

 - (a) establish a specialist division of either or both of the High Court or Sheriff Court to hear sexual offences cases,
 - (b) regulate the practice and procedure of a division established under paragraph (a).”.>

Pauline McNeill

110 After section 36, insert—

<PART

SEXUAL OFFENCES DIVISION

Sexual offences division: Sheriff Court

- (1) The 1995 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 305 (Acts of Adjournal), after subsection (2), insert—
 - “(2A) The High Court may by Act of Adjournal—
 - (a) establish a specialist division of the Sheriff Court to hear sexual offences cases,
 - (b) regulate the practice and procedure of a division established under paragraph (a).”>

Pauline McNeill

111 After section 36, insert—

<PART

SEXUAL OFFENCES DIVISION

Sexual offences division: High Court

- (1) The 1995 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 305 (Acts of Adjournal), after subsection (2), insert—
 - “(2A) The High Court may by Act of Adjournal—
 - (a) establish a specialist division of the High Court to hear sexual offences cases,
 - (b) regulate the practice and procedure of a division established under paragraph (a).”>

Section 37

Pauline McNeill

112 Leave out section 37

Section 38

Pauline McNeill

113 Leave out section 38

Section 39

Pauline McNeill

114 In section 39, page 30, line 34, at end insert—

<() murder,>

Pauline McNeill

115 In section 39, page 30, line 36, at end insert—

<() But where the indictment includes an offence of rape, the Sexual Offences Court may only try the

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offence where the Court consists of one or more of—

- (a) the Lord Justice General,
- (b) the Lord Justice Clerk,
- (c) a Judge of the Sexual Offences Court who holds office by virtue of section 39A.>

Pauline McNeill

116 Leave out section 39

Section 39A

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117 Leave out section 39A

Section 40

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118 Leave out section 40

Section 40A

Pauline McNeill

119 Leave out section 40A

Section 41

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120 Leave out section 41

Section 42

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121 Leave out section 42

Section 43

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122 Leave out section 43

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123 After section 43, insert—

<President to prepare plan on efficient disposal of business

- (1) The President of the Sexual Offences Court must, within the period of 6 months beginning with the day that section 37 comes into force, prepare and publish a plan setting out the steps that the President will take to ensure the efficient disposal of business in accordance with section 43.
- (2) The plan must, in particular, set out—
 - (a) how the President will ensure that the requirements of section 65 of the 1995 Act are met in relation to proceedings in the Sexual Offences Court,
 - (b) the steps that the President will take to reduce any delays in proceedings in the Sexual Offences Court.
- (3) The President—
 - (a) must keep the plan under review,
 - (b) may from time to time revise the plan.>

Section 44

Pauline McNeill

124 Leave out section 44

Section 45

Pauline McNeill

125 Leave out section 45

Section 46

Pauline McNeill

126 Leave out section 46

Section 47

Pauline McNeill

127 In section 47, page 38, leave out lines 14 and 15

Pauline McNeill

128 Leave out section 47

Section 48

Pauline McNeill

129 Leave out section 48

Section 49

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130 Leave out section 49

Section 49A

Pauline McNeill

131 Leave out section 49A

Section 50

Pauline McNeill

132 Leave out section 50

Section 51

Pauline McNeill

133 Leave out section 51

Section 52

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134 Leave out section 52

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135 Leave out section 53

Section 54

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136 Leave out section 54

Section 55

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137 Leave out section 55

Section 56

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Pauline McNeill

138 Leave out section 56

Section 58

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139 Leave out section 58

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140 Leave out section 59

Section 60

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141 Leave out section 60

Section 60A

Pauline McNeill

142 Leave out section 60A

Section 61

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143 Leave out section 61

Section 61A

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144 Leave out section 61A

Section 62

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145 Leave out section 62

Section 62A

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146 Leave out section 62A

After section 64

Pam Gosal

147 After section 64, insert—

<PART

NON-HARASSMENT ORDERS

Non-harassment orders: domestic abuse cases

- (1) The 1995 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 234A (non-harassment orders), in subsection (1), after paragraph (a) insert—

“(aa) remanded in custody in relation to an offence mentioned in section 234AZA(2)(c)(i) or (ii).”.
- (3) In section 234AZA (non-harassment orders: domestic abuse cases), after subsection (6) insert—

“(6A) Where the offence is one listed in subsection (2)(c)(i) or (ii), the court must, in considering the question of whether to make a non-harassment order in the person’s case (including where the person is sentenced to imprisonment or remanded in custody), have regard to any prior bail conditions imposed on the person preventing contact with the victim.”.>

Maggie Chapman

148 After section 64, insert—

<PART

NON-HARASSMENT ORDERS

Mandatory non-harassment orders

- (1) The 1995 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 234A (non-harassment orders)—
 - (a) in subsection (1A), for “may” substitute “must”,
 - (b) in subsection (2), for “may” substitute “must”.>

Maggie Chapman

149 After section 64, insert—

<PART

NON-HARASSMENT ORDERS

Sentencing guidelines: non-harassment orders

- (1) The Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 3 (sentencing guidelines), after subsection (4) insert—

“(4A) The Council must prepare sentencing guidelines on the use of non-harassment orders

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under section 234A of the 1995 Act.

(4B) Sentencing guidelines under subsection (4A) must, in particular, set out the grounds on which the court may refuse to make a non-harassment order.”.>

Maggie Chapman

150 After section 64, insert—

<PART

NON-HARASSMENT ORDERS

Report on non-harassment orders

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of each review period, prepare and publish a report on the use of non-harassment orders under section 234A of the 1995 Act.
- (2) A report under subsection (1) must, in particular, include information for the review period on—
 - (a) the number of non-harassment orders made, broken down by reference to the offence for which the person against whom the order was made was convicted,
 - (b) the number of cases where a non-harassment order was applied for by the prosecutor but not made by the court,
 - (c) the number of cases where a victim asked for a non-harassment order to be made but one was not made by the court,
 - (d) the reasons given by the court in cases where a non-harassment order was not made.
- (3) For the purposes of this section, “review period” means—
 - (a) the period of 1 year beginning with the day of Royal Assent,
 - (b) each subsequent period of 1 year.>

Rona Mackay

151 After section 64, insert—

<PART

ENFORCEMENT OF PROTECTIVE ORDERS MADE OUTWITH SCOTLAND

Offences relating to protective orders made outwith Scotland

- (1) A person commits an offence if the person knowingly and without reasonable excuse—
 - (a) does anything which the person is prohibited from doing by a relevant UK order, or
 - (b) fails to do something which the person is required to do by such an order.
- (2) A person commits an offence if the person knowingly and without reasonable excuse aids, abets, counsels, procures or incites another person—
 - (a) to do anything the other person is prohibited from doing by a relevant UK order, or
 - (b) to fail to do something which the other person is required to do by such an order.
- (3) A person commits an offence under this section only if the conduct or failure to act would have constituted an offence under the law of the country applicable to the relevant UK order concerned (an “equivalent offence”).

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- (4) A relevant UK order is—
- (a) an order under section 42 of the Family Law Act 1996 (non-molestation order),
 - (b) an order under section 5A of the Protection from Harassment Act 1997 (restraining order on acquittal),
 - (c) an order under article 20 of the Family Homes and Domestic Violence (Northern Ireland) Order 1998 (S.I. 1998/1071 (N.I. 6)) (non-molestation order),
 - (d) an order under section 2 or section 5 of the Stalking Protection Act 2019 (stalking protection order and interim stalking protection order),
 - (e) an order under section 360 of the Sentencing Act 2020 (restraining order),
 - (f) an order under section 8 or 11 of the Protection from Stalking Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 (stalking protection order and interim stalking protection order),
 - (g) any other order under the law of England and Wales or Northern Ireland which—
 - (i) appears to the Scottish Ministers to be intended to protect persons (including victims, witnesses or, as the case may be, family members of victims or witnesses) from physical or psychological harm (including fear, alarm and distress), and
 - (ii) is of a type specified in regulations made by the Scottish Ministers.
- (5) Subsection to subsection (6), a person who commits an offence under this section is liable—
- (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (or both),
 - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or a fine (or both).
- (6) But no sentence may be imposed under subsection (5) if it would exceed the maximum penalty available, in relation to the equivalent offence, under the law of the country applicable to the relevant UK order concerned.
- (7) The power of the Scottish Ministers to make regulations under subsection (4)(g)(ii) includes the power—
- (a) to make different provision for different purposes,
 - (b) to make any incidental, supplementary, consequential, transitional, transitory or saving provision which they consider appropriate.
- (8) Regulations under subsection (4)(g)(ii) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Maggie Chapman

152 After section 64, insert—

<PART

DOMESTIC ABUSE CASES

Review in relation to connected proceedings

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, within the period of 2 years beginning with the day of Royal Assent, carry out a review in relation to proceedings for an offence involving domestic abuse where there are any other related or connected proceedings.
- (2) The review under subsection (1) must, in particular, consider whether—

- (a) more information should be shared between the court dealing with the domestic abuse offence and any other court dealing with related or connected proceedings,
 - (b) the court dealing with the domestic abuse offence should also have jurisdiction over any related or connected proceedings.
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (1), “related or connected proceedings” includes proceedings which may result in a sheriff making an order under section 11 (court orders relating to parental responsibilities etc.) of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995, where the subject of the proceedings is a child of the alleged offender.
- (4) As soon as practicable after completing the review, the Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) publish a report of the review,
 - (b) lay a copy of the report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (5) In carrying out the review under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) the Lord President,
 - (b) the Lord Advocate,
 - (c) the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service,
 - (d) persons representing victims of domestic abuse (or victims themselves),
 - (e) such other persons as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (6) In this section, an “offence involving domestic abuse” means—
 - (a) an offence under section 1(1) (abusive behaviour towards partner or ex-partner) of the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018,
 - (b) an offence under section 17 (breach of domestic abuse protection order) of the Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Act 2021,
 - (c) any other offence where the offence is aggravated as described in section 1(1)(a) (aggravation where abuse of partner or ex-partner) of the Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Act 2016.>

Section 66A

Katy Clark

153 In section 66A, page 63, line 33, after <review> insert <, and

- () setting out measures taken to improve the experiences of victims and witnesses, in particular women, within the justice system during the relevant review period>

Katy Clark

154 In section 66A, page 63, line 37, after <Parliament> insert <, and—

- () lay a statement before the Scottish Parliament in relation to the effectiveness of the provisions in this Act and any other measures taken during the review period to improve the experiences of victims and witnesses, in particular women, within the justice system>

Katy Clark

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155 In section 66A, page 64, line 8, after <proceedings> insert <, in particular women>

Katy Clark

156 In section 66A, page 64, line 12, after <proceedings> insert <, in particular women>

Section 71

Pauline McNeill

157 In section 71, page 65, line 23, at end insert—

<() But regulations under subsection (2) bringing into force section 35 or 36 may not be made until the Scottish Ministers lay a statement before the Scottish Parliament confirming that they are satisfied that sufficient training on the changes to be made by those sections, including training on the minimum number of jurors required to deliver a verdict of the jury, has been undertaken by—

- (a) judges,
- (b) sheriffs principal,
- (c) sheriffs, and
- (d) members of staff of the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service.>

Schedule 3

Pauline McNeill

158 Leave out schedule 3

Schedule 4

Pauline McNeill

159 In schedule 4, page 76, line 5, leave out paragraphs 1 and 2

Pauline McNeill

160 In schedule 4, page 77, leave out lines 8 to 13

Long Title

Angela Constance

161 In the long title, page 1, line 3, after <way;> insert <to make provision about the rights of victims to receive information, give views, and be referred to victim support services;>

Angela Constance

162 In the long title, page 1, line 3, after <way;> insert <to make provision about the release of prisoners;>

Angela Constance

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Amendments Atharrachaidhean				

- 163** In the long title, page 1, line 8, after first <offences> insert <; to make provision about special measures for vulnerable witnesses in certain criminal cases;>

Angela Constance

- 164** In the long title, page 1, line 10, after <cases;> insert <to make provision about non-harassment orders;>

Rona Mackay

- 165** In the long title, page 1, line 10, after <cases;> insert <to make provision about the enforcement of protective orders made outwith Scotland;>

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Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 4 November 2025

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 29 October with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 5 June 2025

Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 10 September 2025

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 9 September 2025

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 17 June 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2025)

Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 10 September 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (50th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 2 completed, 11 June 2025

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

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Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill (G)

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

Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 Report (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee) published, 10 December 2024

Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 Report (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee) published, 2 July 2025

Ecocide (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 9 September 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 (lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 4 September 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)

Introduced, 23 April 2025

Lead committee – Rural Affairs and Islands

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

Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 3 June 2025

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Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (59th Report, 2025)

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 24 June 2025

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Leases (Automatic Continuation etc.) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 17 September 2025

Stage 1 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (49th Report, 2025)

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 10 September 2025

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

Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

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

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

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

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

Introduced, 17 March 2025

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

Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 9 September 2025

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 11 March 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (62nd Report, 2024)

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

Stage 2 (evidence (Education, Children and Young People Committee)), 10 September 2025

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 19 June 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (44th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 3 September 2025

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

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

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

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

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

Stage 3 (proceedings, meeting of the Parliament), 16 September 2025

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 17 September 2025

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

Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 11 September 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>

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

Lodged on 12 June 2025

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

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

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

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

Lodged on 3 June 2025

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

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

Lead committee – Rural Affairs and Islands

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

Lodged on 12 March 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

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

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

Bus Services (No. 2) Bill LCM-S6-63

Lodged on 5 September 2025

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

Lodged on 12 June 2025

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

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

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

Crime and Policing Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-57b

Lodged on 1 August 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 2 September 2025

Lead committee – Criminal Justice

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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)

Planning and Infrastructure Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-56a

Lodged on 13 August 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 9 September 2025

Lead committee – Net Zero, Energy and Transport

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

Lodged on 21 March 2025

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

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

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

Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025

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

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

Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill LCM-S6-61

Lodged on 24 July 2025

Lead committee – Net Zero, Energy and Transport

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

Lodged on 27 August 2025

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 May 2025

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

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

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 1 October 2025

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

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

Subject to approval by 6 October 2025

[Social Security \(Cross-border Provision, Case Transfer and Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (24 June 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 10 October 2025

[Winter Heating Assistance \(Pension Age\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (25 August 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Scottish Parliament \(Elections etc.\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (28 August 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to approval by 27 October 2025

[Scottish Parliament \(Disqualification of Members of the House of Lords\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (2 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

[Scottish Parliament \(Disqualification of Councillors\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (2 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

[Scottish Parliament \(Disqualification of Members of the House of Commons\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (2 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to approval by 28 October 2025

[Free-Range Poultrymeat Marketing Standards \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (3 September 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Social Security \(Residence and Presence Requirements\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (3 September 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 30 October 2025

[Carer's Assistance \(Miscellaneous and Consequential Amendments, Revocation, Transitional and Saving Provisions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (5 September 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 10 September 2025

Lead committee report due by 8 September 2025

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

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

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

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

[Firefighters' Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/187\)](#) (20 June 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

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

[Teachers' Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/197\)](#) (25 June 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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

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

[Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/239\)](#) (29 August 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Offshore Fishing \(Prohibition of Fishing Methods\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/240\)](#) (1 September 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 29 October 2025
Lead committee report due by 27 October 2025

[National Health Service \(Common Staffing Method\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/244\)](#) (4 September 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Plant Health \(Export Certification\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/241\)](#) (4 September 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Motor Vehicles \(Competitions and Trials\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/245\)](#) (4 September 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following report will be published on 9 September 2025—

Education, Children and Young People Committee, 9th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Stage 1 report on the Tertiary Education and Training (Funding and Governance) (Scotland) Bill (SP Paper 847)

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

Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 8 September 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

General Pharmaceutical Council - Annual Report Annual Fitness to Practise Report Annual Accounts 2024/25 (SG/2025/184) laid under Paragraph 7 and 8 of Schedule 1 to the Pharmacy Order 2010

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