

Tuesday 30 September 2025

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean

Revised at 1:30pm



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S6M-19134, today's business will be as follows:

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Cameron McGerr

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Ministerial Statement:
Techscaler Programme

followed by Urgent Question: Pam Gosal: To ask the Scottish Government who it consulted before producing the Supporting Transgender Pupils in Schools Guidance for Education Authorities and Schools, which it published yesterday.

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Housing (Scotland) Bill

followed by Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee Announcement: Instruments considered during the first quarter of the Parliamentary Year 2025-26

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

8:30 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

9:15am Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

9:15am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

9:30am Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

10:00am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

10:00am Finance and Public Administration Committee

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Chamber Seòmar				

Meeting of the Parliament

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2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Cameron McGerr

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S6M-19134](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—

(a) Tuesday 30 September 2025—

delete

7.15 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

and insert

8.20 pm Decision Time

(b) Wednesday 1 October 2025—

after

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Protecting Scotland's Fire Service

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Urban Gulls Summit

delete

5.10 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.40 pm Decision Time

(c) Thursday 2 October 2025—

after

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice and Housing

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scotland's Prison Population

and after

5.00 pm Decision Time

insert

followed by Members' Business

followed by Topical Questions

1. Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the report from the Scottish Funding Council stating that universities and colleges are in unsustainable financial situations, with some at risk of insolvency in the current financial year. ([S6T-02699](#))

2. Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service has issued an extreme wildfire warning for the first time in September since 2020. ([S6T-02690](#))

3. Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason patients across Scotland will reportedly not be able to fully access the new MyCare NHS app until 2030. ([S6T-02701](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: Techscaler Programme

followed by Urgent Question: Pam Gosal: To ask the Scottish Government who it consulted before producing the Supporting Transgender Pupils in Schools Guidance for Education Authorities and Schools, which it published yesterday.

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Housing (Scotland) Bill

[S6M-18992](#) **Màiri McAllan: Housing (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the Housing (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee Announcement: Instruments considered during the first quarter of the Parliamentary Year 2025-26

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S6M-19135](#) **Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Membership**—That the Parliament agrees that Sarah Boyack be appointed as a member of the Economy and Fair Work Committee.

8:30 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 21st Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Children (Withdrawal from Religious Education and Amendment of UNCRC Compatibility Duty) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 Reverend Stephen Allison, Public Engagement Coordinator, The Free Church of Scotland;
 Claire Benton-Evans, Provincial Youth Coordinator, Scottish Episcopal Church;
 Barbara Coupar, Director, Scottish Catholic Education Service;
 Reverend Stephen Miller, Co-ordinator, Education & Schools Group, Church of Scotland;
 Leah Rivka, Research and Publications Officer, Jewish Council of Scotland;
 and then from—
 Dr Alejandro Sanchez, Human rights lead, National Secular Society;
 Fraser Sutherland, Chief Executive Officer, Humanist Society of Scotland;
 and then from—
 Rachel Fox, Senior Policy Adviser, UN Convention on the Rights of the Child for the United Kingdom Committee for UNICEF, UNICEF UK;
 Dr Conor Hill, Lecturer in Law, and Melissa Murray, Lecturer in Law, Glasgow Caledonian University;
 Professor Angela O'Hagan, Chair, and Caitlin Fitzgerald, Legal and Policy Coordinator-UNCRC, Scottish Human Rights Commission;
 Professor Elaine Sutherland, Member, Child and Family Law Sub-Committee, Law Society of Scotland.
2. **Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier in the meeting.

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 25th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **ADHD and ASD pathways and support:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 Bill Colley, Chair, Scottish ADHD Coalition;
 Dani Cosgrove, Chief Operating Officer, Stronger Together for Autism and Neurodivergence (STAND);
 Rob Holland, Director, National Autistic Society Scotland;
 Mark McDonald, Media and Policy Officer, Scottish Autism;
 and then from—
 Kabie Brook, Chair, Autism Rights Group Highland (ARGH);
 Matthew Day, National One Stop Shop Manager, Number 6;
 Sofia Farzana, Director and Co-founder, Scottish Ethnic Minority Autistics (SEMA);
 Lyndsay Macadam, Chief Executive Officer, SWAN Scotland.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—

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[National Health Service \(Common Staffing Method\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025](#)

4. **ADHD and ASD pathways and support:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 29th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM-S6-61 and wider issues around the production and use of SAF in Scotland from—
Dr Sebastian Eastham, Associate Professor in Sustainable Aviation, Imperial College London;
Celeste Hicks, Policy Manager, Aviation Environment Federation (AEF);
Professor Graham Hutchings, Regius Professor of Chemistry, Cardiff University;
Professor Mercedes Maroto-Valer, Director UK Industrial Decarbonisation Research and Innovation Centre (IDRIC) and Deputy Principal (Global Sustainability), Heriot-Watt University;
Mark Morrison, Senior Consultant, Optimat.
3. **Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Appointment to the Board of Environmental Standards Scotland:** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Scottish Government.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider a draft report on the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 (Scottish Carbon Budgets) Amendment Regulations 2025.
6. **Ecocide (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider an analysis of responses to its Call for Views on the Bill and its approach to remaining scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 25th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Reform of Energy Performance Certificates:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Gillian Campbell, Director, Existing Homes Alliance Scotland;
Professor David Jenkins, Professor of Energy and Buildings, Heriot-Watt University;
Andy Parkin, Technical Development Director, Elmhurst Energy;
Alan Stark, Chair, Sustainability and Building Design Committee, Scottish Property Federation;
and then from—
John Blackwood, Chief Executive, Scottish Association of Landlords;
Bryan Leask, Secretary, Rural and Islands Housing Association Forum.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
[Council Tax \(Dwellings and Part Residential Subjects\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/249)

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[Redemption of Heritable Securities \(Excluded Securities\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025](#)

(SSI 2025/251)

4. **Reform of Energy Performance Certificates:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 27th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6, 7 and 8 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Equality Act 2010 \(Specific Duties\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#)
 (SSI 2025/Draft)
[Equality Act 2010 \(Specification of Public Authorities\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025](#)
 (SSI 2025/Draft)
[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions and Members of the Police Appeals Tribunal\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)
[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland General Regulatory Chamber Police Appeals and Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Composition\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)
[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland General Regulatory Chamber \(Police Appeals\) \(Procedure\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)
[Scottish Aggregates Tax \(Administration\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)
[Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act \(Postponement of Tax Pending a Review or Appeal\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)
[Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act \(Record Keeping\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)
[Regulation of Care \(Child Contact Services\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/Draft)
[Regulation of Care \(Child Contact Services\) \(Equality\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)
 (SSI 2025/Draft)
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[National Health Service Superannuation and Pension Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/259)
[Sports Grounds and Sporting Events \(Designation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025](#)
 (SSI 2025/262)
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Scottish Elections \(Representation and Reform\) Act 2025 \(Commencement No. 1 Amendment and Commencement No. 2\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/260 (C.21))
5. **Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Ecocide (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Member-in-charge's response to points raised on the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
7. **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
8. **Freedom of Information Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

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Finance and Public Administration Committee

26th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny: Responding to long-term fiscal pressures:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Richard McCallum, Director of Public Spending, Lucy O'Carroll, Director of Tax, and Alasdair Black, Deputy Director, Budget and Fiscal Coordination, Scottish Government.

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