

Tuesday 27 January 2026

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean

Revised at 1:06pm



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S6M-20568, today's business will be as follows:

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Emily Stephen and Julian Staniszewski, Holocaust Educational Trust Ambassadors

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

10:00 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

8:30am Finance and Public Administration Committee

9:00am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

9:15am Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

9:30am Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

10:00am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

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S6M-20568 Graeme Dey: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—

(a) Tuesday 27 January 2026—

delete

9.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

10.00 pm Decision Time

(b) Wednesday 28 January 2026—

after

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill – UK Legislation

insert

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill

delete

5.30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

and insert

9.30 pm Decision Time

(c) Thursday 29 January 2026—

delete

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

and insert

2.15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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after

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Greyhound Racing (Offences) (Scotland) Bill

insert

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Fruit and Vegetables) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 [draft]

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.25 pm Decision Time

followed by Topical Questions

1. Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that then health secretary, Shona Robison, u-turned on a promise to carry out an independent audit of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital before it opened to patients. ([S6T-02862](#))

2. Murdo Fraser: To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take in response to the finding from UKHospitality Scotland that licensed premises face, on average, an 86% increase in non-domestic rates as a result of the current revaluation. ([S6T-02861](#))

3. Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Scottish Information Commissioner taking legal action against it in relation to it missing deadlines to produce documents regarding James Hamilton's investigation into alleged breaches of the Ministerial Code. ([S6T-02866](#))

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill

S6M-20557 Graeme Dey: Stage 3 Timetable—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limits indicated, those time limits being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 3: 1 hour 25 minutes

Groups 4 to 5: 2 hours 55 minutes

Groups 6 to 8: 5 hours

Groups 9 to 11: 7 hours 15 minutes

Groups 12 to 15: 8 hours 50 minutes

Groups 16 to 19: 9 hours 50 minutes

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

10:00 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Finance and Public Administration Committee

4th Meeting, 2026

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

1. Budget Scrutiny 2026-27: The Committee will take evidence from—

Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Jennie Barugh, Director of Exchequer Strategy, Richard McCallum, Director of Public Spending, Lucy O'Carroll, Director of Tax, and Ellen Leaver, Director for Local Government, Scottish Government.

2. Scottish Fiscal Commission: annual evidence session: The Committee will take evidence from

Professor Graeme Roy, Chair, John Ireland, Chief Executive, and Susie Warden, Head of Strategy, Governance and Corporate Services, Scottish Fiscal Commission.

3. Finance No.2 Bill (UK Parliament legislation): The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM-S6-71 from—

Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, Merlin Kemp, Head of Income Tax and Tax Strategy, and Laura Wilkinson, Lawyer, Scottish Government.

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

4th Meeting, 2026

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

1. Decision on taking business in private: The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.

2. Subordinate legislation: The Committee will take evidence on the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Order 2026 from—

Gillian Martin, Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy, Lucy Geoghegan, Head of Unit, Net Zero Economy and Carbon Markets, Natalie Bertagna, Senior Policy Advisor, and Norman Munro, Lawyer, Scottish Government.

3. Subordinate legislation: Gillian Martin (Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy) to move —S6M-19991—That the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee recommends that the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Order 2026 [draft] be approved.

4. Draft Climate Change Plan: The Committee will take evidence from—

Claire Mack, Chief Executive, Scottish Renewables;
Gemma Grimes, Director of Policy and Delivery, Solar Energy UK;
Adam Morrison, UK Country Manager, Ocean Winds;
Professor Matthew Hannon, Professor of Sustainable Energy Business and Policy, University of Strathclyde.

5. Draft Climate Change Plan: The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting. The Committee will also consider the evidence heard at its past meetings on 16 December, 6 January and 20 January.

6. Work programme: The Committee will consider its work programme.

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

4th Meeting, 2026

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

1. Decisions on taking business in private: The Committee will decide whether to take items 6, 7 and 8 in private.

2. Scottish Budget 2026-27: The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Budget for 2026-27 from—

Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Care, Fiona Bennett, Chief Finance Officer for Health and Social Care, and Alan Morrison, Deputy Director Health Infrastructure & Sustainability, Scottish Government.

3. Subordinate legislation: The Committee will take evidence on [the Civic Government \(Scotland\) Act 1982 \(Licensing of Non-surgical Procedures\) Order 2026](#) from—

Jenni Minto, Minister for Public Health and Women's Health, Rachel Coutts, Lawyer, and Owen Griffiths, Legislation Team Leader, Scottish Government.

4. Subordinate legislation: Jenni Minto MSP (Minister for Public Health and Women's Health) to move—

[S6M-20213](#)—That the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee recommends that the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (Licensing of Non-surgical Procedures) Order 2026 be approved.

5. Subordinate legislation: The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—

[Public Bodies \(Joint Working\) \(Integration Joint Boards\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025](#)

6. Scottish Budget 2026-27: The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

7. Subordinate legislation: The Committee will consider a draft report on the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (Licensing of Non-surgical Procedures) Order 2026.

8. Draft Climate Change Plan: The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee.

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

4th Meeting, 2026

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

- Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private, and whether its consideration of a draft report on the Draft Climate Change Plan should be taken in private at a future meeting.
- Visitor Levy (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Jamie Coventry, Economic Adviser, Aberdeen City Council;
Gareth Dixon, Policy Manager, Local Government Finance, Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA);
Christie Hartley, Team Manager, Sustainable Tourism, Orkney Islands Council;
Malcolm MacLeod, Assistant Chief Executive - Place, The Highland Council;
Fergus Murray, Head of Development and Economic Growth, Argyll & Bute Council;
Elin Williamson, Interim Service Director for Culture, Wellbeing and Economy, City of Edinburgh Council.

and then from—

Fiona Campbell, Chief Executive, Association of Scotland's Self-Caterers;
Marc Crothall, Chief Executive Officer, Scottish Tourism Alliance;
Sheila Gilmore, Chief Executive, VisitArran;
Fiona MacConnacher, Head of Public Affairs, UK & Ireland, Booking.com;
David Weston, Chairman, Scottish B&B Association.

- Budget Scrutiny 2026-27:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Ellen Leaver, Acting Director for Local Government, and Ian Storrie, Head of Local Government Finance, Scottish Government.
- Visitor Levy (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
- Budget Scrutiny 2026-27:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 3.
- Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.
- Draft Climate Change Plan (In Private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee on the draft Climate Change Plan.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

4th Meeting, 2026

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
- Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Visitor Levy \(Reviews and Appeals\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)
[Visitor Levy \(Local Authority Assessment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)
[Digital Waste Tracking \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)

[National Bus Travel Concession Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Order 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)

[Antisocial Behaviour \(Fixed Penalty Offences\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)

[Conservation of Habitats and Species \(Offshore Wind\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)

[Early Removal of Prisoners from the United Kingdom \(Amendment of Specified Time Periods\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)

[Social Security Up-rating \(Scotland\) Order 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) \(Extension to Maritime Activities\) Order 2026](#) (SI 2026/Draft)

3. Instruments subject to negative procedure: The Committee will consider the following—

[Building \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/7)

[Scottish Landfill Tax \(Administration\) Amendment Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/8)

[Visitor Levy \(Interest on Unpaid Levy and Penalties\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/9)

[Sea Fish \(Prohibition on Fishing\) \(Firth of Clyde\) Order 2026](#) (SSI 2026/10)

[Seed \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/13)

4. Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure: The Committee will consider the following—

[Act of Adjournal \(Criminal Procedure Rules 1996 Amendment\) \(Miscellaneous\) 2026](#) (SSI 2026/11)

5. Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.

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