

Tuesday 24 March 2026

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

First meeting of 7th Session

The Presiding Officer wishes to notify Members under Rule 2.4.2 of Standing Orders that, having consulted with party leaders, she intends the first meeting of the new Parliamentary Session to be on Thursday 14 May 2026. The Parliament will meet from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm for the purpose of Members' oath taking, and again at 2.30 pm for the purpose of electing the Presiding Officer and two Deputy Presiding Officers. Newly elected Members will be notified after the election.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

10:00 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Members' Business: Brian Whittle:
Sport and Activity as a Force for Good

followed by Members' Business: Christine
Grahame: Animal Welfare Sentencing and Public
Protection

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Ellie Craig MSYP

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scotland's
Climate Change Plan: 2026-2040

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Restraint and
Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Visitor Levy
(Amendment) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Crofting and
Scottish Land Court Bill

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Crime
and Policing Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent:
Tobacco and Vapes Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Armed
Forces Bill – UK Legislation

Committee Meetings

9:15am Net Zero, Energy and Transport
Committee

9:30am Delegated Powers and Law Reform
Committee

10:15am Local Government, Housing and Planning
Committee

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent:
Railways Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public
Appointments Committee Debate: Standards,
Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's
6th Report, 2026 (Session 6)

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public
Appointments Committee Debate: Standards,
Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's
7th Report, 2026 (Session 6)

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public
Appointments Committee Debate: Standards,
Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's
10th Report, 2026 (Session 6)

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public
Appointments Committee Motion on the Lobbying
(Scotland) Act 2016 (Modifications) Resolution
2026

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6:05 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Clare Haughey:
Closure of Bank of Scotland Branches

followed by Members' Business: Fulton
MacGregor: Strengthening Adoption Support for
Families

Meeting of the Parliament

10:00 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Members' Business: Brian Whittle: Sport and Activity as a Force for Good

[S6M-20497](#) Brian Whittle: Sport and Activity as a Force for Good—That the Parliament recognises the importance of sport and activity as a force for good that goes beyond just physical health; considers that they have a significant impact on mental health, as well as contributing to community and national cohesion and wellbeing; believes that sport breaks down barriers of colour, race, religion and creed by bringing individuals and communities together through a common shared interest and passion; recognises that, by promoting sport and activity, the Scottish Government can positively impact on confidence, resilience and aspiration which, in turn, can positively impact on education and benefit the economy, and notes the view that the Scottish Government should do everything that it can to make sport and activity available for all, in the South Scotland region and across the country, irrespective of personal circumstances.

followed by Members' Business: Christine Grahame: Animal Welfare Sentencing and Public Protection

[S6M-20603](#) Christine Grahame: Animal Welfare Sentencing and Public Protection—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the serious harm caused by animal cruelty, neglect and illegal breeding; notes concerns raised by animal welfare organisations regarding the consistency and proportionality of sentencing in animal welfare cases; understands that many cases involving the welfare of pets and farm animals are dealt with under summary procedure, limiting the penalties available under the Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Act 2020; notes what it sees as the lack of specific sentencing guidelines covering these offences; further notes the view that clearer guidance and greater awareness of available powers would support more consistent sentencing that reflects the severity of the crimes; acknowledges calls for stronger monitoring and enforcement of disqualification orders, including consideration of a national animal offenders register to improve information sharing between agencies, and notes the importance of continued partnership working between the Scottish Government, justice partners, the Scottish Sentencing Council, Police Scotland and animal welfare organisations to support effective sentencing and protection for animals and the public in Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale and across the country.

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Ellie Craig MSYP

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

1. Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to recent findings by the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service that 29 babies have died as a result of co-sleeping in Scotland in the last two years. ([S6T-02970](#))

2. Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported comments by the Fire Brigades Union that years of real-terms budget reductions have left the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service “creaking”, and that proposed workforce reductions would increase the risk to community safety, particularly following the recent fire in Glasgow. ([S6T-02973](#))

3. Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to protect people receiving and awaiting social care packages, in light of recent reports that industry leaders are

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warning that home care services are heading towards a “catastrophic breakdown”. ([S6T-02979](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scotland’s Climate Change Plan: 2026-2040

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill

[S6M-21120](#) Daniel Johnson: Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Visitor Levy (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill

[S6M-21103](#) Ivan McKee: Visitor Levy (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Visitor Levy (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill

[S6M-21104](#) Jim Fairlie: Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill be passed.

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Crime and Policing Bill – UK Legislation

[S6M-21179](#) Angela Constance: Crime and Policing Bill - UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Crime and Policing Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 25 February 2025, and subsequently amended, relating to clauses 15 to 29 and schedule 4 (online advertising etc of unlawful weapons: civil penalties), 31 (offensive weapons), 35, 37 and 38 to 40 (remote sale of crossbows and knives), 44 (duty to report bulk sale of knives), 50 and 51 (offence of child criminal exploitation), 66 and schedule 7 (child criminal exploitation prevention orders: Scotland), 67 to 69 and part 2 of schedule 9 (cuckooing), 76 (child sexual abuse image generators: Scotland), 78 (possession of advice or guidance about creating child sexual abuse or CSA images), 106 (pornographic images of strangulation or suffocation), 110 and 111 (technology testing defence), 117 to 121, 124(1), 125 and 126 and schedule 14 (management of sex offenders), 148 and 149 (offences relating to electronic devices for use in vehicle theft), 167 (powers for British Transport Police), 173 to 180 and schedule 18 (remotely stored electronic data), 181 (access to driver licensing information), 192 (proceeds of crime: expenses protections), 208 to 216 and schedule 24 (creation, maintenance and checking of barred and advisory lists for National Crime Agency/British Transport Police/Ministry of Defence Police/Civil Nuclear Constabulary), 248 to 250 and 262 (implementation of law enforcement information sharing agreements), 254 (criminal liability of bodies corporate and partnerships where senior manager commits offence) and schedule 22 (Proceeds of Crime Act 2002), 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.

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Tobacco and Vapes Bill – UK Legislation

[S6M-21166](#) Jenni Minto: Tobacco and Vapes Bill - UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Tobacco and Vapes Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 5 November 2024, and subsequently amended, relating to filters, advertising for public health, technology in devices and intermediary liability for internet service providers, 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.

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Armed Forces Bill – UK Legislation

[S6M-21167](#) Graeme Dey: Armed Forces Bill - UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Armed Forces Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 15 January

2026, relating to clauses 2, 50, 52, 54, and 55, so far as these matters alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Railways Bill – UK Legislation

[S6M-21168](#) Fiona Hyslop: Railways Bill - UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Railways Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 5 November 2025, relating to clauses 4, 7 to 10, 12, 18, 19, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28 to 35, 39, 43, 48, 66, 75, 78, 80, 81, 87 and 90, paragraphs 1, 2, 8 to 14 and 16 of schedule 2, paragraphs 4, 8, 9, 12 to 18, 22, 25, 26, 33 and 53 of schedule 3, new clauses 61, 62 and 64, new schedule 1, the amendments to clause 7 and clause 90, and the amendments to schedule 3 (inserting new paragraphs 22A, 23A, 24A, 25A, 32A, 33B, 34E, 34F, 34J, 34K, 34N, 35A and 36A to schedule 3), so far as these matters alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 6th Report, 2026 (Session 6)

[S6M-21051](#) Martin Whitfield: Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 6th Report 2026 (Session 6)—That the Parliament notes the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 6th Report, 2026 (Session 6), *Code of Conduct changes – Cross-Party Groups* (SP Paper 1017), and agrees that the changes to the Code of Conduct set out in Annexe A of the report be made with effect from 11 May 2026.

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 7th Report, 2026 (Session 6)

[S6M-21050](#) Martin Whitfield: Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 7th Report, 2026 (Session 6)—That the Parliament notes the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 7th Report, 2026 (Session 6), *Standing Order rule changes – Miscellaneous and minor amendments* (SP Paper 1032), and agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in the Annexe of the report be made with effect from 11 May 2026.

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 10th Report, 2026 (Session 6)

[S6M-21048](#) Martin Whitfield: Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 10th Report, 2026 (Session 6)—That the Parliament notes the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 10th Report, 2026 (Session 6), *Standing Order rule changes – Miscellaneous and minor amendments* (SP Paper 1052), and agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in (a) Annexe A of the report be made with effect from 1 April 2026 and (b) Annexe B of the report be made with effect from 11 May 2026.

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Motion on the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 (Modifications) Resolution 2026

[S6M-20942](#) Martin Whitfield: Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 (Modifications) Resolution 2026—That the Parliament, in exercise of the power conferred by section 15 of the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 ("the 2016 Act") makes The Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 (Modifications) Resolution 2026 and—

(a) resolves that with effect from the day after the first dissolution of the Parliament following the day on which this Resolution is made the provisions which are contained in paragraphs 1 to 4 of this Resolution shall come into force; and

(b) notes that in accordance with section 48(1) of the 2016 Act the Parliament has consulted the Scottish Ministers.

ANNEXE

SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT

THE LOBBYING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2016 (MODIFICATIONS) RESOLUTION 2026

Made...

Coming into force in accordance with paragraph (a)

That the Parliament—

(a) in exercise of the power conferred by section 15 of the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 (“the 2016 Act”) resolves that with effect from the day after the first dissolution of the Parliament following the day on which this Resolution is made the provisions which are contained in paragraphs 1 to 4 of this Resolution shall come into force; and

(b) notes that in accordance with section 48(1) of the 2016 Act the Parliament has consulted the Scottish Ministers.

Citation

1. This Resolution may be cited as the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 (Modifications) Resolution 2026.

Modification of section 5 of the 2016 Act

2.—(1) Section 5 (information about identity) is modified in accordance with this paragraph.

(2) In paragraph (a)—

(a) omit the “and” immediately following sub-paragraph (i),

(b) after sub-paragraph (ii) insert—

“(iii) the individual’s business email address (or, if there is no such email address, the individual’s home email address), and

(iv) the individual’s main telephone number (if any),”.

(3) In paragraph (b)—

(a) omit the “and” immediately following sub-paragraph (iv),

(b) after sub-paragraph (v) omit “(each of those expressions having the same meaning as in that Act)”,

(c) after sub-paragraph (v) insert—

“(vi) its registered email address, and

(vii) the telephone number (if any) for its registered office,

(each of the expressions in sub-paragraphs (i) to (vi) having the same meaning as in that Act),”.

(4) In paragraph (c)—

(a) omit the “and” immediately following sub-paragraph (ii),

(b) after sub-paragraph (iii) insert—

“(iv) the email address of the partnership, which must be an email address to which, in the ordinary course of events, emails sent by the Clerk would be expected to come to the attention of a person acting on behalf of the registrant, and

(v) the telephone number (if any) for its main office or place of business, and”.

(5) In paragraph (d)—

(a) omit the “and” immediately following sub-paragraph (i),

(b) after sub-paragraph (ii), insert—

“(iii) the person’s business email address, which must be an email address to which, in the ordinary course of events, emails sent by the Clerk would be expected to come to the attention of a person acting on behalf of the registrant, and

(iv) the telephone number (if any) for its main office or place of business.”.

Modification of section 7 of the 2016 Act

3.—(1) Section 7 (additional information) is modified in accordance with this paragraph.

(2) Omit the “and” immediately following paragraph (a)(iii),

(3) After paragraph (a) insert—

“(aa) any information submitted by the registrant about any individual given responsibility by the registrant for the discharge of the duties imposed on the registrant by or under this Act, and”.

Modification of section 11 of the 2016 Act

4. In section 11 (information returns), in subsection (5)(b), after “(7)(a)” insert “and (aa),”.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Resolution)

The Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 (“the Act”) sets out a registration regime for “regulated lobbying”, as defined in the Act. In doing so it makes provision for a lobbying register which is operated by the Clerk of the Scottish Parliament (“the Clerk”). Part 2 sets out the content of the register and the role and functions of the Clerk in operating it. This includes a requirement that the register contains specified information about each registrant’s identity (section 4). Section 5 sets out that information about identity. Section 7 sets out the additional information that the register must contain.

Paragraph 2 modifies Part 2 of the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016 by adding to section 5 that the information about the person's identity must also include an email address and, if available, a telephone number. The type of email address varies depending on the type of person (e.g. individual, company, partnership or other person) but, for registrants who are not individuals, it must be an email address to which, in the ordinary course of events, emails sent by the Clerk would be expected to come to the attention of a person acting on behalf of the registrant.

Paragraph 3 makes provision for further additional information that may be provided by the registrant for inclusion in the register. That further additional information is such information as may be provided by the registrant about any individual given responsibility by the registrant for ensuring compliance with the requirements of the Act.

Paragraph 4 makes a consequential amendment.

These amendments aim to enable the Clerk to improve communication with registrants, for example, to provide updates, notices and reminders that are important for the registrant. They are intended to assist the Clerk in the discharge of the duties and functions imposed by or under the Act.

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

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[S6M-21190](#) Graeme Dey: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Antisocial Behaviour (Fixed Penalty Offences) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2026 [draft] be approved.

[S6M-21191](#) Graeme Dey: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Marine Licensing (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2026 [draft] be approved.

6:05 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Clare Haughey: Closure of Bank of Scotland Branches

[S6M-20791](#) Clare Haughey: Closure of Bank of Scotland Branches—That the Parliament notes with concern the reported decision by the Lloyds Banking Group to close 11 Bank of Scotland branches between June and July 2026, including the Rutherglen branch; understands that this is the latest in a series of bank closures across the UK; believes that these closures will have a significant impact on local residents, businesses and organisations that depend on high street banks for cash access and essential banking services, particularly older people, disabled people, small businesses and charities; considers that the closure of banks is hugely detrimental to the viability of local high streets, and notes the calls on the Lloyds Banking Group to reconsider its decision.

followed by Members' Business: Fulton MacGregor: Strengthening Adoption Support for Families

[S6M-20902](#) Fulton MacGregor: Strengthening Adoption Support for Families—That the Parliament notes the findings of the report, *Strengthening the Safety Net: A Framework for Adoption Support in Scotland*, which was published by the Cross-Party Group on Social Work and highlights what the group identified as serious and systemic shortcomings in adoption support services across Scotland; believes that adoptive families in communities in Coatbridge and Chryston, and across the country, frequently experience fragmented, inconsistent and inadequately resourced post-adoption support; recognises that the Adoption UK Barometer 2025 suggested that 78% of adoptive families in Scotland face significant challenges, with 40% reporting severe difficulties, and that official figures on adoption breakdown are believed to likely underestimate the true scale of family distress due to

inconsistent definitions and limited data collection; expresses concern at reports that many families reach crisis point without timely access to specialist, trauma-informed support, respite provision or intensive family services, increasing, it believes, the risk of placement disruption and further harm to children and families; acknowledges that adoption does not erase the effects of early trauma, abuse and neglect, and that adopted children’s needs often intensify during adolescence and key transition points; considers that the transfer of post-adoption support from specialist adoption teams to generic children and families services after three years frequently fails to reflect the complexity of adoptive family life; notes the report’s recommendations for a national adoption practice model, improved training, mandatory data collection, minimum standards for preparation and support, enhanced crisis intervention and respite services, and greater flexibility in adoption allowances, and further notes calls on the Scottish Government to work with adoptive families, adopted people, frontline practitioners and local authorities to urgently develop and implement a comprehensive national framework for adoption support, and to ensure that families across Scotland, including in Coatbridge and Chryston, can access consistent, high-quality, lifelong adoption support, regardless of postcode. **R**

Committee Meetings

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

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 14th Meeting, 2026

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

1. **Legacy report (In Private):** The Committee will continue consideration of a draft legacy report.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 12th Meeting, 2026

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2025 \(Commencement No. 2 and Saving Provisions\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/120 (C.12))

[Vulnerable Witnesses \(Criminal Evidence\) \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 3 and Transitional Provision\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/136 (C.17))

[His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education in Scotland \(Appointment\) Order 2026](#) (SSI 2026/138)

3. **Quarterly report:** The Committee will consider a draft report for the parliamentary quarter from 27 January to 24 March 2026.
4. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 13 May 2025 to 8 April 2026.
5. **Statutory Instrument protocol update:** The Committee will consider an update in relation to notification to the Scottish Parliament of UK Government Statutory Instruments which make provision in devolved areas.
6. **Legacy report:** The Committee will consider a draft legacy report.

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 13th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 10:15AM in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the [Non-Domestic Rates \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/135), taking evidence from—
Fiona Campbell, Chief Executive, Association of Scotland's Self-Caterers;
Garry Clark, Development Manager, East, Mid and South of Scotland, Federation of Small Businesses;
Leon Thompson, Executive Director, UKHospitality Scotland.
and then from—
Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, Anouk Berthier, Head of Non-Domestic Rates Policy,
and Susan Robb, Solicitor, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 18 March 2026

Wednesday 25 March 2026

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister’s Questions

followed by Members’ Business: Pam Gosal: A Scotland-wide Ban on the Use of Mobile Phones in Schools

followed by Members’ Business: Jamie Halcro Johnston: Sustainability of Remote, Rural and Island Communities

3:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

3:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands; Health and Social Care; Social Justice and Housing

followed by Motion of Thanks

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

4:30 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- * before the number indicates publication for the first time
- *...* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

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

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

Motions for debate

***[S6M-21180](#) John Swinney: Motion of Thanks**—That the Parliament expresses its thanks to its Presiding Officer, Alison Johnstone, for her dedicated service to the Parliament; thanks her Deputy Presiding Officers, and pays tribute to all of those Members who are standing down at the end of this session.

Supported by: Anas Sarwar*, Ross Greer*, Gillian Mackay*, Russell Findlay*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

***[S6M-21179](#) Angela Constance: Crime and Policing Bill - UK Legislation**—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Crime and Policing Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 25 February 2025, and subsequently amended, relating to clauses 15 to 29 and schedule 4 (online advertising etc of unlawful weapons: civil penalties), 31 (offensive weapons), 35, 37 and 38 to 40 (remote sale of crossbows and knives), 44 (duty to report bulk sale of knives), 50 and 51 (offence of child criminal exploitation), 66 and schedule 7 (child criminal exploitation prevention orders: Scotland), 67 to 69 and part 2 of schedule 9 (cuckooing), 76 (child sexual abuse image generators: Scotland), 78 (possession of advice or guidance about creating child sexual abuse or CSA images), 106 (pornographic images of strangulation or suffocation), 110 and 111 (technology testing defence), 117 to 121, 124(1), 125 and 126 and schedule 14 (management of sex offenders), 148 and 149 (offences relating to electronic devices for use in vehicle theft), 167 (powers for British Transport Police), 173 to 180 and schedule 18 (remotely stored electronic data), 181 (access to driver licensing information), 192 (proceeds of crime: expenses protections), 208 to 216 and schedule 24 (creation, maintenance and checking of barred and advisory lists for National Crime Agency/British Transport Police/Ministry of Defence Police/Civil Nuclear Constabulary), 248 to 250 and 262 (implementation of law enforcement information sharing agreements), 254 (criminal liability of bodies corporate and partnerships where senior manager commits offence) and schedule 22 (Proceeds of Crime Act 2002), 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.

Supported by: Siobhian Brown*

***[S6M-21166](#) Jenni Minto: Tobacco and Vapes Bill - UK Legislation**—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Tobacco and Vapes Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 5 November 2024, and subsequently amended, relating to filters, advertising for public health, technology in devices and intermediary liability for internet service providers, 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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Supported by: Maree Todd, Tom Arthur, Neil Gray

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-21183](#) Bob Doris: Congratulating the Maryhill Integration Network on its 25th Anniversary**

—That the Parliament congratulates the Maryhill Integration Network (MIN) on reaching its 25th anniversary in 2026; acknowledges that MIN has become a key part of North Glasgow's social fabric during the last quarter of a century, with the organisation growing and innovating to meet the increasingly complex needs of the asylum-seeking and refugee communities that it works alongside; commends MIN on its operating model, which ensures a representative and needs-led approach which places co-design and lived experience at its heart; notes that MIN has core themes of human rights, wellbeing and the arts and that these are explored in a way which ensures community members are not 'service users' but rather active leaders in campaigning for their rights; applauds both the various wellbeing and volunteering initiatives run by MIN which provide vital spaces to heal from the trauma of the asylum system and the experience of forced migration, and the joyful arts projects that offer a platform for often silenced voices to showcase their talents, and believes that 25 years on, MIN has become an authentic voice and vital community resource for asylum seekers and refugees, offering both integration and inclusion.

***[S6M-21182](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Starfish Asia, Marking 25 Years Supporting Primary School Education in Pakistan**—That the Parliament congratulates Starfish Asia on its 25 years of support for primary schools in predominantly poor communities in Pakistan; acknowledges that Starfish Asia grew from a small network of partners and supporters across the UK; recognises its monthly support for around 50 schools, giving each the chance of providing a basic, daily education that otherwise might not be possible; acknowledges the provision of dedicated facilities for disabled and vulnerable young people, and thanks Devin Scobie for his work as he steps back after six years as its UK chair, as well as the contribution made by other board members and volunteers.

***[S6M-21181](#) Mercedes Villalba: Centenary of the 1926 General Strike**—That the Parliament notes that 2026 marks the 100th anniversary of the General Strike of 1926; understands that the strike was called by the TUC in solidarity with coal miners who were facing severe wage reductions and longer working hours; acknowledges that it lasted from 3 to 12 May 1926 and that 1.7 million workers across the UK, including transport workers, printers, dockers and labourers, came out in solidarity with miners' unions in defence of pay and conditions; recognises the miners' call for "Not a penny off the pay, not a minute on the day"; believes that, in the course of the 100 years since, the strike has fundamentally shaped the relationship between workers, employers, government and the labour movement; considers that trade unions remain centrally important as a collective voice for workers in Scotland and across the UK; notes with concern what it sees as the continued challenges and exploitation facing workers in 2026, including reports of unequal pay, wage theft, zero-hours contracts, fire-and-rehire conditions and workplace violence, bullying and harassment; believes that when workers stand together, lasting change can be won for all, and calls on all workers across Scotland to educate, organise and unionise in a spirit of fellowship, solidarity and unity.

Supported by: Katy Clark*, Monica Lennon*, Jamie Hepburn*, David Torrance*, Richard Leonard* **R**

***[S6M-21178](#) Miles Briggs: Motion of Condolence for Jen Hardy MBE**—That the Parliament expresses its great sadness at the passing of Jen Hardy MBE, who passed away peacefully on 20 March 2026 at Edinburgh's Western General Hospital, surrounded by family; notes the inspirational work of Jen, who founded the charity, Cancer Card, in 2021 following her diagnosis of incurable stage 4 breast cancer in 2017; understands that Jen was instrumental in successfully campaigning to make Pertuzumab (Perjeta) available via NHS Scotland, which is a drug that can help to extend life projections in cancer patients; believes that, since the founding of Cancer Card, tens of thousands of Scots diagnosed with cancer have been supported by the charity; notes that Jen was appointed an MBE in 2023 for her outstanding leadership and inspirational support for people affected by cancer; recognises how wonderful a person Jen was and the positive impact that she had on everyone she

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met, and celebrates the achievements of such an incredible woman, whose legacy will continue through Cancer Card.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Foysol Choudhury*, Annabelle Ewing*, Liz Smith*, Alexander Stewart*, Douglas Ross*, Bob Doris*, Murdo Fraser*, Edward Mountain*, Meghan Gallacher*, Craig Hoy*, Tim Eagle*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Colin Beattie*

***[S6M-21177](#) Kenneth Gibson: Rescinding the Scottish Adjacent Waters Boundaries Order 1999**—That the Parliament urges the UK Government to rescind the Scottish Adjacent Waters Boundaries Order 1999, which determines the co-ordinates of the boundaries on the east coast between Scotland and England; understands that this statutory instrument was introduced only days before the Scottish Parliament reconvened in 1999; considers that the median line approach, which was imposed on Scotland by the then UK Labour administration, reduced Scottish waters by 15,000 square kilometres, compared with the Continental Shelf (Jurisdiction) Order 1968; believes, with regret, that this decision removed any future Scottish control over fisheries and any oil, gas and other minerals in that sector; recognises that there are numerous examples of departures from the median line principle in several settlements around the world, including in judgements made by the International Court, and demands that a straight baseline be drawn from Eyemouth to Peterhead to take into account Scotland's highly indented eastern coastline, in order to straighten the England-Scotland border back towards the original east-west alignment.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing*, Jamie Hepburn*, John Mason*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*

***[S6M-21176](#) Beatrice Wishart: NHS Shetland Maternity and Health Visiting Services Achieve UNICEF UK Baby Friendly Initiative Gold Status**—That the Parliament congratulates NHS Shetland's maternity and health visiting services on achieving a Gold accreditation under the UNICEF UK Baby Friendly Initiative, a nationally recognised mark of excellence in care for babies and their families; understands that the services were officially awarded Gold status in August 2025, recognising the high standards of care, and the commitment to maintaining these, for families across Shetland; further understands that the UNICEF UK Baby Friendly Initiative supports services to provide high-quality, evidence-based care that helps parents build close and loving relationships with their babies, and supports them in their feeding journey to give every child the best possible start in life; notes that, to retain accreditation, services must complete regular audits of both staff and parents to ensure that standards continue to be met; pays tribute to the leadership of Susan Keay, NHS Shetland's Infant Feeding Lead and Integrated Midwife, in helping the services gain accreditation; believes that the Gold status is a testament to the commitment, dedication and hard work of the maternity and health visiting teams in Shetland in delivering person-centred care for families in the Shetland community, and wishes all staff in these teams well.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Martin Whitfield*, Annabelle Ewing*, Liam McArthur*, Ariane Burgess*, Edward Mountain*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jackie Baillie*, Miles Briggs*, Rhoda Grant*, Colin Beattie*

***[S6M-21175](#) Tim Eagle: Two Forres Women Awarded the Benemerenti Medal**—That the Parliament congratulates Edith Cook and Elizabeth Hewitt, both of Forres in Moray, on each being awarded a prestigious Benemerenti Medal by Pope Leo XIV for their longstanding service to the Catholic Church; believes that the Benemerenti Medal is the highest honour a layperson can receive and that it is exceptionally rare for two people from the same parish to receive it at the same time; understands that Edith has been the organist at St Margaret's RC Church for the last 50 years and that Elizabeth was a teacher at St Sylvester's school for many years, and has lead the Children's Liturgy Group at St Margaret's and the Moray Faith and Light group for over 20 years; recognises the important role that volunteers play in local communities, and offers Edith and Elizabeth the very best wishes on their awards.

Supported by: Craig Hoy*, Annabelle Ewing*, Alexander Stewart*, Murdo Fraser*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*

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Motions Gluasadan				

***S6M-21174 Tim Eagle: Lower Mill of Tynet Farm Wins Top Prize**—That the Parliament congratulates Lower Mill of Tynet Farm in Moray on winning a prestigious Golden Scoop Award in the Innovative Class category for its Toots Beer ice cream at the Ice Cream Alliance Awards night on 5 March 2026; understands that this award goes to the ice cream that most pushes boundaries and challenges expectations, including using unconventional ingredients, creating products tailored for specific consumer groups or tackling key consumer challenges; notes that the Toots Beer flavour involves a collaboration with Rothies Brewery; recognises that farm owners June and Gordon Whiteford expanded their farm into a micro-dairy business in 2020 and that the main ingredients for their ice creams are sourced from their farm, as well as using natural flavourings, such is their commitment to sustainable farming, and wishes everyone at Lower Mill of Tynet Farm more success in the future. **R**

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing*, Alexander Stewart*, Murdo Fraser*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*

***S6M-21173 Fulton MacGregor: A Framework for Community Football Development**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the report, *Supporting Scotland's Game: A Framework for Community Football Development*, by the Cross-Party Group on the Future of Scottish Football regarding the role of community football facilities; commends the cross-party group for its constructive, evidence-based approach to examining how football contributes to Scotland's wider social, health and economic objectives; recognises what it sees as the significant contribution that community football clubs and associated organisations make as trusted anchor institutions in communities across Scotland, supporting physical and mental health, reducing social isolation, advancing equality and fostering community cohesion; acknowledges the compelling evidence that it believes was presented to the cross-party group highlighting the importance of accessible, affordable and high-quality facilities in sustaining participation and inclusion at grassroots level; notes the challenges identified in relation to facility access, rising operational costs and pressures on local authorities; considers that, aligned with the National Performance Framework, community football represents a valuable form of preventative investment; welcomes the report's recommendations for a more consistent national approach to facility access, sustainable funding models and strengthened partnership working, and commends the cross-party group on its contribution to parliamentary engagement, policy development and dialogue with stakeholders over the last two parliamentary sessions to ensure that community football continues to deliver positive outcomes for people and communities throughout Scotland. **R**

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S6M-21172 Liam McArthur: Congratulating Anita Park on Her Retirement from Stromness Community Centre (lodged on 20 March 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*, Miles Briggs*, Jackie Dunbar*, Tess White*, Elena Whitham*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Tim Eagle*

S6M-21171 Jackie Dunbar: MCR Pathways and the Denis Law Academy Partnership (lodged on 20 March 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Tess White*, Elena Whitham*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*

S6M-21170 Patrick Harvie: Highlighting the Crisis Response of Glasgow's Transport Providers (lodged on 20 March 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*, Mercedes Villalba*

S6M-21169 Patrick Harvie: Congratulating Malawi Leaders of Learning's Upcoming Trip (lodged on 20 March 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*, Elena Whitham*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*

S6M-21165 Clare Adamson: Young People Given Skills to Make Safer Choices (lodged on 20 March 2026)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-21164](#) **Clare Adamson: Cleland Celebrates Sydney Devine** (lodged on 20 March 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-21163](#) **Bob Doris: E.ON UK's Home Age Campaign Trial in Glasgow** (lodged on 20 March 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-21162](#) **Annie Wells: Launch of SafeMates Youth Programme in Glasgow** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Stuart McMillan*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-21161](#) **Tess White: Pickles the Guide Dog at the Paralympics 2026** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Monica Lennon*, Elena Whitham*, Bill Kidd*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Alexander Burnett*, Edward Mountain*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Annie Wells*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-21160](#) **Elena Whitham: Congratulating Mrs Maureen McMillan on 42 Years in Education** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-21159](#) **Annie Wells: Tollcross Care Home Marks Down's Syndrome Awareness Week** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-21157](#) **Liam Kerr: Recognising the Work of Trading Standards Officers and SCOTSS in Tackling Illegal Tobacco Supply** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Elena Whitham*, Tim Eagle*

[S6M-21156](#) **Clare Haughey: Cuningar Loop Parkrun's First Anniversary** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Elena Whitham*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-21154](#) **Annie Wells: Glasgow's Citizens Theatre Recognised for Community Contribution** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21153](#) **Annie Wells: Glasgow's ROAR Hair and Beauty Celebrates Double London Awards Win** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21152](#) **Foyso Choudhury: Eid Al-Fitr 2026** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Alex Rowley*

[S6M-21151](#) **Liam McArthur: Motion of Condolence for John Hawgood** (lodged on 19 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21150](#) **Liam McArthur: Orkney Youth Drama Teams Secure First and Second Place at the Scottish Community Drama Association's Northern Divisional Youth Final** (lodged on 18 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21146](#) **Mercedes Villalba: World Down Syndrome Day, 21 March 2026** (lodged on 18 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Alex Rowley*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-21142](#) **Annie Wells: The Trails of Hope Exhibition and Polish Contributions to Clydebank** (lodged on 17 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21141](#) **Tim Eagle: Moray Junior Curling Club Success** (lodged on 17 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21140](#) **Tim Eagle: MacMoray Easter Festival Crowned Festival of the Year** (lodged on 17 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21138](#) **Tim Eagle: Machrihanish Golf Club Celebrates 150th Anniversary** (lodged on 17 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21137](#) **Kevin Stewart: FIA World Rally Championship** (lodged on 17 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21136](#) **Murdo Fraser: Queen's View in Perthshire Listed as the Most Beautiful Place in the UK** (lodged on 17 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21124](#) **Gordon MacDonald: The National Robotarium, 2025 Achievements** (lodged on 17 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21123](#) **Sue Webber: Congratulating Oxfangs Library on Being Named the Best in Scotland at the British Book Awards 2026 Library of the Year** (lodged on 17 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21121](#) **Gordon MacDonald: Celebrating Oxfangs Library's Success at the British Book Awards 2026** (lodged on 17 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21116](#) **Alex Rowley: Recognising the Successes of the Alhambra Theatre in Dunfermline** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21115](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Helensburgh's Padrone Pizza Reaches Final of National Italian Awards** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21114](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Bearsden Musician Orla Noble Releases Debut Album of Original Songs** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21113](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Bearsden Athlete Finlay Ross Davie Breaks 10k Record Again** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21112](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Milngavie & Bearsden Swim Club Celebrates National League Victory** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21111](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Helensburgh Defibrillator Donations in Memory of Cameron McGeachy** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21109](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Cardross Primary School Achieves Historic Carbon Literacy Status** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21108](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Hayden Hunter of Alexandria Named as a Finalist at the Scottish Apprenticeship Awards 2026** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21107](#) **Stuart McMillan: 45 years of Ardgowan Hospice** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21106](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Gareloch Riding for the Disabled Association Raised £700 at its 50th Anniversary Ceilidh** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21105](#) **Marie McNair: Jack O'Beers & Deli Opens in Milngavie** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21099](#) **Neil Bibby: UNITED Series Celebrates the Impact of Football Clubs and Community Trusts Across Scotland** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Alex Rowley*

[S6M-21098](#) **Stuart McMillan: River Clyde Homes Retains Investors in Young People Platinum Accreditation** (lodged on 16 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21092](#) **Monica Lennon: Purple Day 2026, Raising Awareness of Epilepsy and Supporting Families** (lodged on 12 March 2026)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S6M-21071](#) **Michelle Thomson: Constable Andrew Inglis and Police Dog Mac Receive Top Award at Crufts** (lodged on 11 March 2026)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Monica Lennon*, Rona Mackay*, Elena Whitham*, Bill Kidd*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, David Torrance*, Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-21027](#) **Jamie Hepburn: Congratulating Tryst 77 Handball Club** (lodged on 10 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21026](#) **Paul Sweeney: Show Up with SAMH Against Mental Health Stigma** (lodged on 10 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-21023](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Recognising SAN TV Community Awards and the Contributions of the South Asian Diaspora** (lodged on 9 March 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-20922](#) **Michelle Thomson: Declan Swan Named Apprentice of the Year at Forth Ports in Grangemouth** (lodged on 26 February 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-20915](#) **Marie McNair: Milngavie Bookshop Shortlisted for the British Book Awards** (lodged on 26 February 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-20603](#) **Christine Grahame: Animal Welfare Sentencing and Public Protection** (lodged on 28 January 2026)

New Support: Emma Harper*

[S6M-20497](#) **Brian Whittle: Sport and Activity as a Force for Good** (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

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Questions Ceistean				

Questions

Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 24 March 2026

- 1. Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to recent findings by the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service that 29 babies have died as a result of co-sleeping in Scotland in the last two years. ([S6T-02970](#))
- 2. Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported comments by the Fire Brigades Union that years of real-terms budget reductions have left the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service “creaking”, and that proposed workforce reductions would increase the risk to community safety, particularly following the recent fire in Glasgow. ([S6T-02973](#))
- 3. Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to protect people receiving and awaiting social care packages, in light of recent reports that industry leaders are warning that home care services are heading towards a “catastrophic breakdown”. ([S6T-02979](#))

First Minister’s Questions selected for answer on 25 March 2026

- 1. Russell Findlay:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04775](#))
- 2. Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04776](#))
- 3. Ross Greer:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04777](#))
- 4. Joe FitzPatrick:** To ask the First Minister whether he will provide an update on the Scottish Government’s commitment to banning conversion practices. ([S6F-04778](#))
- 5. Dr Pam Gosal MBE:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to research by Women's Rights Network Scotland reportedly showing that some children have been assaulted in Scottish hospitals. ([S6F-04782](#))
- 6. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the HM Inspectorate of Prisons for Scotland report indicating that staff shortages mean young prisoners at HMP & YOI Polmont lack enough opportunities for work, education or recreation and spend “far too long locked in their cells”. ([S6F-04789](#))
- 7. Jamie Greene:** To ask the First Minister, in light of the reported rise in protests and rhetoric aimed at immigrants and minority groups, what action any future Scottish administration can take to restore kindness, decency and tolerance to politics. ([S6F-04786](#))

Progress of Legislation

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the website at:

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

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

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 2.30 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.

Budget (Scotland) (No. 5) Bill (G)

Passed, 25 February 2026

Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 17 March 2026

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

Passed, 19 March 2026

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

Passed, 17 February 2026

Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 10 February 2026

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

Passed, 3 March 2026

Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill (G)

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 24 March 2026

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (24th Report, 2026)

Digital Assets (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 5 March 2026

Ecocide (Scotland) Bill (M)

Before Stage 2 (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee), 10 March 2026

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

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

Approved at Reconsideration Stage, 3 March 2026

Freedom of Information Reform (Scotland) Bill (M)

Before Stage 2 (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee), 19 February 2026

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

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)

Passed, 18 March 2026

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

Passed, 17 March 2026

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

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 24 March 2026

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (34th Report, 2026)

Visitor Levy (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 24 March 2026

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (30th Report, 2026)

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>

Armed Forces Bill LCM-S6-73

Lodged on 26 February 2026

Meeting of the Parliament, 24 March 2026

Report – Lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security) (5th Report, 2026)

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

Lodged on 21 January 2026

Meeting of the Parliament, 3 February 2026

Crime and Policing Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-57d

Lodged on 2 March 2026

Meeting of the Parliament, 24 March 2026

Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (13th Report, 2026)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (35th Report, 2026)

Cyber Security and Resilience (Network and Information Systems) Bill LCM-S6-70

Lodged on 6 January 2026

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (3rd Report, 2026)

Finance (No. 2) Bill LCM-S6-71

Lodged on 7 January 2026

Meeting of the Parliament, 11 February 2026

Report – Lead committee (Finance and Public Administration) (2nd Report, 2026)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (10th Report, 2026)

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)

Northern Ireland Troubles Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-68a

Lodged on 20 February 2026

Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (14th Report, 2026)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (31st Report, 2026)

Pension Schemes Bill LCM-S6-65

Lodged on 26 September 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 17 December 2025

Report – Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (6th Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (78th Report, 2025)

Public Office (Accountability) Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-66a

Lodged on 4 February 2026

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 February 2026

Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

Railways Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-69a

Lodged on 20 February 2026

Meeting of the Parliament, 24 March 2026

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (12th Report, 2026)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (25th Report, 2026)

Representation of the People Bill LCM-S6-74

Lodged on 27 February 2026

Meeting (lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 12 March 2026

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 17 March 2026

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

Lodged on 27 August 2025
Meeting of the Parliament, 9 December 2025
Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (9th Report, 2025)
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (73rd Report, 2025)

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51b

Lodged on 27 February 2026
Meeting of the Parliament, 24 March 2026
Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (14th Report, 2026)
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (36th Report, 2026)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative Instruments

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 19 May 2026

[Marine Licensing \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (20 February 2026) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Note the 40-day date given is based on the anticipated date of Session 7 starting, and is subject to change.

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 26 May 2026

[Antisocial Behaviour \(Fixed Penalty Offences\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (27 February 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Note the 40-day date given is based on the anticipated date of Session 7 starting, and is subject to change.

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 24 March 2026

Lead Committee report due by 24 March 2026

[Sheriff Court Fees Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/74\)](#) (13 February 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[High Court of Justiciary Fees Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/77\)](#) (13 February 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Justice of the Peace Court Fees \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/78\)](#) (13 February 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Sheriff Appeal Court Fees Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/79\)](#) (13 February 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Court of Session etc. Fees Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/80\)](#) (13 February 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Adults with Incapacity \(Public Guardian's Fees\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/81\)](#) (13 February 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Parole Board \(Scotland\) Amendment Rules 2026 \(SSI 2026/82\)](#) (13 February 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment by 16 May 2026

Lead Committee report due by 16 May 2026

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Sea Fish \(Prohibition on Fishing\)_\(Firth of Clyde\) Revocation Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/95\)](#) (17 February 2026) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Note the 40-day date given is based on the anticipated date of Session 7 starting, and is subject to change.

Subject to annulment by 6 June 2026

Lead Committee report due by 6 June 2026

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Miscellaneous Amendment\)_\(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/135\)](#) (10 March 2026) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Note the 40-day date given is based on the anticipated date of Session 7 starting, and is subject to change.

New Documents

Committee Reports

[Criminal Justice Committee, 15th Report, 2026 \(Session 6\): Legacy report of the Criminal Justice Committee, Session 6 \(SP Paper 1094\)](#), publication date: 23 March 2026

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Other Documents

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Competition and Markets Authority Annual Plan 2026 to 2027 (CMA/2026/02) laid under Schedule 4 s13(2)(b) of the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013

Consultation Statement to accompany Rural Support Plan 2026-2031 (SG/2026/79) laid under Section 4(5) of the Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Act 2024

Consumer Scotland Forward Work Programme 2026-2027 (CS/2026/01) laid under subsection (4) of section 14 of the Consumer Scotland Act 2020

Rural Support Plan 2026-2031: Support within the Four Tier Framework (SG/2026/78) laid under Section 2(4) of the Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Act 2024

Rural Support Plan: 2026-2031 (SG/2026/77) laid under Section 2(4) of the Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Act 2024

Scottish Police Authority: Strategic Policing Plan for Scotland 2026-2029 (SG/2026/108) laid under Section 34 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

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