

Wednesday 10 June 2026

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Portfolio Questions - Groupings

The Presiding Officer has grouped the following questions at Portfolio Questions on Wednesday 10 June: Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Finance and Local Government, Parliamentary Business and Veterans – Questions 1 and 3.

## Oral Questions Draw

The suspension and variation of Standing Orders agreed by the Parliament on 26 May 2026 provide for Members selected to ask a General or Portfolio Question to swap their question place with any other Member selected in a draw on the same week. Please note that following on from the draw that took place on Monday of this week, Jamie Langan and Duncan Massey have agreed a swap.

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Finance and Local Government, Parliamentary Business and Veterans; Public Service Reform, Europe, External Affairs and Energy

**followed by** Scottish Labour Party Debate: Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:30 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business: Growing Scotland's Screen Sector

### Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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### **Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Finance and Local Government, Parliamentary Business and Veterans**

- 1. Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will bring forward proposals to reform the non-domestic rates system. ([S7O-00029](#))
- 2. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with COSLA regarding the pay negotiations for 2026-27. ([S7O-00030](#))
- 3. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is taking forward plans to rebalance the non-domestic rates system. ([S7O-00031](#))
- 4. Jenny Young:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to warnings issued by the Institute for Fiscal Studies on 27 May 2026 that, if earnings in Scotland grow in line with the rest of the UK, Scotland could face a deficit of over £6 billion by 2030. ([S7O-00032](#))
- 5. Pauline Stafford:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its work with West Lothian Council and other local authorities, on plans to unlock pension fund assets, including in local authority pension schemes to deliver more affordable housing. ([S7O-00033](#)) **R**
- 6. Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether planning authorities have adequate guidance on how to assess proposed hyperscale AI data centres. ([S7O-00034](#))
- 7. Andrew Baxter:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with COSLA and local authorities regarding how its proposed Better Surfaces Fund will be allocated. ([S7O-00035](#))
- 8. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the 2026 SNP manifesto commitment of £10 billion in capital spending on health, including community health and care hubs, when it will allocate funding to build a new Dumbarton Health Centre. ([S7O-00036](#))
- 9. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting businesses on Scotland's high streets. ([S7O-00037](#))
- 10. David Linden:** [Withdrawn] ([S7O-00038](#))

### **Public Service Reform, Europe, External Affairs and Energy**

- 1. David Barratt:** To ask the Scottish Government what work is being done to ensure that regulatory and consenting frameworks support the deployment of low-carbon heat recovery technologies from rivers, estuaries and coastal waters. ([S7O-00039](#))
- 2. Mark Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address staffing pressures across the prison estate through its programme of public sector reform. ([S7O-00040](#))
- 3. Jamie Langan:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of whether farmers and producers in Scotland are better served and protected within the single market of the UK rather than when operating in the EU market. ([S7O-00041](#))

- 4. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of Scotland's energy security, including any consequent action it plans to take, in light of heightened global tensions particularly in the Middle East and Ukraine. ([S7O-00042](#))
- 5. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting the installation of electrical infrastructure in Orkney. ([S7O-00043](#))
- 6. Martyn Day:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of recent reports of aviation fuel supply issues at Edinburgh and Glasgow airports, what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding future fuel security and the fuel supply chain. ([S7O-00044](#))
- 7. Jenni Minto:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to adopt a "tell us once" approach to grant schemes, such as Fair Work First, across its departments to reduce the burden on individuals, organisations and businesses, as part of its planned public sector reform. ([S7O-00045](#))
- 8. David Kirkwood:** [Not Lodged] ([S7O-00046](#))
- 9. Gillian Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on banning the use of Prestwick airport by the US military. ([S7O-00047](#))
- 10. Collette Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its vision for public procurement, particularly in relation to supporting small businesses, social enterprises and local supply chains. ([S7O-00048](#))

**followed by** Scottish Labour Party Debate: Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics

**[S7M-00294](#) Anas Sarwar: Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics**—That the Parliament agrees to conduct an inquiry into the implications and lessons to be learned following the conclusion of Operation Branchform and the embezzlement conviction of Peter Murrell.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**[S7M-00294.1](#) Jamie Hepburn: Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics**—As an amendment to S7M-00294 in the name of Anas Sarwar (Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics), leave out from "agrees" to end and insert "considers the notion of representatives of political parties using a parliamentary committee to inquire into the internal operations of rival political parties to constitute a conflict of interest; believes that it is vital that independent authorities, including Police Scotland and the Crown Office, are free from political interference to fully and properly investigate and prosecute any and all criminal conduct, and urges elected representatives to use their parliamentary time to address matters that will improve the lives of the people of Scotland including, tackling the cost of living crisis, improving public services such as this NHS and taking climate action."

**[S7M-00294.2](#) Ross Greer: Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics**—As an amendment to motion S7M-00294 in the name of Anas Sarwar (Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics), leave out from "agrees" to end and insert "believes there is a need to restore public trust in politics following multiple recent financial scandals, including those uncovered by Operation Branchform; further believes that an independent review into party political finances would go some way towards restoring this trust; believes that, to avoid this becoming a nakedly partisan process, it should be independently led rather than conducted by parliamentary committee, and that its remit must apply to the funding of all political parties; recognises wider concerns about the role of money in politics, including the scale of donations by extremely wealthy individuals, and the influence of organisations that refuse to disclose their funding sources, and calls for the devolution of power over the regulation of political parties and their funding to allow for the implementation of any recommendations of the independent review that would require legislative change."

**[S7M-00294.3 Russell Findlay: Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics](#)**—As an amendment to S7M-00294 in the name of Anas Sarwar (Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics), insert at end "; believes that public trust is undermined when legitimate questions go unanswered; notes the conviction of Peter Murrell following Operation Branchform; believes that scrutiny is essential to democratic accountability, and calls for any independent inquiry to establish what lessons must be learned from this scandal and what reforms are required to restore public confidence in Scottish politics."

**followed by** Business Motions

**[S7M-00301 Jamie Hepburn: Business Programme](#)**—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

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*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan - Annual Progress Report 2025-26

*followed by* Business Motions

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4.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Tuesday 23 June 2026

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

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*followed by* General Questions

*followed by* First Minister's Questions (Backbench Members)

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.30 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Wednesday 24 June 2026

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Climate Action and Rural Affairs; Education, Culture and Gaelic

*followed by* Reform UK Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.30 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 25 June 2026

1.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1.30 pm General Questions

2.00 pm First Minister's Questions (Party Leaders)

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 15 June 2026, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:30 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business: Growing Scotland's Screen Sector

**[S7M-00188](#) Alyn Smith: Growing Scotland's Screen Sector**—That the Parliament welcomes the work undertaken by Creative Scotland and Screen Scotland to support the film and screen industry and create opportunities for Scotland's cultural and arts sector; recognises what it sees as the potential economic and cultural opportunities that a new studio facility and dedicated screen skills academy could bring to Scotland, including Stirling; notes that Scotland's screen sector reportedly contributed £718 million to the Scottish economy in 2023 and supported 12,260 full-time equivalent jobs; welcomes the fact that the sector is on course to contribute £1 billion annually to the Scottish economy by the end of 2030-31, and commends Screen Scotland, local authority screen offices and all others who have contributed to the continued successful growth of the sector in Scotland.

## Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 3 June 2026

### Thursday 11 June 2026

**1:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:30 pm** General Questions

**2:00 pm** First Minister's Questions (Party Leaders)

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Improving Maternity Services Across Scotland

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Public Service Reform: Empowering Staff, Service Users and Local Communities

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business: Recognising the Damaging Impact of Antisocial Behaviour

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**5:30 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### Wednesday 17 June 2026

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Justice; Health and Care

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:30 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Thursday 18 June 2026**

**1:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:30 pm** General Questions

**2:00 pm** First Minister's Questions (Party Leaders)

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## 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

**\*[S7M-00309](#) Ivan McKee: Public Service Reform: Empowering Staff, Service Users and Local Communities**—That the Parliament welcomes that the Scottish Government's Public Service Reform Strategy centres on the importance of prevention in the development of public services; believes that it is vital to empower staff, service users and local communities to be part of the design and delivery of services that meet the needs of the people of Scotland, and agrees that the delivery of excellent and sustainable public services should be the goal of public service reform, rather than the preservation of existing corporate structures.

Supported by: Hannah Mary Goodlad\*

**[S7M-00294](#) Anas Sarwar: Inquiry to Restore Public Trust in Scottish Politics**—That the Parliament agrees to conduct an inquiry into the implications and lessons to be learned following the conclusion of Operation Branchform and the embezzlement conviction of Peter Murrell.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie

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Supported by: Patrick Harvie\*

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## Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

\*[S7M-00300](#) **Craig Hoy: Withdrawal of Cheque Deposit Services at Post Office and Banking Hubs by Lloyds Banking Group**—That the Parliament notes with concern the reported impact of the decision taken by Lloyds Banking Group in 2025 to withdraw cheque deposit services through Post Office branches and Banking Hubs; understands that Lloyds, operator of the Bank of Scotland, is the only major bank that does not allow customers to deposit cheques at Post Office branches and Banking Hubs, a decision that it believes is having an adverse effect on the most vulnerable customers in areas such as Sanquhar in Dumfriesshire; considers that banking hubs have made a positive difference to communities across Dumfriesshire and the rest of Scotland, which have lost access to face-to-face banking following branch closures; notes the calls for Lloyds Banking Group to support the 44% of account users who still use cheques, particularly within the 65 and over age group, by reversing this decision so that the most vulnerable customers are not negatively impacted, and further notes the calls on the Financial Conduct Authority, LINK, Cash Access UK and the Post Office to review the criteria for Banking Hubs and access to cash in rural areas and those with older or disadvantaged customer groups.

Supported by: Meghan Gallacher\*, Tim Eagle\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Russell Findlay\*, Jamie Langan\*, Andrew Baxter\*, Alyn Smith\*, Dawn Black\*, Amanda Lindsay\*, Helen McDade\*, Duncan Dunlop\*, David Linden\*, David Torrance\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Miles Briggs\*

## Other new and altered motions and amendments

\*[S7M-00307](#) **Mark Ruskell: Marking National Schizophrenia Awareness Day**—That the Parliament marks 25 July 2026 as National Schizophrenia Awareness Day; understands that over 600,000 people in the UK live with schizophrenia; believes that it remains one of the most misunderstood and stigmatised mental health conditions in Scotland; recognises that this year’s theme focuses on tackling misconceptions of schizophrenia in society and the media at large; considers that harmful stereotypes can shape public attitudes, deepen isolation, delay access to support and treatment and prevent people from being seen as whole individuals beyond their diagnosis; welcomes the work of Change Mental Health, which provides mental health and wellbeing support for over 11,000 people each year across Scotland, including people living with schizophrenia; notes that the charity is celebrating 54 years of supporting people; welcomes the work of its Hearing Voices groups across Fife, including in Kirkcaldy, Dunfermline and Glenrothes, which provide safe and supportive spaces for people to share experiences and receive peer support; supports the call to see the whole person, including their ambitions, relationships, humour, talents and everyday challenges, rather than defining anyone by a diagnosis, and wishes Change Mental Health, Mental Health UK and everyone taking part in National Schizophrenia Awareness Day well in their efforts to build greater understanding, inclusion and support for people living with the condition.

\*[S7M-00306](#) **Paul McLennan: East Lothian Courier Community Champion Awards 2026**—That the Parliament congratulates all those recognised at the *East Lothian Courier* Community Champion

Awards 2026; notes that the awards, now in their third year, celebrate the outstanding contribution of individuals, groups and organisations across East Lothian; recognises that more than a dozen awards were presented to honour achievements including community volunteering, mentoring, business, sport and charitable work; acknowledges the inspiring stories highlighted on the evening, including efforts to support good causes, help those in need and strengthen local communities; commends the organisers, sponsors and judges for shining a spotlight on the dedication and generosity of people across the county, and recognises the vital role that such community champions play in making East Lothian a vibrant, supportive and inclusive place to live.

Supported by: Collette Stevenson\*, Colin Beattie\*, David Torrance\*, Clare Haughey\*, Miles Briggs\*

**\*[S7M-00305](#) Paul McLennan: Compass School Headteacher Completes 110-Mile Charity Walk—**

That the Parliament congratulates Mark Becher, headteacher of The Compass School in Haddington, on completing an inspiring 110-mile coast-to-coast walk across Scotland to raise funds for the Edinburgh Children's Hospital Charity; notes that the journey began in Ayr, his hometown, and concluded at the school where he has served as headteacher since 1997; recognises that the challenge covered approximately 110 miles, with distances of between 20 and 28 miles walked each day; understands that the effort has raised more than £6,300 to support children and families facing serious illness; commends the determination shown in completing this physically demanding challenge, including overcoming difficult conditions such as heat and injury; notes the warm reception he received from pupils, staff and families upon his return, and applauds his commitment to supporting charitable causes and demonstrating leadership, resilience and community spirit to young people across East Lothian.

Supported by: Collette Stevenson\*, Karen Adam\*, David Torrance\*, Clare Haughey\*, Miles Briggs\*

**\*[S7M-00304](#) Paul McLennan: Retirement of Rev Dr Neil Dougall after 23 Years of Service in North Berwick—**

That the Parliament recognises and commends the dedicated service of the Rev Dr Neil Dougall, who has retired after 23 years as minister of St Andrew Blackadder Church in North Berwick; recognises that Dr Dougall has served the congregation and wider community since 2003, providing spiritual leadership, pastoral care and support to generations of parishioners; acknowledges that his ministry has been described as a joyful and fulfilling experience, during which he played an active role in local life, including participation in remembrance services and community events; understands that members of the congregation, alongside friends and family, gathered to celebrate his contribution and to mark his retirement; further understands that Dr Dougall now intends to begin a new chapter, working as a life, leadership and spiritual coach; expresses thanks to him for his long-standing commitment to the people of North Berwick and to the Church of Scotland, and wishes Dr Dougall all the very best for the future.

Supported by: Colin Beattie\*, Duncan Dunlop\*, David Torrance\*, Miles Briggs\*

**\*[S7M-00303](#) Clare Adamson: Davie Wilson is Citizen of the Year 2026 —**

That the Parliament congratulates Davie Wilson, of Newmains, on being named Newmains Citizen of the Year 2026 in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the local community; commends his more than 43 years of selfless volunteering and fundraising; recognises his long-standing service to the Newmains and District Gala Day Committee, from which he stepped down in 2025, after decades of dedication; notes that he has raised over £200,000 for a wide range of charitable causes, including Wishaw General Hospital Ward 7, MND Scotland, Macmillan Cancer Support, suicide prevention initiatives and Newmains Gala Day; believes that his dedication has made a significant difference to countless individuals, local organisations and community events; considers that his efforts have played a pivotal role in fostering community spirit and supporting those in need across the area, and wishes Davie all the very best for the future in recognition of his remarkable service to the people of Newmains and beyond.

**\*[S7M-00302](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney's Douglas Montgomery Inducted into the Scottish Traditional Music Hall of Fame—**That the Parliament congratulates Douglas Montgomery, from Burray in Orkney, on his recent induction into the Scottish Traditional Music Hall of Fame under the

Services to Community section; understands that the Services to Community inductees were chosen because of their outstanding efforts in promoting Scotland's traditional music heritage; notes that Douglas is a fiddle teacher and performer, and a member of a host of Orkney-based traditional music acts, notably Saltfishforty and The Chair; believes he has made a lasting and positive impact over the course of his 30 year career teaching in Orkney's schools, inspiring generations of young island musicians not least through the celebrated youth project, Hadrirgaan, which has featured a rolling army of young musicians over three decades; notes that Douglas is also musical director of The Gathering, a musical showcase which originated at the Orkney Folk Festival as a means to celebrate the islands' local music scene but which has since travelled internationally and helped to bring Orkney's traditional music to audiences around the globe; pays tribute to Douglas for all that he has done to preserve and promote folk and traditional music in Orkney, through performance, mentorship and enthusiasm that is both boundless and infectious; wishes him well in his future music projects, and congratulates Douglas and the other inductees to the Hall of Fame or their richly deserved recognition.

Supported by: Max Bannerman\*, Colin Beattie\*, David Torrance\*, Miles Briggs\*

\*[S7M-00301](#) **Jamie Hepburn: Business Programme**—That the Parliament agrees—

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**\*[S7M-00299](#) Paul McLennan: Condemnation of Hate Graffiti in Dunbar** —That the Parliament condemns the recent appearance of what it considers to be white supremacist graffiti in Dunbar, East Lothian, which was discovered outside the Town House; believes that such messaging constitutes racist and far-right propaganda, which is intended to sow division, undermine community cohesion and intimidate minorities; affirms that there is no place in Scotland for any hate-driven rhetoric, intimidation or attempts to exploit tragedy for political ends; commends local residents for their swift rejection of this behaviour and welcomes the prompt action taken by East Lothian Council to remove the graffiti; recognises the wishes expressed by the family of Henry Nowak, that his tragic death should not be used to fuel division, hatred or political grievance and agrees that these wishes must be respected in both public discourse and political debate; notes with deep concern recent reported comments made by Nigel Farage MP, which, it believes, risk inflaming tensions, legitimising far-right talking points and contributing to a climate in which such graffiti and hate incidents may arise; unequivocally condemns any such remarks and any attempt to invoke the death of Henry Nowak to advance divisive or inflammatory political agendas; believes that such rhetoric is irresponsible, harmful and incompatible with the values of respect, equality and solidarity that underpin Scottish society; reaffirms that Scotland stands united against racism, fascism and all forms of hate; calls on all political leaders to exercise responsibility in their language, to reject narratives that scapegoat communities and to work constructively to bring people together rather than drive them apart, and extends condolences and prayers to Henry Nowak's loved ones at this tremendously difficult time.

Supported by: David Torrance\*, Dawn Black\*, Colin Beattie\*

**\*[S7M-00297](#) Bob Doris: 170th Anniversary of the Burgh of Maryhill**—That the Parliament congratulates the community of Maryhill on the 170th anniversary of the area becoming a burgh in 1856; recognises that Maryhill developed rapidly following the construction of the Forth and Clyde Canal and became an independent burgh before its incorporation into Glasgow in 1891; notes that the area is named after Mary Hill, who, with her husband, owned Gairbraid estates, which feud lands in 1791 under condition that the area was named after Mary; acknowledges the rich industrial, cultural and social heritage of Maryhill, including its historic links to textiles, engineering and the canal trade, and its continued strong local identity; welcomes the range of community-led events, exhibitions and activities taking place across Maryhill to celebrate local history and bring people together, including heritage activities, exhibitions and cultural programmes delivered through groups such as the Maryhill Burgh Halls Trust; notes that the halls were built in 1878, restored and reopened in 2012; recognises the important work of local organisations in promoting inclusion, community cohesion and cultural activity across Maryhill; commends all volunteers, community leaders and organisations involved in preserving and promoting Maryhill's history and identity, and wishes the community of Maryhill every success in celebrating this significant milestone and continuing to build a vibrant and inclusive future.

Supported by: Tim Eagle\*, Colin Beattie\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Iris Duane\*, Clare Haughey\*, David Torrance\*, Miles Briggs\*

**\*[S7M-00296](#) Rachael Hamilton: James Hutton Tercentenary**—That the Parliament recognises the tercentenary of the birth of James Hutton, who was born on 3 June 1726; notes that Hutton is widely regarded as the father of modern geology, whose pioneering observations and scientific thinking transformed understanding of the Earth's history and natural processes; acknowledges the lasting significance of his work, including the development of the theory of deep time and the foundations of modern earth sciences; notes what it sees as the continuing relevance of Hutton's insights to contemporary challenges relating to climate change, sustainable agriculture, land use, environmental stewardship and natural resource management; recognises Scotland's proud contribution to scientific discovery and innovation, and celebrates James Hutton's enduring legacy as one of the most influential figures in Scotland's intellectual and scientific history.

Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Dawn Black\*, Jamie Langan\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Liam McArthur\*, Amanda Bland\*, Julie MacDougall\*, Colin Beattie\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Tim Eagle\* **R**, Russell Findlay\*, Craig Hoy\*, Alexander Burnett\*

## Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S7M-00295](#) Michelle Campbell: Wedding Wish Makers Win Pride of Scotland Inspiration Award** (lodged on 8 June 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Colin Beattie\*, Dawn Black\*, Bob Doris\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Clare Haughey\*, Miles Briggs\*

**[S7M-00293](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Retains Junior Inter-County Stuart Cup for Fourth Consecutive Year** (lodged on 8 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*, Miles Briggs\*, Tim Eagle\*, Colin Beattie\*, Alexander Burnett\*

**[S7M-00292](#) Alyn Smith: Supporting "VAT's The Problem" Campaign** (lodged on 8 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*, Dawn Black\*, Bob Doris\*, Laura Mitchell\*, Colin Beattie\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S7M-00291](#) Liam Kerr: Congratulating D H Robertson on Success at the Scottish Craft Butcher Awards** (lodged on 8 June 2026)

New Support: Craig Hoy\*, Miles Briggs\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Russell Findlay\*, Colin Beattie\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Tim Eagle\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Alexander Burnett\*

**[S7M-00290.3](#) Daniel Johnson: Growing Scotland's Economy** (lodged on 8 June 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

[S7M-00289](#) **Helen McDade: Congratulating St. Johnstone FC on Winning the 2025-26 Scottish Championship Title** (lodged on 8 June 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

[S7M-00288](#) **Keith Brown: University of Stirling Art Collection Recognised as Nationally Significant** (lodged on 8 June 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Joe Long\*, Alyn Smith\*, David Torrance\*, Helen McDade\*, Zen Ghani\*, Dawn Black\*, Clare Haughey\*, Colin Beattie\*, Miles Briggs\*, Amanda Bland\*

[S7M-00287](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey: Protecting and Restoring Scotland's Rural Bridges** (lodged on 5 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*, Tim Eagle\*, Alexander Burnett\*

[S7M-00286](#) **Katherine Sangster: Musselburgh Honest Lad and Honest Lass 2026** (lodged on 5 June 2026)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Irshad Ahmed\* R, Tim Eagle\*, Colin Beattie\*, Miles Briggs\*

[S7M-00283](#) **Finlay Carson: Dedicated Kate Kaye Receives British Empire Medal Honour** (lodged on 4 June 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*, Tim Eagle\*, Alexander Burnett\*

[S7M-00282](#) **Tim Eagle: Elspeth Macdonald to Retire as Chief Executive of the Scottish Fishermen's Federation** (lodged on 4 June 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\*

[S7M-00281](#) **Liam McArthur: Congratulating Walter Gorman on his Lifetime Achievement Award** (lodged on 4 June 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*, Tim Eagle\*

[S7M-00280](#) **Holly Bruce: Welcoming Katherine Cory as the Bicycle Mayor for Glasgow** (lodged on 4 June 2026)

New Support: Laura Moodie\*, Cara McKee\*, Collette Stevenson\*, Colin Beattie\*, Bob Doris\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Iris Duane\*, Patrick Harvie\*, David Torrance\*

[S7M-00279](#) **Dawn Black: Congratulate Stonehaven Beach and Montrose Seafront for Receiving Beach Awards** (lodged on 4 June 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*

[S7M-00276](#) **Heather Anderson: Duncan of Jordanstone College Awarded Collection of National Significance Status** (lodged on 4 June 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*, Tim Eagle\*

[S7M-00274](#) **Alexander Burnett: Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Deveron, Bogie and Isla Rivers Charitable Trust** (lodged on 4 June 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle\*

[S7M-00271](#) **Karen Adam: Banffshire and Buchan Coast Success in Scotland's Beach Awards** (lodged on 3 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00267](#) **Paul Sweeney: Celebrating 150 Years of the Glasgow Times** (lodged on 4 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00263](#) **Liam McArthur: Orkney Young Farmer Named Best in the North** (lodged on 3 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00262](#) **Laura Moodie: Cyclists Raise Over £9,000 with Coast-to-Coast Cycle Challenge for Fleet Bay Inshore Rescue Service** (lodged on 3 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00260](#) **Miles Briggs: Diabetes Week 2026** (lodged on 3 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00259](#) **David Linden: 50 Years of Shettleston Housing Association** (lodged on 3 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00255](#) **Lorna Slater: A Wool Strategy for Scotland** (lodged on 3 June 2026)

New Support: Q Manivannan\*, Liam McArthur\*, Mark Ruskell\*

[S7M-00254](#) **Patricia Gibson: The Gables Hotel and Spa in Irvine Recognised as Scotland's Best Spa Hotel** (lodged on 3 June 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle\*, Colin Beattie\*

[S7M-00253](#) **Karen Adam: Re-railing the North East** (lodged on 3 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*, Andrew Baxter\* R

[S7M-00246](#) **Laura Mitchell: World Cup Day of Dance** (lodged on 2 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00244](#) **Carol Mochan: Carers Week 2026** (lodged on 2 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*, Karen Adam\*

[S7M-00241](#) **Alexander Burnett: Steve Muir, Cycle-the-Line Fundraiser** (lodged on 2 June 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle\* R

[S7M-00239](#) **Clare Adamson: Recognising Drowning Prevention Week and World Drowning Prevention Day 2026** (lodged on 2 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00237](#) **Clare Adamson: Creating Safer Colleges – Strengthening Responses to Gender-Based Violence and Harassment** (lodged on 2 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00227](#) **Jack Middleton: Save STV North News** (lodged on 1 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00204](#) **Patricia Gibson: Progress and Challenges in Tackling Marine Litter** (lodged on 1 June 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00197](#) **Alyn Smith: Kinlochard Community Buyout** (lodged on 29 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00195](#) **Colin Beattie: International Electricians Day 2026** (lodged on 29 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00193](#) **Jenni Minto: Brown's Tobermory Wins Rural Oscar** (lodged on 29 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00191](#) **Ariane Burgess: Scotland at the Heart of Global Salmon Conservation** (lodged on 29 May 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\* R

[S7M-00190](#) **Ariane Burgess: Scotland's Wild Atlantic Salmon is An Icon in Peril** (lodged on 29 May 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett\* R

[S7M-00189](#) **Alex Kerr: Scotland's Place in Europe** (lodged on 29 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00188](#) **Alyn Smith: Growing Scotland's Screen Sector** (lodged on 29 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*, Q Manivannan\*

[S7M-00187](#) **Paul McLennan: Recognising the Contribution of Green Jobs to Scotland's Economy and Local Communities** (lodged on 28 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00184](#) **Kate Nevens: Tackling Mental Health Stigma with the Wee Pink Dot** (lodged on 28 May 2026)

New Support: Yi-pei Chou Turvey\*

[S7M-00180](#) **Jenny Young: The 10th Anniversary of the Death of Jo Cox** (lodged on 28 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00176](#) **Kate Nevens: Condemning Human Rights Abuses in Iran** (lodged on 28 May 2026)

New Support: Bob Doris\*, Yi-pei Chou Turvey\*, Patricia Gibson\*

[S7M-00100](#) **Patricia Gibson: World Pre-Eclampsia Day, 22 May 2026** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Jackie Baillie\*

[S7M-00053](#) **Laura Mitchell: Burghead Primary School's 150th Anniversary Celebrations** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

[S7M-00045](#) **Paul McLennan: ME Awareness Week from 11 to 17 May 2026** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Lorna Slater\*

## Questions

### Oral Questions

#### First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 11 June 2026

1. **Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S7F-00011](#))
2. **Malcolm Offord:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S7F-00012](#))
3. **Gillian Mackay:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S7F-00013](#))
4. **Russell Findlay:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S7F-00014](#))
5. **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S7F-00015](#))

### Written Questions

#### Written Questions lodged on 9 June 2026

[S7W-00836](#) **Senga Beresford:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-00602 by Maree Todd on 8 June 2026, what assessment it has made of whether the current provision of maternity services for women in Wigtownshire is compatible with its obligations under articles 2 and 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights and, in light of the minister stating that the independent chair of the national review of maternity services will be appointed "in due course", whether it will confirm (a) by what date this review will commence its work and (b) how it reassures pregnant women in the region that their Convention rights are currently being protected.

[S7W-00885](#) **Laura Moodie:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the implications for Scotland of the Court of Appeal judgment in the case of Maritime and Coastguard Agency v Groom, which determined that volunteer coastguard rescue officers may be treated in law as "workers" when carrying out duties for which they can be paid, and what action it will take, within devolved competence, to ensure that volunteer coastguard rescue officers in Scotland are not disadvantaged or deterred by the decision.

[S7W-00886](#) **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to NHS Lothian maternity services to enable the resumption of homebirth services.

[S7W-00887](#) **Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how many biologically male prisoners are currently held in the female prison estate.

[S7W-00888](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government by what date the procurement of AI in stroke diagnosis will be finalised, and what the timetable is for delivery.

[S7W-00889](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-44296 by Jenny Gilruth on 25 March 2026, whether it will provide an update on the work carried out as part of the public inquiry into the response to group-based child sexual abuse and exploitation, and by what date does it anticipate the inquiry's findings will be published.

[S7W-00890](#) **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding support available to people who experience two consecutive miscarriages, (a) what support is currently available, (b) how NHS boards are expected to implement it, (c) what monitoring is undertaken to assess compliance with national guidance, and (d) what assessment has been carried out regarding the consistent availability of support.

[S7W-00891](#) **Jamie Langan:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made towards introducing the licensing framework for canine fertility businesses, which was announced in August 2024.

[S7W-00893](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the risks to public safety of the current household knife disposal policy, which allows for knives to be disposed of in accessible wheelie bins.

[S7W-00894](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many knives have been seized by Police Scotland over the last five years.

[S7W-00895](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what criteria it will use to determine whether the Vision GP clinical IT system rollout has been successful, and whether it will publish (a) performance data and (b) an independent post-implementation review.

[S7W-00896](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any operational problems arising from the rollout of the Vision GP clinical IT system, including any impact on (a) appointment handling, (b) prescriptions, (c) patient records, (d) tasks and (e) practice workflow.

[S7W-00897](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many GP practices have reported (a) significant technical issues, (b) outages, (c) delays, (d) data access problems and (e) patient safety concerns in relation to the Vision GP clinical IT system since the rollout began, broken down by NHS board area.

[S7W-00898](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what contingency arrangements are in place for any GP practices that are experiencing system failures or serious disruption following migration to the Vision GP clinical IT system.

[S7W-00899](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it holds a risk register relating to the rollout of the Vision GP clinical IT system, and, if so, what the highest-rated risks currently are.

[S7W-00900](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide information on the total projected cost of the Vision GP clinical IT system rollout, including (a) procurement, (b) migration, (c) training, (d) support contracts and (e) remedial work resulting from technical (i) failures or (ii) delays.

[S7W-00901](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many reported incidents involving (a) delayed access to patient information, (b) prescribing issues, (c) referral problems or (d) administrative disruption, have been linked to the Vision GP clinical system since its implementation began.

[S7W-00902](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what (a) training and (b) technical support were provided to GP practices prior to the migration to the Vision GP clinical IT system, and what assessment it has made of whether that support has been sufficient.

[S7W-00903](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with GP representative bodies regarding concerns over the (a) performance, (b) reliability and (c) interoperability of the Vision GP clinical IT system.

[S7W-00904](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether any planned migrations to the Vision GP clinical IT system have been (a) delayed, (b) paused or (c) cancelled, and for what reason.

## Progress of Legislation

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### 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.*

## Legislative Consent Memorandums

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### 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)*

### 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)*

### 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)*

**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

**Sporting Events Bill LCM-S7-1**

Lodged on 5 June 2026

## Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

### Affirmative Instruments

**Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 16 September 2026**

[Visitor Levy \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (4 June 2026)  
(Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee)

## New Documents

## Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 9 June 2026 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Nitrogen Use Efficiency in Scotland: Annual Report 2026 (SG/2026/8)** laid under Section 5(1)(c) of The Climate Change (Nitrogen Balance Sheet) (Scotland) Regulations 2022

**Scottish Greenhouse Gas Statistics 2024 (SG/2026/133)** laid under Section 34A of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

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