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Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Elections for membership to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

Elections for membership to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body will take place following the appointment of Scottish Ministers and Scottish Junior Ministers on Thursday 21 May. The nomination period will open at 9.30am and close at 1.30pm on Thursday.

Nominations must be submitted on official nomination forms. These will be available to collect from the Parliamentary Business Team in T1.03, from 9.30am on Thursday. Completed forms must be returned there by 1.30pm.

Chamber Desk Arrangements - End of May Holidays

Members may wish to note that the Chamber Desk will be closed on Friday 22 May and Monday 25 May 2026. Arrangements for submitting motions and amendments for debate are set out below.

Motions for debate on Tuesday 26 May should be lodged with the Chamber Desk by no later than 4.00 pm on Wednesday 20 May; amendments to these motions should be lodged by 4.00 pm on Thursday 21 May.

Motions for debate on Wednesday 27 May should be lodged with the Chamber Desk by no later than 4.00 pm on Thursday 21 May; amendments to these motions should be lodged by 4.00 pm on Tuesday 26 May.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 19 May 2026

Thursday 21 May 2026

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Appointment of Scottish Ministers and Junior Scottish Ministers

followed by Election of Members to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

followed by Presiding Officer's Proposals for the Parliamentary Week

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S7M-00088](#) Sanne Dijkstra-Downie: Congratulations to Spartans FC Women**—That the Parliament congratulates Spartans FC Women for its return to the Scottish Women's Premier League top tier following its 2-0 victory over Dundee United; recognises Spartans FC Women and Spartans FC for fostering talent and teamwork at every level of the game, and the Spartans Community Foundation for its important community work in North Edinburgh; notes the importance of empowering women in sport and inspiring the next generation of athletes; congratulates Spartans FC Women's players, staff and supporters, and wishes them every success in the upcoming season.

***[S7M-00087](#) Kirsten Oswald: Scotland Loves Local Week 2026**—That the Parliament recognises the important work of Scotland's Towns Partnership, the organisation that spearheads the Scotland Loves Local campaign, including the annual Scotland Loves Local Week; appreciates that in 2026, Scotland Loves Local week will take place between 13 and 20 June; notes that the campaign was launched to encourage people, businesses, organisations and communities to think local first and to support the places where they live, work and spend time; acknowledges that since its launch, the campaign has become a movement recognised nationally, celebrating the vital role that our local high streets, town centres, independent businesses, social enterprises and community organisations play in Scotland's economic, social and cultural wellbeing; applauds the 2026 theme, Flying the Flag for Local Businesses, to connect with Scotland playing in the World Cup; recognises the importance of people in Scotland flying the flag for all their local businesses and the people behind them, and appreciates the opportunity provided by Scotland Loves Local Week to support, celebrate and champion the people, places and businesses that make communities across Scotland unique.

Supported by: Dawn Black*, Paul McLennan*, Colin Beattie*, Laura Mitchell*, Jamie Hepburn*, David Torrance*, Calum Kerr*, Miles Briggs*, Bob Doris*, Emma Roddick*

***[S7M-00086](#) Simita Kumar: Oxgangs Library, CEC Mobile Library and Saughton Library Win Scottish Library of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Oxgangs Library, City of Edinburgh Council Mobile Library Services and Saughton Library at HMP Edinburgh on winning the Scottish Library of the Year Award presented by The British Book Awards; understands that the libraries collaborated to introduce a Secret Santa programme at HMP Edinburgh with libraries providing gift-wrapped books for prisoners; understands that the initiative was aimed at improving mental health and supporting the rehabilitation goals on which the prison system works; acknowledges that this was a first for the UK and built on Edinburgh Library Service's existing Empathy Lab's Read for Empathy promotion and the National Library of Scotland's Blind Date with a Book scheme, and commends the

staff involved in bringing this programme, which was described as a brave, bold and effective initiative built on partnership that delivered at a very human level, and showed the value of placing books at the very heart of our institutions.

*[S7M-00084](#) **Alison Thewliss: World Human Milk Donation Day on 19 May**—That the Parliament celebrates that 19 May is World Human Milk Donation Day; notes that there are over 600 human milk banks operating in at least 60 countries around the world; appreciates the work of Milk Bank Scotland, which is a national service located within NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde; welcomes its life-saving provision of safe, screened donor milk to premature and ill babies across Scotland, and expresses its deep gratitude for the selflessness and generosity of all milk donors who make this vital service possible.

*[S7M-00083](#) **Holly Bruce: Celebrating Kenmure Street, a Festival of Hope**—That the Parliament acknowledges the social and cultural significance of marking the fifth anniversary of the Pollokshields dawn raid by Home Office immigration enforcement and subsequent peaceful protest on Kenmure Street, Glasgow, on 13 May 2021, the day that people of the Glasgow Southside constituency rose up to stand in solidarity with members of their community; welcomes the critically acclaimed film, *Everybody to Kenmure Street*, from the Glasgow-based Chilean filmmaker Felipe Bustos Sierra and is a "love letter" to the community, showcasing its spirit, sense of urgency and humility on the day, and applauds Bowling Green Together for hosting the first Festival of Hope, which was a two-week-long programme celebrating the victory and included know your rights workshops, banner making, screen-printing, a free community meal, music and an opportunity to deepen ties in the Southside community.

Supported by: Emma Roddick*

*[S7M-00082](#) **Mark Ruskell: Ladybank Fire Exposes the Danger Posed by the Fire Service** —That the Parliament notes with concern the large, resource-intensive fire that began at the Ladybank landfill site in Fife on 12 May 2026; understands that the fire has been burning for several days and that, at its height, 19 fire crews were on the scene trying to control the blaze; notes that one week later, three appliances remain on site; understands with concern that fire crews from across Fife and Tayside have had to attend the scene, leaving Edinburgh short as an appliance from Tollcross in the city was sent to Dunfermline to cover; notes that the fire comes as the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) considers the outcome of a Service Delivery Review, which proposes closing Balmossie station in Dundee and removing a fire appliance and crew from Lochgelly; understands that this follows a previous round of service reductions that already caused Methil and Glenrothes to each lose a fire appliance; believes that SFRS has lost 1,250 jobs since its creation in 2013, and considers that further job losses, closure of stations and reductions in services will leave communities exposed, putting people's lives and property at greater risk.

*[S7M-00081](#) **Alison Thewliss: Welcoming Refugee Festival Scotland 2026**—That the Parliament welcomes Refugee Festival Scotland 2026, taking place from 12 to 21 June 2026 in the lead-up to World Refugee Day; recognises the festival as a vibrant, nationwide celebration of art, culture and community, featuring more than 150 events across Scotland and showcasing contributions from artists and participants connected to over 78 countries; acknowledges the important role the festival plays in bringing people together, fostering solidarity, and strengthening connections between communities across the country through music, dance, food, storytelling and shared experiences; notes that 2026 marks 75 years since the UN Refugee Convention, underscoring the continued importance of Scotland's proud history of offering welcome and support to people seeking safety; commends the Scottish Refugee Council for its leadership in organising and delivering Refugee Festival Scotland each year, and congratulates all involved for creating an inclusive programme that celebrates the richness, diversity and resilience of Scotland's refugee communities and the positive contribution that they make to the nation's cultural life.

Supported by: Emma Roddick*

*[S7M-00080](#) **Alison Thewliss: 30th Anniversary of the Kinning Park Complex**—That the Parliament recognises the 30th anniversary of the community occupation of the building now known

as the Kinning Park Complex; notes that the then Kinning Park Neighbourhood Centre was placed under threat of closure on 3 May 1996 by Strathclyde Regional Council; appreciates that the building was continuously occupied for 55 days by a group of local people, including young women and mothers campaigning to keep their childcare provision; notes that, thanks to the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, the community was finally allowed to own the building in 2019, and welcomes that the Kinning Park Complex is celebrating this incredible piece of Glaswegian activist history through honouring the group's efforts with 55 days of action, events, heritage and celebration from 3 May to 27 June 2026.

***S7M-00079 Carol Mochan: Honouring the Work of East Ayrshire Trades Union Council**—That the Parliament praises East Ayrshire Trades Union Council on the success of its rally opposing racism, which took place on 15 May 2026; notes that the local Trades Union Council is implementing a range of measures to help workers deal with racism in the workplace as well as in wider society; commends the work of campaigners in the Trades Union Council for unveiling a memorial bench in Cronberry to honour local man Jimmy Donald, who lost his life fighting fascism in the Spanish Civil War, and appreciates the efforts of East Ayrshire Labour Group and various branches of Unite the Union for their support in commissioning the bench.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*

***S7M-00078 David Linden: Big Hearted Rustico of Mount Vernon**—That the Parliament sends its warmest congratulations to the staff and customers of Rustico Café in Mount Vernon on their work to fundraise for the Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity; recognises that, in an act of considerable generosity, its staff and customers raised a cumulative £3,831.95 for this good cause; commends those who came together to support young patients and their families, and thanks Rustico, and all connected to it, for what it sees as this wonderful philanthropic act.

***S7M-00077 Kirsten Oswald: Netherlee and Stamperland Community Council's Meadow in a Box Initiative**—That the Parliament congratulates Netherlee and Stamperland Community Council on its Meadow in a Box initiative; notes that this was inspired by work undertaken by the Aberdeen City Council Countryside Ranger Service to encourage pollinators; understands that Netherlee and Stamperland Community Council is offering local residents, organisations and businesses the chance to receive a free wooden planter, compost and native wildflower seeds; recognises that the boxes have been built and delivered by East Renfrewshire Community Payback Scheme, with seeds funded by NatureScot; appreciates that the scheme has arisen as a response by the community council to a decline in native plants and the devastating knock-on effect on bees and butterflies; recognises that the scheme is aimed at increasing the number of patches of native wildflowers across the community in order to encourage pollinators to thrive; appreciates the great value in this scheme, and wishes Netherlee and Stamperland Community Council all the best with this important initiative.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Dawn Black*, Paul McLennan*, Jamie Hepburn*, David Torrance*, Bob Doris*, Miles Briggs*

***S7M-00076 Malcolm Offord: Scott Hastings**—That the Parliament recognises that Scott Hastings was a giant of a Scotsman; commends his exploits on the rugby field, where he won a famous Grand Slam in 1990 and represented the British Lions with pride; celebrates what it considers to be his selfless character, who always put the interests of his country and his community before his own; considers his to be a life well-lived and an example to which people should all aspire to follow, and hopes that he rests in peace.

Supported by: Victor Currie*, Jamie Langan*, Mark Simpson*, Duncan Massey*, David Smith*, Max Bannerman*, Colin Beattie*, Amanda Lindsay*, Kim Schmulian*, Graham Simpson*, Senga Beresford*, Tim Eagle*, Julie MacDougall*, Alexander Burnett*, Amanda Bland*, Miles Briggs*

***S7M-00075 Tom Arthur: Membership of the Parliamentary Corporation**—That the Parliament agrees, with effect from 21 May 2026, that under Rule 3.6.2, the number of appointed Members of the Parliamentary Corporation for this session shall be six.

*[S7M-00074](#) **Tom Arthur: Business Programme**—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business for Thursday 21 May 2026—

2.30pm Parliamentary Bureau Motion (if required)

followed by Appointment of Scottish Ministers and Junior Scottish Ministers

followed by Election of Members to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

followed by Presiding Officer's Proposals for the Parliamentary Week

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions (if required)

*[S7M-00073](#) **David Linden: 10 Years of Coffee Corner in Sandyhills**—That the Parliament celebrates the 10-year anniversary of Coffee Corner, located on Ardgay Street in Sandyhills, Glasgow; notes that Coffee Corner has become a focal point for residents to meet socially and enjoy delicious food and high-quality coffee; commends Susan Paterson and her staff for the exemplary service they provide to the community, and wishes them every success for many years of strong trading to come.

*[S7M-00072](#) **Liam McArthur: Orkney Hosts Norwegian Constitution Day Celebrations**—That the Parliament congratulates the organisers of Orkney's Norwegian Constitution Day celebrations on their well-attended Tog parade and festivities, which were held on 17 May 2026; understands that Norwegian Constitution Day, or Syttende Mai, marks the signing of Norway's constitution in 1814, which established the country's independence, and has been celebrated in Kirkwall for over a century to honour Orkney's special friendship with Norway; notes that the celebrations included the annual Tog parade from Kirkwall Pierhead to St Magnus Cathedral, speeches, live music and performances; acknowledges that Orkney and Norway share deep cultural ties and a longstanding relationship dating back to the 700s when the islands were populated by Norwegians, and extends a heartfelt 'Gratulerer Med Dagen' to all those who celebrated Norwegian Constitution Day, both in Orkney and in Norway.

Supported by: Andrew Baxter*, David Green*, Miles Briggs*, Kristopher Leask*, Iris Duane*, Paul McLennan*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*, Yi-pei Chou Turvey*, David Torrance*, Emma Roddick*

*[S7M-00071](#) **Liam McArthur: Stromness Community Centre Transferred to Community Ownership**—That the Parliament congratulates Stromness Community Centre on having recently transferred to community ownership under the Stromness Community Development Trust; recognises that it was previously managed by Orkney Islands Council; believes that this transfer to community ownership marks an important milestone, creating an opportunity for the wider Stromness community to have a say in the future of the centre; notes that, going forward, the focus will be on developing a sustainable operating model for the centre and strengthening its role as an active community asset; congratulates the Stromness community on this exciting transition, and wishes those involved with this next phase of development at the Centre the very best.

Supported by: Andrew Baxter*, Miles Briggs*, Kristopher Leask*, Tim Eagle*, Colin Beattie*, Yi-pei Chou Turvey* **R**, David Torrance*, Emma Roddick*

*[S7M-00070](#) **Craig Hoy: Lockerbie and District Rotary Club Sponsored Walk**—That the Parliament recognises the Lockerbie and District Rotary Club on the success of its sponsored walk, which saw 106 walkers participating in circuits of the Castle Loch in Lochmaben; praises those who raised funds for local charities, including Eskrigg Nature Reserve manager Jim Rae, who completed three circuits, raising money for the nature reserve, and extends praise to the Lockerbie and District Rotary Club for organising and managing the event, along with the First Aid team and Castle Loch Nature Reserve who provided toilet facilities and refreshments at the group's loch side cottage.

Supported by: Jamie Langan*, Murdo Fraser*, Duncan Dunlop*, Miles Briggs*, Meghan Gallacher*, David Kirkwood*, Tim Eagle*, Russell Findlay*, Alexander Burnett*

***[S7M-00069](#) Liam McArthur: Repair Café Orkney Celebrates First Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Repair Café Orkney on celebrating its one-year anniversary; understands that the Repair Café is a project supported by Greener Orkney, which hosts monthly pop-up social events in Stromness and St Margaret's Hope where community members can bring things such as clothes and household items to be repaired and learn how to make repairs themselves; notes that Repair Café Orkney is the brainchild of Anne Sayer and Dan Wright but forms part of a wider global initiative of repair cafés aimed at reducing waste and encouraging sustainable practices at a community level; acknowledges that as of January 2026, the café has helped divert 392kg of stuff from waste streams by repairing items and keeping them in use, which translates to four tonnes of CO2 emissions prevented; congratulates Repair Café Orkney on a very successful first year; wishes all those involved continued success, and looks forward to repair cafés popping up in other parts of the country in the future.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Jamie Hepburn*, Iris Duane*, Collette Stevenson*, Duncan Dunlop*, Holly Bruce*, Miles Briggs*, Kristopher Leask*, David Kirkwood*, Tim Eagle*, Yi-pei Chou Turvey*, Carol Mochan* R, David Torrance*, Emma Roddick*

***[S7M-00068](#) David Green: Congratulations to Graham Nutt on Receiving the Sir George Williams Medal**—That the Parliament congratulates Tain & North District YMCA senior youth and community worker, Graham Nutt, on being awarded the Sir George Williams Medal, which is the highest accolade presented by YMCA Scotland, in recognition of his outstanding long-term service and dedication to the YMCA movement; notes that Graham has served Tain YMCA for more than 22 years, guiding and developing its work throughout that time and making a positive and lasting impact on countless young people and families across Tain and the surrounding area; further notes that he is the fourth recipient of the Sir George Williams Medal connected with Tain YMCA, following vice-president, Hugh MacKenzie, former chair, Peter Berry, and the late Isobel Wilson, who was well-known and greatly respected in the community; recognises the important contribution that Tain YMCA continues to make to supporting and empowering young people in the Highlands, and wishes Graham, and Tain & North District YMCA, every success for the future.

Supported by: Andrew Baxter*, Miles Briggs*, Tim Eagle*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*, Yi-pei Chou Turvey*

***[S7M-00067](#) Lorna Slater: Recognising the Success and Progress of Heart of Midlothian**—That the Parliament congratulates and recognises the success of the Heart of Midlothian (Hearts) men's first team on taking the league title to a final-day decider following a well-fought and nail-biting season; understands that this would have seen Hearts win the league for the first time since 1959–60; commiserates with the fans and the club on the heartbreaking loss; recognises the commitment and effort shown by the players, coaching staff and supporters throughout the season, and wishes the club, its supporters and all associated with the team every success for the next season, both domestically and competing in European competitions.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Emma Roddick*

***[S7M-00061](#) Kirsten Oswald: Ephraim Borowski MBE**—That the Parliament acknowledges the retirement of Ephraim Borowski MBE, following his decades of service to the Jewish community in Scotland; commends Ephraim for his leadership of and contributions to the Jewish community in Glasgow and the West of Scotland, and Jewish communities across Scotland; believes that as a result of his tireless work as voluntary director of the Scottish Council of Jewish Communities (SCoJeC) since 1999, the Jewish communities of Scotland have collectively become an established and important feature of Scotland's civic society landscape; appreciates what it sees as Ephraim's significant contributions to fostering positive interfaith dialogue, work to progress racial and religious equality and to civic Scotland; notes his regular participation on BBC Radio Scotland's "*Thought for the Day*" covering topics including community and connection, refugees and migration; understands that Ephraim was the first lay member of the Scottish Jewish community to deliver Time for Reflection in the Scottish Parliament; notes his comments on that occasion about the diversity of our country

Today's Business <i>Gnothaichean an-diugh</i>	Future Business <i>Gnothaichean ri teachd</i>	Motions & Questions <i>Gluasadan agus Ceistean</i>	Legislation <i>Reachdas</i>	Other <i>Eile</i>
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resulting in the rich mix of threads in the tartan of Scottish Society, and sends Ephraim all good wishes for his retirement.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Liam McArthur*, Tim Eagle*, Jamie Langan*, Jamie Hepburn*, Stuart McMillan*, Paul McLennan*, Alex Kerr*, Patricia Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Amanda Lindsay*, Colm Merrick*, Alexander Burnett*, David Torrance*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S7M-00066](#) **Gary Bouse: Stenhousemuir FC Wins 2025-26 SPFL Championship Play-off** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, George Adam*, Jamie Hepburn*, Duncan Dunlop*, Jamie Langan*, Colin Beattie*, Amanda Bland*, Miles Briggs*, Steven Bonnar*, Jack Middleton*

[S7M-00064](#) **Karen Adam: A GP Walk-in Centre in Banffshire and Buchan Coast** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00063](#) **Jamie Hepburn: Celebrating Kilsyth Rangers' Promotion** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Gary Bouse*

[S7M-00062](#) **Jamie Hepburn: Street Food Award Success for Kilsyth Academy's Douglas Bonnar** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Bob Doris*

[S7M-00060](#) **Liam McArthur: Congratulating Orkney's E Flett Quality Butcher on 150 Years** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Duncan Dunlop*, Dawn Black*, Kristopher Leask*, Yi-pei Chou Turvey*

[S7M-00059](#) **David Green: Congratulations to Brora Rangers FC on SPFL Pyramid Play-off Final Achievement** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Tim Eagle*, Duncan Dunlop*, Victor Currie*, Kristopher Leask*, Yi-pei Chou Turvey*

[S7M-00058](#) **Laura Mitchell: Congratulations to Elgin City FC Women** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Tim Eagle*, Dawn Black*, Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00057](#) **Laura Mitchell: Glenisla Care Home 'Above and Beyond' Award Nomination** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Tim Eagle*

[S7M-00056](#) **Laura Mitchell: 50th Anniversary of Brodie Countryfare** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Tim Eagle*

[S7M-00055](#) **Laura Mitchell: Record-Breaking Year for Spirit of Speyside Whisky Festival** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Jamie Langan*, Miles Briggs*, Tim Eagle*, Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00054](#) **Laura Mitchell: Success of MacMoray 2026** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Tim Eagle*, Paul McLennan*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*

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

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Hannah Mary Goodlad*, Tim Eagle*, Dawn Black*

[S7M-00052](#) **Clare Adamson: Tribute to Derek Mather, Whisky Guru and Owner of Artisan Restaurant in Wishaw** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Steven Bonnar*, Jamie Hepburn*, Miles Briggs*, Collette Stevenson*, Fulton MacGregor*, Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00051](#) **Clare Adamson: Motherwell Care Staff Recognised at Stars of Social Care Awards 2026 for Outstanding Service and Dedication** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Duncan Dunlop*, Dawn Black*, Steven Bonnar*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*

[S7M-00050](#) **Clare Adamson: Abseil for CHAS in Memory of Laia** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Dawn Black*, Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00049](#) **Clare Adamson: The Railway Tavern in Motherwell Wins Best Pub in the West** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*

[S7M-00048](#) **Clare Adamson: Slimming World Groups in Wishaw Support Cancer Research UK Through Clothing Donation Campaign** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00047](#) **Thomas Kerr: Reintroduce Local Connection on Housing** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: David Kirkwood*, Amanda Bland*, Julie MacDougall*, Mark Simpson*, Kim Schmulian*, Senga Beresford*, Amanda Lindsay*, Victor Currie*, Angela Ross* R, David Smith*, Malcolm Offord*

[S7M-00046](#) **Donald MacKinnon: Congratulating RNLI Fundraising Efforts** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Hannah Mary Goodlad*, Tim Eagle*, David Barratt*, David Kirkwood*

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

New Support: Helen McDade*

[S7M-00043](#) **Clare Adamson: Music, Dementia Awareness and Alzheimer Scotland** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00041](#) **Clare Adamson: Motherwell Schools Receive Asda Foundation Young Futures Fund Grants** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*

[S7M-00036](#) **Clare Adamson: Scottish Opera Pop-Up Performances in Schools and the Importance of Arts Education in Scotland** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00033](#) **Clare Adamson: New College Lanarkshire DFN Project SEARCH Success** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*

[S7M-00030](#) **Clare Adamson: HPV Self-Sampling and Cervical Cancer Prevention in Scotland** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Victor Currie*, David Barratt*, Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00024](#) **Duncan Massey: Ban on New Drilling in the UK Sector of the North Sea** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Kim Schmulian*, Victor Currie*, Malcolm Offord*

[S7M-00022](#) **Alex Cole-Hamilton: Replacement for the Gilbert Bain Hospital** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Hannah Mary Goodlad*, Victor Currie*

[S7M-00019](#) **Colin Beattie: Improving Bus Services in Rural Areas** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Hannah Mary Goodlad*, Q Manivannan*

[S7M-00018](#) **Colin Beattie: Recognising the Damaging Impact of Antisocial Behaviour** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: David Barratt*

[S7M-00014](#) **Paul McLennan: Commending North Berwick Coffee Morning Fundraising Success** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Emma Roddick*

[S7M-00006](#) **David Torrance: Launch of the Kirkcaldy Muslim Scout Group** (lodged on 14 May 2026)

New Support: Mark Ruskell*

[S7M-00004](#) **Keith Brown: Congratulations to Clackmannanshire Women's Aid on its 50th Anniversary** (lodged on 14 May 2026)

New Support: Martyn Day*

[S7M-00003](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Arthritis Awareness Month** (lodged on 14 May 2026)

New Support: David Barratt*, Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-00001](#) **Rachael Hamilton: National Fishing Remembrance Day 2026** (lodged on 14 May 2026)

New Support: David Barratt*, Alexander Burnett*, Emma Roddick*

Questions

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

Written Questions

SPCB Written Questions lodged on 19 May 2026

[S7W-00149](#) **Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body, further to the answer to question S6W-44327 by Jackson Carlaw on 9 April 2026, whether it will provide an update on when it will conclude its work to review the provision of paternity and partner leave for MSP staff.

Written Questions lodged on 19 May 2026

[S7W-00103](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what support services are being made available to former patients of Sam Eljamel and their families during reported delays to the public inquiry proceedings.

[S7W-00106](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions ministers or officials have had with the chair of the public inquiry into Sam Eljamel regarding reported concerns raised by patients and families about delays to proceedings.

[S7W-00142](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will provide further details on its proposed Rural Renewal Bill, including the intended aims of the legislation, the anticipated timetable for consultation and introduction, and how rural communities and stakeholders will be involved in its development.

[S7W-00143](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has undertaken to date with rural stakeholders on the proposed Rural Renewal Bill.

[S7W-00144](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the proposed Rural Renewal Bill will include provisions requiring ministers and public bodies to undertake rural impact assessments when developing policy.

[S7W-00145](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the proposed Rural Renewal Bill will include provisions to introduce a formal rural-proofing requirement for all new legislation, policy and major spending decisions.

[S7W-00146](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what specific reforms to rural planning legislation it is considering as part of the development of the Rural Renewal Bill.

[S7W-00147](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of the current planning system on rural areas, and what discussions it has had with local authorities and rural stakeholders regarding proposed rural planning reforms.

[S7W-00148](#) **Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the publication of *Award of DSF – Jury Deliberation Research*, in February 2026, whether the research commissioned that will explore jury deliberations in rape and attempted rape cases will specifically examine whether the abolition of the not proven verdict and the change to the jury majority required for conviction have affected juror deliberations, decision-making and/ or verdicts.

[S7W-00150](#) **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding reports that Scottish residents participating in humanitarian flotillas to Gaza have been detained by Israeli forces in international waters, what (a) representations it has made to the UK Government, and (b) discussions

it has had with the UK Government to ensure that all appropriate consular and diplomatic steps are taken to protect their welfare and secure their safe return.

[S7W-00151](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what procurement it has undertaken regarding the use of artificial intelligence in stroke diagnosis.

[S7W-00152](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to integrate the use of artificial intelligence into the stroke pathway, particularly for the diagnosis of strokes.

[S7W-00153](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many investigations were carried out in each of the last two years under the Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2021; how many led to a report being made to the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service and how many subsequent (a) prosecutions and (b) convictions there were, broken down by how many people convicted were given a (i) fine and (ii) custodial sentence. **R**

[S7W-00154](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many premises (a) have been connected and (b) are waiting to be connected to broadband through Project Gigabit in the Highlands and Islands region, broken down by local authority area.

[S7W-00155](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the R100 broadband upgrade programme will be completed by 2028.

[S7W-00156](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on (a) its commitment to increasing the number of GPs across Scotland by at least 800 by 2027, and (b) the current number of GPs who have been recruited since this commitment was made.

[S7W-00157](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding has been invested in the maintenance of the A83 Rest and Be Thankful, broken down by cost category, in each year since 2007.

[S7W-00158](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many renewable energy applications in the Highlands and Islands region that were rejected by local authorities were subsequently given consent by the Planning and Environmental Appeals Division, in each year since 2021.

[S7W-00159](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to update its Respiratory Care Action Plan 2021-2026.

[S7W-00160](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the significant demand in the first round of funding of the Future Farming Investment Scheme, for what reason it has reduced the proposed funding available ahead of the second round of funding. **R**

[S7W-00161](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what the highest (a) fine and (b) custodial sentence imposed were in each of the last two years under the Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2021; how many people received these and, in each case, how this compared with the maximum sentence that was available.

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[S7W-00162](#) **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Scottish National Party's 2026 manifesto commitment to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items in shops, whether it has estimated the level of additional retail sales that would be required by retailers to offset the cost of the proposal.

[S7W-00163](#) **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Scottish National Party's 2026 manifesto commitment to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items in shops, whether the proposal is compatible with the Scottish Government's Retail Industry Leadership Group's vision to make Scotland the best place in the UK to grow a retail business.

[S7W-00164](#) **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Scottish National Party's 2026 manifesto commitment to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items in shops, what steps have been taken to assess any potential impact on the profitability of food stores.

[S7W-00165](#) **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Scottish National Party's 2026 manifesto commitment to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items in shops, what discussions it has had with Public Health Scotland about the possible introduction of the proposal.

[S7W-00166](#) **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Scottish National Party's 2026 manifesto commitment to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items in shops, what discussions it has had with Scotland's Improvement Districts about the possible introduction of the proposal.

[S7W-00167](#) **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Scottish National Party's 2026 manifesto commitment to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items in shops, what the administrative and cost implications will be for those tasked with enforcing the proposal.

[S7W-00169](#) **Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had regarding the potential establishment of a statutory framework to co-ordinate protections and responsibilities relating to war memorials.

[S7W-00170](#) **Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will commit to working in the current session to bring forward or support legislative amendments to strengthen protections for nationally and locally significant war memorials.

[S7W-00171](#) **Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it will take to reassure communities and armed forces groups that the preservation and protection of war memorials remains a ministerial priority.

[S7W-00172](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how much of the Rural Affordable Homes for Key Workers fund has been spent to date since the scheme was announced.

[S7W-00173](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how many homes have been acquired via its Rural Affordable Homes for Key Workers fund to date since the scheme was announced.

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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.

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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

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Negative instruments

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)

The lead committee given is the lead committee which considered the instrument in Session 6.

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