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Business Bulletin

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Election of Members to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

Further to the announcement in yesterday's Business Bulletin, elections for membership of the SPCB will take place this afternoon. The nomination period will open at 9.30am this morning and close at 1.30pm.

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

The voting procedure is below.

Where the number of candidates is equal to the number of vacancies:

The Presiding Officer will invite members to agree that there be a single vote to elect all the candidates. If all members agree that there should be a single vote, the Presiding Officer will read out the names of the candidates. After all the names are read out, members may vote for or against the candidates, or abstain. The candidates will be elected if there is a simple majority of votes in favour of their election. The candidates will be eliminated from the election if a simple majority of votes in favour of their election is not obtained.

If any member disagrees to a single question being put, a separate vote will be called for each candidate in alphabetical order. Members may vote for or against each candidate, or abstain. The candidate will be elected if he or she obtains a simple majority of votes in his or her favour.

Where there are more candidates than the number of vacancies:

Members will be asked to cast their vote for their preferred candidate. A separate vote will be called for each candidate in alphabetical order. Members must vote once only and only use their "yes" button when voting. If any Member casts more than one vote, their votes will be treated as spoiled, and none of their votes will count. Any member wishing to record an abstention will have an opportunity to do so at the end of voting for the candidates.

Once all voting has been completed, there will be a short delay of a few minutes while the result is verified. The Presiding Officer will then announce: the number of votes cast; the votes for each of the candidates; and the votes to abstain. A candidate will be elected if an overall majority is obtained. If no majority is obtained, the candidate or candidates with the smallest number of votes will be eliminated and a further round or rounds of voting will take place until the vacancy is filled.

Where there are fewer candidates than the number of vacancies:

Voting will proceed in the same manner as if the number of candidates is equal to the number of vacancies. Under Rule 11.10A.19 of Standing Orders, the Presiding Officer will announce that the total number of vacancies has not been filled and a further election for the remaining candidates will be held. The date and time will be announced in the Business Bulletin.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

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

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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followed by Appointment of Scottish Ministers and Junior Scottish Ministers

[S7M-00108](#) John Swinney: First Minister's Appointment of Scottish Ministers—That the Parliament agrees that Ivan McKee and Stephen Flynn be appointed as Scottish Ministers.

[S7M-00109](#) John Swinney: First Minister's Appointment of Junior Scottish Ministers—That the Parliament agrees that Stephen Gethins, Hannah Mary Goodlad, Jamie Hepburn, Simita Kumar, Kirsten Oswald and Alison Thewliss be appointed as junior Scottish Ministers.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendment

[S7M-00109.1](#) Meghan Gallacher: First Minister's Appointment of Junior Scottish Ministers—As an amendment to motion S7M-00109 in the name of John Swinney (First Minister's Appointment of Junior Scottish Ministers), leave out "Jamie Hepburn,".

followed by Election of Members to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

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[S7M-00106](#) Tom Arthur: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

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2.00 pm Time for Reflection

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followed by First Minister's Statement: Ambitious for Scotland

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Ambitious for Scotland

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Wednesday 27 May 2026

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followed by Ministerial Statement: First Homes Fund

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Expanding Childcare

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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Thursday 28 May 2026

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

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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-00105](#) John Swinney: Ambitious for Scotland**—That the Parliament welcomes the emphatic democratic mandate for bold and ambitious reform backed by the people of Scotland at the Scottish General Election; further welcomes the Scottish Government's clear commitment to eradicate child poverty, deliver a stronger NHS and public services, build a more prosperous economy and help people in the cost of living crisis and tackle climate change; recognises that the people of Scotland have returned the largest pro-independence majority ever elected to the Scottish Parliament; believes this majority affirms a clear mandate that decisions about Scotland's future are best taken in Scotland and that mandate must be respected; calls on the UK Government to make a Section 30 order under the Scotland Act 1998 to devolve the powers to the Scottish Parliament to hold a referendum on Scottish independence, and agrees that the Parliament is at its best when it works together in pursuit of a country that can be confident in its future.

Supported by: Jenny Gilruth*

Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

***[S7M-00100](#) Patricia Gibson: World Pre-Eclampsia Day, 22 May 2026**—That the Parliament is aware that 22 May is World Pre-Eclampsia Day; notes that pre-eclampsia is a global issue, with most deaths from this condition occurring in low-income countries; is alarmed that an estimated 76,000 mothers and 500,000 babies worldwide lose their lives to pre-eclampsia and related hypertensive disorders of pregnancy every year; appreciates that 60% of hypertension-related maternal deaths are potentially preventable but there continue to be missed opportunities for appropriate, recommended care of severe maternal hypertension; understands that women who develop pre-eclampsia in pregnancy have an increased lifelong risk of some serious longer-term health conditions, including cardiovascular issues, kidney problems, diabetes and deep vein thrombosis; laments concerns that women across the UK do not currently receive long-term monitoring following pre-eclampsia in pregnancy and are often not aware of, or informed of, the long-term health risks associated with pre-eclampsia; welcomes the Scottish Government's commitment to greater support for women who have experienced pre-eclampsia in Phase Two of its Women's Health Plan, which was published in January 2026, and applauds the work of the charity, Action on Pre-Eclampsia, which is dedicated to raising awareness, improving care and supporting individuals affected by pre-eclampsia.

Supported by: Fulton MacGregor*, Stuart McMillan*, Kirsten Oswald*, Miles Briggs*, Laura Moodie*, Bob Doris*, Calum Kerr*, Colin Beattie*, Dawn Black*

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

*[S7M-00097](#) **Maggie Chapman: Promoting Pig Welfare**—That the Parliament notes that farrowing crates are metal cages used on pig farms to confine a sow shortly before she gives birth and throughout the nursing period; understands that these crates are about two metres long and less than one metre wide, preventing the sow from turning around or moving naturally; regrets that over 200,000 mother pigs on UK farms are forced to spend nearly a quarter of their adult lives confined in farrowing crates; welcomes that polling carried out by Humane World for Animals UK earlier in 2026, showed that 84% of respondents from Scotland reject the use of farrowing crates for mother pigs; thanks Humane World for Animals UK for touring Scotland with Penny, the life-size robot pig in a replica farrowing crate, to raise awareness of the distress that the small metal cage causes; regrets what it sees as continued Scottish Government delays to consulting on an end to farrowing crates, and recognises the view that farrowing crates, as well as flexible or temporary crates, which sows are confined in for slightly less time, should be banned, and farms supported to transition to higher-welfare free farrowing pens to protect sows and piglets, including in the North East Scotland Region.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

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*[S7M-00104](#) **Duncan Massey: Import of Russian Oil-derived Products**—That the Parliament notes with concern reports that the UK Government has quietly eased restrictions to allow greater access to Russian oil-derived products; further notes reports that this has taken place without a full debate, ministerial statement, or vote in the UK Parliament; believes that Scotland's oil and gas sector continues to face significant challenges, including regulatory barriers, high taxes, and what it considers to be a lack of clear long-term support from government; acknowledges what it sees as the vital role that the North Sea oil and gas industry plays in supporting jobs, economic growth, and energy security across Scotland and the wider UK; considers that there is a contradiction between restricting domestic production, where environmental and regulatory standards are among the highest in the world, while potentially increasing reliance on imported energy sources; believes that reducing domestic production, without any reduction in demand, risks offshoring jobs and investment, and calls on the Scottish Government to urge the UK Government to provide full transparency on its policy regarding energy imports, to ensure proper parliamentary scrutiny of such decisions, and to prioritise support for the domestic oil and gas sector, including providing clear and unequivocal backing for North Sea developments and future licensing.

*[S7M-00103](#) **Stuart McMillan: Port Glasgow Juniors Football Club Back-to-back Promotions**—That the Parliament congratulates Port Glasgow Juniors Football Club on securing a second successive promotion, confirming its place in the West of Scotland Football League Second Division for the 2026-27 season; recognises the significant achievement by the players, manager Tam Jamieson, and coaching staff in delivering sustained success on the pitch; commends the determination and resilience shown by the club; acknowledges the unwavering support of the club's fans, particularly groups such as the Port Shed Boys, whose vocal backing has played a vital role in the team's achievements; recognises the importance of local sponsors and volunteers in sustaining grassroots football in Inverclyde, and wishes everyone at Port Glasgow Juniors Football Club every success for the 2026-27 season.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

*[S7M-00102](#) **Stuart McMillan: Whinhill Primary School Recognised Among Scotland's Best**—That the Parliament congratulates Whinhill Primary School in Greenock on being recognised as one of the best schools in Scotland, following an outstanding inspection by His Majesty's Inspectorate of Education; notes that the school achieved the highest possible "excellent" grading across all four key areas: leadership of change, learning, teaching and assessment, ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion, and raising attainment and achievement; recognises that this is an accomplishment rarely achieved nationally; commends the inspirational leadership of head teacher, Liz Ruddy, alongside the dedication and professionalism of the teaching staff and wider school community; recognises the achievements of pupils who were praised as highly motivated, articulate and engaged in their learning; acknowledges the school's commitment to inclusion, celebrating diverse backgrounds and cultures, and providing a wide range of opportunities in sport, culture and citizenship; notes the strong partnership between the school, families and the wider community in supporting young people to thrive, and wishes Whinhill Primary School continued success in delivering excellence in education for the children and families of Inverclyde.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

*[S7M-00101](#) **Alex Cole-Hamilton: Condemnation of UK Sanction Relief on Russia**—That the Parliament condemns the UK Government for what it believes to be the easing of sanctions on Russia and Vladimir Putin's regime; notes that additional sanctions have been in place since the full-scale, illegal invasion of Ukraine in February 2022; considers this decision to be an utter betrayal of the fighting men and women of Ukraine; recognises the sacrifices made, not just by fighters in Ukraine, but also by civilians who are facing aerial bombardment from Russia on a nightly basis, and calls on the UK Government to immediately reverse this decision. **R**

*[S7M-00099](#) **Alison Thewliss: Celebrating 20 Years of the Glasgow Science Festival**—That the Parliament congratulates the Glasgow Science Festival on its 20th anniversary; acknowledges that, since its inception, the festival has welcomed over 860,000 visitors to events across the city, with more than 200,000 school pupils taking part in outreach activities, including the annual Creating Engineers competition; commends the festival for continuing to deliver events online during the COVID-19 pandemic; recognises its role in showcasing the outstanding contribution of Glasgow-based researchers across science, technology, engineering, arts, mathematics and social science (STEAM), and in communicating their work to the public in engaging and innovative ways across a wide range of venues; believes that its inclusive approach has helped to inspire new generations of scientists; thanks Dr Deborah McNeill of the University of Glasgow for founding the festival in 2006 and for her service as director over the past two decades; notes that the 2026 festival will include 175 events and will run from 4 to 14 June, and wishes all involved every success now and in the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Kirsten Oswald*, Michelle Campbell*, Bob Doris*, Iris Duane*, Jackie Baillie*, Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Maggie Chapman*

*[S7M-00098](#) **Clare Adamson: Condolences on the Passing of Chris Boyle**—That the Parliament notes with deep sadness the sudden passing of Chris Boyle of Boyle the Ironmonger, which is a long-established family business in Wishaw; recognises that Chris was a well-loved member of the community; understands that his passing will be felt profoundly by family, friends, colleagues and all who knew him; acknowledges his contribution to local business life through his work as a builders' ironmonger, supplying hardware and DIY materials in Wishaw; believes that his warmth, character and presence made a lasting impact on those around him, and extends its heartfelt condolences to his family and loved ones at this very difficult time.

Supported by: Fulton MacGregor*, Colin Beattie*, Marie McNair*, Ariane Burgess*, Alison Thewliss*, Miles Briggs*, Bob Doris*

*[S7M-00096](#) **Alison Thewliss: 200th Anniversary of Glasgow City Mission**—That the Parliament recognises the 200th Anniversary of Glasgow City Mission; appreciates that Glasgow City Mission is believed to be the world's first City Mission and has been caring for marginalised people since 1826; welcomes its spirit-led, faith-filled and inclusive approach to supporting vulnerable adults and children within the city and its ongoing fight against poverty and disadvantage in Glasgow; notes that Glasgow City Mission's current projects includes its City Centre project, which offers a range of support to those in need, its Child and Family Centre in Govan and its Winter Project, which provides assistance to those in need of emergency accommodation; appreciates that Glasgow City Mission is independent and reliant on donations; thanks all donors, volunteers and staff for their dedication over the years, and wishes everyone involved in Glasgow City Mission all the best for the future.

Supported by: Kirsten Oswald*, Miles Briggs*, Michelle Campbell*, Bob Doris*, Murdo Fraser*, Jackie Baillie*, Colin Beattie*

*[S7M-00095](#) **Clare Adamson: Congratulating Hugh Black & Sons on Success at the Scottish Craft Butchers Beef Link Sausage Championships 2026**—That the Parliament congratulates Hugh Black & Sons on winning the southeast regional title at the Scottish Craft Butchers Beef Link Sausage Championships 2026; recognises the family business's strong presence across North Lanarkshire and in Wishaw, as well as through its 13 shops across Scotland; acknowledges that the award reflects the skill and dedication of staff across production and retail in maintaining consistency and high-quality,

traditionally crafted products using locally-sourced Scottish beef; believes that this success highlights excellence and innovation within Scotland's food and drink sector, and wishes the business continued success.

Supported by: Fulton MacGregor*, Colin Beattie*, Marie McNair*, Miles Briggs*

*[S7M-00094](#) **Jackie Dunbar: Danestone Primary School Celebrates 40 Years**—That the Parliament celebrates the 40th anniversary of Danestone Primary School; understands that the Aberdeen Donside-based school opened in 1986 to serve the rapidly growing community of Danestone; notes that, at the time of its opening, the school was quickly found to be too small to meet demand and was subsequently expanded to accommodate a growing roll; further notes that past and present pupils attended a special assembly to mark the milestone, with current pupils dressing in 1980s-style clothing to reflect the decade in which the school opened; recognises that the celebrations also marked a second achievement, with the unveiling of a banner awarded by UNICEF UK in recognition of the school attaining Gold Rights Respecting School status; understands that anniversary events will continue, including a sponsored school run, a whole-school photograph, a picnic and a memory museum display open to the community, former pupils and parents from 25 to 29 May; congratulates all staff and pupils of Danestone Primary School on their efforts in organising these events, and wishes them every success for the future.

Supported by: Duncan Massey*, Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Karen Adam*, Maggie Chapman*, Ariane Burgess*

*[S7M-00093](#) **Gillian Mackay: Motherwell Football Club Secures European Qualification**—That the Parliament congratulates Motherwell Football Club on securing European qualification after finishing fourth in the Scottish Premiership; understands that Jens Berthel Askou's side hit a new club clean-sheet record and achieved its fourth-highest points tally in the three-points-for-a-win era, and further understands that it recorded the fewest league defeats in a top-flight season since 1959 as well as the fewest goals conceded in a top-flight season since 1932.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

*[S7M-00092](#) **Paul McLennan: Congratulations to Calum Phillip on Edinburgh to North Berwick Race Victory**—That the Parliament congratulates Calum Phillip, of Central Athletics Club, on his impressive victory in the historic Edinburgh to North Berwick race; notes that more than 180 runners took part in the 20-mile event, which runs through East Lothian and along its coastline before finishing at Elcho Green; further notes that Calum Phillip secured first place in a time of one hour, 49 minutes and 10 seconds, narrowly missing the course record by just 25 seconds; recognises the strength of the competitors, with notable performances across the field, including the podium finishers and leading female athletes; welcomes the continued success and revival of this long-established race, which dates back to 1958 and was reintroduced in recent years; commends the organisers, volunteers and local community for delivering a successful event, and wishes Calum Phillip every success in his future athletics career.

*[S7M-00091](#) **Paul McLennan: Commending Lifesaving Rescue Teams Honoured with PETA Award**—That the Parliament commends the North Berwick RNLI volunteers and Coastguard Rescue Teams, alongside courageous members of the public, who were recognised with a PETA Hero to Animals Award following the dramatic rescue of a dog at Seacliff beach; notes that the incident saw a 10-year-old dog fall several metres into the sea, prompting bystanders to enter the water before emergency services responded swiftly with lifeboat and rescue teams to bring both the animal and those involved to safety; recognises the professionalism, bravery and teamwork demonstrated in challenging coastal conditions; notes the positive outcome in reuniting the dog safely with its owner; applauds PETA's recognition of these efforts, and thanks all those involved for their commitment to

protecting both human and animal life and for highlighting the importance of coastal safety awareness across East Lothian.

***[S7M-00090](#) Paul McLennan: Congratulating Bombay Bar and Grill on Success at the Scottish Curry Awards 2026**—That the Parliament congratulates Bombay Bar and Grill in Prestonpans on being named Best New Business at the Scottish Curry Awards 2026; notes that the award was presented at the 18th annual ceremony, held in Glasgow; recognises that the restaurant, which is located on Prestonpans High Street, opened in August 2025 and has already achieved significant success; notes the leadership of owner Michael Singh, Rahat Chaudry and head chef Mr Mondal, as well as the dedication of the wider team; acknowledges the strong representation of the local hospitality sector, with the business' sister restaurant Bombay Lounge also receiving recognition at the awards; commends the hard work, innovation and community focus demonstrated by all involved, including their efforts to preserve the historic character of the premises while creating a thriving new venue; recognises the importance of such successes for local economies and communities across East Lothian, and wishes the team every continued success for the future.

***[S7M-00089](#) Jack Middleton: Support Scotland's Energy Industry**—That the Parliament believes that the UK Government must immediately end the Energy Profits Levy and move to a sustainable Oil and Gas Price Mechanism; considers that, while energy policy is reserved, the impact of policy decisions in this field is felt acutely in North East Scotland; understands that during the cost of living crisis around 1,000 jobs per month are being lost because of the Energy Profits Levy, while energy prices continue to rise to record levels; believes that the UK Government must therefore take steps to strengthen energy security by using domestic sources of energy, including through new licences, subject to climate compatibility and energy security tests; further believes that supporting the existing workforce and industry will secure greater investment and accelerate growth in Scotland's renewables future, and believes that control over Scotland's oil, gas and renewable energy sources should be devolved to the Parliament immediately.

Supported by: Colin Beattie, Lloyd Melville, Mark Simpson, Clare Haughey, Patricia Gibson, Hannah Mary Goodlad, Collette Stevenson, Dawn Black*, Karen Adam*

***[S7M-00085](#) Q Manivannan: Ending Conversion Practices**—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as a pressing need to end conversion practices in Scotland; condemns any attempts to change and/ or suppress a person's sexual orientation, gender identity or the expression of either; recognises what it considers to be the lifelong mental and physical harms caused by conversion practices; considers that ending conversion practices can only be achieved through a change in legislation, with both criminal and civil sanctions, as well as the introduction of non-legislative measures, including public education and support for survivors; believes that any change in legislation must be comprehensive and cover sexual orientation, including asexuality, and gender identity, across all settings; further believes that ending conversion practices will meet Scotland's international human rights obligations in line with Resolution 2643 of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, dated January 2026, which calls for a comprehensive legislative ban in all Council of Europe member states, and calls on the Scottish Government to take action to end these practices by introducing a Bill as soon as practically possible in the first year of the current parliamentary session.

Supported by: Lorna Slater*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*, Mark Ruskell*, Holly Bruce*, Gillian Mackay*, Maggie Chapman*, Ross Greer*, Emma Roddick*, Patrick Harvie*, Paul McLennan*, Laura Moodie*, Cara McKee*, Ariane Burgess*, Paul Sweeney*

***[S7M-00013](#) Paul McLennan: Commending 10-Hour Fitness Charity Challenge Supporting Girls in Rwanda**—That the Parliament commends the organisers and participants of the 10-hour fitness charity challenge that was held in April 2026 in North Berwick and Gullane in support of girls and young women in Rwanda; notes that the event, which was organised by local fitness coach Kari Spence, saw around 20 women take part in a demanding programme of varied fitness activities over 10 hours to raise funds for the Together in Sport – Girls' Space project; recognises that the initiative aimed to raise £12,000 to provide a safe and empowering environment in Rwanda where young

women can build confidence and develop practical and life skills; applauds the strong backing from local businesses and the wider community, particularly female-led enterprises, which supported the event, and praises all those involved for demonstrating the positive impact of community-led fundraising in supporting international development and improving opportunities for young women.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S7M-00088](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie: Congratulations to Spartans FC Women** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Alison Thewliss*, Lorna Slater*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*, Adam Harley*, Miles Briggs*, Liam McArthur* R, Tim Eagle*, Colin Beattie*, Jack Middleton*, Yi-pei Chou Turvey*, Andrew Baxter*

[S7M-00087](#) **Kirsten Oswald: Scotland Loves Local Week 2026** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Michelle Campbell*, Paul Sweeney*, Cara McKee*, Karen Adam*, Alison Thewliss*, Maggie Chapman*, Lorna Slater*, Ariane Burgess*, Laura Moodie*, Iris Duane*

[S7M-00086](#) **Simita Kumar: Oxgangs Library, CEC Mobile Library and Saughton Library Win Scottish Library of the Year** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Liam McArthur*, Colin Beattie*, Ariane Burgess*

[S7M-00084](#) **Alison Thewliss: World Human Milk Donation Day on 19 May** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Patricia Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Mark Griffin*, Karen Adam*, Bob Doris*, Maggie Chapman*, Laura Mitchell*, Paul McLennan*, Laura Moodie*, Duncan Dunlop*, Lorna Slater*, Ariane Burgess*, Iris Duane*

[S7M-00083](#) **Holly Bruce: Celebrating Kenmure Street, a Festival of Hope** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Ross Greer*, Mark Ruskell*, Gillian Mackay*, Patrick Harvie*, Lorna Slater*, Alison Thewliss*, Q Manivannan*, Kate Nevens*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*, Maggie Chapman*, Jack Middleton*, Laura Moodie*, Bob Doris*, Cara McKee*, Ariane Burgess*, Iris Duane*, Kristopher Leask*

[S7M-00082](#) **Mark Ruskell: Ladybank Fire Exposes the Danger Posed by the Fire Service** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*, Paul Sweeney*

[S7M-00081](#) **Alison Thewliss: Welcoming Refugee Festival Scotland 2026** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Calum Kerr*, Colin Beattie*, Q Manivannan*, Karen Adam*, Jackie Baillie*, Bob Doris*, Iris Duane*, Maggie Chapman*, Laura Mitchell*, Ross Greer*, Paul McLennan*, Laura Moodie*, Duncan Dunlop*, Michelle Campbell*, Lorna Slater*, Patrick Harvie*, Ariane Burgess*

[S7M-00080](#) **Alison Thewliss: 30th Anniversary of the Kinning Park Complex** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Bob Doris*, Iris Duane*, Paul McLennan*, Ariane Burgess*

[S7M-00079](#) **Carol Mochan: Honouring the Work of East Ayrshire Trades Union Council** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*, Ariane Burgess*, Laura Moodie*, Iris Duane*

[S7M-00077](#) **Kirsten Oswald: Netherlee and Stamperland Community Council's Meadow in a Box Initiative** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Michelle Campbell*, Maggie Chapman*, Ariane Burgess*

[S7M-00076](#) **Malcolm Offord: Scott Hastings** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Angela Ross* R, Helen McDade*, Thomas Kerr*

[S7M-00072](#) **Liam McArthur: Orkney Hosts Norwegian Constitution Day Celebrations** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S7M-00071](#) **Liam McArthur: Stromness Community Centre Transferred to Community Ownership** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*, Paul Sweeney*

[S7M-00070](#) **Craig Hoy: Lockerbie and District Rotary Club Sponsored Walk** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*, Stephen Kerr*, Laura Moodie*, Paul Sweeney*

[S7M-00069](#) **Liam McArthur: Repair Café Orkney Celebrates First Anniversary** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*, Paul Sweeney*

[S7M-00068](#) **David Green: Congratulations to Graham Nutt on Receiving the Sir George Williams Medal** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*, Paul Sweeney*

[S7M-00067](#) **Lorna Slater: Recognising the Success and Progress of Heart of Midlothian** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Q Manivannan*, Laura Moodie*, Cara McKee*

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

New Support: Bob Doris*

[S7M-00065](#) **Karen Adam: Protect The Vinery in Banff** (lodged on 18 May 2026)

New Support: Calum Kerr*, Colin Beattie*, Maggie Chapman*, Ariane Burgess*

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

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Simita Kumar*, Ariane Burgess*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S7M-00061](#) **Kirsten Oswald: Ephraim Borowski MBE** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Michelle Campbell*, Stephen Flynn*, Alison Thewliss*, Maggie Chapman*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Gillian Mackay*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Jamie Hepburn*, Paul Sweeney*, Bob Doris*, Karen Adam*, Maggie Chapman*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[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: Paul Sweeney*, Gillian Mackay*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Gillian Mackay*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Maggie Chapman*

[S7M-00044](#) **Jack Middleton: Aberdeen Half Marathon 2026** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*

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

New Support: Alison Thewliss*, Maggie Chapman*

[S7M-00042](#) **Clare Adamson: Illuminate Dance Studio Fundraising for Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Alison Thewliss*

[S7M-00039](#) **Clare Adamson: Mooring Hotel Named As Finalist in Prestige Hotel Awards Scotland** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*

[S7M-00038](#) **Collette Stevenson: Congratulating Christine Kincaid on her Retirement from Royal Mail** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*

[S7M-00037](#) **Clare Adamson: North Lanarkshire Heritage Centre Receives Funding from Royal Society's Places of Science Scheme** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*

[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: Alison Thewliss*, Maggie Chapman*

[S7M-00035](#) **Clare Adamson: Clyde Valley Anglers Fundraising for Children's Charities in Lanarkshire** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*

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

New Support: Miles Briggs*

[S7M-00031](#) **Clare Adamson: The Last Foundations** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*, Maggie Chapman*

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

New Support: Maggie Chapman*, Simita Kumar*

[S7M-00023](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Jamie Tweedie Memorial Walk in Support of Brain Tumour Research** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*, Stephen Kerr*, Miles Briggs*

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

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

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

New Support: Miles Briggs*

[S7M-00017](#) **Paul Sweeney: Celebrating Glasgow Trade Union Council's May Day March 2026** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman* R

[S7M-00008](#) **Emma Roddick: Capacity of Raigmore Hospital and Highland Healthcare** (lodged on 14 May 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S7M-00005](#) **Jackie Dunbar: University of Aberdeen Awarded Funding from British Heart Foundation** (lodged on 14 May 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

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

New Support: Alison Thewliss*, Maggie Chapman*

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

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Maggie Chapman*, Liam McArthur*

[S7M-00002](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Congratulations to NHS Borders Staff Recognised at RCN Scotland Nurse of the Year Awards** (lodged on 14 May 2026)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden*, Stephen Kerr*

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

New Support: Stephen Kerr*, Maggie Chapman*

Questions

Written Questions

Written Questions lodged on 20 May 2026

[S7W-00168](#) **Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee's proposal in its Stage 1 report on the Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill to legislate to create a statutory aggravation in relation to the protection and maintenance of war memorials.

[S7W-00174](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding its proposed Better Surfaces Fund, when it will be launched, what criteria will be used to define eligible projects and how funding allocations will be determined for each local authority.

[S7W-00175](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding its proposed Better Surfaces Fund, what performance measures will be used to assess its effectiveness in improving road conditions and whether it will publish annual updates on spend and condition improvements resulting from it.

[S7W-00176](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the current road maintenance backlog across Scotland in determining the £350 million allocation for its proposed Better Surfaces Fund, and what discussions it has had with local authorities regarding this matter.

[S7W-00177](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government how many rural and island communities currently rely on a single remaining shop, pub, post office or other essential community business.

[S7W-00178](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with representatives of rural and island communities regarding its proposed Last Provider Fund.

[S7W-00179](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will provide further details on its proposed Last Provider Fund, including the criteria that will be used to determine eligibility for support under the fund.

[S7W-00180](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the cost of establishing a Last Provider Fund.

[S7W-00181](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government how many homes it expects to deliver through the proposed £75 million Rural and Island Housing Fund, broken down by (a) local authority area and (b) year of operation.

[S7W-00182](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government how its proposed £25 million Rural Affordable Housing for Key Workers programme will operate in practice, including how local authorities will be supported to identify eligible properties.

[S7W-00183](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what criteria will be used to define "key workers" under its proposed Rural Affordable Housing for Key Workers programme.

[S7W-00184](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the current shortage of affordable housing in rural and island areas, and how this will inform the design of its proposed Rural and Island Housing Fund.

[S7W-00185](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with representatives of rural and island communities regarding its proposed Rural and Island Housing Fund.

[S7W-00186](#) **David Green:** To ask the Scottish Government what timescales it has set for the delivery of new affordable homes under its proposed Rural and Island Housing Fund and how it will evaluate the fund's progress, including key annual milestones.

[S7W-00187](#) **David Linden:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of its Investing in Communities Fund on the wider role agenda pursued by Housing Associations.

[S7W-00188](#) **David Linden:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Housing Associations regarding the future of the Investing in Communities Fund.

[S7W-00189](#) **David Linden:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of Scotland's ageing population, and what it considers the impact will be on registered social landlords to make future adaptations to properties.

[S7W-00191](#) **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any potential impact of a statutory cap on supermarket food prices on Scottish farmers, food producers and processors, particularly in relation to farmgate prices and supply chain sustainability.

[S7W-00192](#) **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has received legal advice regarding the compatibility of a statutory cap on supermarket food prices with the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020, and, if so, whether it will publish the advice it has received.

[S7W-00193](#) **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the administrative and enforcement costs associated with introducing a cap on supermarket food prices.

[S7W-00194](#) **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has undertaken any assessment of whether supermarkets may offset a cap on certain food items through price increases elsewhere, and, if so, what conclusions it reached.

[S7W-00195](#) **Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that female witnesses involved in serious criminal cases are provided with appropriate protections and support throughout court proceedings, including safeguards relating to single-sex spaces and facilities.

[S7W-00196](#) **Lorna Slater:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will outline how public bodies will be informed of their additional responsibilities under the enhanced biodiversity duty, which was legislated for by the Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2026.

[S7W-00197](#) **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support households in installing electric vehicle charging points at home.

[S7W-00205](#) **Kate Nevens:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance is available to public bodies when managing reports of noise complaints from residents where multiple agencies, such as Police Scotland and housing associations, are involved.

[S7W-00207](#) **Kate Nevens:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance is available for local authorities when managing noise complaints as a public health issue.

[S7W-00208](#) **Kate Nevens:** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of its £4.5 million for myalgic encephalomyelitis and long COVID services has been allocated to NHS Lothian.

[S7W-00209](#) **Kate Nevens:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to improve medical and support services for people with myalgic encephalomyelitis (ME) in Edinburgh and Lothians East.

[S7W-00211](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps are being taken to ensure adequate access to NHS dentistry in rural areas.

[S7W-00212](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what specific steps are being taken to improve NHS dentistry in the south west of Scotland, including in Dumfriesshire.

[S7W-00213](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding has been allocated to NHS dentistry provision in Dumfriesshire in the last five years.

[S7W-00214](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how many adult patients in Dumfriesshire have been seen by an NHS dentist in each of the last five years.

[S7W-00215](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how many adult patients in Dumfriesshire are currently (a) registered and (b) not registered with an NHS dentist.

[S7W-00217](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how many children in Dumfriesshire are currently (a) registered and (b) not registered with an NHS dentist.

[S7W-00219](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government how many NHS patients have been involuntarily deregistered in Dumfriesshire in each of the last five years.

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Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

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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

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.

Parliamentary committees for Session 7 are yet to be established.

New Documents

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 20 May 2026 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

HMICS Custody inspection report – Edinburgh (HMICS/2026/04) laid under section 79(3) of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

Independent National Whistleblowing Officer: Compendium of Case Reports for May 2026 (INWO/2026/03) laid under Sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Compendium of Case Reports for May 2026 (SPSO/2026/04) laid under Sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

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