

Tuesday 26 May 2026

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Draw for General Questions

Subject to Parliament agreeing a future business programme next week, General Question time sessions will take place on Tuesday 2 June and Thursday 4 June. The arrangements for the submission of names to the random draw for these questions are set out below.

Members are advised that the deadline for submitting names for the General Questions sessions on Tuesday 2 June and Thursday 4 June is 10.00 am on Tuesday 26 May. Members who are selected will be advised by email on that day and will have until noon on Wednesday 27 May to submit their questions.

Royal Assent

The Visitor Levy (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2026 received Royal Assent on 21 May 2026.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

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[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.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

[S7M-00105.4](#) Anas Sarwar: Ambitious for Scotland—As an amendment to motion S7M-00105 in the name John Swinney (Ambitious for Scotland), leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert "recognises the need for bold and ambitious reform in Scotland following the Scottish General Election; acknowledges that the majority of people in Scotland want the Scottish Government to focus on the issues that impact their day-to-day lives; considers that the priority of the Scottish Government should therefore be to improve the NHS and public services, make life more affordable, support communities and high streets, grow a fair and prosperous economy, which tackles inequality, and ensure that every child has the opportunity to succeed; believes that this ambitious future can and should be achieved through the devolved powers of the Parliament and rejects any attempt by the Scottish Government to delay this work by dedicating resources towards returning to divisive arguments of the past."

[S7M-00105.3](#) Ross Greer: Ambitious for Scotland—As an amendment to motion S7M-00105 in the name of John Swinney (Ambitious for Scotland), insert at end "; believes that the most effective way in which to grow public support for Scottish independence and to meet the scale of the challenges currently facing Scotland is through more effective use of existing devolved powers; recognises that meeting the Scottish Government's stated ambitions will require a significant escalation in action and ambition; notes that no one party holds a majority in the current parliamentary session, but that there is a clear majority for progressive values, and agrees that, if all progressive parties work constructively and collaboratively, Scotland can be a fairer, greener and kinder country where household costs are reduced, where wealth is distributed more equally and where climate and natural environment are protected."

[S7M-00105.2](#) Russell Findlay: Ambitious for Scotland—As an amendment to motion S7M-00105 in the name John Swinney (Ambitious for Scotland), leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert "believes that its seventh session should be focused exclusively on resolving the issues that matter to most people in Scotland, such as dealing with NHS waiting times, reversing Scotland's falling educational standards, tackling the growing benefits bill and delivering value-for-money for Scotland's

taxpayers; urges the Scottish Government to drop its demands to hold a second independence referendum, and calls for the Scottish Government to drop its position of a presumption against new oil and gas licences, as outlined in its Draft Energy Strategy published in the last session of the Parliament."

[S7M-00105.1 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Ambitious for Scotland](#)—As an amendment to motion S7M-00105 in the name of John Swinney (Ambitious for Scotland), leave out from first "welcomes" to end and insert, "notes that the Scottish National Party's stated objective prior to 7 May 2026 was to secure an overall majority in the Scottish Parliament elections in order to pursue independence, but that the party achieved fewer votes and seats than in the previous elections, whereas the Scottish Liberal Democrats achieved gains across Scotland from the Borders to the Highlands, and believes that the Scottish Government must now focus on fixing the NHS and care, helping people with the cost of living crisis, fixing the roads and the ferries and getting Scottish education back to its best, in order to deliver the change that Scotland deserves."

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 21 May 2026

Wednesday 27 May 2026

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Ministerial Statement: First Homes Fund

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Expanding Childcare

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Thursday 28 May 2026

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: It's Scotland's Energy

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

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

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

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

Motions for debate

***[S7M-00128](#) Màiri McAllan: Expanding Childcare**—That the Parliament believes that every child deserves the best start in life and that a child's earliest years are crucial in their development; recognises the importance of high quality, accessible and affordable childcare in tackling poverty, supporting employment opportunities for parents, supporting child development and driving inclusive economic growth; acknowledges the Scottish Government's investment in early learning and childcare to date, and supports its aim to extend year-round childcare support to every child from nine months old to the end of primary school.

Supported by: Ben Macpherson*, Siobhian Brown*

***[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.

Supported by: Katie Hagmann*

***[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,".

***[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.

Supported by: Katie Hagmann*

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

*[S7M-00118](#) **Finlay Carson: Gravel Cycling Festival, The Gralloch, Comes to Galloway**—That the Parliament welcomes and recognises the successful staging of what it considers the UK’s premier gravel cycling festival, The Gralloch, which was held in Gatehouse of Fleet, Galloway, from 15 to 17 May 2026; notes that the event attracted more than 3,000 riders from 47 nations, including Australia, Argentina, Iceland and Bhutan, as well as thousands of spectators; further notes that the festival featured the GravelKing UCI Gravel World Series race, offering automatic qualification places for both the World and European Championships, alongside the 323-kilometre Genesis Ultra, presented by Maxxis, and a non-competitive sportive that allowed participants to experience the stunning landscape

of Galloway Forest Park; considers that the festival placed south-west Scotland firmly on the global stage of world-class cycling while delivering a significant boost to the local economy; highlights that it was supported by a vibrant festival village showcasing live music, food and drink, including local produce and craft beer; recognises the unique energy and visibility generated by the event, which it believes will encourage repeat visits and deliver lasting benefits to the region; commends the organisers for their vision and commitment in bringing a world-class event to one of Scotland's most scenic areas, and acknowledges the important role that the Scottish Government, local authorities and their agencies can play in supporting and promoting events of this kind, which bring significant economic benefit to rural communities while showcasing Scotland's outstanding natural environment to an international audience.

Supported by: Meghan Gallacher*, Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Jamie Langan*, Craig Hoy*

***[S7M-00117](#) Finlay Carson: Congratulations to Butcher Scott Carson for his Award-winning Sausages**—That the Parliament congratulates Dalbeattie butcher, Scott Carson, for winning the regional championship of the Scottish Craft Butchers Beef Link Sausage Championship 2026; understands that Scott is reclaiming the title for the best beef bangers in the south west of Scotland; notes that he credits his success to his late grandfather's recipe; acknowledges that Scott, who is the third generation of the Carson clan to be a butcher, first won the national championship in 2019 and believes this latest success is down to his continued use of the best quality ingredients; understands that he first learned to make the perfect banger from his father and grandfather, who taught him from a very early age, and wishes the business continued success in the coming years.

Supported by: Craig Hoy*, Meghan Gallacher*, Tim Eagle*

***[S7M-00116](#) Laura Moodie: Hardgate Primary School Teacher Wins National Environmental Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Jo Wright, a teacher at Hardgate Primary School in Dumfries and Galloway, on being named Eco-Coordinator of the Year at the 2026 Eco-Schools Scotland awards; recognises her outstanding leadership in embedding environmental education across the entire school community; notes her success in engaging fellow staff, local groups and the wider community in environmental initiatives; recognises her work to transform a previously underused woodland into a valued outdoor learning environment for pupils and residents, and thanks Jo for inspiring young people in Dumfries and Galloway to value, protect and enhance their natural environment.

Supported by: Ariane Burgess*, Ross Greer*, Gillian Mackay*, Kate Nevens*, Paul McLennan*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*, Q Manivannan*, Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*

***[S7M-00115](#) Alan Brown: Celebrating Shortlees Amateurs' Scottish Amateur Cup Triumph**—That the Parliament congratulates Shortlees Amateurs on winning the 2026 Scottish Amateur Cup, following what it believes was a dramatic 3–2 victory over Drumchapel Amateurs at Hampden Park; recognises that this is the second time in the club's history that Shortlees has lifted the prestigious trophy, following its previous triumph in 2018; acknowledges what it sees as the tremendous achievement of everyone connected with the club, including manager Colin Smith, the coaching staff, committee members, volunteers, local sponsors, players and supporters, whose dedication, financial backing and hard work have helped establish the club as one of the leading names in Scottish amateur football; commends the team for its determination and resilience during what it considers to have been a thrilling and memorable final, including Danny Wilson's two-goal contribution, a goal from Jack McWilliam and the leadership shown by captain, Keir Knapp; notes the pride that the achievement has brought to the Shortlees community and the wider Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley constituency; recognises the important role that grassroots and amateur football clubs play in strengthening communities, encouraging participation in sport and providing positive opportunities for young people across Ayrshire and beyond, and wishes Shortlees Amateurs every success for the future as Scottish Amateur Cup holders.

***[S7M-00114](#) Jackie Dunbar: Susan Hislop and Bibs Barry Named Finalists for the Angela Joss 'Bee You' Memorial Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Susan Hislop and Elizabeth "Bibs"

Barry from Middlefield Community Project in Aberdeen Donside, for being shortlisted as finalists for the Angela Joss 'Bee You' Memorial Award; understands that this is a community award, which celebrates Angela's life by recognising people who not only fight for what they believe in, but also help others to achieve their dreams along the way; notes that the award will be presented to the winner during Volunteers Week, which is set to take place from 1 to 7 June 2026; recognises Susan and Bibs' hard work and their dedication to help those from the Middlefield, Cummings Park, Marchburn and Heathryfold areas, and wishes both the best of luck.

[request for Jackie Dunbar to be copied into emails, GDPR in inbox]

Supported by: George Adam*

***[S7M-00112](#) Paul McLennan: Recognising the Economic Contribution of Torness Power Station**

—That the Parliament recognises the significant economic contribution made to East Lothian and Scotland by Torness Power Station, near Dunbar; notes that the station has paid out more than £1.18 billion in wages since 2007, supporting workers, families and the wider local economy; further notes that the site has contributed approximately £339 million in non-domestic rates to the Scottish Government; acknowledges that the station supports hundreds of skilled jobs, including around 550 full-time employees and over 180 contract partners; recognises the role that Torness has played since it began generating power in 1988 in providing reliable, low-carbon electricity; understands that the station is currently expected to close within the next few years, with decommissioning work continuing thereafter; commends the workforce, management and supply chain for their contribution to the region's economy and energy security, and calls for continued support for workers, communities and local businesses as the site transitions towards decommissioning and Scotland towards a just energy future.

Supported by: Helen McDade*, Victor Currie*, Kim Schmulian*, David Torrance*, Amanda Lindsay*, Colin Beattie*, Duncan Massey*

***[S7M-00111](#) Laura Mitchell: Opening of Craig Vets**—That the Parliament congratulates Stacey Douglas and the team at Craig Vets on the practice's official opening; understands that the new vet practice in Craigellachie will offer tailored services for pets, including out-of-hours care, a hydrotherapy treadmill and equine treatment rooms; recognises the high demand for out-of-hours veterinary care in Moray and the role that Craig Vets will play in delivering this essential service; understands that there was a huge turnout for the practice's open day on 16 May 2026, and wishes Stacey, her team and her clients the very best as this new chapter of veterinary care in Speyside begins.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Paul McLennan*, David Torrance*, Colin Beattie*, Tim Eagle*, Karen Adam*

***[S7M-00110](#) Laura Moodie: Celebrating The Gralloch 2026**—That the Parliament recognises and celebrates The Gralloch 2026, which was held from 15 to 17 May 2026; notes that it is Scotland's premier gravel cycling festival and takes place in and around Gatehouse of Fleet in Dumfries and Galloway; further notes that the event forms part of the prestigious UCI Gravel World Series and attracts international competitors alongside community participants; acknowledges the event's setting in the outstanding natural environment of the Galloway and Southern Ayrshire UNESCO Biosphere; commends the organisers, volunteers and local community for delivering a successful three-day festival of sport, culture and outdoor activity; recognises the significant economic benefits to the South of Scotland, including an estimated £2 million annual impact, and welcomes the continued growth of The Gralloch as a flagship sporting and tourism event that highlights Dumfries and Galloway as a world-class destination for cycling and outdoor recreation.

Supported by: Ariane Burgess*, Lorna Slater*, Kate Nevens*, Ross Greer*, Iris Duane*, Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Holly Bruce*, Paul McLennan*, Katie Hagmann*, Kim Schmulian*, Cara McKee*, Colin Beattie*, Jamie Langan*, Patrick Harvie*, David Torrance*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S7M-00104](#) **Duncan Massey: Import of Russian Oil-derived Products** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Amanda Lindsay*, Mark Simpson*, Dawn Black*, Helen McDade*, Julie MacDougall*, David Smith*, Graham Simpson*, Senga Beresford*, Jamie Langan*, Amanda Bland*, Angela Ross*, R, Malcolm Offord*, Kim Schmulian*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

[S7M-00103](#) **Stuart McMillan: Port Glasgow Juniors Football Club Back-to-back Promotions** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00102](#) **Stuart McMillan: Whinhill Primary School Recognised Among Scotland's Best** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Steven Bonnar*

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

New Support: Ariane Burgess*, Amanda Lindsay*, Duncan Dunlop*, David Torrance*, Maggie Chapman*, Karen Adam*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00099](#) **Alison Thewliss: Celebrating 20 Years of the Glasgow Science Festival** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*, David Torrance*, David Kirkwood*, Karen Adam*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00098](#) **Clare Adamson: Condolences on the Passing of Chris Boyle** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00097](#) **Maggie Chapman: Promoting Pig Welfare** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*, Kate Nevens*, Laura Moodie*, Lorna Slater*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*, Paul McLennan*, Iris Duane*, David Torrance*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

[S7M-00096](#) **Alison Thewliss: 200th Anniversary of Glasgow City Mission** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Ariane Burgess*, David Torrance*, David Kirkwood*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00095](#) **Clare Adamson: Congratulating Hugh Black & Sons on Success at the Scottish Craft Butchers Beef Link Sausage Championships 2026** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*

[S7M-00094](#) **Jackie Dunbar: Danestone Primary School Celebrates 40 Years** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Dawn Black*, David Torrance*

[S7M-00093](#) **Gillian Mackay: Motherwell Football Club Secures European Qualification** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Laura Moodie*, Jack Middleton*, Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*

[S7M-00092](#) **Paul McLennan: Congratulations to Calum Phillip on Edinburgh to North Berwick Race Victory** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

[S7M-00091](#) **Paul McLennan: Commending Lifesaving Rescue Teams Honoured with PETA Award** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

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Motions Glusadan				

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

[S7M-00090](#) **Paul McLennan: Congratulating Bombay Bar and Grill on Success at the Scottish Curry Awards 2026** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Kim Schmulian*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

[S7M-00089](#) **Jack Middleton: Support Scotland's Energy Industry** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Katie Hagmann*, David Torrance*

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

New Support: Ariane Burgess*, Gillian Mackay*, Duncan Dunlop*, David Torrance*

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

New Support: Katie Hagmann*, Joe Long*, Kate Nevens*

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

New Support: Dawn Black*, Kate Nevens*, Lorna Slater*, David Torrance*

[S7M-00085](#) **Q Manivannan: Ending Conversion Practices** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Kate Nevens*, Kristopher Leask*

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

New Support: Dawn Black*, David Torrance*

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

New Support: Katie Hagmann*, Dawn Black*

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

New Support: Dawn Black*, Gillian Mackay*

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

New Support: Katie Hagmann*, Paul Sweeney*, Dawn Black*, Kate Nevens*, David Torrance*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Kate Nevens*, David Torrance*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Kate Nevens*, David Torrance*

[S7M-00078](#) **David Linden: Big Hearted Rustico of Mount Vernon** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Kate Nevens*

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

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Duncan Dunlop*

[S7M-00073](#) **David Linden: 10 Years of Coffee Corner in Sandyhills** (lodged on 19 May 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

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

New Support: Dawn Black*

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

New Support: Liam Kerr*

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

New Support: Dawn Black*, Kate Nevens*, Lorna Slater*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

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

New Support: Dawn Black*, David Torrance*

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

New Support: Dawn Black*, David Torrance*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

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

New Support: Dawn Black*

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

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

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

New Support: Kate Nevens*

[S7M-00021](#) **David Linden: 50 Years of St Joseph's RC Church in Tollcross** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

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

New Support: Kate Nevens*

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

New Support: Kate Nevens*

[S7M-00016](#) **Paul McLennan: Haddington Community Fire Station Open Day Success** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Duncan Dunlop*, Kim Schmulian*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

[S7M-00015](#) **Paul McLennan: Commending Spring Fair Fundraiser for Our Community Kitchen** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Kim Schmulian*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

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

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00013](#) **Paul McLennan: Commending 10-Hour Fitness Charity Challenge Supporting Girls in Rwanda** (lodged on 20 May 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Kim Schmulian*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*

[S7M-00010](#) **Jamie Hepburn: Congratulations to Cumbernauld United on Winning Promotion** (lodged on 15 May 2026)

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

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

New Support: Kate Nevens*

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

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

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

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

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

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

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

New Support: Patricia Gibson*, Finlay Carson*, Steven Bonnar*

Questions

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

Written Questions

Written Questions lodged on 21 May 2026

[S7W-00190](#) **David Linden:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of stalled spaces in Glasgow where associated remedial works on contaminated land would be deemed to make construction of social housing cost prohibitive.

[S7W-00198](#) **Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will set out how, as participants in the Accessible Vehicle and Equipment Scheme, customers who receive their allowance through Social Security Scotland might be affected by changes to the Motability UK scheme from 1 July 2026.

[S7W-00199](#) **Craig Hoy:** 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 supermarkets, what consultation it has undertaken with farmers and farming organisations regarding this proposal.

[S7W-00200](#) **Craig Hoy:** 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 supermarkets, what consultation it has undertaken with supermarket operators and retail industry groups on this proposal.

[S7W-00201](#) **Craig Hoy:** 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 supermarkets, what assessments have been undertaken on any impact the proposal will have on the milk production sector in Dumfriesshire.

[S7W-00202](#) **Craig Hoy:** 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 supermarkets, what assessments have been undertaken on any impact the proposal will have on the farming sector in Dumfriesshire.

[S7W-00203](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what legal basis it has used and what assessments it has undertaken to determine the legality of plans to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items in supermarkets, as per the Scottish National Party's 2026 manifesto commitment.

[S7W-00206](#) **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the aerospace firm, Aeralis Ltd, and/or its representatives following the company entering administration, including what impact this might have on promised investment and jobs at Glasgow Prestwick Airport.

[S7W-00210](#) **Senga Beresford:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports that school pupils in Dumfries have been issued with personal safety alarms due to concerns about asylum seekers reportedly taking photographs of them outside schools, what action it is taking to ensure the safety of pupils and to provide reassurance to local residents.

[S7W-00220](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Scottish Bracken Working Group will next meet, and how frequently it plans to meet during this parliamentary session. **R**

[S7W-00221](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the status of the Scottish Bracken Mapping Project. **R**

[S7W-00222](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the Scottish Bracken Working Group has conducted any analysis on the growth of bracken following the decision not to authorise the use of Asulox in 2023. **R**

[S7W-00223](#) **Andrew Baxter:** To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has made to the UK Government regarding the creation of a dedicated Gaelic speaker work visa to allow fluent Gaelic speakers from overseas to fill Gaelic-medium posts in Scotland.

[S7W-00224](#) **Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it plans to take to improve pathways to specialist assessment, diagnosis and treatments for patients with anaphylaxis.

[S7W-00225](#) **Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it plans to take to increase the number of adult anaphylaxis clinics, in light of the reported growing need for services and increasing pressure on the West of Scotland Anaphylaxis Service.

[S7W-00226](#) **Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to support the trial introduction of side road zebra crossings.

[S7W-00227](#) **Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance has been agreed to facilitate the installation of EV charging cables across public pavements.

[S7W-00228](#) **Laura Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government how many journeys have been taken where patients have travelled from Moray to Aberdeen for MRI scans, to date in 2026.

[S7W-00229](#) **Laura Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government, given that original plans for establishing a permanent MRI scanner at Dr Gray's Hospital were halted several years ago, whether it will provide an update on the timetable for progressing this work.

[S7W-00230](#) **Laura Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government how many journeys have been taken where patients have travelled from Moray to Aberdeen for MRI scans in the last five years.

[S7W-00231](#) **Laura Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the high costs of home heating oil and any impact these have had on rural communities, including in Moray.

[S7W-00235](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of missing its March 2026 target, when it expects to eradicate all NHS waits of over (a) one and (b) two years.

[S7W-00236](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the Scottish National Party commitment to provide additional investment to reduce waiting times and waiting lists and deliver at least 50,000 operations and procedures within the first 100 days, how much additional funding will be provided and whether it will provide a breakdown of these additional operations and procedures by (a) speciality and (b) location.

[S7W-00237](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the Scottish National Party commitment to introduce heart and lung health "MOTs", (a) (i) when and (ii) where the first health checks will be delivered and (b) how many people will have received checks by the end of 2026.

[S7W-00238](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, in regards to the Scottish National Party commitment to introduce heart and lung health "MOTs", what are the expected total (a) set-up costs and (b) running costs.

[S7W-00239](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the Scottish National Party commitment to introduce heart and lung health "MOTs", whether the funding for 2026-27 will be reprofiled from existing health and social care budgets.

[S7W-00240](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to build the remaining National Treatment Centres.

[S7W-00241](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government how many health centres it plans to build in the current parliamentary session.

[S7W-00243](#) **Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the commitment in the Scottish National Party manifesto to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items, what discussions it has had with its Scottish Business Growth Group regarding the proposal.

[S7W-00244](#) **Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the commitment in the Scottish National Party manifesto to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items, what its response is to the comments from the Institute of Public Policy Research in *The Times* on 27 April 2026 that the policy is unlikely to make a “tangible difference to household budgets”.

[S7W-00245](#) **Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the commitment in the Scottish National Party manifesto to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items, what its response is to the comments from the Scottish Grocers’ Federation in *The Herald* on 17 April 2026 that the policy could “threaten the viability” of convenience stores.

[S7W-00246](#) **Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the commitment in the Scottish National Party manifesto to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items, what its response is to the comments from the Food and Drink Federation in *The Times* on 17 April 2026 that the policy “risks undermining investment” and “food security”.

[S7W-00247](#) **Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the commitment in the Scottish National Party manifesto to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items, what its response is to the reported comment from the Federation of Independent Retailers that the proposal “will distort trade and do nothing to help shops or their customers”.

[S7W-00248](#) **Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the commitment in the Scottish National Party manifesto to enact a statutory price cap on essential food items, what its response is to the reported comments from Prosper Scotland regarding the proposal “that it’s extremely hard to see how it could feasibly operate”.

[S7W-00249](#) **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what extra resources have been earmarked to support the work of community councils if, as it envisages in its report, *Democracy Matters: Route Map to Reform*, they were to become the initiators of the development of updated local areas led plans.

[S7W-00250](#) **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the publication of its report, *Single Authority Models: Publication on Progress*, what action the Public Sector Reform Directorate next plans to take regarding the usage of single authority models.

[S7W-00262](#) **Julie MacDougall:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the budget gap forecast by COSLA in its report, *National Strategy and Guidance - Charges Applying to Social Care Support for people at home*, in which it projects the gap to increase to £528 million in 2026-2027.

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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.

Parliamentary committees for Session 7 are yet to be established.

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