Friday 20 November 2026

Business Bulletin

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Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

Meeting of the Parliament

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Committee Meetings

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 18 November 2026

Tuesday 24 November 2026

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: William More, Head of ACN(UK) in Scotland, Aid to the Church in Need (ACN)

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by General Questions

followed by First Minister's Questions (Backbench Members)

followed by Ministerial Statement: NHS Simplification

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Trade, Investment and International Engagement: Driving Economic Growth

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: The Welcome to School Bag Initiative

Wednesday 25 November 2026

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Government Debate: 16 Days of Activism Against Violence Against Women and Girls for an Equally Safe Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Supporting Skills and Further Education Opportunities in Scotland

Thursday 26 November 2026

1:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:30 pm General Questions

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

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Marking World AIDS Day

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Celebrating St Andrew's Day

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Future Investment for Highland Hospice

Tuesday 1 December 2026

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by General Questions

followed by First Minister's Questions (Backbench Members)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 2 December 2026

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Climate Action and Rural Affairs; Education, Culture and Gaelic

followed by Committee Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 3 December 2026

1:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:30 pm General Questions

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

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scottish Budget 2027-28

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

https://www.parliament.scot/chamber-and-committees/committees

Education and Gaelic Committee
24 November 2026
9th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:00AM in Committee Room 1

1. **Apprenticeships – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence from—
   Chris Kelly, Head of Policy, CBI Scotland;
   Lorna Trainer, Director, L&G Learning, representing Federation of Small Businesses;
   Gill Simpson, Director, Lantra Scotland;
   Demi Brown, Student President, Ayrshire College, representing National Union of Students Scotland.

2. **Work programme (In Private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on EducationAndGaelic.committee@parliament.scot.

Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee
24 November 2026
11th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:00AM in Committee Room 6

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.

2. **Broadcasting and News – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence from—
   Rufus Radcliffe, Chief Executive, STV.
   and then from—
   Rhodri Talfan Davies, Deputy Director-General, BBC;
   Hayley Valentine, Director and Louise Thornton, Head of Multiplatform Commissioning, BBC Scotland.

3. **Broadcasting and News – evidence review:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under agenda item 2.

4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee at EEAC.Committee@parliament.scot

Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee
24 November 2026
12th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:30AM in Committee Room 2

1. **Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (Thresholds) Amendment Order 2027 – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence from—
   Ivan McKee, Cabinet Secretary for Public Service Reform and Alasdair Hamilton, Procurement Policy Portfolio Manager, Scottish Government.

2. **Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (Thresholds) Amendment Order 2027 – motion recommending approval:** Ivan McKee (Cabinet Secretary for Public Service Reform) to move—S7M-01980—That the Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee recommends that the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (Thresholds) Amendment Order 2027 [draft] be approved.

3. **Commercial Payments Bill (UK Parliament legislation) – approach:** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny of legislative consent memorandum LCM-S7-5 and supplementary legislative consent memorandums LCM-S7-5a and LCM-S7-5b. The Committee will consider responses from COSLA and the Scottish Government.

Proposed future business

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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.

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* before the number indicates publication for the first time
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Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

*S7M-02114 **Mark Simpson: Nuisance Gulls in Urban Areas of the North East and Across Scotland—**That the Parliament notes with concern the reported significant and ongoing problems caused by nuisance and aggressive urban gulls in Aberdeen and other towns and communities across North East Scotland, including incidents of "dive-bombing" and attacks on residents, particularly children and older people, and, additionally noise disturbance, property damage, fouling and the snatching of food; understands that these issues are not confined to Aberdeen and the North East but affect many communities and towns across Scotland; acknowledges that gulls form an important part of the natural environment and marine ecosystems; further acknowledges the impact of aggressive urban populations on public safety, mental wellbeing, businesses, tourism and the quality of life in affected areas and believes that it is particularly unfortunate when members of the public are struck by gull droppings; notes the practical and financial challenges faced by local authorities and communities in seeking to manage the problem, including in relation to licensing for control measures, and further notes the calls from constituents, residents, businesses and local authorities in the North East and elsewhere for more effective action, including that a cull in urban areas and towns should be at least up for consideration where public health and safety are at risk.

Supported by: Jamie Langan*, Max Bannerman*, Duncan Massey*, Angela Ross*, David Smith*, Amanda Lindsay*, Victor Currie*, Senga Beresford*, Thomas Kerr*, David Kirkwood*, Julie MacDougall*, Helen McDade*, Malcolm Offord*, Kim Schmulian*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

*S7M-02143 **Amanda Bland: Celebrating Four Consecutive National Awards for Bannatyne Spa in Falkirk—**That the Parliament congratulates the Falkirk branch of Bannatyne Spa on winning the Scotland's Business Awards' Spa of the Year title for a fourth consecutive year; recognises this as an outstanding achievement reflecting the dedication, professionalism and expertise of the entire team; notes the spa's commitment to delivering exceptional customer service and high-quality treatments; recognises the importance of continued investment in staff training and development, including support from further education institutions such as Forth Valley College, and commends all involved in bringing national recognition to Falkirk through their sustained excellence.

Supported by: Victor Currie*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Colin Beattie*

*S7M-02142 **Amanda Bland: Congratulations to Lanarkshire Family History Society on Being Awarded The King's Award for Voluntary Services—**That the Parliament congratulates Lanarkshire Family History Society on being awarded The King's Award for Voluntary Service, the highest recognition that a local voluntary organisation can receive in the UK; recognises the Society's volunteers for their outstanding contribution to preserving and promoting Lanarkshire's heritage since its founding in 1991; notes its work supporting family history research, maintaining valuable archives and resources and engaging communities through publications, workshops and events, and commends all those involved for their dedication to safeguarding Lanarkshire's local and family history for future generations.

Supported by: Victor Currie*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Colin Beattie*

*S7M-02141 **Amanda Bland: Congratulating Specsavers Falkirk on 35 Years of Service to the Falkirk Community—**That the Parliament congratulates Specsavers Falkirk on marking 35 years of providing expert eye care and community support in Falkirk; recognises its longstanding commitment to delivering high-quality optical services and professional care to generations of local residents; commends the dedication and professionalism of its staff, whose expertise and customer-focused approach have helped establish the business as a trusted part of the community; notes the important role that independent healthcare providers play in supporting local wellbeing and strengthening town centres, and wishes the team every success for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Victor Currie*, Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*

*S7M-02138 **James Adams: Men In Mind and Women In Mind Achieve Registered Charity Status —**That the Parliament congratulates Men In Mind (MIM) and Women In Mind (WIM), based across Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire, on becoming registered charities; recognises the dedication and commitment of their volunteers, supporters and fundraisers in developing small community projects into an important local support network; acknowledges the positive contribution that the organisations make to improving mental health, wellbeing and reducing isolation across the north east of Scotland, and wishes all those involved every success in the future as the charities continue to expand their support and reach even more people in the years ahead.

Supported by: Russell Findlay*, Craig Hoy*, Colin Beattie*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Dawn Black*, Lloyd Melville*

*S7M-02137 **Donald MacKinnon: Celebrating the Lamb for St Andrew's Day Initiative—**That the Parliament celebrates the Lamb for St Andrew's Day initiative, which aims to make Scotch Lamb synonymous with St Andrew's Day in the same way that haggis is celebrated on Burns Night or turkey is enjoyed at Christmas; recognises that the campaign, which was launched in 2010 following an idea developed by the auctioneer, George Purves, and sheep farmer, Willie Mitchell, is delivered in collaboration with Quality Meat Scotland and the Institute of Auctioneers and Appraisers in Scotland; welcomes the range of activities taking place across Scotland in 2026, including lamb lunches at livestock auction marts, cookery demonstrations, school engagement and consumer campaigns; congratulates Ryan Ritchie and Rune Martin of New College Lanarkshire on winning the 2026 Lamb for St Andrew's Day Young Chefs' Competition; notes that roast Scotch Lamb will be served in the Parliament canteen on 25 November, providing, it believes, an opportunity to celebrate the product and engage with Members; acknowledges the UK Protected Geographical Indication status of Scotch Lamb, which is underpinned by requirements for animals to be born, reared and slaughtered in Scotland and produced through recognised quality assurance schemes, and recognises the important contribution of Scotland's sheep sector to food production, the rural economy and communities across Scotland. **R**

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*S7M-02135 **Meghan Gallacher: Congratulating Primary 7 Pupils at Moray Primary School—** That the Parliament congratulates Primary 7 pupils at Moray Primary School, in Grangemouth, on raising £1,530 for Strathcarron Hospice through their annual charity afternoon tea event; recognises

the hard work of pupils in organising the event, baking treats and collecting donations, and commends the school for achieving its most successful fundraising year to date in support of this excellent local charity.

Supported by: Russell Findlay*, Angela Ross*, Colm Merrick*, Craig Hoy*, Murdo Fraser*, David Torrance*, Miles Briggs*, Amanda Lindsay*

*S7M-02134 **James Adams: £4 Million National Lottery Heritage Fund Award for the Museum of Aberdeenshire and Peterhead Library Project—**That the Parliament welcomes the award of more than £4 million from the National Lottery Heritage Fund to Aberdeenshire Council in support of the new Museum of Aberdeenshire and Peterhead Library project; considers that this significant Stage 2 funding award represents a major milestone for the ambitious Cultural Tides initiative, which is also supported through UK Government funding, investment from Aberdeenshire Council and contributions from partners, including Historic Environment Scotland; notes that the funding will support the creation of engaging gallery spaces featuring specialist museum displays, lighting, audio-visual installations and interactive exhibits showcasing Aberdeenshire's rich cultural and historical heritage; further notes that the award will help enhance the museum's walled garden as an accessible community green space that will benefit residents, visitors and school pupils while promoting biodiversity; welcomes the planned programme of community-led events, educational resources, outreach activities and conservation work that will accompany the project; believes that the development will strengthen cultural tourism, education and community engagement in Peterhead and across Aberdeenshire, and commends all involved in securing this substantial investment for the region's cultural future.

Supported by: Murdo Fraser*, Angela Ross*, Meghan Gallacher*, Russell Findlay*, Craig Hoy*, Miles Briggs*, Dawn Black*

*S7M-02133 **Steven Bonnar: Supporting Estranged Student Solidarity Week 2026—**That the Parliament recognises Estranged Student Solidarity Week 2026, which takes place from 23 to 27 November, as an important opportunity to raise awareness of the experiences of estranged students across Scotland and the barriers that they face in education; notes with concern that 60% of estranged college and university students have considered leaving their course before completion due to financial hardship and housing insecurity; recognises the particular challenges faced by estranged 16- and 17-year-olds, who may be solely responsible for their own care despite being legally recognised as children under the UNCRC; welcomes the work of the Estranged Students Working Group and its report, *Closing the Gaps: Improving Support for Estranged Students in Scotland*, which highlights the need for improved financial, accommodation and wider support; acknowledges this year's theme, Refocus, and the importance of listening to the voices and experiences of estranged students, and commends the organisations, professionals and support services working across Scotland to ensure that estranged young people have the opportunity to access education, to achieve their potential and to build secure futures.

Supported by: Heather Anderson*, David Torrance*, Monica Lennon*, Colm Merrick*, Dawn Black*

*S7M-02132 **Jack Middleton: Reds Triumph to Take Home Scottish Squash Team of the Year—**That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen Squash & Racketball Club (ASRC) Reds on being crowned Scottish Squash Team of the Year at the Scottish Squash Awards; celebrates the team's sharp rise from complete beginners to Grampian Division 4 Champions in just two years; recognises ASRC as the oldest dedicated squash club in Scotland and today, the only dedicated squash club in Aberdeen, with a membership of more than 250; notes the North East's place in the history of the sport, having hosted the prestigious British Open Squash Championships in 1999 and produced one of Scotland's greatest ever squash players; celebrates Aberdeen's enduring success in squash, while supporting the renewed interest in participation since the COVID-19 pandemic; recognises that Aberdeen has a proud squash legacy to protect, and encourages a new generation of players ready to build on it.

Supported by: Lloyd Melville*

*S7M-02131 **Jackie Baillie: Martin Fellowes Appointed Dumbarton Head Coach, the Youngest in SPFL History—**That the Parliament congratulates Martin Fellowes on his appointment as head coach of Dumbarton Football Club, becoming the youngest manager in Scottish Professional Football League (SPFL) history at 28 years old; recognises what it views as his impressive journey in Scottish football, having started as a teenage kit boy before working his way through various coaching roles, including as interim manager at East Kilbride, assistant manager at Stranraer and as part of the Scotland Under-19s coaching team; commends his dedication to the game alongside his career in furniture sales; hopes that he can turn the tables on The Sons' recent form and have the club once again challenging at the top end of the league; recognises his appointment as an example of what young people can achieve through hard work, determination and ambition, and wishes Martin, the players and staff of the club every success for the remainder of the season and beyond.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Miles Briggs*, Angela Ross*, Colin Beattie*, Neil Bibby*, Bob Doris*

*S7M-02130 **Liam McArthur: Neil Firth Recognised for Outstanding Contribution to the Arts —** That the Parliament congratulates Neil Firth, director of the Pier Arts Centre in Stromness, on being recognised by the University of the Highlands and Islands Orkney (UHI Orkney) for his outstanding contribution to the arts; understands that Neil will be presented with an honorary doctorate from UHI Orkney during its graduation ceremony on 20 November 2026; understands that this distinction pays tribute to his nearly 40 years of service in the museum and arts sector, during which he has shown incredible leadership and helped establish the Pier Arts Centre as an internationally renowned cultural institution; acknowledges that, in addition to his contribution to Orkney's local arts community, Neil has used his skills and experience to shape work taking place at the national level by serving on the board of Museum Galleries Scotland, on the Tate and National Galleries of Scotland steering panel for ARTIST ROOMS and as a trustee of Little Sparta, the acclaimed art garden designed by poet and visual artist Ian Hamilton Finlay, which is located in the Pentland Hills; considers this honorary doctorate to be a well-deserved recognition of the positive impact that Neil has had on artists and audiences across Scotland, and thanks him for his efforts to expand and promote access to art at both the community and national level; congratulates Neil on this exciting milestone in his career, and wishes him all the very best at what is sure to be an emotional graduation ceremony.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, David Torrance*, Miles Briggs*, Kristopher Leask*

*S7M-02129 **Maggie Chapman: Campaign to Secure Dana Petroleum's Withdrawal from Gas Exploration in Palestinian Waters—**That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Palestine Solidarity Campaign and Friends of the Earth Scotland for their successful campaign to secure the withdrawal of Aberdeen-based Dana Petroleum from the consortium involved in plans to develop gas fields in Palestinian waters off the coast of Gaza; understands that the campaign brought together activists and organisations from Scotland and South Korea, spanning the Palestine solidarity and climate justice movements, to challenge Dana Petroleum and its South Korean parent company through a year of sustained campaigning and organising; recognises what it sees as the important contribution of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement and the collective action of campaigners, trade unions and solidarity organisations in achieving this outcome; notes that Italian energy company ENI also withdrew from the consortium earlier in 2026; acknowledges the concerns raised by campaigners about the exploitation of Palestinian natural resources and the rights of the Palestinian people; commends everyone involved in this campaign for their persistence, solidarity and determination, and believes that this outcome demonstrates the power of organised collective action and the importance of continuing to stand in solidarity with the Palestinian people.

Supported by: Ariane Burgess*, Laura Moodie*, Cara McKee*, Ross Greer*, Kristopher Leask*

*S7M-02128 **Neil Bibby: Thorn Athletic CFC Wins SFA's Best Community Club Award 2026—** That the Parliament congratulates Thorn Athletic Community Football Club, in Johnstone, on winning the Best Community Club category at the Scottish Football Association Grassroots Awards 2026; recognises the work of chairperson Mark McGee, one of the founders of the club almost three decades ago and at the beating heart of the club ever since; commends all the efforts that go into the

success of the club, including from executive committee members, players, family members, supporters and sponsors; notes that the club runs teams from Tiny Kickers to Walking Football, as well as its main team; recognises the impact that Thorn Athletic Community Football Club has on the local community, acknowledging its mission to enhance and improve people's daily lives, and wishes the club continued success for many decades to come.

Supported by: Angela Ross*, Colin Beattie*, Paul Sweeney*, Colm Merrick*

*S7M-02127 **Neil Bibby: Renfrewshire Chamber of Commerce's ROCCO Awards 2026—**That the Parliament congratulates all the winners of the Renfrewshire Chamber of Commerce's ROCCO Awards 2026, which were held on 13 November at Ingliston Estate and Country Club, including Roasters Coffee Shop, Lochlie Construction Group, Clyde Ventures, SP Physiotherapy, Brick Lane Music Academy, Scotland's Bravest Manufacturing Company, Scottish Leather Group, JW Filshill, Creative Projects (Scotland), JA Mar Hall Golf & Spa Resort, I am Me Scotland, Houston Kiltmakers, Rolls-Royce, Terumo Aortic, Nicholas Muirhead, CEO of the Scottish Leather Group, and Maria Brady of QSP Consulting; commends the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce's chief executive, Bob Grant, president Ronald Leitch, and the Chamber's team in organising the annual awards, promoting Renfrewshire business and recognising excellence; acknowledges the contribution of ROCCO Awards' principal sponsor SNRG and local talent, including the band Abbey Road, and St Columba's School Pipe Band, and recognises that £10,000 was raised through an auction on the night of the awards in support of Accord Hospice and I Am Me Scotland.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*

*S7M-02126 **Max Bannerman: Jim Celebrates his 102nd Birthday—**That the Parliament congratulates James McArthur, affectionately known as Jim, who recently celebrated his 102nd birthday at Spynie Care Home in Elgin; notes that Jim enjoys his porridge in the morning and has a weakness for chocolate; understands that Jim, a former farmer, discovered a passion for long distance running in later years and competed in numerous races, winning the Skye Half Marathon; notes that Jim is described by Spynie Care Home as an absolute delight with a quick wit and a fantastic sense of humour, and sends Jim the very best wishes.

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*S7M-02125 **Heather Anderson: 2026 Beautiful Scotland Awards—**That the Parliament congratulates all the successful winners at the 2026 Beautiful Scotland Awards, which were held on 10 November in the Albert Halls, in Stirling; recognises that the Beautiful Scotland initiative, which celebrates its 60th anniversary this year, is run by a partnership between Keep Scotland Beautiful and the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) under its Britain in Bloom campaign; further recognises that the winners of the Beautiful Scotland Awards qualify for entry to the UK & CI Britain in Bloom finals; congratulates Aberdeen Communities Together (ACT) for taking home four awards, including the Rosebowl, the City Trophy, the Garden for Life Biodiversity Award and the RHS Scotland Award for Resilience and Overcoming Adversity; notes that other winners included Aberdeen City Council, Bonnie Dundee, Brighter Bothwell, Burrelton and Woodside Bloom Group, City of Edinburgh Council, Dunbar in Bloom, East Haven Together, East Lothian Council, Edinburgh: Inspiring Capital, Flourishing Forth, Forres in Bloom, Glorious Gullane in Bloom, Inverurie Environment Improvement Group, Growing Kirkcaldy, Keeping Duns Blooming Marvellous and Muthill in Bloom, and wishes Scotland’s entrants all the best ahead of the UK & CI Britain in Bloom finals next year.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Colm Merrick*, David Torrance*, Miles Briggs*, Julie MacDougall*, Dawn Black*, Paul Sweeney*, Lloyd Melville*

*S7M-02124 **Marie McNair: Clydebank Firework Event —**That the Parliament congratulations the owner of Innovation Flooring, David Woodcock, on hosting a successful firework event on Bonfire Night; notes that the event was held in Whitecrook Park with free entry to the public; further notes that 2,000 people enjoyed funfair rides, firework display, food and live music; understands that the event

also raised £1,668 for the Whitecrook Community Action Group, and congratulates this group for its input and everyone else involved for making this event such a success.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

*S7M-02123 **Marie McNair: McMonagles Fish and Chip Boat Wins at Scottish Fish & Chips Awards—**That the Parliament congratulates McMonagles Fish and Chip Boat, in Clydebank, on winning the prestigious People's Choice Award at the fourth annual Scottish Fish & Chip Awards; understands that this is one of many awards won by the famous sail-thru chippy boat as it continues to provide a highly unique experience for diners in Clydebank and beyond; further understands that the chippy boat was also highly recommended in three categories, Best Restaurant, Best Chip Shop in the West and Best Fish Supper in the West, and congratulates all the staff involved for their hard work, which, it believes, will only lead to more success in the future.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

*S7M-02122 **Thomas Kerr: Congratulating the People's Palace and Winter Gardens in Glasgow on National Lottery Heritage Funding—**That the Parliament congratulates the People's Palace and Winter Gardens in Glasgow for securing £9.15 million from the National Lottery Heritage Fund; notes that this brings the National Lottery's total investment in the project to £10 million; further notes that the funding will support Glasgow Life to undertake a major restoration of the glasshouse, enabling it to reopen to the public and once again become the heart of the People's Palace; recognises that the People's Palace showcases the history of working-class Glasgow, and that, upon restoration, important objects, including the original Barrowland Ballroom sign and Sir Billy Connolly's iconic Banana Boots, will return to display.

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*S7M-02121 **Paul Sweeney: £10 Million National Lottery Heritage Fund Grant for the People's Palace and Winter Gardens—**That the Parliament welcomes the 17 November 2026 announcement of a £10 million National Lottery Heritage Fund grant towards restoring the Category A-listed People's Palace and Winter Gardens on Glasgow Green, bringing secured capital funding to around 94% of the revised £50.86 million budget alongside nearly £21 million from Glasgow City Council and £14 million from the Scottish Government; recognises the civic significance of the landmark since it opened in 1898 as a "palace of pleasure and imagination", declared "open to the people for ever and ever"; regrets the prolonged closure of the Winter Gardens since December 2018, barely two decades after its 1998 centenary renovation, and of the museum since April 2024; further regrets that the projected reopening date has slipped repeatedly, first from 2025 to 2027 and now to December 2029; notes reports that, during the closure, the tropical plant collection was destroyed when the heating was switched off and the adjacent Category A-listed Doulton Fountain was vandalised, which, it believes, stemmed from chronic council maintenance failures compounded by disproportionate Scottish Government funding cuts to Glasgow City Council; notes what it sees as the precarious future facing Glasgow's wider Victorian glasshouse heritage, including the derelict Category A-listed Springburn Winter Gardens, which are awaiting initial restoration works, and the Queen's Park Glasshouse, which narrowly avoided closure in 2026 following a 13,000-signature campaign but still lacks a settled long-term restoration plan; commends the campaign led by the Friends of the People's Palace, Winter Gardens and Glasgow Green and its late chair, Dr Elspeth King, who, as curator from 1974 to 1990, saved the building from demolition in the late 1970s and transformed it into an innovative working-class social history museum; welcomes plans to restore the glasshouse and botanical collection, to improve accessibility, to create a ground-floor learning space and to return iconic artefacts to public display, including Ken Currie's paintings, the original Barrowland Ballroom signage and Sir Billy Connolly's Banana Boots, and calls on Glasgow City Council and Glasgow Life to close the remaining funding gap, to uphold the highest standards of architectural conservation, to honour Dr

King's curatorial legacy and to establish a plan to safeguard and restore all five of Glasgow's historic winter gardens. **R**

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*S7M-02120 **Paul Sweeney: Congratulating Muhammad Sultan and Foodasia Food2Go on Winning Best Takeaway of the Year in Scotland—**That the Parliament congratulates Muhammad Sultan and the team at Foodasia Food2Go, based within Foodasia Hypermart on Centre Street in Glasgow, on being named Best Takeaway of the Year in Scotland at the 2026 Asian Curry Awards in London on 15 November 2026; notes that this national accolade follows the business, which opened in February 2026 after Mr Sultan's long tenure managing Charcoals in the Trongate, also winning Best Pakora and Community Champion of the Year at Scotland's Spice Awards in September 2026; further notes that Mr Sultan received a Special Recognition Award from the Asian Catering Federation at the UK Parliament in May 2026 for his outstanding contribution and service to charity and community; commends his more than 18 years of dedicated grassroots outreach, supporting people experiencing homelessness in Glasgow through the nightly distribution of hot meals and the provision of warm winter clothing and sleeping bags; welcomes the community support shown through a local crowdfunding appeal organised by Vinnie Rooney, which raised over £3,255 to assist his winter relief efforts, alongside his long-term ambition to establish a homeless shelter in the city; recognises his annual charitable work in Lahore, Pakistan, where he works with family and friends to provide free food packages and meals for more than 1,000 people, and distributes sewing machines to support widowed women into self-employment, and wishes Mr Sultan and his team every success in the years ahead.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Gary Bouse*, David Torrance*

*S7M-02119 **Max Bannerman: Celebrating Voyager 1's Milestone Distance Achievement—**That this Parliament celebrates the major milestone of the Voyager 1 space probe reaching a distance of approximately 16.1 billion miles from Earth, a distance that, as of 18 November 2026, takes light a full 24 hours to travel, and acknowledges the importance of the data Voyager has gathered over its 49-year journey into interstellar space and its unprecedented contribution to humanity's knowledge of space.

Supported by: Duncan Massey*, James Adams*, Miles Briggs*, David Smith*, Patricia Gibson*, Mark Simpson*, Victor Currie*, Colin Beattie*, Senga Beresford*, Angela Ross*, Amanda Lindsay*, Kim Schmulian*, Iris Duane*, Paul Sweeney*, Jamie Langan*, Tim Eagle*, Thomas Kerr*, David Kirkwood*, Julie MacDougall*, Helen McDade*, Malcolm Offord*

*S7M-02118 **Fulton MacGregor: Celebrating Adoption Week Scotland 2026—**That the Parliament recognises Adoption Week Scotland 2026, which takes place from 16 to 20 November, as an important opportunity to celebrate adoption, to raise awareness of the positive difference that it can make to children's lives and to recognise the contribution of adoptive families, adopted people, birth families, adoption agencies and the professionals who support them; acknowledges that, for some children who cannot safely remain with their birth families, adoption can provide the loving, safe and stable permanent home in which they can flourish; recognises the dedication, commitment and love shown by adoptive parents and families across Scotland, and the importance of ensuring that children and young people are supported to understand their identity, to maintain meaningful relationships and to have their voices heard; highlights that adoption is a lifelong journey, with support required, not only at the point of placement, but throughout childhood and into adulthood, including access to appropriate, trauma-informed and therapeutic services; recognises the needs and experiences of birth parents, birth siblings and wider birth families and the importance of compassion, understanding and appropriate support for everyone affected by adoption; welcomes the Scottish Government's publication, *Supporting Adoption: A Vision and Priorities for Scotland*, and its commitment to an open and responsive approach to adoption, with the wellbeing and best interests of children and young people at its heart; believes that continued investment in adoption services, post-adoption support and

the recruitment, preparation and support of a diverse range of prospective adopters is essential to achieving the best possible outcomes for children; commends Scottish Adoption & Fostering and other adoption organisations across Scotland for their work in raising awareness, supporting families and celebrating the voices and experiences of the adoption community, and encourages everyone across Scotland to support Adoption Week Scotland 2026 and to help build a society in which every adopted child and young person feels loved, safe, respected and able to thrive.

Supported by: Dawn Black*, David Torrance*, Amanda Bland*, Liam McArthur*, Jackie Baillie*, David Barratt*, Colin Beattie*, Pauline McNeill*, Heather Anderson*, Paul Sweeney*, Katie Hagmann*

*S7M-02117 **Finlay Carson: Better Lives Partnership Dumfries Gains National Marine Award—**That the Parliament congratulates the Better Lives Partnership Dumfries on gaining national recognition in the Marine Conservation Society's One Year to DRS (Deposit Returning Scheme) Art competition; notes that the charity-funded organisation, which supports young people aged 16 to 25 who have autism and face additional barriers, provides a structured programme in an inclusive environment where they gain skills, accredited qualifications, knowledge and support to allow them to move on to employment, independent living, further education or volunteering opportunities; recognises that the Better Lives Partnership entered the collaborative group poster competition using a variety of art materials, including digital art, oil pastels, paint, pens, pencils, crayons and stencils, as well as adding items of rubbish to be recycled and real scallop shells to use as decoration in its finished piece of artwork; notes that the winning poster will now be displayed at the UK Parliament, and wishes this wonderful charity continued success in the coming months as it brings real hope to many lives.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Gary Bouse*, Duncan Dunlop*, Craig Hoy*, Meghan Gallacher*, Colin Beattie*, Murdo Fraser*, Russell Findlay*, Paul Sweeney*

*S7M-02116 **Finlay Carson: The Merlin Boys Conjure Up Magical Music—**That the Parliament congratulates The Merlin Boys on launching their highly-anticipated debut album, *A Home in Galloway*, in November 2026; notes that the three brothers, Rafael, Gabriel and Django, who live on the Rhins, Wigtownshire, have a very distinctive style and love of traditional music that has won fans throughout Scotland and across the world; acknowledges that they started as buskers in Galloway and then Glasgow, where their street performances quickly caught the eye and resulted in invitations to perform at festivals around the UK, including an appearance at The Stranraer Oyster Festival; recognises that the boys were all born in Ecuador and spent the first part of their lives traveling in an old silver bus called "Merlin", which explains the name of the band; notes that the album was funded by an anonymous patron and recorded at Keith Morrison's Wee Studio on the Isle of Lewis, and wishes the brothers every success, including with the release of their single, *Loch Lomond*.

Supported by: Murdo Fraser*, Meghan Gallacher*, Miles Briggs*, Laura Moodie*, Angela Ross*, Colin Beattie*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*

*S7M-02113 **Iris Duane: Welcoming Scotland's Impact in Innovation —**That the Parliament welcomes the Future Innovators campaign from Universities Scotland and Universities UK, which celebrates 50 of the top future innovators across the UK, as judged by an independent expert panel; recognises that, with nine of the 50 future innovators on the "power list" working in or associated with Scotland's universities, Scotland has the largest representation of any nation or region within the UK; welcomes that Scotland's innovators are to be found in our ancient, chartered and modern universities, as specialists working in science and other disciplines, and that their work delivers impact in diverse sectors, including medical, environmental, construction and robotics, and recognises that universities are a strategically important innovation asset for Scotland.

Supported by: Ariane Burgess*, Cara McKee*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*, Liam McArthur*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Kristopher Leask*, Lloyd Melville*

*S7M-02112 **Cara McKee: Arran, a Demonstrator for Scotland's New Approach to Local and Island Governance —**That the Parliament commends community groups and individuals on Arran for developing a local governance proposal, which is aimed at strengthening island and community

governance; considers that the geographical nature of Arran along with its existing community council, village and sectoral organisations, along with the Arran Local Island Plan, places Arran in an excellent position to be a practical demonstrator for the Scottish Government's proposed approach to island and community governance; believes that the Scottish Government's proposals for public service reform create an opportunity to test a new relationship between national, regional and community government, with greater decision-making at the level closest to the people affected; agrees that greater decision making at the level closest to people affected empowers communities and adheres to the verity house agreement and its principle “local by default, national by agreement”, and believes, on a matter of principle, that communities are best served by the people who live there.

Supported by: Carol Mochan*, Ariane Burgess*, Colin Beattie*, Kate Nevens*, Laura Moodie*, Ross Greer*, Paul Sweeney*

*S7M-02038 **Katie Hagmann: Celebrating the Achievement of Katie Louise Hewetson in Raising Funds for and Awareness of Lewy Body Dementia—**That the Parliament recognises the achievement of Katie Louise Hewetson who has completed the West Highland Way to raise awareness of Lewy body dementia; recognises that Lewy Body dementia is a complex and frequently misdiagnosed disease that affects memory, thinking, movement, sleep and behaviour; congratulates Katie Louise Hewetson on fundraising in aid of The Lewy Body Society; celebrates the £885 raised through the 7-day hike for the charity; acknowledges the difficulty that Katie’s degenerative spinal condition added to the hike; welcomes the awareness raised by the walk, and commemorates her grandfather Michael James ‘Jimmy’ Knott, who passed from the condition in 2024.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S7M-02111 **David Linden: Celebrating 10 Years of Kastriot's in Baillieston** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S7M-02108 **Finlay Carson: Fisheries Management Scotland Celebrates 10th Anniversary** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, James Adams*, Jackie Baillie*

S7M-02107 **Mark Griffin: Getting Better Together in Shotts** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S7M-02106 **Laura Mitchell: Barmuckity Pictish Stone Goes on Display at National Museum of Scotland** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Kate Nevens*, Gary Bouse*, David Barratt*

S7M-02105 **Colin Beattie: WinterFest at Dalkeith Country Park** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Laura Moodie*, Paul Sweeney*, Kate Nevens*, Gary Bouse*

S7M-02104 **Clare Adamson: The Horseshoe Bar Motherwell Raises £1,355 to Support Local Children at Christmas** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S7M-02103 **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie: Congratulations to Maryna Zvarych on her Social Enterprise Microfinance Award** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S7M-02101 **Pauline McNeill: Congratulations to Glasgow Clyde College on Green Gown Awards Success** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Kate Nevens*, Gary Bouse*, Jackie Baillie*

S7M-02100 **Senga Beresford: Celebrating Myra Smith and Morrisons Dumfries** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Max Bannerman*

S7M-02099 **Adam Harley: There When it Matters Most, Celebrating Nursing Support Workers Day 2026** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*, Monica Lennon*, Duncan Dunlop*, Michelle Campbell* **R**

S7M-02098 **James Adams: The Doric Way Proposed as North East Scotland Coastal Heritage Trail** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Paul Sweeney*

S7M-02097 **Clare Adamson: Greenhead Moss Volunteers in Wishaw Recognised in 2026 NatureScot Pollinator Friendly Awards** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Baillie*

S7M-02096 **Marie McNair: World COPD Day 2026** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Paul Sweeney*, Amanda Lindsay*, Jackie Baillie*

S7M-02095 **Clare Adamson: TWENTY20 Pictures Win Scottish Youth Film Festival Award for Documentary** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Gary Bouse*

S7M-02094 **Clare Adamson: Speedy Freight Motherwell Wins National Customer Service Award at 2026 Supply Chain Excellence Awards** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Baillie*

S7M-02092 **Clare Adamson: Congratulations to Joanne Thomson on Scotland's Health Awards Nomination** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Baillie*

S7M-02091 **Monica Lennon: Perimenopause and Menopause, Women's Careers and Financial Security** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Kate Nevens*, Dawn Black*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Baillie*, Pauline McNeill*

S7M-02090 **David Green: Congratulating Melvich Primary Pupils for their Contribution to Shoebox Appeal** (lodged on 17 November 2026)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Kristopher Leask*

S7M-02089.1 **Joe Fagan: Prevention and Preventative Budgeting** (lodged on 18 November 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S7M-02088 **Iris Duane: Congratulating Rockstar Workers on the Release of Grand Theft Auto VI** (lodged on 17 November 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Kate Nevens*, Mark Ruskell*, Jackie Baillie*

S7M-02087 **Jackie Baillie: Dumbarton's Billy Walker Receives Lifetime Achievement Award** (lodged on 17 November 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Neil Bibby*, Angela Ross*, Gary Bouse*

S7M-02086 **Jackie Baillie: Cardross Mental Health Campaigner Graham Morgan Receives Honorary Degree** (lodged on 17 November 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Neil Bibby*

S7M-02085 **Jackie Baillie: Lomond Radio Honoured with The King's Award for Voluntary Service** (lodged on 17 November 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Murdo Fraser*, Colin Beattie*, Neil Bibby*, Angela Ross*

S7M-02082 **Clare Adamson: Recognising a Generous Donation to University Hospital Wishaw's Transitional Care Unit** (lodged on 17 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*, Jackie Baillie*

S7M-02076 **Kim Schmulian: Supporting Glasgow's Night-time Economy** (lodged on 17 November 2026)

New Support: Max Bannerman*

S7M-02070 **Calum Kerr: Thanking Peebles and District Citizens Advice Bureau for 50 Years of Service to the Community** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02067 **Amanda Bland: New College Lanarkshire Students Showcase Scotland's Food Talent** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*

S7M-02066 **Amanda Bland: Inspectors Commend Nurturing Environment at Tannochside Primary and Nursery** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*

S7M-02065 **Amanda Bland: JogOn Campaign in Scotland** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*

S7M-02064 **Laura Mitchell: Billy Walker Receives Lifetime Achievement Award for Contribution to Scotch Whisky Industry** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02062 **Claire Baker: Congratulating Mid Scotland and Fife Winners at 4J Studios Scottish Athletics and Jogscotland Awards** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02061 **Michelle Campbell: Kirklandneuk Primary School Achieves Gold Rights Respecting Schools Award** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*, David Linden*, Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02060 **Yi-pei Chou Turvey: Congratulating Melanie Stewart Wills on Scottish Gymnastics Lifetime Achievement Award 2026** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02059 **Marie McNair: Girl Guiding Volunteer Carol-Ann Innes Retires After 30 Years** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*

S7M-02058 **Rachael Hamilton: Recognising Sleep Action's National Sleep Support Line** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*

S7M-02054 **Rachael Hamilton: Denholm Mountain Biker Phoebe Gale Named ClubSport Roxburgh Sports Personality of the Year** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02052 **Yi-pei Chou Turvey: Commending the Work of Aberdeen-based Charity Music 4 U** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02051 **David Torrance: Wellesley Centre and Hope Chest Community Project Receive King's Award for Voluntary Service** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02050 **Keith Brown: Tullibody Community Garden Receives The King's Award for Voluntary Service** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*, Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02049 **Paul McLennan: Publication of the Consultation on Carbon Dioxide Stunning of Pigs** (lodged on 16 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02046 **Patricia Gibson: International Day For the Elimination of Violence Against Women and Girls** (lodged on 13 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*, Kristopher Leask*

S7M-02044 **David Torrance: Recognising Heather Bonner's Service to Kirkcaldy Rugby Club** (lodged on 12 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02043 **David Torrance: Kirkcaldy's Fundraising for Poppy Scotland** (lodged on 12 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02040 **Dawn Black: Oliver Johnstone Named Scottish Under-18 Enduro Champion** (lodged on 12 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02036 **Katie Hagmann: Ayrshire Hospice Candidate Experience Award** (lodged on 12 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*

S7M-02035 **Katie Hagmann: Congratulating Ayrshire College on Delivering a Fantastic Dining Experience at the Scottish Parliament** (lodged on 12 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02034 **Katie Hagmann: Celebrating the Fundraising Efforts of Charity Heroes in Aid of the Honeypot Children's Charity** (lodged on 12 November 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

S7M-02031 **Iris Duane: Shelter Scotland's Building Hope route map** (lodged on 12 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*, Duncan Dunlop*, Kristopher Leask*

S7M-02030 **Heather Anderson: New Youth-led Board at Scottish Youth Parliament** (lodged on 12 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*

S7M-02020 **David Green: Future Investment for Highland Hospice** (lodged on 11 November 2026)

New Support: Duncan Dunlop*, Max Bannerman*

S7M-02004 **Karen Adam: Recognising Transgender Awareness Week and Transgender Day of Remembrance** (lodged on 11 November 2026)

New Support: Q Manivannan*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*, David Barratt*, Ben Macpherson*

S7M-01998 **Jackie Baillie: Cardross Railway Station Wins RHS Britain in Bloom Award** (lodged on 10 November 2026)

New Support: Gary Bouse*

S7M-01991 **Paul Sweeney: Expanding the UK Olympic and Paralympic Bid Feasibility Study to Include Scotland** (lodged on 10 November 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*

S7M-01987 **Stephen Kerr: Relight Stirling Castle** (lodged on 10 November 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Jackie Dunbar*, Jackie Baillie*, Jamie Langan*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jenni Minto*, Duncan Dunlop*, David Barratt*, David Smith*, Martyn Day*, Alex Kerr*

S7M-01971 **Heather Anderson: Scottish Mountain Rescue** (lodged on 9 November 2026)

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

S7M-01970 **Daniel Johnson: Let's Respect Retail** (lodged on 9 November 2026)

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

S7M-01939 **Zen Ghani: People Relief Support Promoting Young People's Wellbeing and Development** (lodged on 6 November 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*

S7M-01907 **Ross Greer: Celebrating the Work of Bipolar Scotland** (lodged on 5 November 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*

S7M-01819 **Paul McLennan: Celebrating Dunbar Music Festival** (lodged on 29 October 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

S7M-01818 **Mark Griffin: Hard Edges Scotland and The Level Research Published** (lodged on 29 October 2026)

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

S7M-01796.1 **Dawn Black: The Cost of Running Down Nuclear Power in Scotland** (lodged on 29 October 2026)

New Support: Calum Kerr*, Jenni Minto*, Lloyd Melville*, David Barratt*, Katie Hagmann*

S7M-01507 **Karen Adam: Celebrating Banffshire and Buchan Coast's Success at the Scots Language Awards 2026** (lodged on 6 October 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

S7M-01433 **Karen Adam: Celebrating Portknockie Primary School's 150th Anniversary** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

Questions

Written Questions

Written Questions lodged on 19 November 2026

S7W-05290 **Laura Moodie:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of recent hoax bomb threats affecting schools across Scotland, what learnings it has taken from the incidents and whether it will consider a National Contingency Strategy for any such incidents so that communications with pupils and their parents and carers can be timely and provide reassurance that safety is the top priority.

S7W-05291 **Russell Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government by what date it will publish the next update of the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD), and whether it will provide an indicative publication date for the release of subsequent SIMD updates.

S7W-05292 **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government on what date the Frazer-Nash report on hyperscale data centres was published on the Scottish Enterprise website.

S7W-05293 **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what elements of the Frazer-Nash report on hyperscale data centres ministers have considered in developing Scotland's approach to such developments.

S7W-05294 **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government, before further major decisions are taken, what its position is on committing to a full public consultation on whether Scotland (a) wants and (b) needs hyperscale data centres.

S7W-05295 **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on implementing a full environmental impact assessment for proposed hyperscale data centres, in line with the recommendation of the Frazer-Nash report on these.

S7W-05296 **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding proposed hyperscale data centres, how it will ensure that communities have a meaningful role in shaping forthcoming national policy and guidance.

S7W-05303 **Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding its November 2025 strategy, *Replacing animals in science: A strategy to support the development, validation and uptake of alternative methods,* including relating to when a progress update will be published.

S7W-05304 **Zen Ghani:** To ask the Scottish Government how many of the 10 key actions set out in its *Scotland's Artificial Intelligence Strategy 2026-2031* it expects to have completed by 31 March 2027.

S7W-05305 **Zen Ghani:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to launch the nationwide engagement programme outlined in its *Scotland's Artificial Intelligence Strategy 2026-2031*, to listen to public concerns and to develop solutions that ensure trust and confidence in the use of artificial intelligence.

S7W-05306 **Zen Ghani:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the pilot AI Leadership Academy for leaders of Scottish SMEs, as set out in its *Scotland's Artificial Intelligence Strategy 2026-2031.*

S7W-05307 **Zen Ghani:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its work with existing asset owners to increase access to computing power for AI companies, as set out in its *Scotland's Artificial Intelligence strategy 2026-2031*.

S7W-05308 **Zen Ghani:** To ask the Scottish Government what early results have been observed following the launch of the public beta of the open data portal, data.gov.scot.

S7W-05309 **Zen Ghani:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to publish a report on the scope and requirements for AI regulation in Scotland, as set out in its *Scotland's Artificial Intelligence Strategy 2026-2031*.

S7W-05310 **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government to which projects the Community Led Local Development funding has been allocated since the Budget 2026-27 came into force, and how much of this funding is still to be (a) spent and (b) allocated.

S7W-05311 **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government how the Rural Cohesion budget set out in its Budget 2026-27 has been allocated and how much of the funding has been spent since the Budget was approved by the Parliament.

S7W-05312 **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government how the Scottish Rural Network funding set out in its Budget 2026-27 has been allocated and how much of the funding has been spent since the Budget was approved by the Parliament.

S7W-05313 **Heather Anderson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will review the access to hybrid closed-loop insulin systems for people with cystic fibrosis diabetes across NHS boards in order to establish a consistent national approach.

S7W-05314 **Heather Anderson:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the benefits of extending access on the NHS to hybrid closed-loop insulin systems to people with cystic fibrosis diabetes.

S7W-05315 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what actions it is taking to improve the suitability of Continuous Professional Learning (CPL) opportunities for social work staff who work with families of children with complex disability needs.

S7W-05316 **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-04526 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 10 November 2026, what assessment it has made of whether excluding people who develop severe mobility impairments after reaching state pension age from accessing disability-related mobility support is compatible with the principle of supporting people on the basis of assessed need rather than age.

S7W-05317 **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-04526 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 10 November 2026, what equality impact assessment or other analysis it has undertaken regarding the difference in eligibility for mobility support between people who develop severe disabilities before state pension age and those who develop them afterwards, and what conclusions were reached.

S7W-05318 **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-04526 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 10 November 2026, which specific UK passported benefits it considers could be affected by the introduction of a mobility component within the Pension Age Disability Payment, and for what reason it considers that alternative arrangements could not be implemented to avoid such impacts.

S7W-05319 **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-04526 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 10 November 2026, (a) what consideration it has given to introducing targeted mobility support for people who develop severe progressive conditions, such as motor neurone disease, after reaching state pension age, (b) what options it has considered and (c) for what reason options were (i) accepted or (ii) rejected.

S7W-05320 **Laura Moodie:** To ask the Scottish Government what changes have been made to the availability of the national communications resources and campaign materials provided to local authorities for Scotland's Climate Week in each of the last five years, including to branding packs, communications calendars and suggested campaign activities, and what the reasons were for these changes.

S7W-05321 **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with SEPA, the Water Industry Commission for Scotland (WICS) and Environmental Standards

Scotland (ESS) regarding the potential impact of its proposal to create a single environmental body on the water industry, and whether it has carried out any assessment of that impact.

S7W-05322 **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds regarding how many corporate homicide investigations relating to the avoidable deaths of NHS patients have been commenced in each of the last 10 years.

S7W-05323 **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-01844 by Hannah Mary Goodlad on 18 August 2026, whether it can provide a definition of what constitutes a green data centre.

S7W-05324 **Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether Scottish Ministers exercised their powers under section 19(2) of the Scottish National Investment Bank Act 2020 to direct the Scottish National Investment Bank to provide an additional report on the performance of its investment in Trojan Energy Limited at any point between 1 August 2023 and 9 February 2026, and, if so, on what date or dates such directions were made.

S7W-05325 **Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether Scottish Ministers exercised their powers under section 19(3) of the Scottish National Investment Bank Act 2020 to require the Scottish National Investment Bank to include specific information regarding its investment in Trojan Energy Limited in any report between 1 August 2023 and 9 February 2026 and, if so, what information was required and on what date each requirement was made.

S7W-05326 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether its public procurement process includes checks on potential bidders in relation to human rights concerns, including activity in the occupied Palestinian territories.

S7W-05327 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government how many meetings of the MV Glen Rosa Coordination Group have been held to date.

S7W-05328 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government by what date it will provide an update on Phase 2 of the Small Vessel Replacement Plan.

S7W-05329 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with (a) CMAL and (b) CalMac regarding the direct award of contracts in Phase 2 of the Small Vessel Replacement Plan to Ferguson Marine.

S7W-05330 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussion it has had with CMAL regarding the contract to procure three small ferries to replace the CalMac vessels MV Loch (a) Alainn, (b) Portain and (c) Bhrusda.

S7W-05331 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to upgrade harbour infrastructure on the (a) Sound of Harris, (b) Sound of Barra and (c) Mallaig-Armadale route, in line with Phase 2 of the Small Vessel Replacement Plan.

S7W-05332 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government by what date it will publish the conclusions on the Community Needs Assessment of the (a) Sound of Harris, (b) Sound of Barra and (c) Mallaig-Armadale route on the Clyde and Hebrides network.

S7W-05333 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether its permission was required to sign off the five shortlisted bidders for the ScotRail suburban fleet procurement contract.

S7W-05334 **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its policy is on awarding public contracts to companies that are listed on the UN Human Rights database as being involved in activities connected with illegal Israeli settlements.

S7W-05335 **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the reported disparity in the number of learning hours provided to primary school pupils across different local authority areas, with particular reference to the reported position in the City of Edinburgh Council area compared with other local authorities, including Fife, Glasgow City and Angus.

S7W-05338 **Kate Nevens:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee's evidence sessions on the implementation of the EHRC's revised Code of Practice, (a) what its position is on whether the implementation of the code is compatible with public authorities' obligations under all three aims of the Public Sector Equality Duty, eliminating discrimination, advancing equality of opportunity and fostering good relations, (b) what assessment it has made of the potential implications of the implementation of the code for public authorities and (c) how it will ensure that the implementation of the code does not undermine its ability to meet all three elements of the Public Sector Equalities Duty.

New Subordinate Legislation

Not subject to any parliamentary procedure

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 19 November 2026 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Act of Adjournal (Criminal Procedure Rules 1996 Amendment) (Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Act 2025) 2026 (SSI 2026/345)
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

Scottish Languages Act 2025 (Commencement No. 3) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/342 (C. 41))
laid under section 30 of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Act 2017 (Commencement No. 2) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/343 (C. 42))
laid under Section 30(1) and (2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

Circular Economy (Scotland) Act 2024 (Commencement No. 3) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/344 (C. 43))
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

Progress of Legislation

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A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

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

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

Council Tax (High Value Dwellings etc.) (Scotland) Bill (G)
Introduced, 18 November 2026

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.

Scottish Local Government Elections (Candidacy Rights of Commonwealth Citizens) Bill (G)
Stage 2 (Day 1) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee), 3 December 2026

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 26 November with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Legislative Consent Memorandums

A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:

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Armed Forces Bill Supplementary LCM-S7-3
Lodged on 16 June 2026
Meeting of the Parliament, 7 October 2026

Report - Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (1st Report, 2026)

Civil Aviation (Consumer Protection and Regulatory Reform) Bill Supplementary LCM-S7-11a
Lodged on 17 September 2026
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Lodged on 4 November 2026
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Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (19th 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)

Immigration and Asylum Bill Supplementary LCM-S7-9a
Lodged on 19 November 2026

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-S7-10
Lodged on 28 July 2026
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Railways Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-69a
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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 Supplementary LCM-S7-7b
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Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 29 October 2026
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (18th Report, 2026)

Sporting Events Bill Supplementary LCM-S7-1c
Lodged on 20 October 2026
Meeting of the Parliament, 3 November 2026
Report - Lead committee (Economy, Tourism and Energy) (6th Report, 2026)
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (11th Report, 2026)

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative Instruments

Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 (Ancillary Provision) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/Draft) (5 November 2026) (Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 24 November 2026

HGV Speed Limit (Variation) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/Draft) (30 September 2026) (Transport Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 29 November 2026

Qualifications Scotland and His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education in Scotland (Miscellaneous Listings) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/Draft) (5 October 2026) (Education and Gaelic Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 30 November 2026

Visitor Levy (Amendment of Returns and Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/Draft) (6 October 2026) (Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 1 December 2026

Bankruptcy and Attachment (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/Draft) (7 October 2026) (Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 4 December 2026

Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland (Designation of Scheme Administrator) Amendment Order 2026 (SSI 2026/Draft) (26 October 2026) (Climate Action Committee)

Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Amendment Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/Draft) (26 October 2026) (Climate Action Committee)

Electronic Monitoring (Use of Devices and Information) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/Draft) (21 October 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Environmental Regulation (Enforcement Measures) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2026 (SSI 2026/Draft) (26 October 2026) (Climate Action Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 11 December 2026

Companies Act 2006 (Scottish public sector companies to be audited by the Auditor General for Scotland) Order 2027 (SSI 2026/Draft) (2 November 2026) (Transport Committee)

Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (Thresholds) Amendment Order 2027 (SSI 2026/Draft) (2 November 2026) (Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 13 December 2026

Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (Modification) (Scotland) Regulations 2027 (SSI 2026/Draft) (4 November 2026) (Education and Gaelic Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 25 November 2026
Lead Committee report due by 23 November 2026

Police Service of Scotland (Conduct) Amendment Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/276) (1 October 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Police Service of Scotland (Senior Officers) (Conduct) Amendment Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/277) (1 October 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment by 26 November 2026
Lead Committee report due by 23 November 2026

Sale of Tobacco (Miscellaneous and Consequential Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/278) (2 October 2026) (Health, Care and Sport Committee)

Private Residential Tenancies (Prescribed Notices and Forms) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/279) (2 October 2026) (Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee)

Subject to annulment by 2 December 2026
Lead Committee report due by 30 November 2026

Scottish Land Commission (Number of Land Commissioners) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/284) (8 October 2026) (Rural Affairs Committee)

Electronic Monitoring (Approved Devices) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/285) (8 October 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment by 4 December 2026
Lead Committee report due by 30 November 2026

First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber (Procedure) Amendment Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/288) (26 October 2026) (Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee)

Scotland Act 1998 (Specification of Functions and Transfer of Property etc.) (Amendment) Order 2026 (SI 2026/1095) (16 October 2026) (Rural Affairs Committee)

Scottish Administration (Offices) Order 2026 (SI 2026/1097 (S. 1)) (16 October 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment by 7 December 2026
Lead Committee report due by 30 November 2026

Parking Attendants (Wearing of Uniforms) (Dumfries and Galloway Council) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/295) (29 October 2026) (Transport Committee)

Road Traffic (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (Dumfries and Galloway Council) Designation Order 2026 (SSI 2026/296) (29 October 2026) (Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 8 December 2026
Lead Committee report due by 7 December 2026

The Mobile Homes (Written Statement) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 (SSI 2026/320) (30 October 2026) (Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee)

Subject to annulment by 7 January 2027
Lead Committee report due by 4 January 2027

Scotland Act 1998 (Agency Arrangements) (Specification) (Digital Waste Tracking) Order 2026 (SI 2026/1188) (13 November 2026) (Climate Action Committee)

Documents subject to parliamentary control

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Environmental Standards Scotland engine idling laws air quality investigation: Scottish Government improvement plan (SG/2026/281) (4 November 2026) (Climate Action Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee, 8th Report, 2026 (Session 7): Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee: Report on pre-budget scrutiny in advance of the of the draft 2027/28 budget (SP Paper 46)
, publication date: 19 November 2026

Criminal Justice Committee, 3rd Report, 2026 (Session 7): Criminal Justice Committee: Report on Pre-budget scrutiny of the 2027-28 Scottish budget - Justice portfolio resilience, reform and resource allocation (SP Paper 48), publication date: 19 November 2026

Transport Committee, 2nd Report, 2026 (Session 7): The HGV Speed Limit (Variation) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 [draft] (SP Paper 49), publication date: 19 November 2026

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Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 19 November 2026—

Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Justice: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Immigration and Asylum Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S7-9a)

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 19 November 2026 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Independent Monitoring Authority's Annual Report to the Specialised Committee on Citizens' Rights established under the Withdrawal Agreement and the Joint Committee established under the EEA EFTA Separation Agreement (SG/2026/223) laid under Paragraph 31 of Schedule 2 to the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020

Scottish Legal Complaints Commission Annual Report 2025/2026 (SG/2026/244) laid under Section 16(4) of Schedule 1 of the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2007

Scottish Legal Complaints Commission Annual Report and Accounts Year ended 30 June 2026 (SG/2026/245) laid under Section 15(2) of Schedule 1 of the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2007 and section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The 2025-26 audit of the Scottish Government Consolidated Accounts (SG/2026/192) laid under Section 20 subsection 6 of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The Scottish Government Consolidated Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026 (SG/2026/190) laid under Section 20 subsection 6 of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The Scottish Road Works Commissioner Annual Report and Accounts 2025-26 (SG/2026/130) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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