

Monday 5 October 2026

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

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Today's Business <i>Gnothaichean an-diugh</i>	Future Business <i>Gnothaichean ri teachd</i>	Motions & Questions <i>Gluasadan agus Ceistean</i>	Legislation <i>Reachdas</i>	Other <i>Eile</i>
Chamber Seòmar				

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 30 September 2026

Tuesday 6 October 2026

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Rev Gavin Niven, John Knox Parish Church

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by General Questions

followed by First Minister's Questions (Backbench Members)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Improving Outcomes for Neurodivergent People, Autistic People and People with Learning Disabilities

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Prosperity and Future in Europe

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: 150th Anniversary of the Founding of Blantyre in Malawi

Wednesday 7 October 2026

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Supporting Scotland's Fishing Industry

followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Debate: Scottish Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Baby Loss Awareness Week 2026

Thursday 8 October 2026

1:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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1:30 pm General Questions

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

followed by Ministerial Statement: Planning for Winter and Improving Hospital Flow

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Strengthening Scotland's Cyber Resilience

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Face Coverings in Public Places

Tuesday 27 October 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 28 October 2026

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Liberal Democrats Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

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Thursday 29 October 2026

1:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:30 pm General Questions

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

followed by Committee Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

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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>

Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee

6 October 2026

7th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:00AM in Committee Room 2

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Pre-Budget scrutiny – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence as part of its scrutiny preceding the Scottish Government's Budget 2027-28 from—
 Stuart Black, Chief Executive, Highlands and Islands Enterprise;
 Adrian Gillespie, Chief Executive, Scottish Enterprise;
 Jane Morrison-Ross, Chief Executive, South of Scotland Enterprise.
 and then from—
 David Richie, Chief Executive and Jason McGibbon, Non-Executive Director, Scottish National Investment Bank.
3. **Pre-Budget scrutiny – evidence:** 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 on

Education and Gaelic Committee

6 October 2026

6th Meeting, 2026

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether consideration of its draft Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2027-28 report and whether consideration of all draft reports should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Pre-budget scrutiny 2027-28:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 Màiri McAllan, Cabinet Secretary for Education, Culture and Gaelic, Siobhian Brown, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise, Orlando Mason, Deputy Director, Workforce,

Quality and Wellbeing, Gavin Henderson, Deputy Director, Care Experience, Children's Services Reform and The Promise, and Gordon Paterson, Unit Head, Keeping the Promise, Scottish Government.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare (Specified Children) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2026 [draft] from—
Siobhian Brown, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise and Joanna Mackenzie, Policy Official, Early Learning and Childcare, Scottish Government;
Nico Juetten, School Education Branch, Scottish Government Legal Directorate.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** Siobhian Brown (Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise) to move—

S7M-01123—That the Education and Gaelic Committee recommends that the Provision of Early Learning and Childcare (Specified Children) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2026 [draft] be approved.

5. **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

6 October 2026

7th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:15AM in Committee Room 6

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Pre-Budget scrutiny – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence on the Local Culture Scotland report as part of its scrutiny preceding the Scottish Government's Budget 2027-28 from—
Matt Baker, Artist and Author of Local Culture Scotland report;
Pauline Smith, Chief Executive, Development Trusts Association Scotland;
Kate Wimpers, Director, North Edinburgh Arts.
3. **Pre-Budget scrutiny – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence as part of its scrutiny preceding the Scottish Government's Budget 2027-28 from—
Councillor Maureen Chalmers, Community Wellbeing Spokesperson and Matthew Sweeney, Chief Officer - Communities, COSLA;
Lynda Campbell, Head of Business & Strategy at Glasgow Life, on behalf of Community Leisure UK.
4. **Pre-Budget scrutiny – evidence review:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under agenda items 2 and 3.

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Committees Comataidhean				

- 5. Pre-Budget scrutiny – upcoming evidence sessions:** The Committee will consider lines of questioning for future evidence sessions with Creative Scotland and the Cabinet Secretary for Education, Culture and Gaelic.
- 6. Pre-Budget scrutiny – written evidence:** The Committee will consider the written evidence received as part of its scrutiny preceding the Scottish Government's Budget 2027-28.
- 7. 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

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

6 October 2026

7th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 10:00AM in Committee Room 4

- 1. Draft instruments subject to approval:** The Committee will consider—

[The draft Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2026 Amendment Regulations 2026](#)
[The draft HGV Speed Limit \(Variation\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#)

- 2. Instrument subject to annulment:** The Committee will consider the [Climate Change \(Duties of Public Bodies: Reporting Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/266\)](#)

Proposed future business

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

Rural Affairs Committee

7 October 2026

7th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 8:45AM in Committee Room 2

- 1. Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
- 2. Rural Support Plan:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Gillian Martin, Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Rural Affairs, Jim Fairlie, Minister for Agriculture, Marine and the Islands, John Kerr, Head of Agriculture Policy, and Brian Grogans, Head of Rural Policy, Scottish Government.

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- 3. Pre-Budget scrutiny and Programme for Government:** The Committee will take evidence as part of its scrutiny preceding the Scottish Government's Budget 2026-27 from—
Gillian Martin, Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Rural Affairs, Jim Fairlie, Minister for Agriculture, Marine and the Islands, Sean Neill, Director, Energy and Climate Change, Rebecca Hackett, Deputy Director, Marine Directorate, John Kerr, Head of Agriculture Policy, and Clare Morley, CARA Portfolio Finance Lead, Scottish Government.
- 4. Review of evidence: Rural Support Plan** The Committee will review the evidence heard under agenda item 2.
- 5. Review of evidence: Pre-budget scrutiny and Programme for Government** The Committee will review the evidence heard under agenda item 3.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on email at rural.committee@parliament.scot

Transport Committee 7 October 2026 8th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:00AM in Committee Room 3

- 1. Islands and Regional Air Travel:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Ronnie Matheson, Chief Commercial Officer and Simon McNamara, Head of Corporate & Government Affairs, Loganair Limited.
and then from—
Laura Cromarty, Head of Marine Services and Transportation, Orkney Islands Council;
Paul James, Association of Shetland Community Councils;
Martin Joyce, Chief Executive and Councillor Uisdean Robertson, Chair of Transport and Infrastructure, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar;
Lucy Mulvagh, CEO, Disability Equality Scotland.
and then from—
Alison Irvine, Chief Executive Officer and Stuart Strachan, Head of Aviation, Transport Scotland;
Paul Kelsall, Chief Executive Officer and Darren MacLeod, Chief Operating Officer, Highlands and Islands Airports Limited.
- 2. Islands and Regional Air Travel - review of evidence (In Private):** The Committee will review the evidence it heard under agenda item 1.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on

Criminal Justice Committee 7 October 2026 8th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:30AM in Committee Room 6

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Committees Comataidhean				

- 1. Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
- 2. Government reform agenda and response to sector perspectives – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Kirsten Oswald, Minister for Victims and Community Safety, Catriona Dalrymple, Director for Justice, and Donald McGillivray, Director for Safer Communities, Scottish Government.
- 3. The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions and Members of the Police Appeals Tribunal) Amendment Regulations 2026 – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Steven bunch, Team Leader, Police Conduct Policy Team, Amanda Dunlop, Lawyer, and Chloe Leslie, Police Conduct Policy Manager, Scottish Government.
- 4. The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions and Members of the Police Appeals Tribunal) Amendment Regulations 2026 – motion recommending approval:** Neil Gray (Cabinet Secretary for Justice) to move—

S7M-01279 — That the Criminal Justice Committee recommends that The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions and Members of the Police Appeals Tribunal) Amendment Regulations 2026 [draft] be approved.
- 5. Government reform agenda and response to sector perspectives – review of evidence:** The Committee will review the evidence heard under item 2.
- 6. The First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions and Members of the Police Appeals Tribunal) Amendment Regulations 2026 - report:** The Committee will consider a draft report.
- 7. Work programme (In Private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

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

Finance and Public Administration Committee 7 October 2026 8th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:30AM in Committee Room 1

- 1. Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda item 5 and future reviews of evidence in private.
- 2. Public Office (Accountability) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence on supplementary legislative consent memorandum LCM-S7-10 from—

Jenny Gilruth, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Jenny Brough, Safer Communities LCM Support and Coordination, Francesca Morton, Justice LCM Support and Coordination, and Marion McCormack, Legal LCM Support and Coordination, Scottish Government.

3. **Subordinate legislation – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence on the Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2026 [draft] and the Air Departure Tax (Administration) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2026 [draft] from—

Jenny Gilruth, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Stuart Wilson, Transport Taxes Team Leader, Martin Davidson, Head of New Taxes Unit, and Laura Wilkinson, Lawyer, Scottish Government.

4. **Subordinate legislation - approval:** Jenny Gilruth, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government to move—

S7M-01280 - That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2026 [draft] be approved;

S7M-01281 - That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Air Departure Tax (Administration)(Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2026 [draft] be approved.

5. **Review of Evidence:** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

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

Proposed future business

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

Health, Care and Sport Committee

7 October 2026

7th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:30AM in Committee Room 4

1. **Pre-budget scrutiny: Preparing for future challenges in the health, care and sport sectors:**

The Committee will take evidence from—

Richard Robinson, Audit Director, Audit Scotland;
Professor Linda Bauld, Professor of Public Health and Co-Head, Population Health Sciences, University of Edinburgh;
Robbie Pearson, Chief Executive, Healthcare Improvement Scotland;
Alison Payne, Research Director, Enlighten.

2. **Review of evidence (In Private):** The Committee will review the evidence it heard under Item 1.

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

4. **Preparation for Conveners Group meeting (In Private):** The Committee will discuss preparations for the upcoming Conveners Group meeting with the First Minister.

- The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 Remedial Order 2026:** The Committee will, take evidence, *not before 12:00pm*, from—
Maree Todd, Minister for Mental Wellbeing, Public Health, Sport, Alcohol and Drugs, Joanne Farrow, Deputy Director, Complex Care & Rights Division, and Katy Richards, Divisional Solicitor, Mental Health and Incapacity Branch, Scottish Government Legal Division, Scottish Government.
- The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 Remedial Order 2026 – motion recommending approval:** Maree Todd (Minister for Mental Wellbeing, Public Health, Sport, Alcohol and Drugs) to move—

S7M-01217—That the Health, Care and Sport Committee recommends that the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 Remedial Order 2026 [draft] be approved.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on

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Motions Glusadan				

Motions

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S7M-01444](#) Keith Brown: £119,925 National Lottery Funding for Clackmannanshire and Dunblane**—That the Parliament welcomes the award of £119,925 from the National Lottery Community Fund to organisations working across the Clackmannanshire and Dunblane constituency; congratulates Clackmannanshire Women's Aid SCIO on receiving £5,000 to continue its Clacks Courage programme for children and young people affected by domestic abuse, FATHERS WAY on receiving £12,200 to continue its fathers' support group in Alloa, Give a Dog a Bone... and an animal a home on receiving £20,000 to continue its companionship project for older people and the wider community in Alloa, Home-Start Clackmannanshire on receiving £19,754 to strengthen early years support for families in Tillicoultry and Alloa, Mums the Word: Nurturing Family Support C.I.C. on receiving £20,000 to continue and expand its community hub supporting families in Sauchie, Scottish Disability Sport on receiving £10,000 to support disability-inclusive engagement and events, The Wellbeing Circle CIC on receiving £13,050 to expand free wellbeing support in Stirling, and Venture Trust on receiving £19,921 to further develop its programme supporting people who have experienced life-changing challenges; recognises the important work that these organisations undertake to support families, improve wellbeing, reduce isolation and build stronger and more inclusive communities; acknowledges the contribution of National Lottery players in making these awards possible, and wishes all of the organisations every success as they continue their valuable work.

Supported by: Julie MacDougall*, Colm Merrick*, Alex Kerr*, Stuart McMillan*

***[S7M-01443](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Craigmount High School Achieves at National Progression Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates the pupils and staff of Craigmount High School in Edinburgh on their achievements in National Progression Awards (NPAs); notes that Craigmount pupils achieved more than 4,000 qualifications in the last academic year, including 176 Level 6 NPAs, with NPAs accounting for 7% of all qualifications achieved; recognises the school's work to make NPAs available across a wide range of subjects, including business and marketing, web design and cyber security, through provision within the school and in partnership with Edinburgh College; welcomes the findings of the David Hume Institute's recent briefing, *The Changing Landscape of Education in Scotland: A New National Progression?*, which identifies a substantial growth in NPA attainment across Scotland, from 19,640 awards in 2022 to 44,030 in 2026; notes that NPAs are designed to develop and assess defined skills and knowledge in specialist vocational areas and are linked to National Occupational Standards; recognises the importance of ensuring that young people have different ways to demonstrate their knowledge, skills and attainment, including through regular assessment rather than solely through high-stakes final examinations; further recognises the

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Motions Gluasadan				

importance of ensuring that Scotland's qualifications system is understood by employers as the range of routes available to young people continues to develop, and commends Craigmount High School for demonstrating how a broad senior-phase curriculum can give pupils opportunities to pursue subjects relevant to their interests, future careers and further education.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*

***[S7M-01442](#) David Torrance: Congratulations to Anna Drysdale and Open Cellar on Scottish EDGE Success**—That the Parliament congratulates Anna Drysdale, who is the founder and CEO of Open Cellar, on being a winner in Round 27 of Scottish EDGE; understands that Open Cellar is an innovative wine discovery business, which was established with the aim of making choosing and discovering wine simpler, more accessible and less intimidating for consumers; notes that Anna has developed and refined the business through its early stages, including reshaping its business model, developing its operational infrastructure and securing partnerships; recognises that Scottish EDGE is a highly competitive business programme supporting entrepreneurship and emerging businesses in Scotland, and that Open Cellar progressed through its Wild Card competition before securing funding; commends Anna for the determination, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit that she has demonstrated in developing Open Cellar; believes that her success is a welcome example of the ambition and entrepreneurship found in Kirkcaldy and across Fife, and wishes Anna, and everyone involved with Open Cellar, every success as the business moves towards launch and its next stage of development.

***[S7M-01441](#) Dawn Black: Congratulating Charles McHardy Butchers on Success at the Scottish Craft Butchers Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Charles McHardy Butchers, of Stonehaven, on its success at the Scottish Craft Butchers Awards, winning a Gold Award in the Ready Meal category and Silver Awards in the Ready Meal and Steak Burger categories; appreciates the skill, innovation and dedication to quality demonstrated by the team; recognises that the business is a well-known and valued part of community life in Stonehaven; acknowledges the contribution of independent butchers to Scotland's food sector and local economy, and wishes everyone at Charles McHardy Butchers continued success.

Supported by: David Smith*, Clare Haughey*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Alex Kerr*

***[S7M-01440](#) Clare Adamson: Congratulating Wishaw-based ChemTX on its Constructionline Gold Accreditation**—That the Parliament congratulates ChemTX, based in Wishaw, on achieving Constructionline Gold Accreditation; recognises that the accreditation reflects the company's high standards in environmental management, health and safety, and quality assurance; notes that ChemTX was established in 2013 and provides specialist analytical oil testing services to the engineering and energy sectors, including nuclear, renewable energy, hydro, gas and coal; commends the company for its contribution to Scotland's specialist engineering and energy industries and for building its reputation through technical expertise and high standards; recognises the skills and commitment of the ChemTX team, and wishes the company continued success as it develops its business.

***[S7M-01439](#) Clare Adamson: Celebrating the Community Spirit of Motherwell's Girls' Brigade and Arts & Crafts Club**—That the Parliament congratulates the 5th Motherwell Girls' Brigade, which meets at St Margaret's Church in Muirhouse, Motherwell, on raising more than £1,000 through a silver collection at its annual display for families and friends; further congratulates the arts and crafts club, also based at St Margaret's Church, on raising more than £300 through a coffee morning; recognises the generosity and community spirit demonstrated by members, families, friends and supporters of both groups; welcomes Bellway's decision to match the funds raised, resulting in a total donation of £1,425 to Variety, the Children's Charity; notes that Variety supports disabled and disadvantaged children and young people across the UK through Wheelchair and Specialist Equipment grants, Sunshine Coaches, Great Days Out and Access Intern-supported work experience programmes, and commends everyone involved for their fundraising efforts and contribution to supporting children and young people in need.

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Motions Glusadan				

***[S7M-01438](#) Yi-pei Chou Turvey: Durris Young Farmers' 90th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Durris Young Farmers on its 90th anniversary; recognises that it is an active rural youth group welcoming members from all backgrounds with its famous motto “not just for those who wear wellies”; notes that it regularly raises money for charities, including £650 recently for the Scottish Air Ambulance, and acknowledges the importance of young farmers' associations, not only for the future of food security, but for the health and wellbeing of young people in rural areas.

Supported by: Liam McArthur*, Stuart McMillan*

***[S7M-01437](#) Clare Adamson: Hugh Black & Sons Scottish Craft Butchers Championship Success 2026**—That the Parliament congratulates Hugh Black & Sons, which is a family-owned butchers with 13 shops across central Scotland, including in Wishaw, on its outstanding success in the 2026 Scottish Craft Butchers Championships; recognises that it was named Scottish Craft Butchers Scottish Beefburger Champion 2026; congratulates the company on winning the South East Scotland Regional Championship in the Scottish Craft Butchers Black Pudding Championship 2026; notes that this regional success has meant that it has qualified for the Black Pudding UK Champion of Champions competition, which will take place in Perth in spring 2027; commends the skill, craftsmanship and dedication of the Black family and their staff in producing award-winning traditional Scottish products; recognises the contribution that the business makes to communities, employment and Scotland's independent food and butchery sector, and wishes the company every success in the UK Champion of Champions competition and in the future.

***[S7M-01436](#) Yi-pei Chou Turvey: River Dee Trust Scottish Land Estates Award 2026**—That the Parliament congratulates the River Dee Trust on being presented with the 2026 Scottish Land and Estates Award; recognises that the Dee team and the wider community have worked closely with land managers to deliver in spades for the OneMillionTrees campaign with ambitious targets for the entire catchment, and considers that land managers are critical to building resilience for the ecosystem and communities.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan*

***[S7M-01435](#) Stephen Kerr: Commemorating the Life of Dame Esther Rantzen** —That the Parliament notes with great sadness the death of Dame Esther Rantzen on 30 September 2026, at the age of 86; pays tribute to an outstanding broadcaster, campaigner and charity founder whose work improved countless lives across Scotland and the rest of the UK; recognises her pioneering contribution to British television, particularly during her 21 years as presenter and producer of the BBC's *That's Life!*, through which she combined warmth and humour with determined campaigns on consumer rights, child safety, organ donation and other important issues; celebrates what it sees as her greatest legacy, the founding of Childline in 1986, which gave children and young people a free and confidential service where they could be heard and supported; acknowledges what it views as the invaluable work of Childline's counsellors and volunteers in Scotland, including at its bases in Glasgow and Aberdeen; recognises Dame Esther's determination to tackle loneliness and isolation among older people through the creation of The Silver Line and the launch of Silver Line Scotland in partnership with Age Scotland in 2013; notes that she was appointed Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire in 2015 for services to children and older people through Childline and The Silver Line; believes that Dame Esther possessed an extraordinary ability to turn public concern into practical action and to ensure that vulnerable people were no longer ignored; considers that her compassion, courage and determination represented the very best traditions of public service; sends its deepest condolences to her children, Miriam, Rebecca and Joshua, her grandchildren, friends and former colleagues, and believes that her remarkable legacy will continue whenever a child in distress or an older person experiencing loneliness finds someone ready to listen.

Supported by: Helen McDade*, David Smith*, Thomas Kerr*, Amanda Lindsay*, Amanda Bland*, Craig Hoy*, Angela Ross*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

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[S7M-01434](#) **Jackie Dunbar: New observatory opens at University of Aberdeen** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Duncan Massey*, Dawn Black*, Yi-pei Chou Turvey*, Alex Kerr*

[S7M-01431](#) **Craig Hoy: Congratulations to Macmillan Community Champion, Anne Garrett** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Iris Duane*, Amanda Lindsay*, Angela Ross*, Patricia Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01430](#) **Clare Adamson: Katie Leung and BAFTA Scotland Awards 2026** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Alex Kerr*

[S7M-01429](#) **Clare Adamson: Stuart Lyons and Scotland's Success at WorldSkills Shanghai 2026** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Alex Kerr*

[S7M-01428](#) **Paul McLennan: World Homelessness Day 2026** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Kate Nevens*, Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01427](#) **Amanda Bland: Congratulations to Ian Winship** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: David Smith*, Max Bannerman*, Julie MacDougall*, Amanda Lindsay*, Angela Ross*, Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01426](#) **Murdo Fraser: The Enchanted Forest Community Trust Wins at Central and East of Scotland Scottish Thistle Awards 2026** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01425](#) **Ariane Burgess: Recognising One Health Day 2026** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Kate Nevens*, Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01424](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey: Recognising Banchory Academy's UNICEF Gold Award** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01423](#) **Keith Brown: 10th Anniversary of Forth Valley Welcome** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01422](#) **Graham Simpson: Protecting Scotland's Most Precious Woods and Trees** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*

[S7M-01420](#) **Angela Ross: Recognising the Development of the Deep Time Trail** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Jamie Langan*

[S7M-01418](#) **Liam McArthur: Paying Tribute to Dame Esther Rantzen** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Joe Long*, Alexander Burnett*, Jackie Baillie*

[S7M-01417](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Jedburgh's Simply Scottish Celebrates Tripadvisor Award** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01416](#) **Jack Middleton: Aberdeen Takes Charge of Vital Endometriosis Trials** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Patricia Gibson*, Dawn Black*, Stuart McMillan*, Alex Kerr*

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[S7M-01415](#) **Jack Middleton: NESCol S2 STEM Skills Competition Across North East Scotland** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01414](#) **Collette Stevenson: Little Brains Achieves Charitable Status** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Joe Fagan*

[S7M-01413](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Borders Nicotine Prevention Toolkit Team Wins Healthcare Rights Award 2026** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01411](#) **Iris Duane: Celebrating Scotland's 25th Black History Month** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01407](#) **Kate Nevens: Solidarity with LGBTQIA+ Activists in Türkiye** (lodged on 1 October 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01405](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Newcastleton First Responders Mark 20 Years of Lifesaving Service** (lodged on 30 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01402](#) **Marie McNair: Milngavie and Bearsden Men's Shed Wins Silver Prize for Shed of The Year** (lodged on 30 September 2026)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Bob Doris*, Stuart McMillan*

[S7M-01398](#) **Miles Briggs: World Mental Health Day 2026** (lodged on 30 September 2026)

New Support: Amanda Bland*, Senga Beresford*, Stuart McMillan*, Alexander Burnett*, Iris Duane*

[S7M-01394](#) **George Adam: Octopus Clinical Trial for Primary and Secondary Progressive Multiple Sclerosis** (lodged on 30 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01393](#) **Dawn Black: Recognition for Archie Anderson's Scottish FA Best Young Volunteer Award** (lodged on 29 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01381](#) **Dawn Black: Opening of the Tay Skills Academy at Rossie Young People's Trust** (lodged on 29 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01374](#) **Jack Middleton: Scotland Netball Team Qualifies for World Cup** (lodged on 28 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01372](#) **Stephen Kerr: Wishing Matt Scott Well for Plan to Run the 2027 Edinburgh Marathon for Endometriosis UK** (lodged on 28 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01370](#) **Dawn Black: Casa Luisa Wins Aberdeenshire Heart of the High Street Hospitality Award** (lodged on 28 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01363](#) **Mark Simpson: Acknowledging Barclays' Contribution to Employment and Investment in Scotland** (lodged on 25 September 2026)

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New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01357](#) **Jack Middleton: Scottish Football Fans Break Attendance Record** (lodged on 25 September 2026)

New Support: Bob Doris*

[S7M-01356](#) **Rachael Hamilton: St Cuthbert's Way Earns Global Recognition** (lodged on 25 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01343](#) **Dawn Black: Elevate Health Chiropractic and Wellbeing Wins Aberdeenshire Heart of the High Street Health and Wellbeing Award** (lodged on 24 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01342](#) **James Adams: Tarlair Outdoor Pool Pavilion Shortlisted in the Andrew Doolan Best Building in Scotland Award** (lodged on 24 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01338](#) **James Adams: Isobel "Beldy" Blackhall Named the Latest Recipient of the Best of Banff and Buchan Award** (lodged on 24 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01337](#) **Lloyd Melville: Celebrating 20 Years of the Havilah Project in Arbroath** (lodged on 24 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01336](#) **Tim Eagle: Celebrating 25 Years of the Highland Indian Association** (lodged on 24 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01331](#) **Marie McNair: Clydebank Postie Celebrates 48 Years of Serving the Community** (lodged on 24 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01329](#) **Paul Sweeney: Satty Singh Appointed as Honorary Colonel of the 52nd (Lowland) Support and Signal Squadron** (lodged on 24 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01327](#) **Russell Findlay: Dr Pam Gosal MBE Wins Achievement in Community Service Award** (lodged on 24 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01324](#) **Liam McArthur: Linsey Drever Named Outstanding Scottish Community Link Worker** (lodged on 23 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01321](#) **Liam Kerr: Launch of The Muckle Birdie Match Storybook** (lodged on 24 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01319](#) **Bob Doris: Celebrating the 200th Anniversary of Maryhill Ruchill Parish Church** (lodged on 23 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01312](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Selkirk Mother and Daughter Katie and Hannah Francis Complete John O'Groats to Land's End Charity Challenge** (lodged on 23 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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[S7M-01311](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Celebrating 150 Years of Swinton Primary School** (lodged on 23 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01303](#) **Jackie Dunbar: Denis Law RGUplus Awards** (lodged on 23 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01302](#) **Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating New College Lanarkshire on the Scottish Institute for Dental Nursing Education** (lodged on 23 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01301](#) **Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Ricky Burns on His Outstanding Boxing Career and Induction to British Boxing Hall of Fame** (lodged on 23 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01294](#) **Lloyd Melville: Newton Farm Holidays Wins Innovation Award** (lodged on 22 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01293](#) **Stuart McMillan: Have a Wee Read on 7 October 2026** (lodged on 22 September 2026)

New Support: Liam McArthur*

[S7M-01285](#) **Claire Baker: Perthshire Highland Dancer Crowned Junior Highland Dance World Champion** (lodged on 21 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01277](#) **David Green: Congratulating Caithness Ladies on Winning the ScottishPower Highlands and Island League** (lodged on 21 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01276](#) **Colin Beattie: Inclusive Play Receives Manufacturer of the Year Award** (lodged on 21 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01270](#) **Liam Kerr: Opening of the Denis Law Institute of Sport and Wellbeing** (lodged on 21 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01268](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Congratulating Hawick High School on its Macmillan Coffee Morning** (lodged on 21 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01263](#) **Stephen Kerr: Congratulating the University of Stirling on Rising 18 Places in Good University Guide 2027** (lodged on 21 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01255](#) **Jackie Baillie: Congratulates Ridings Sawmills on its 50th Anniversary** (lodged on 21 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01253](#) **Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Dumbarton District Disabled Children's Forum on its 30th Anniversary** (lodged on 18 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01249](#) **David Torrance: Emmalisa Peggie Named Youth Worker of the Year** (lodged on 18 September 2026)

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New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01247](#) **Clare Adamson: 30th Anniversary of the Tickled Pink Partnership** (lodged on 18 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01245](#) **Dawn Black: Congratulating Chris Platt on his Nomination for Forty Under 40 Awards** (lodged on 17 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01243](#) **Heather Anderson: 50 Years of Tayside Mountain Rescue** (lodged on 17 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01239](#) **David Torrance: Reo Martin Represents Scotland and Secures International Victory** (lodged on 17 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01235](#) **David Torrance: £10,000 Boost for Kirkcaldy Gymnastics Club** (lodged on 17 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01231](#) **David Torrance: Congratulations to Kirkcaldy Centenarian Isa Simpson** (lodged on 17 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01229](#) **David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Man Takes on Forth Bridge Abseil for Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland** (lodged on 17 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01227](#) **Craig Hoy: Relocation of Luna Textiles Ltd to Buccleuch Mill in Langholm** (lodged on 16 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01226](#) **Laura Mitchell: 100 Years of the Anderson's Primary School Building** (lodged on 16 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01225](#) **Liam Kerr: Bothy Butter Marks Expansion with Move of Production to ONE SeedPod** (lodged on 16 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01222](#) **Morven-May MacCallum: Shetland Wool Week 2026** (lodged on 16 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01221](#) **Morven-May MacCallum: First Female Junior Jarl Elected for Shetland's Junior Up Helly Aa** (lodged on 16 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01220](#) **Steven Bonnar: Remembering Bellshill Athletic Legend Rab Brown** (lodged on 16 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-01202](#) **Jackie Baillie: Centenary of Our Lady & St Mark's Church, Alexandria** (lodged on 16 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S7M-01149](#) **Jackie Baillie: Congratulates Helensburgh Choral Festival on its Inaugural Event** (lodged on 14 September 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S7M-00862](#) **Clare Haughey: 150th Anniversary of the Founding of Blantyre in Malawi** (lodged on 14 August 2026)

New Support: Yi-pei Chou Turvey*

[S7M-00815](#) **Patricia Gibson: Baby Loss Awareness Week 2026** (lodged on 7 August 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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Questions

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

Written Questions

Government Initiated Questions are initiated by the Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament

Government Initiated Questions lodged on 2 October 2026

[S7W-03947](#) **Laura Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the Cabinet Secretary's announcement in June 2026 that an Independent Review of Maternity Services would commence in September 2026, whether it will provide an update, including when the review will commence, when its findings and recommendations are expected to be published, and what steps it plans to take thereafter.

Written Questions lodged on 2 October 2026

[S7W-03908](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it will make available to support rural mental health initiatives delivered by the Royal Scottish Agricultural Benevolent Institution (RSABI) and Farmstrong Scotland, in each of the next five years, as set out in its Programme for Government.

[S7W-03912](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will begin its consultation on the proposed Procurement Bill, as set out in its Programme for Government.

[S7W-03913](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will finalise the A9 Framework Agreement, as set out in its Programme for Government.

[S7W-03914](#) **Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reduce the amount of packaging used for fruit and vegetables.

[S7W-03915](#) **Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any implications of hyperscale data centre applications already in the planning system on its forthcoming national planning guidance, and whether it expects planning authorities to determine such applications before the guidance is published.

[S7W-03916](#) **Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress towards developing a national strategic framework for hyperscale AI data centres, including how it is taking account of the number and scale of proposed developments and by what date it expects to publish the framework.

[S7W-03917](#) **Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to involve communities affected by proposed hyperscale AI data centre developments, including the Auchtertool community in Fife, in the development of its forthcoming national planning guidance and spatial framework, and what opportunities there will be for communities to contribute before these are finalised.

[S7W-03918](#) **Patrick Harvie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has formally instructed local authorities to pause any determinations on planning applications relating to hyperscale data centres.

[S7W-03919](#) **Julie MacDougall:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will give appropriate time and communication to Police Scotland to adjust for any operational changes caused by local government reorganisation.

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S7W-03920 Joe Fagan: To ask the Scottish Government, regarding its Local Governance proposal, whether it will publish its starting point proposals to replace Integration Joint Boards. **R**

S7W-03921 Joe Fagan: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with COSLA since the publication of the Programme for Government regarding its plan to replace Integration Joint Boards. **R**

S7W-03922 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with representatives of the construction industry regarding increasing the number of women employed in construction, including what progress has been made in improving female participation rates in the sector over the last five years.

S7W-03923 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the barriers women might face to enter and remain in the construction industry.

S7W-03924 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of transport availability and connectivity in rural communities on college uptake, attendance and course completion rates, and what action it is taking to ensure that a lack of affordable and reliable public transport does not act as a barrier to further education.

S7W-03925 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the socioeconomic backgrounds of students entering allied health professional training, and what action it is taking to increase uptake of allied health professional courses among people from deprived communities and lower-income households.

S7W-03926 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the socioeconomic backgrounds of students entering the medical profession, and what action it is taking to increase participation in medicine among people from deprived communities and lower-income households.

S7W-03927 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve access to diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation and long-term support services for people living with alcohol-related brain damage.

S7W-03928 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government, regarding specialist alcohol-related brain damage services, (a) how many are currently operating in Scotland, (b) what funding is provided to support them, and (c) what plans it has to expand provision in areas where access is limited.

S7W-03929 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the adequacy of specialist training on alcohol-related brain damage for healthcare professionals, and what action it is taking to increase clinical expertise and improve diagnostic rates across Scotland.

S7W-03930 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what support is available to families and unpaid carers of people living with alcohol-related brain damage (ARBD), and whether it considers that further provision is necessary.

S7W-03931 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to raise public awareness of the role of vitamin B1 (thiamine) deficiency in the development of alcohol-related brain damage (ARBD), and whether it plans to strengthen public health messaging regarding the importance of early intervention and access to thiamine supplementation for people at risk.

S7W-03932 Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what training, guidance and resources are provided to general practitioners and other primary care clinicians to support early identification, assessment and intervention in relation to alcohol-related brain damage (ARBD), and whether it plans to increase awareness and training in order to improve early diagnosis and patient outcomes.

S7W-03933 Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-02880 by Angela Constance on 17 September 2026, when it plans to integrate prison healthcare IT systems with GP IT systems following the completion of the rollout of the Vision system, which is expected by mid-2027.

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[S7W-03934](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-02882 by Neil Gray on 11 September 2026, when the proposed national oversight mechanism for deaths in custody will be implemented.

[S7W-03935](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-02875, by Neil Gray on 17 September 2026, what opportunities have been identified to further support officers transitioning into operational roles, and when the Scottish Prisons Service (SPS) plans to implement these changes.

[S7W-03936](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-02836, by Neil Gray on 17 September 2026, whether it has received any specific request from the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service for additional funding for the specialist sexual offences courts.

[S7W-03937](#) **Russell Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S7W-03392 by Stephen Gethins on 30 September 2026, and the debate on motion S7M-01178, (Middle East: Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions) on 16 September 2026, in which the Minister for Europe, External Affairs and Energy stated that, “The International Criminal Court—an organisation that I wholeheartedly support—has 13 situations under investigation in countries across the world, and we must ensure that there is consistency in our approach internationally and uphold the law, be it domestic or international”, whether it will identify each of the “13 situations” referred to by the minister and whether it will set out in specific detail what actions it has taken in relation to each of them.

[S7W-03938](#) **Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is taking, in partnership with employers, trade unions and training providers, to improve gender diversity and address workplace discrimination in the construction industry.

[S7W-03939](#) **Q Manivannan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it anticipates receiving any Barnett consequential funding in light of the UK Government’s recent announcement of a 20% reduction in business rates for pubs, clubs and live music venues in England from April 2027, and, if this is the case, what assessment it has made of how much it is likely to receive.

[S7W-03940](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government how many notifications SEPA has received from producers or managers of biodegradable municipal waste (BMW) seeking to continue sending waste to landfill sites without this being considered a breach of permit conditions.

[S7W-03941](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact that the closure of the incinerator at Polmadie will have on Scotland’s waste sector.

[S7W-03942](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government what (a) discussions and (b) meetings it has had with relevant stakeholders about the management of landfill in Scotland, following the closure of the incinerator at Polmadie and the reduction in the number of sites that manage residual waste.

[S7W-03943](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that reductions in incineration capacity, including the closure of the Polmadie incinerator, do not result in waste accumulating in communities.

[S7W-03944](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether any residual waste will be transported to (a) England or (b) another part of the UK, in light of reported capacity issues in the remaining three landfill sites in Scotland.

[S7W-03945](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government when it first became aware of (a) the closure of the Polmadie incinerator and (b) the issues around landfill capacity, on which the BBC reported on 23 September 2026.

[S7W-03946](#) **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what work is being undertaken to ensure that freelance creative workers who have contracts with the public sector are paid promptly and within agreed timescales.

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[S7W-03948](#) **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its decision not to proceed with the proposed Learning Disabilities, Autism and Neurodivergence (LDAN) Bill, what consideration it has given to concerns that a non-legislative approach may provide less statutory protection, legal clarity and accountability for neurodivergent people than legislation would have done.

[S7W-03949](#) **Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will reconsider its decision not to proceed with the proposed Learning Disabilities, Autism and Neurodivergence (LDAN) Bill, or will commit to introduce equivalent legislation, to provide statutory protections for people with learning disabilities, autism and other forms of neurodivergence and to establish appropriate training requirements for public sector staff.

[S7W-03950](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of adults reported feeling safe when walking alone in their local neighbourhood after dark in each year for which data is available since 2016, broken down by local authority area.

[S7W-03951](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of adults reported that rubbish or litter lying around was very or fairly common in their neighbourhood in each year for which data is available since 2016, broken down by local authority area.

[S7W-03952](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of adults reported that animal nuisance, such as noise or dog fouling, was very or fairly common in their neighbourhood in each year for which data is available since 2016, broken down by local authority area.

[S7W-03953](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of adults reported that people causing a nuisance with motorised vehicles, including cars, mopeds or scooters, was very or fairly common in their neighbourhood in each year for which data is available since 2016, broken down by local authority area.

[S7W-03954](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of adults reported that noisy neighbours or regular loud parties were very or fairly common in their neighbourhood in each year for which data is available since 2016, broken down by local authority area.

[S7W-03955](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of adults reported that neighbour disputes were very or fairly common in their neighbourhood in each year for which data is available since 2016, broken down by local authority area.

[S7W-03956](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of adults reported vandalism, graffiti or other deliberate damage to property as a neighbourhood problem in each year for which data is available since 2016, broken down by local authority area.

[S7W-03957](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of adults reported drug misuse or dealing as a neighbourhood problem in each year for which data is available since 2016, broken down by local authority area.

[S7W-03958](#) **Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the announcement by the Prime Minister that the UK Government plans to replace the pension triple lock.

[S7W-03959](#) **Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the joint government and industry communications group established in relation to the bluetongue virus, whether it will provide information on (a) which industry representatives will be members, (b) when the first meeting will take place and (c) how long it expects the group to exist.

[S7W-03960](#) **Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recently announced urban deer management pilot scheme in the Central Belt, whether it plans to support future proposed deer management and venison supply scheme in other parts of Scotland.

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to negative procedure

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 2 October 2026 and are subject to the negative procedure—

[Sale of Tobacco \(Miscellaneous and Consequential Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/278\)](#)
laid under section 40(3) of the Tobacco and Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2010 and section 169(4) of the Tobacco and Vapes Act 2026

[Private Residential Tenancies \(Prescribed Notices and Forms\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/279\)](#)
laid under section 77(4) of the Private Housing (Tenancies) (Scotland) Act 2016

Not subject to any parliamentary procedure

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 2 October 2026 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

[Bluetongue \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/281\)](#)
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Progress of Legislation

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the website at:

<https://www.parliament.scot/bills-and-laws/bills>

For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 2.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

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.

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 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 1 October 2026

Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (5th Report, 2026)

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

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

Report - Lead committee (Transport) (1st Report, 2026)

Commercial Payments Bill Supplementary LCM-S7-5a

Lodged on 6 August 2026

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 8 September 2026

Lead committee - Economy, Tourism and Energy

Cyber Security and Resilience (Network and Information Systems) Bill Supplementary LCM-S7-12

Lodged on 10 September 2026

Report - Lead committee (Economy, Tourism and Energy) (2nd Report, 2026)

Financial Services and Markets Bill LCM-S7-8

Lodged on 25 June 2026

Lead committee - Criminal Justice

Health Bill LCM-S7-6

Lodged on 23 June 2026

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 29 September 2026

Lead committee - Health, Care and Sport

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 LCM-S7-9

Lodged on 14 July 2026

Lead committee - Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice

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

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Finance and Public Administration)), 7 October 2026

Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (9th Report, 2026)

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 Supplementary LCM-S7-7b

Lodged on 10 September 2026

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 1 October 2026

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 29 September 2026

Sporting Events Bill Supplementary LCM-S7-1b

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Report - Lead committee (Economy, Tourism and Energy) (3rd Report, 2026)

Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (6th Report, 2026)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative Instruments

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 9 October 2026

[Employment Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (31 August 2026) (Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee)

[Energy Performance of Buildings \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (24 August 2026) (Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee)

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

[Mental Health \(Care and Treatment\) \(Scotland\) Act 2003 Remedial Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (4 September 2026) (Health, Care and Sport Committee)

[Representation of the People \(Postal Voting for Local Government Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (4 September 2026) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

[Scottish Local Government Elections \(Election Agents, Expenses and Publication of Information\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (4 September 2026) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

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

[Maximum Number of Judges \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (7 September 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 2 November 2026

[Provision of Early Learning and Childcare \(Specified Children\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (8 September 2026) (Education and Gaelic Committee)

[Renewables Obligation \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (8 September 2026) (Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee)

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

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions and Members of the Police Appeals Tribunal\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (17 September 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 12 November 2026

[Air Departure Tax \(Administration\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (18 September 2026) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Air Departure Tax \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (18 September 2026)
(Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 18 November 2026

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2026 Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (24 September 2026)
(Finance and Public Administration 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)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 8 October 2026
Lead Committee report due by 5 October 2026

[Dangerous Dogs \(Compensation and Exemption Schemes\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/212\)](#) (26 June 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Tobacco and Vapes Act 2026 \(Consequential, Transitional and Saving Provisions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/213\)](#) (26 June 2026) (Health, Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 9 October 2026
Lead Committee report due by 5 October 2026

[Act of Sederunt \(Taxation of Judicial Expenses Rules\) \(Amendment\) 2026 \(SSI 2026/238\)](#) (20 August 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Wildlife Management and Muirburn \(Scotland\) Act 2024 \(Consequential Amendments\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/240\)](#) (24 August 2026) (Rural Affairs Committee)

[Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/245\)](#) (27 August 2026) (Health, Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 28 October 2026
Lead Committee report due by 26 October 2026

[Sports Grounds and Sporting Events \(Designation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/247\)](#) (3 September 2026) (Health, Care and Sport Committee)

[Charges for Residues Surveillance Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/249\)](#) (3 September 2026) (Rural Affairs Committee)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Representation of the People \(Absent Voting at Local Government Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/251\)](#) (4 September 2026) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

[Act of Sederunt \(Fees of Messengers-at-Arms and Sheriff Officers\) \(Amendment\) 2026 \(SSI 2026/252\)](#) (4 September 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/254\)](#) (4 September 2026) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment by 4 November 2026
Lead Committee report due by 2 November 2026

[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(No. 2\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/259\)](#) (10 September 2026) (Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee)

Subject to annulment by 12 November 2026
Lead Committee report due by 9 November 2026

[Representation of the People \(Absent Voting at Local Government Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/263\)](#) (18 September 2026) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment by 18 November 2026
Lead Committee report due by 16 November 2026

[Climate Change \(Duties of Public Bodies: Reporting Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/266\)](#) (24 September 2026) (Climate Action Committee)

[Criminal Legal Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/267\)](#) (24 September 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

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)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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

Documents subject to parliamentary control

Lead Committee report due by 27 October 2026

[Welfare of Equidae Code of Practice \(Revocation\) \(Scotland\) Notice 2026 \(SG/2026/193\)](#) (2 September 2026) (Rural Affairs Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

[Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee, 3rd Report, 2026 \(Session 7\): Report on the Legislative Consent Memorandums for the Sporting Events Bill \(UK Parliament legislation\) \(SP Paper 17\)](#), publication date: 2 October 2026

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Heat in Buildings: Progress Report 2026 (SG/2026/216) laid under section 62 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

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