

Friday 4 September 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

There are no meetings today.

Meeting of the Parliament

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 2 September 2026

Tuesday 8 September 2026

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Ailsa McMillan, Humanist Celebrant, Humanist Society Scotland

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by General Questions

followed by First Minister's Questions (Backbench Members)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Programme for Government – An Economy Fit for the Future

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's Service Delivery Review

Wednesday 9 September 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: Building Stronger, Safer and Inclusive Communities, Together

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Walking Scotland's 30th Anniversary

Thursday 10 September 2026

1:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:30 pm General Questions

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

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Chamber Seòmar				

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's Energy Opportunity

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Save Queen's Park Glasshouse

Tuesday 15 September 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 16 September 2026

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Green Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 17 September 2026

1:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:30 pm General Questions

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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>

Education and Gaelic Committee

8 September 2026

2nd Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 8:45AM in Committee Room 1

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private and whether to take consideration of its work programme in private at future meetings.
2. **Programme for Government:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Màiri McAllan, Cabinet Secretary for Education, Culture and Gaelic, Clare Hicks, Director of Education, Andrew Watson, Director for Children and Families, and Adam Reid, Deputy Director for Skills, Scottish Government.
3. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

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

Economy, Tourism and Energy Committee

8 September 2026

3rd Meeting, 2026

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **AI and its Impact on Scotland's Economy:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Heather Thomson, Chief Executive Officer, The Data Lab;
Rich Wilson, CEO, Gigged.ai;
Sandy Begbie, Chief Executive, Scottish Financial Enterprise;
Michael Rovatsos, Professor of Artificial Intelligence, University of Edinburgh.
3. **Pre-Budget scrutiny – approach:** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny preceding the Scottish Government's Budget 2027-28.

Proposed future business

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Committees Comataidhean				

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on

Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

8 September 2026

3rd Meeting, 2026

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

- Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
- Scottish Government Priorities regarding intergovernmental relations - evidence:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Jenny Gilruth, Deputy First Minister and Chris Mackie, Deputy Director Constitution and UK Relations, Scottish Government.
- Scottish Government Priorities regarding culture – evidence:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Màiri McAllan, Cabinet Secretary for Education, Culture and Gaelic, Richard Walsh, Culture and Historic Environment Division, and Katherine Goodwin, Head of Creative Industries and Festivals, Scottish Government.
- Scottish Government Priorities – evidence review:** The Committee will review the evidence heard from Scottish Ministers at its meetings on 1 September and 8 September 2026.
- Pre-Budget scrutiny – approach:** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny preceding the Scottish Government's Budget 2027-28.
- 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

8 September 2026

3rd Meeting, 2026

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
- Draft instrument subject to approval:** The Committee will consider [the draft Energy Performance of Buildings \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026](#).
- Instrument subject to annulment:** The Committee will consider [the Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/245\)](#).
- Instrument not subject to parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider [the Act of Sederunt \(Ordinary Cause Rules 1993 Amendment\) \(Judgments\) 2026 \(SSI 2026/246\)](#).

5. **Commercial Payments Bill (UK Parliament legislation) – delegated powers:** The Committee will consider the powers to make subordinate legislation within devolved competence in the Bill, with reference to LCM-S7-5 and LCM-S7-5a.

Proposed future business

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

Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

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

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

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

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***[S7M-01055](#) Colin Beattie: Holodomor Memorial Day 2026**—That the Parliament recognises that 28 November 2026 marks the annual Holodomor Memorial Day; understands that this memorial day is in remembrance of the victims of the 1932-33 man-made famine that killed millions of Ukrainians; notes the longstanding relationship between Ukraine and Scotland; recognises that Holodomor Memorial Day commemorates all the victims of the Holodomor; expresses its solidarity with the people of Ukraine who were victims of this genocide by, it believes, what were the deliberate actions of the Soviet regime, and pays its respects to those killed during this time.

Supported by: Collette Stevenson*, Murdo Fraser*, Clare Haughey*, Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill*, Liam McArthur*, Miles Briggs*, Michelle Campbell*

***[S7M-01045](#) Stephen Kerr: 500th Anniversary of William Tyndale's New Testament**—That the Parliament notes that 2026 marks the 500th anniversary of the first printed New Testament in English, which was translated from the Greek by William Tyndale and printed in Worms in 1526; understands that copies were smuggled into Britain in merchants' cargoes and had reached Edinburgh by 1527, and that Tyndale was executed in 1536; considers that his belief that ordinary people could be trusted to read and interpret scripture for themselves is an early expression of what is now protected as freedom of religion or belief under Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and regrets that many people around the world are still persecuted for holding, changing or sharing their beliefs; recognises the influence of these ideas on Scottish education, including the ambition of the *First Book of Discipline* in 1560 for a school in every parish and the subsequent Act for Settling of Schools in 1696; notes that around four-fifths of the New Testament in the *King James Bible* follows Tyndale's wording, and commends all those marking this quincentenary.

Supported by: Russell Findlay*, Murdo Fraser*, Craig Hoy*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Amanda Bland*

***[S7M-01039](#) Stephen Kerr: Policing, Crime Prevention and the Response to Mental Health Crisis in Mid Scotland and Fife**—That the Parliament notes the findings of HM Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland's report, *Thematic review of policing mental health in Scotland*, which was published in October 2023 and reported that at least half of deployable frontline uniformed officers are regularly engaged in mental health-related calls, a single such call can engage two officers and a vehicle for a full shift and Police Scotland "is filling gaps in the health and social care system in Scotland"; further notes the evidence provided to the Criminal Justice Committee that mental health calls rose from just under 400 per day in 2018 to an average of 666 by the first quarter of 2024, that

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the officer time absorbed by mental health incidents in 2023-24 was equivalent to 612 full-time constables, which is more than the staffing complement of five local policing divisions, and that approximately 70% of such incidents occur at NHS hospitals; acknowledges the views of the Association of Scottish Police Superintendents that present arrangements amount to "mission creep", and of the Scottish Police Federation that handover of mental health crises to the most appropriate service is at best delayed and at worst non-existent; considers that communities across Mid Scotland and Fife are best served by officers who are free to prevent and detect crime, and believes that an individual in mental health crisis is entitled to a response from health professionals with the training, powers and facilities to help them, rather than from the police.

Supported by: Victor Currie*, R, Miles Briggs*, Amanda Bland*, Craig Hoy*, Dawn Black*, Murdo Fraser*, Tim Eagle*, Russell Findlay*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S7M-01056](#) Heather Anderson: Condolences on the Passing of Catherine Lawson**—That the Parliament expresses its deep sadness at the passing of Catherine Lawson, of Broughty Ferry; recognises Catherine's years of dedicated service to the City of Dundee, firstly in her professional career as a PE teacher at both Grove Academy and Kingspark School, and latterly as a volunteer with various charities active in Dundee, including Marie Curie and Graham's Soup Kitchen; remembers, in particular, her commitment to and active membership of Bonnie Dundee, which she helped found in 2005, and through which she dedicated many hours towards maintaining and improving the city's green spaces; further remembers Bonnie Dundee's achievements over the last two decades, including reaching the Royal Horticultural Society's Britain in Bloom finals on three separate occasions, winning in the city category in 2015 and being awarded a gold medal at the Keep Scotland Beautiful Awards in 2019; believes that the City of Dundee owes a great deal to Catherine for her integral involvement in Bonnie Dundee and the green spaces that they have fostered across the city, and sends its condolences to Catherine's family, friends and the many people in the City of Dundee who were fortunate to have known her.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Maggie Chapman*, Dawn Black*, Patricia Gibson*, David Smith*, Collette Stevenson*, Gary Bouse*, Steven Bonnar*, Colm Merrick*, Marie McNair*, Colin Beattie*

***[S7M-01054](#) Craig Hoy: Farmers Arms in Thornhill Wins Hewson Salver for Best Commercial Flower Display**—That the Parliament congratulates The Farmers Arms in Thornhill, Dumfries and Galloway, on being awarded the Hewson Salver Trophy at the Thornhill Horticultural Society Flower Show; understands that the award is presented specifically to the best commercial floral display; notes that The Farmers Arms, which is operated by Andrew and Kirsty-Anne Morrison, is a highly rated family-run, traditional local pub located on Drumlanrig Street; further notes that Andrew and Kirsty-Anne hold regular events including live music, quiz nights, dominoes and bingo games; recognises that The Farmers Arms was named Dumfriesshire Pub of the Year for 2026 by CAMRA, the Campaign for Real Ale, and wishes all involved in the running of the pub continued success in their ongoing efforts to contribute to the vibrancy of the local community.

Supported by: Russell Findlay*, Colin Beattie*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*

***[S7M-01053](#) Colm Merrick: Chris and Sean Cycle Land's End to John O'Groats for Men's Mental Health and Diabetes Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates Sean Grimes and Chris Parry on undertaking the iconic Land's End to John o' Groats cycle challenge in September 2026, riding the length of Great Britain to raise awareness and funds for men's mental health initiatives and Diabetes Scotland; understands that the challenge will cover approximately 980 miles over 12 to 14 days of cycling; recognises the considerable physical and mental resilience required to complete such an endurance challenge; commends Chris and Sean for using their own experiences to help break the silence around men's mental health and encourage people to talk openly about difficult times; recognises that Sean is also undertaking the challenge in memory of his late father, who he recently

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lost to diabetes; notes that more than 365,000 people in Scotland are living with diabetes; acknowledges the vital support provided by Diabetes Scotland to people affected by the condition; applauds Chris and Sean's commitment to raising funds for better care, research and support for people in Scotland, and wishes them every success as they take on this gruelling and inspiring challenge.

Supported by: Dawn Black*, Collette Stevenson*, Colin Beattie*, Karen Adam*, Amanda Bland*, David Torrance*, Helen McDade*, Miles Briggs*, Heather Anderson*, Gary Bouse*

***[S7M-01052](#) Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill: Installation of the Knife Angel in Leith**—That the Parliament welcomes the installation of The Knife Angel sculpture, created by Alfie Bradley, in Leith; notes that it is constructed from over 100,000 seized and surrendered blades and aims to raise awareness of the impact that violence has on communities, families and individuals; welcomes the increased number of education and awareness activities organised to highlight and teach young people about the consequences of carrying a weapon; encourages youth and community engagement in the project and its message of renouncing violence; recognises the sculpture's impact as a memorial to lives lost by knife crime, and acknowledges the continued work being done by local communities in reducing violent crime.

Supported by: Patrick Harvie*, Dawn Black*, Ariane Burgess*, Colin Beattie*, Collette Stevenson*, Karen Adam*, Helen McDade*, Miles Briggs*

***[S7M-01051](#) Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill: 21st Abbeyhill Colony of Artists Festival**—That the Parliament welcomes the 21st Abbeyhill Colony of Artists festival; notes that since its inception in 2005, artists have welcomed people into their homes to showcase their artwork and creativity to the benefit of the community; congratulates organisers and participants on the festival's growth into a regular and well-loved event; thanks everyone for their involvement in the festival, and acknowledges that the 2026 festival is being held in remembrance of Brian McFeely, who was a long-time contributor to the Lothian Cat Rescue shop mural.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Collette Stevenson*, Ariane Burgess*, Colin Beattie*, Mark Ruskell*, David Torrance*

***[S7M-01050](#) Russell Findlay: Scottish Bar and Pub Awards 2026** —That the Parliament congratulates the finalists of the Scottish Bar and Pub Awards 2026, which took place in Glasgow on 1 September; notes that the awards, which are now in their 31st year, are Scotland's longest running ceremony and celebrate the country's best pubs, bars and restaurants; appreciates the significant amount of time and commitment involved in running hospitality businesses in what it sees as a challenging economic climate; pays tribute to all of those who create and work in hospitality businesses, which are often at the heart of local communities; recognises the two award winners from the West Scotland Region, namely Tracey Hunter from The Tavern Bar in Millport, who won Bar Personality of the Year, and The Pawn Lounge in Alexandria, which won the DRAM Community Pub of the Year, and sends its good wishes to the more than 100 venues, teams and individuals who were shortlisted as finalists and to all of the nominees who do so much to run these valued social hubs across Scotland.

***[S7M-01049](#) Alexander Burnett: Lorna Paterson Winner of Unsung Hero Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Lorna Paterson, NFU Scotland's north-east regional manager, on her receipt of the 2026 NFU Unsung Hero Award, in recognition of her 19 years of dedicated service to the north-east's farming community on behalf of her fellow farmers at branch, commodity and regional meetings; understands that this is a role in which Lorna has worked tirelessly, sometimes behind the scenes supporting individual farmers, earning worthy praise from her colleagues as a stalwart who stands up for members, and wishes Lorna all the best for the future. **R**

Supported by: Dawn Black*, Karen Adam*, Colin Beattie*, Russell Findlay*, Miles Briggs*

***[S7M-01048](#) Steven Bonnar: Celebrating Educational Achievement in North Lanarkshire**—That the Parliament congratulates the pupils, teachers and staff of primary schools across North

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Lanarkshire on their outstanding achievements in *The Sunday Times* Primary School League Table 2026; notes that four North Lanarkshire schools ranked among Scotland's top 10, including Tannochside Primary School in Viewpark, and recognises the achievements of Aitkenhead Primary School in Tannochside and other high-performing schools across the area; believes that this success is evidence of the progress being made in education under the SNP Government, including record-high levels of literacy and numeracy and the highest spend per pupil in the UK and the lowest teacher-pupil ratio; welcomes the continued commitment in the Programme for Government 2026-31 to investing in children and young people and improving educational outcomes, and commends school communities across North Lanarkshire for their hard work and dedication.

Supported by: Collette Stevenson*, Colin Beattie*, Heather Anderson*, David Torrance*, Gary Bouse*

***[S7M-01047](#) Tim Eagle: Merchant Navy Day 2026**—That the Parliament celebrates Merchant Navy Day on 3 September 2026; recognises that the occasion provides an important opportunity to honour the historic and ongoing contributions of those serving in the UK Merchant Navy and fishing fleets; pays tribute to the profound sacrifices made by merchant seafarers during wartime, remembering the tragic loss of the *SS Athenia* on 3 September 1939, hours after the outbreak of the Second World War; recognises the continued importance of merchant seafarers to the UK economy and to the safe delivery of essential goods, fuel and supplies; praises the efforts of organisations like The Seafarers' Charity in promoting Merchant Navy Day and supporting retired and active seafarers; welcomes the decision of local authorities across the Highlands and Islands region, including Moray Council, to fly the Red Ensign, affectionately known as the Red Duster; notes the calls on the Scottish Parliament to amend its flag-flying policy to permit the flying of the Red Ensign on Merchant Navy Day in the future, and thanks the country's seafarers for all that they do.

Supported by: Victor Currie*, Senga Beresford*, Russell Findlay*, Murdo Fraser*, Jamie Langan*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Liam McArthur*, Craig Hoy*, David Smith*, Amanda Bland*

***[S7M-01046](#) Amanda Bland: A Safer, Stronger Future for Scotland's High Streets**—That the Parliament recognises the vital role that thriving high streets play in supporting local economies, creating employment, sustaining independent businesses and providing communities with places to meet, shop and socialise; believes that the decline of high streets across Scotland, reflected in rising vacancies and falling footfall, requires urgent action; calls on the Scottish Government to make the revitalisation of high streets a national priority by reforming the business rates system to create a fairer environment for businesses, supporting new enterprises to occupy vacant premises, investing in cleaner, safer and more attractive town centres and working with local authorities to deliver long-term regeneration and sustainable economic growth; further calls on the Scottish Government to work with Police Scotland, local authorities and other relevant agencies to identify and disrupt criminal activity operating through commercial premises, including money laundering and the sale of counterfeit or substandard goods, and believes that protecting legitimate businesses from criminal activity is essential to restoring confidence, increasing footfall and creating high streets that are safe, vibrant and welcoming for communities, businesses and visitors.

Supported by: Senga Beresford*, Max Bannerman*, Duncan Massey*, Angela Ross*, Amanda Lindsay*, David Smith*

***[S7M-01044](#) Gillian Mackay: Recognition of Lisa Hosie's Contribution to Dalmatian Welfare in Scotland**—That the Parliament recognises the outstanding voluntary contribution of Lisa Hosie, of Fauldhouse, through Scottish Dalmatian Welfare; notes that the organisation publicly rehomed Dalmatians from 2009, became registered Scottish charity (SC042396) on 21 June 2011 and continued its work until 28 August 2025; understands that Lisa was instrumental in transforming the organisation from an informal welfare network into a registered charity and, alongside a small team of unpaid volunteers, helped rescue and rehome hundreds of Dalmatians throughout Scotland; acknowledges the charity's careful, behaviour-led approach to assessment, rehabilitation and responsible home matching, including its strict non-destruction policy, and commends Lisa for her sustained and selfless service to animal welfare in Scotland.

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Supported by: Ariane Burgess*, Colin Beattie*, Dawn Black*, Clare Haughey*, Stuart McMillan*, Mark Ruskell*, Gary Bouse*

***[S7M-01043](#) Colin Beattie: Congratulating Richmond's Hope on Opening its Midlothian Base and Playroom**—That the Parliament congratulates Richmond's Hope on opening its new Midlothian base and playroom at the Midlothian Innovation Centre; notes that this will allow it to continue to support bereaved children and young people across Midlothian, providing them with a safe space where they can explore their feelings, build coping skills and receive specialist bereavement support; commends the invaluable work of everyone at Richmond's Hope, and wishes them the best for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Jenni Minto*, Jamie Langan*, Heather Anderson*, David Torrance*, Michelle Campbell*

***[S7M-01042](#) Colin Beattie: Congratulating Kit Fresh on Receiving a Scottish Edge Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Kit Fresh on receiving a Scottish Edge Award; notes that this award will help Kit Fresh to develop its enzyme-powered detergent sheet enhanced with silver ions to eliminate sweat, odour and bacteria from activewear, delivering performance, convenience and sustainability; commends Kit Fresh on its hard work developing its product, and wishes it the best for the future.

***[S7M-01041](#) Colin Beattie: Coalface to Wildspace Conservation Project Awarded National Lottery Heritage Funding** —That the Parliament congratulates the Froglife Trust on being awarded a National Lottery Heritage Fund of £940,480 to fund its Coalface to Wildspace conservation and community project to restore and create habitats for native amphibians and reptiles; notes that Vogire Country Park and Hewan Bogg in Midlothian North will be included in the project; recognises the importance of protecting Scotland's wildlife and access to green spaces; commends everyone involved with Coalface to Wildspace, and wishes them the best in their efforts.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Heather Anderson*, David Torrance*, Clare Haughey*, Dawn Black*, Michelle Campbell*

***[S7M-01040](#) Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill: Young Patients Family Fund**—That the Parliament recognises the significant financial pressures faced by families when a child requires hospital care; notes that families can incur substantial costs for travel, food, accommodation and lost income, often at a time of considerable emotional and practical strain; believes that the current reimbursement-based approach can leave families unable to meet costs upfront and can create additional barriers for those facing financial hardship or difficulties navigating the claims process; recognises that families of children requiring regular outpatient treatment can face repeated costs and disruption without receiving support where there is no overnight hospital stay, and calls on the Scottish Government to expand the Young Patients Family Fund, to provide a cash-first approach and to include regular outpatient care, ensuring that families are not pushed further into financial hardship because their child requires hospital treatment.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Ariane Burgess*, Dawn Black*, Mark Ruskell*

***[S7M-01038](#) Alexander Burnett: Wishing Ted and Maureen Emslie a Happy Retirement**—That the Parliament recognises the contribution to Ballater and Aberdeenshire of Ted and Maureen Emslie, retiring owners of Edward J Emslie for 41 years, purveyors of carpets, curtains and blinds, at Station Square in Ballater; commends their success and longevity as a family-owned business in a rural community over decades in which the interior furnishings industry has evolved considerably; acknowledges with appreciation what it sees as an increasingly precious commodity, namely a successful small business rooted in the community, providing long-term local employment in both carpet fitting and retail, and wishes them a happy and well-earned retirement, while simultaneously welcoming the announcement that new owners Dale and Mhairi Grassick have bought the business as a going concern, and wishing them every success for the future.

Supported by: Victor Currie*, Colin Beattie*, Craig Hoy*, Russell Findlay*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S7M-01037](#) **David Torrance: Annual Motorcycle Rally Parade in Kirkcaldy** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stuart McMillan*, Julie MacDougall*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01036](#) **Liam McArthur: Orkney Auction Mart Celebrates 30th Anniversary** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Andrew Baxter*, Max Bannerman*, Stuart McMillan*, Tim Eagle* R, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01035](#) **Marie McNair: Clydebank Chippy Boat Recognised as Best Fish N' Chips Establishment at Food Awards Scotland 2026** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01034](#) **Marie McNair: Helmi's in Baljaffray Wins Dessert Outlet of the Year at Food Awards Scotland 2026** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01033](#) **Thomas Kerr: Closure of The Original Loudon Tavern and Protecting Scotland's Pubs** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Angela Ross*

[S7M-01032](#) **Clare Adamson: Five Station Challenge 2.0 Raises Funds in Memory of 9/11 Firefighters** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Baillie*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01031](#) **Finlay Carson: Border Television Celebrates 65th Birthday** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Jackie Baillie*, Tim Eagle*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-01030](#) **Dawn Black: Congratulating Tuko Baby from Stonehaven on Securing £70,000 through Scottish EDGE** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01029](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Real-E-Racing Ltd Receives Creative EDGE Award** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01028](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Celebrating Borders Competitions' Award-Winning Success** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01027](#) **Rachael Hamilton: YouthBorders – £1,500 Donation from Oregon Timber Frame** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*

[S7M-01026](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Heymooth Tae Hill & Back – Third Annual Charity Sportive** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*

[S7M-01025](#) **Rachael Hamilton: 22nd Steve Hislop Memorial Run** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*, Michelle Campbell*

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[S7M-01024](#) **Rachael Hamilton: Borders College – Honorary Fellowship for Suzanne Mulholland** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S7M-01023](#) **Katy Clark: Opposing the Proposed Reduction in Funding for the No Knives, Better Lives Programme** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S7M-01022.1](#) **Mark Griffin: Eradicating Child Poverty, the Scottish Government's Defining Mission** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S7M-01021](#) **Tim Eagle: Celebrating Support for Armed Forces Children in Moray** (lodged on 2 September 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jamie Langan*, Russell Findlay*, Jackie Baillie*, Meghan Gallacher*, Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S7M-01018](#) **Steven Bonnar: Absolutely Everybody: Bringing Inclusive Theatre to Bellshill** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-01017](#) **Liam McArthur: The Peedie Retreat Breaks Ground at Inganess Beach** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Andrew Baxter*, Tim Eagle*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-01016](#) **Fulton MacGregor: Remembering Kieran McDade and His Lasting Legacy** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01015](#) **Fulton MacGregor: Condolences on the Passing of Alistair Doyle** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01013](#) **Clare Adamson: Congratulations to William Thomson on World Disability Billiards and Snooker Success** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01012](#) **Alex Kerr: Ups and Downs Theatre Group Receives Standing Ovation** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-01011](#) **Alex Kerr: Hamilton Optometry Student to Support Eye Care in South Africa** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-01010](#) **Amanda Lindsay: September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Thomas Kerr*, Jackie Baillie*, Patricia Gibson*, Tim Eagle*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S7M-01009](#) **Clare Haughey: The Froglife Trust's Coalface to Wildspace Project** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Kate Nevens*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-01007](#) **Maggie Chapman: Southesk Primary School, First OPAL School in Angus** (lodged on 1 September 2026)

New Support: Kate Nevens*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

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[S7M-01006](#) Dawn Black: Congratulating Stonehaven's Men Shed on Being Named Scotland's Men Shed of the Year 2026 (lodged on 31 August 2026)

New Support: Alexander Burnett* R, Kate Nevens*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-01002](#) Steven Bonnar: No Wrong Door: Supporting People with Complex Needs (lodged on 31 August 2026)

New Support: Dawn Black*, Stuart McMillan*, David Torrance*, Colin Beattie*, Jenni Minto*, David Smith*, Karen Adam*, Michelle Campbell* R, Heather Anderson*, Gary Bouse*

[S7M-01001](#) David Torrance: 10th Anniversary of Kirkcaldy Wizards Running Group (lodged on 31 August 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-01000](#) Mark Ruskell: Campaign to Ensure Walkers' Access to Glen Lyon (lodged on 31 August 2026)

New Support: Kate Nevens*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-00998](#) David Barratt: BRAG Enterprises Shortlisted for Community Impact Award (lodged on 28 August 2026)

New Support: Jenni Minto*

[S7M-00997](#) Liam McArthur: Celebrating 60 Years of Scientific Diving at Heriot-Watt University (lodged on 28 August 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-00996](#) Victor Currie: Risk of Drugs to Young People (lodged on 28 August 2026)

New Support: Max Bannerman*

[S7M-00994](#) Stephen Kerr: Condolences to the People of Norway on the Death of His Majesty King Harald V (lodged on 28 August 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle*

[S7M-00993](#) Marie McNair: Baljaffray Parish Church Celebrates its 20th Anniversary (lodged on 28 August 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S7M-00992](#) Mark Simpson: Grand Theft Auto VI and Dundee's Gaming Origins (lodged on 28 August 2026)

New Support: Max Bannerman*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S7M-00991](#) Jack Middleton: University of Aberdeen Study to Transform Maternity Care (lodged on 28 August 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-00990](#) Katie Hagmann: 'Part of the Job?' Recognising Women Councillors' Experiences of Gender-based Violence in Scotland (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Jenni Minto*

[S7M-00982](#) Stuart McMillan: Congratulating Inverclyde Tourist Group on its 25th Anniversary (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00981](#) Bob Doris: Hospice Care Week 2026 - Don't Leave Hospice Care to Chance (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Kate Nevens*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

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[S7M-00980](#) **Jamie Langan: Tour de France Grand Départ Trophy Visit to Earlston** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Max Bannerman*, Tim Eagle*

[S7M-00979](#) **Laura Moodie: Recognising NSPCC Scotland's Read, Write, Relationships Campaign** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Jenni Minto*

[S7M-00978](#) **Marie McNair: Champion Dance and Cheer Wins Best Gym - Europe at Cheer Awards** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00977](#) **David Torrance: Beetle Drive in Aid of MacMillan Cancer Support** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00976](#) **Ariane Burgess: Building Scotland's Resilience to Wildfires and Other Climate Shocks** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Mark Ruskell*

[S7M-00974](#) **Steven Bonnar: Child Maintenance, Protecting Children and Families in Scotland** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Jenni Minto*

[S7M-00973](#) **Laura Moodie: Congratulating The Steam Packet Inn, Isle of Whithorn, Scotland's CAMRA Scotland Pub of the Year** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S7M-00972](#) **Finlay Carson: Dolly Parton, A Lasting Legacy for Children and Reading** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00971](#) **Alyn Smith: Record Keeper of the Year 2026** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00970](#) **Alyn Smith: City of Stirling Football Hall of Fame** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Fulton MacGregor*, Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00969](#) **Dawn Black: Congratulating Southesk Primary School on Achieving OPAL Platinum Status** (lodged on 27 August 2026)

New Support: Steven Bonnar*

[S7M-00968](#) **Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill: Celebrating the Life and Work of Dolly Parton** (lodged on 26 August 2026)

New Support: Kate Nevens*

[S7M-00967](#) **Michelle Campbell: Acknowledging the Remarkable Life of Dolly Parton** (lodged on 26 August 2026)

New Support: Kate Nevens*

[S7M-00965](#) **Laura Mitchell: Burghead War Memorial Rededication Ceremony** (lodged on 26 August 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle*

[S7M-00964](#) **Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill: Hate Crime in Scotland 2026** (lodged on 26 August 2026)

New Support: Kate Nevens*

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[S7M-00960](#) **Jenni Minto: Cllr Dougie Philand** (lodged on 26 August 2026)

New Support: Tim Eagle*

[S7M-00953](#) **Claire Baker: Traditional Music & Song Association of Scotland (TMSA) reaches its 60th Anniversary** (lodged on 28 August 2026)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jenni Minto*

[S7M-00926](#) **Fulton MacGregor: A Play-Based Kindergarten Stage for Scotland** (lodged on 24 August 2026)

New Support: Laura Moodie*, Kate Nevens*, Holly Bruce*, Iris Duane*, Cara McKee*, Stuart McMillan*, Mark Ruskell*, Michelle Campbell*

[S7M-00586](#) **Rachael Hamilton: World Arthritis Day** (lodged on 7 July 2026)

New Support: Alyn Smith*, Heather Anderson*

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[S7W-02857](#) **Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to commission national guidelines regarding the diagnosis and treatment of Postural Tachycardia Syndrome (PoTS), to improve consistency of patient care and strengthen healthcare professionals' confidence in recognising and managing the condition.

[S7W-02858](#) **Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what is being done to improve diagnosis and treatment of Postural Tachycardia Syndrome (PoTS) in NHS (a) Grampian and (b) Tayside.

[S7W-02859](#) **Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve healthcare professionals' education and awareness of Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (EDS) and Hypermobility Spectrum Disorders (HSD).

[S7W-02860](#) **Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure better consistency of guidance across NHS Scotland in relation to the diagnosis and care of individuals with Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (EDS) and Hypermobility Spectrum Disorders (HSD).

[S7W-02861](#) **Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to develop clear national care pathways and referral guidance for people with Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (EDS) and Hypermobility Spectrum Disorders (HSD).

[S7W-02862](#) **Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to support the diagnosis, treatment and care of individuals with Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (EDS) and Hypermobility Spectrum Disorders (HSD) in NHS (a) Grampian and (b) Tayside.

[S7W-02864](#) **Thomas Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will reintroduce previously applied local connection rules for access to social housing and, in light of reported concerns that people with longstanding connections to communities may be disadvantaged in accessing social housing, what safeguards are in place to ensure that the allocation of social housing does not unfairly disadvantage Scottish residents.

[S7W-02865](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to the need for a greater focus on the prevention of, and response to, large-scale wildfires within the Civil Contingencies Act 2004.

[S7W-02866](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of whether the current resources available to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service are adequate to respond effectively in the event of multiple large-scale and protracted wildfires occurring simultaneously.

[S7W-02867](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the availability of decontamination facilities for firefighters operating in prolonged incident environments, including wildfires.

[S7W-02868](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the recent Cairngorms wildfire, what assessment it has made of whether best practice was adhered to in relation to cumulative exposure to toxic smoke, including guidance that firefighters should shower within one hour of such exposure.

[S7W-02869](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of whether the recommendations of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Delivery Review adequately address the risks posed by climate change, including wildfires.

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[S7W-02870](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it considers that the current crewing arrangement for specialist wildfire firefighting resources is suitable.

[S7W-02872](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will commit to rolling out specialist lightweight personal protective equipment (PPE) to all firefighters.

[S7W-02873](#) **David Barratt:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on whether any changes are being considered to simplify and speed up the business rates appeals process, and what steps are being taken to reduce the administrative burden and costs associated with lodging an appeal.

[S7W-02875](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the adequacy of the six-week foundation training period for new Scottish Prison Service recruits.

[S7W-02876](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what the specific timeline is for the planned research project on remand outcomes.

[S7W-02877](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to integrate the database systems of the Scottish Prison Service and the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service.

[S7W-02878](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of prisons are currently fully compliant with the Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Standards.

[S7W-02879](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what the specific timeline is for the commencement and funding of section 12 (Duty to engage in release planning) and section 13 (Throughcare support standards) of the Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Act 2023.

[S7W-02880](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what actions it is taking to integrate prison healthcare systems with community GP databases.

[S7W-02881](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the long-term effectiveness of Emergency Early Release schemes and the reduction of the automatic release point to 30% in achieving a permanent reduction in the prison population.

[S7W-02882](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made towards establishing the proposed national oversight mechanism for deaths in custody, and how it will ensure that lessons identified through Fatal Accident Inquiries are implemented.

[S7W-02883](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what clinical guidelines are being developed to manage the risks associated with poly-substance use and the diversion of prescription drugs within prisons.

[S7W-02884](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reform post-release prescribing, in light of reports that 25% of community overdose deaths among recently released individuals occur within the first 28 days following liberation.

[S7W-02885](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Criminal Justice Committee's recommendations in its January 2026 report, *Inquiry into the harm caused by substance misuse in Scottish Prisons*, whether it will commit to publishing national figures on staff exposure incidents and subsequent health outcomes, which are currently recorded only for internal purposes.

[S7W-02886](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what specific occupational health and psychological interventions are being deployed to address acute workplace stress in the prison estate.

[S7W-02887](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is implementing to protect prison staff and their families from intimidation, coercion and corrupting influences by serious organised crime groups.

[S7W-02888](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding and resources are being provided to deliver comprehensive, trauma-informed neurodivergence training to all prison officers.

[S7W-02889](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the findings of the Prison Officers' Association in its report, *Crisis Point Reached - The Pressures Facing Scotland's*

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Prison Officers Uncovered, which indicate that 91% of prison officers do not believe that they will be physically or mentally capable of working until the state pension age of 68.

[S7W-02890](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the establishment of a normal pension age of 60 for prison officers, in line with other uniformed emergency services, and what steps it will take to ensure that older officers who are unable to continue in frontline duties later in their careers are not financially penalised.

[S7W-02891](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it is considering any changes to the Scottish Prison Service recruitment process, including an end to the use of online interviews introduced during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[S7W-02892](#) **Malcolm Offord:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will rule out a cruise line levy.

[S7W-02893](#) **Adam Harley:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding is available for community (a) benefit projects and (b) organisations.

[S7W-02894](#) **Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Agriculture Reform Implementation Oversight Board last met.

[S7W-02895](#) **Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the comment at the Rural Affairs Committee on 2 September 2026 that the Agriculture Reform Implementation Oversight Board had ceased to exist, whether it will confirm (a) on what date the board was discontinued, (b) for what reason this decision was taken and (c) how its role will be replaced.

[S7W-02897](#) **Katherine Sangster:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it remains committed to introducing breakfast clubs across all special schools from August 2027.

[S7W-02898](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the draft report from workstream one of the Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Data Short Life Working Group, *Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation data captured within Joint Investigative Interviews*, dated 22 June 2026, which states that, in 2024-25, there were at least 5,087 sexual crimes involving a victim under the age of 18 recorded by Police Scotland compared with 155 children on the Child Protection Register with a child sexual abuse concern and 20 with a child sexual exploitation concern, what its assessment is of the difference between these figures.

[S7W-02900](#) **Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of data obtained by Scottish Environment LINK through Freedom of Information requests, which indicate that 41% of planning authorities have no in-house ecological expertise and 38% have 0.8 to 1 full-time equivalent (FTE) posts providing such expertise, what plans it has to support local planning authorities to halt biodiversity loss by 2030.

[S7W-02901](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government how many online advertisements or social media accounts offering illegal waste disposal services have been identified and removed in each of the last five years, and what assessment it and its agencies have made of the role of online platforms in facilitating waste crime.

[S7W-02902](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has identified any illegal waste sites in Scotland containing more than 20,000 tonnes of waste, comparable to the "super sites" recently identified in England, and, if so, how many such sites are known to SEPA.

[S7W-02903](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government how many high-priority illegal waste sites SEPA is currently monitoring, broken down by (a) estimated tonnage of waste and (b) site location.

[S7W-02904](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it is satisfied that the current definition and recording of waste crime adequately capture large-scale illegal waste operations, including sites where waste is deliberately stored or buried over an extended period, rather than being disposed of through fly-tipping.

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[S7W-02905](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government how much money has been recovered from individuals and organisations involved in illegal waste operations in each of the last five years.

[S7W-02906](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the total cost to taxpayers of investigating, securing and clearing illegal waste sites over the last five years, and what proportion of these costs has subsequently been recovered from those responsible.

[S7W-02907](#) **Sanne Dijkstra-Downie:** To ask the Scottish Government how many vehicles have been searched or seized using powers introduced under the Circular Economy (Scotland) Act 2024 in relation to suspected illegal waste activity, and how many of these cases have led to enforcement action since the introduction of the Act.

[S7W-02908](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reduce the disparity between the time taken for rape and attempted rape cases to reach trial in instances where the accused is (a) on bail and (b) remanded in custody.

[S7W-02909](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government how many rape and serious sexual offence cases are currently awaiting trial while the accused is on bail.

[S7W-02910](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether cases involving an accused remanded in custody are routinely prioritised for trial ahead of otherwise comparable cases where the accused is on bail, and what assessment it has made of any impact this has on the waiting time for complainers in serious sexual offence cases.

[S7W-02911](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of whether accused individuals on bail in rape and attempted rape cases wait longer for trial than those remanded in custody, and, if so, by how many days on average.

[S7W-02912](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government how many rape and attempted rape cases proceeded to trial where the accused was (a) on bail and (b) remanded in custody, and what the median time was from first appearance to trial in each category, in each of the last five years.

[S7W-02913](#) **Yi-pei Chou Turvey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered introducing a mechanism for serious sexual offence cases involving an accused individual on bail to receive earlier trial dates where the case has already been subject to a prolonged period of delay, and if not, for what reason.

[S7W-02914](#) **Donald MacKinnon:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of confirmation by the company that MV Loch Portain will not return to service for the remainder of the summer 2026 timetable, what discussions it has had with CalMac Ferries Ltd regarding network resilience and resource allocation, and what contingency measures are being put in place to maintain services to communities.

[S7W-02915](#) **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it has taken since May 2026 to deliver on its November 2025 commitment to create bespoke national statutory housing standards for seasonal agricultural workers.

[S7W-02916](#) **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has written to local authorities to request that they introduce byelaws to set standards for seasonal agricultural worker accommodation.

[S7W-02917](#) **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what response it has received from COSLA regarding its engagement on the introduction of byelaws for seasonal agricultural worker accommodation.

[S7W-02918](#) **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to introduce the legal right to a healthy environment.

[S7W-02919](#) **Amanda Bland:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to ensure that only prisoners who have suitable accommodation, support and supervision in place, will be granted

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early release, in order to protect public safety and reduce the risk of reoffending.

[S7W-02920](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many times in each of the last 10 years each prison has had to operate under a restricted regime.

[S7W-02921](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made in commissioning an independent review of the culture of the Scottish Prison Service.

[S7W-02922](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Prison Officers' Association Scotland report, *Crisis Point Reached*, what discussions it has had with the Scottish Prison Service regarding (a) ending online interviews during the prison officer recruitment process and (b) increasing training for new prison officers.

[S7W-02924](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Prison Officers' Association Scotland report, *Crisis Point Reached*, which noted that the number of staff departures recorded by the Scottish Prison Service (SPS) as "Normal Resignations" doubled between 2015 and 2023, what discussions it has had with SPS regarding staff retention.

[S7W-02925](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, at the latest count, how many prison officers were (a) available for operational duties, (b) on modified duties and (c) signed off as sick or on other long-term leave.

[S7W-02928](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many times in each of the last five years the agreed prison officer staffing complement has not been met across the prison estate.

[S7W-02929](#) **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards developing the delivery plan for achieving national 24/7 thrombectomy services coverage, as committed to in the Programme for Government, and when it anticipates publishing the plan.

[S7W-02930](#) **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what definition it is using to define a "24/7 thrombectomy service", and whether this definition means that a patient requiring thrombectomy will have access to the procedure at any time of day, seven days a week, subject to clinical eligibility.

[S7W-02931](#) **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what its commitment to deliver 24/7 thrombectomy cover "regardless of geography" means in practice, and how it will ensure that patients in rural and island communities can access thrombectomy services when clinically indicated.

[S7W-02932](#) **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government which NHS boards currently provide access to thrombectomy services, and for each board, what the opening days and hours are.

[S7W-02933](#) **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the number of patients who are currently unable to access thrombectomy because the service is not available at the time they require treatment, including overnight and at weekends.

[S7W-02934](#) **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what additional funding it has allocated in 2026-27 to support the expansion of thrombectomy services to 24/7 national coverage, and what further funding it estimates will be required to achieve that commitment.

[S7W-02935](#) **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the additional clinical workforce required to provide a national 24/7 thrombectomy service, including interventional neuroradiologists, radiographers, anaesthetists and other relevant staff, and what steps it is taking to address any workforce gaps.

[S7W-02936](#) **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards implementing artificial intelligence technology to support the identification and triage of patients who may be eligible for thrombectomy, and whether any outstanding approvals or financial sign-offs are currently delaying implementation.

[S7W-02937](#) **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what targets and performance indicators it plans to use to assess progress towards national 24/7 thrombectomy coverage, including for treatment rates, treatment times and geographical coverage.

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[S7W-02938 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide regular updates to Parliament on progress made towards delivering national 24/7 thrombectomy coverage, including on funding, workforce, geographical coverage and implementation milestones.

[S7W-02939 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to commission data on the use of (a) alcohol, (b) cigarettes and (c) vapes by under 18s, in light of no such data having been published since 2018.

[S7W-02940 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what review it has undertaken of the availability of police cells in East Lothian.

[S7W-02941 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to add cats to the list of animals that must be reported to the police when involved in a collision with a vehicle.

[S7W-02942 Stephen Kerr:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the effectiveness of the Retail Crime Taskforce.

[S7W-02943 Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of the widespread availability of weight loss injections on people with eating disorders.

[S7W-02944 Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it plans to take in the current parliamentary session to continue implementing the recommendations of the *Scottish Eating Disorder Services Review*.

[S7W-02945 Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill:](#) To ask the Scottish Government when it expects to make a decision on the implementation of mandatory calorie labelling in the out-of-home food sector, following the pause in the policy announced on 30 May 2023.

[S7W-02946 Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of the display of calorie information in restaurants on people with eating disorders.

[S7W-02947 Kayleigh Kinross-O'Neill:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many adults have received treatment for an eating disorder since 1999, broken down by (a) year and (b) NHS board.

[S7W-02949 Katy Clark:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many wildfires the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service has recorded each year since its creation.

[S7W-02950 Katy Clark:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to provide long-term funding certainty to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

[S7W-02951 Katy Clark:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what funding would have been allocated to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in the 2026-27 Budget had its funding had been increased in line with inflation in each year since its creation in 2013.

[S7W-02952 Katy Clark:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the extent to which the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's budget has fallen in real terms since its creation in 2013.

[S7W-02953 Katy Clark:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's capital backlog.

[S7W-02954 Katy Clark:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many fire stations require investment to ensure that they have (a) full decontamination facilities and (b) Changing Places toilets and appropriate washing and changing facilities for all firefighters.

[S7W-02955 Katy Clark:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to fund the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's capital backlog.

[S7W-02956 Katy Clark:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many times, in each of the last 10 years, the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service has dispatched fire appliances with fewer firefighters than required to meet agreed safe crewing levels.

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[S7W-02957](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government how many times, in each of the last 10 years, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service control rooms have operated below safe staffing levels.

[S7W-02958](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government what the average incident response time has been for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in each year since its creation.

[S7W-02959](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any correlation between reports of falling firefighter numbers and increased Scottish Fire and Rescue Service incident response times.

[S7W-02960](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government what action the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service has taken to provide suitable alternative roles to firefighters who are below normal retirement age but are unable to continue in their operational role.

[S7W-02961](#) **Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government how many of the recommendations contained in the University of Central Lancashire report, *Minimising firefighters' exposure to toxic fire effluents*, have been implemented and how many remain outstanding.

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to negative procedure

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 3 September 2026 and are subject to the negative procedure—

[Sports Grounds and Sporting Events \(Designation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/247\)](#)
laid under Section 18(3) of the Criminal Law (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 1995.

[Charges for Residues Surveillance Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/249\)](#)
laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

Not subject to any parliamentary procedure

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 3 September 2026 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

[Air Departure Tax \(Scotland\) Act 2017 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/248 \(C. 23\)\)](#)
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

Progress of Legislation

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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.

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 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 2 September 2026

Civil Aviation (Consumer Protection and Regulatory Reform) Bill LCM-S7-11

Lodged on 3 September 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 LCM-S6-70

Lodged on 6 January 2026

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (3rd 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

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

Lead committee - Finance and Public Administration

Railways Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-69a

Lodged on 20 February 2026

Meeting of the Parliament, 24 March 2026

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (12th Report, 2026)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (25th Report, 2026)

Representation of the People Bill Supplementary LCM-S7-7a

Lodged on 21 August 2026

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 1 September 2026

Lead committee - Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments

Sporting Events Bill Supplementary LCM-S7-1b

Lodged on 2 September 2026

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Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative Instruments

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 16 September 2026

[Visitor Levy \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (4 June 2026) (Social Justice, Housing and Local Government Committee)

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)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 23 September 2026

Lead Committee report due by 21 September 2026

[Dangerous Dogs \(Compensation and Exemption Schemes\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/204\)](#) (11 June 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment by 30 September 2026

Lead Committee report due by 28 September 2026

[Act of Sederunt \(Fees of Messengers-at-Arms and Sheriff Officers\) 2026 \(SSI 2026/208\)](#) (18 June 2026) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

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)

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[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)

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

[Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 2nd Report, 2026 \(Session 7\): Subordinate Legislation considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee on 1 September 2026 \(SP Paper 3\)](#), publication date: 3 September 2026

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or access the webpage (see the end of Bulletin for contact details and website information).

Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 3 September 2026—

Stephen Flynn, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Tourism and Transport: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Civil Aviation (Consumer Protection and Regulatory Reform) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S7-11)

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