

Transport Committee
Wednesday 9 September 2026
4th Meeting, 2026 (Session 7)

Scottish Government Programme for Government

Background

1. The Scottish Government published its [Programme for Government for 2026 to 2031](#) on 1 September 2026.
2. At this morning's evidence session, the Committee will hear from the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Tourism and Transport on the Scottish Government's transport priorities. The attached briefing paper outlines some of the specific issues the Committee intends to explore.

Recent correspondence

3. The Committee may also wish to note that on 31 August it received updates from the [Cabinet Secretary](#) and [Caledonian Maritime Assets Limited \(CMAL\)](#) on the new vessels for Islay & Little Minch.

Evidence session

4. The Committee will hear from Stephen Flynn, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Tourism and Transport, supported by—
 - Fiona Brown, Director of Strategy, Performance & Analysis;
 - Mary Docherty, Director, Bus, Concessionary and Active Travel; and
 - Chris Wilcock, Director, Ferries, Transport Scotland.

Clerks to the Committee
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