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Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 29 June 2016

Tuesday 6 September 2016

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 7 September 2016

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Finance and the Constitution;
Economy, Jobs and Fair Work

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 8 September 2016

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

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Motions

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

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

***S5M-00878 Brian Whittle: Partners for Inclusion, Kilmarnock—**That the Parliament recognises the Kilmarnock-based charity, Partners for Inclusion, which supports people in Ayrshire, Renfrewshire and East Renfrewshire who have a learning or mental health difficulty by providing tailor-made support; understands that the people it support have their own support budget and that the charity sees each one as an individual and tailor its help accordingly; notes that it also recognises the importance of getting to know each person and what matters to them and what could cause distress; believes that this approach leads to the supported person being happier, able to enjoy their lives, focus on improving their wellbeing and reducing their associated support costs; commends the charity on its six goals, which are to listen to what the supported person say, respect what they want in their life, support them to live their lives in the way that they want, allow them to grow and develop, respect their family and relationships and pay attention to every detail; congratulates all those involved with this, and wishes everyone at Partners for Inclusion the very best for the future.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, John Lamont*, Donald Cameron*, Douglas Ross*, Peter Chapman*, Adam Tomkins*, Alison Harris*, Maurice Golden*

***S5M-00871 Daniel Johnson: 4.5 Million People Can't be Wrong—**That the Parliament welcomes what it sees as the benefits that Edinburgh's festivals bring to the city's economy and its status internationally by playing host to an estimated 4.5 million people, which it understands is more than the FIFA World Cup; is proud of reports that 94% of people surveyed believe that the festivals are what makes Edinburgh so special as a city; notes what it sees as their vital role in promoting other cultural events throughout the year, and praises everyone whose time and effort into the festivals has led to the survey also recording a 95% satisfaction rate.

Supported by: Ben Macpherson*, Pauline McNeill*, Kenneth Gibson*, Iain Gray*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-00860 Jeremy Balfour: Glow Gold September—**That the Parliament recognises the work of the childhood cancer awareness raising campaign, Glow Gold September, which has been established by the parents of children with the condition; notes that it aims to ensure that the colour gold becomes synonymous with childhood cancer and that its awareness month is September; understands that it is asking for national and international buildings and landmarks to

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be illuminated in that colour for either the evening of 1 September 2016 or, if possible, for the whole month from dusk till dawn; believes that Edinburgh Castle, St Andrew's House and the Kelpies will take part in this and that the campaign is encouraging others to do likewise, and further understands that the campaign is also urging people to wear a gold pin throughout September to raise awareness and to show their support for the children.

Supported by: Maurice Golden*, Donald Cameron*, Peter Chapman*, John Lamont*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-00893 Sandra White: Launch of Social Security Consultation—**That the Parliament welcomes the launch of the Scottish Government's consultation on the new social security system for Scotland; notes the visit of Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities, and the Minister for Social Security, to the Macmillan Hub at the Pearce Institute, where people living with cancer can access benefits advice and support, and urges all members of the community to take part in the consultation to highlight what they would like to see from the future Scottish social security system.

***S5M-00892 Richard Lyle: Congratulations to South Lanarkshire Young Carers Forum—**That the Parliament congratulates the South Lanarkshire Young Carers Forum on it being awarded a £9,600 Awards for All Grant by the Big Lottery Fund; understands that it will use this to highlight young carers' issues and work with relevant agencies to deliver for young carers in South Lanarkshire; notes that the forum is an important organisation in championing young carers' views and helping to support their work; believes in the power of the forum to help make a difference to the experience of young carers, and recognises the incredible work that Scotland's young carers do across the country's communities.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine*

***S5M-00891 Gillian Martin: World Breastfeeding Week—**That the Parliament notes that 1 to 7 August is World Breastfeeding Week 2016; understands that the week's objectives include informing people about the role that breastfeeding can play in sustainable development and anchoring this in people's minds; observes that it is supported by organisations that include UNICEF and the World Health Organization; calls for an end to the stigma associated with breastfeeding in public; supports the right of parents to feed their children in public, and condemns those who criticise them for this as being out of touch with modern society.

***S5M-00890 Richard Lyle: Congratulations to Holytown's Motherwell District Childminding Group—**That the Parliament congratulates everyone at the Holytown-based Motherwell District Childminding Group on its £6,616 Awards for All Scotland grant through the Big Lottery Fund; notes it will use this to fund the training and the development of its members and to purchase equipment for outings for group sessions with childminders; notes that the group supports families by providing resources and information to make their childcare choices easier and supports the area's childminders to promote themselves and their businesses locally, and wishes the group well in its endeavours.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine*, Tom Arthur*

***S5M-00889 Ruth Maguire: Pokémon Go Charity Walk—**That the Parliament commends the Games Centre in Irvine on its innovative use of the augmented-reality craze, Pokémon Go, to develop a Pokémon-themed charity walk; understands that trainers are invited to "bring a tin" to

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support the Trussell Trust foodbank in exchange for participating in a guided walk around the area's Pokéstops; congratulates the centre on its recent second successful such event, and wishes it all the best with its future Pokémon charity walks.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan*, Tom Arthur*, Joan McAlpine*

***S5M-00888 Clare Adamson: Funding Boost for Wishaw and District Whizz Kids—**That the Parliament congratulates everyone at Wishaw and District Whizz Kids Youth Group on being awarded a £6,014 Awards for All grant by the Big Lottery Fund that will help fund a programme of activities and new experiences for the 60 children who attend its weekly meetings in Pather Community Centre; notes that the club offers arts and crafts, sports and other activities to four to 14-year-olds, and wishes it well in its future endeavours.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine*, Tom Arthur*

***S5M-00886 Richard Lyle: Congratulations to the Golfer, Mhairi McKay—**That the Parliament recognises the bestowment of an honorary life membership on Mhairi McKay by Bothwell Castle Golf Club; understands that Mhairi, who joined the club aged 10 in 1985, has had a distinguished golfing career; notes that she was a member of the club until 1994, when she moved to the USA to pursue a golf scholarship at Stanford University; understands that her career highlights have included winning the Australian Women's Open in 2003, being a member of the European Solheim Cup team in 2002 and 2003 and setting a professional record round of 67 at the Old Course, St Andrews; believes that Mhairi thoroughly deserves this latest act of recognition by Bothwell Castle Golf Club, and wishes her, and her family all the very best.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Tom Arthur*, Joan McAlpine*

***S5M-00885 Christina McKelvie: UN World Day Against Trafficking in Persons—**That the Parliament notes that 30 July 2016 is the UN World Day Against Trafficking in Persons; condemns the practice of illegal trade of human beings as disgraceful and exploitative; commends the Scottish Government's actions in helping to tackle the issue, such as the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015, which it introduced in session four; notes what it sees as the importance of the European Arrest Warrant in helping to tackle this exploitative and inhumane trade, and calls on the UK Government to confirm its continued work with European partners through the warrant to ensure that vulnerable people are protected and that those responsible for human trafficking are brought to justice.

Supported by: Graeme Dey*, Stuart McMillan*, Jenny Marra*, Michael Russell*, Ben Macpherson*, Kenneth Gibson*, Patrick Harvie*, Tom Arthur*, Joan McAlpine*

***S5M-00884 Richard Lochhead: Congratulations to Sandra Haughton—**That the Parliament congratulates Sandra Haughton, who is from Dufftown, Moray, on being awarded an honorary fellowship at the Breast Cancer Research UK Flame of Hope awards; recognises that Sandra, who is undergoing treatment for lung cancer, has been a dedicated fundraiser for Cancer Research UK for 27 years; understands that she has also been a member of Dufftown Cancer Research since its formation and that, during this time, has helped to organise fashion shows, charity walks, door collections, Christmas card deliveries and many more other events, which have helped to raise over £284,000; commends Sandra on her outstanding dedication to helping others, and wishes her well for the future.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Joan McAlpine*, Stuart McMillan*, Graeme Dey*, Ben Macpherson*, Richard Lyle*, Rona Mackay*

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***S5M-00883 Brian Whittle: LGBTI Scottish Sport**—That the Parliament recognises the role that sport plays in communities and what it sees as its hugely positive contribution to society; encourages everyone to address the issues and barriers that LGBTI people can however face in sport and the issues around homophobia and transphobia; considers that these should be challenged and that a welcoming environment and inclusive policies for LGBTI participants should be encouraged; understands that the Equality Network’s research, *Out for Sport*, suggested that 57% of LGBTI people said that they would be more likely to participate if sport was more LGBTI-friendly; recalls that equality was a central theme of the 2014 Commonwealth Games, and calls for full and inclusive participation so that everyone can feel the benefits of sport.

Supported by: Pauline McNeill*, Alexander Stewart*, Donald Cameron*, Jeremy Balfour*, John Finnie*, Stuart McMillan*, Alison Johnstone*, Alison Harris*, Ben Macpherson*, Andy Wightman*, John Lamont*, Ruth Maguire*, Alex Rowley*

***S5M-00882 Brian Whittle: Samaritans Scotland**—That the Parliament recognises the work of Samaritans Scotland; notes that it has 19 branches across Scotland and is supported by over 1,000 dedicated volunteers to ensure that support is always on hand day or night for anyone struggling to cope; understands that suicide remains the biggest killer of 20 to 34-year-olds and men under 50; encourages everyone to reach out to people who could be at risk and recognises that cries for help to be always heard and taken seriously, and congratulates everyone involved with Samaritans Scotland on the work that they do to ensure that fewer people die by suicide.

Supported by: Donald Cameron*, John Lamont*, Adam Tomkins*, Peter Chapman*, Liam McArthur*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kenneth Gibson*, Alexander Stewart*, Stuart McMillan*, Alison Harris*, Ben Macpherson*, Michael Russell*, Maurice Golden*, Alex Rowley*

***S5M-00881 Donald Cameron: Congratulations to the Whitehouse Restaurant**—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at the Whitehouse Restaurant, which is in Lochaline, on being named the Regional Winner for Scotland in the *Good Food Guide* Local Restaurant of the Year Awards; acknowledges that it was described as being “about as remote as you can get without leaving the mainland” and that it was nominated to be the top choice in Scotland by its customers; notes that its food is sourced locally where possible, including lobsters from the nearby Isle of Mull, and hopes that it will continue to thrive and demonstrate the world-class cuisine on offer in areas of the Highlands that are considered remote.

Supported by: Alexander Burnett*, Alexander Stewart*, John Lamont*, Douglas Ross*, Peter Chapman*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stuart McMillan*, Alison Harris*, Maurice Golden*, Margaret Mitchell*

***S5M-00880 Tom Arthur: The Lochwinnoch Arts Festival, Parkrun Ltd and Neilston Youth FC**—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at the Lochwinnoch Arts Festival, Parkrun Ltd and Neilston Youth FC on being awarded a total of £7,150 from Awards for All Scotland; recognises the impeccable service that these organisations bring to the community through sport and the arts and notes that this funding will be a welcome boost to their community engagement; commends the tireless efforts of the volunteers who helped achieve this funding through their great work, and wishes the three organisations the best of luck and further success.

Supported by: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*, Joan McAlpine*, Stuart McMillan*, Maurice Golden*, Neil Bibby*

***S5M-00879 Graeme Dey: Irene Lindsay, BHF Scotland Fundraising Volunteer of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Irene Lindsay, who is from Arbroath, on being named the Fundraising Volunteer of the Year by British Heart Foundation (BHF) Scotland; notes that Irene became involved after fundraiser Helen Anderson, who is also from the town, spoke at the

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Angus Cardiac Fitness Group to discuss setting up a fundraising group; recognises that the group have been responsible for raising around £10,000 in the past three years, and believes that Irene's award is a tribute to her commitment to the charity.

Supported by: Maurice Golden*

***S5M-00877 Christina McKelvie: Scientific Breakthrough into MND**—That the Parliament commends the breakthrough discovery of a gene, NEK1, which is linked to motor neurone disease (MND); believes that this would not have been possible without the "Ice Bucket Challenge, which helped to raise £7 million for the MND Association in the UK over £87.7 million in total worldwide; understands that 17 million people uploaded videos of the challenge and commends their participation in raising awareness of the disease; congratulates the research effort that has taken place as a result, which has involved 80 researchers in 11 countries; believes that discovering the gene could result in the development of new therapy designed to combat the condition; commends the Scottish Government in, it understands, doubling the number of MND nurses from 5.6 whole-time equivalent to 12.9, and encourages everyone to play an active role in raising support and funding for research into MND in order to find a cure.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Tom Arthur*, James Dornan*, Richard Lyle*, Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*, Joan McAlpine*, Graeme Dey*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-00876 Christina McKelvie: Awards for All Scotland Funding in South**

Lanarkshire—That the Parliament welcomes the recent £19,395 funding from Awards for All Scotland to the Lanarkshire Rape Crisis Centre and the Trust Jack Foundation, which are both based in the Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse constituency; commends the crisis centre on its vital work in providing emotional and practical support to victims of sexual violence; understands that its £10,000 will be used to improve its online presence and social media work as part of a project to tackle gender inequality and the portrayal of sexual violence by the media; congratulates the Trust Jack Foundation in providing imperative support to children and young people who have a mental health illness; believes that its £9,395 award will allow it to provide practical support through family support groups and art classes; believes that Awards for All Scotland can provide crucial funding to community projects, and encourages all groups to investigate their eligibility for such support.

Supported by: Tom Arthur*, James Dornan*, Joan McAlpine*, Clare Haughey*, Fulton MacGregor*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-00875 Mark Ruskell: Perth City of Culture Bid 2021**—That the Parliament congratulates Perth on the news that its bid to be named the UK City of Culture 2021 will be launched on 19 August 2016 outside Perth City Hall; understands that the planned programme will highlight its vibrant arts, culture and entertainment scene and draw on both its historic and contemporary attractions, and wishes everyone associated with the bid the best of luck.

Supported by: Liam Kerr*, Richard Lyle*, Colin Beattie*, John Finnie*, Kenneth Gibson*, Ben Macpherson*, Alex Rowley*, Ivan McKee*, Dean Lockhart*, Murdo Fraser*, Andy Wightman*, Stuart McMillan*, Graeme Dey*, Alison Johnstone*

***S5M-00874 Brian Whittle: Every Visit Counts**—That the Parliament recognises the campaign, Every Visit Counts, which has the goal to end loneliness; believes that an aging population and an increasingly fractured society means that loneliness is a growing but under-appreciated issue in the UK; recognises that it affects people of all ages, but disproportionately older people the most; commends the campaign in raising awareness of loneliness among older people and in sharing ways in which everyone can help beat loneliness among older people across communities;

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welcomes it championing the positive role that care assistants and carers can have in beating loneliness and its asking everybody to cultivate and nurture positive friendships with people who could experience loneliness; encourages everyone to give thought to the development of friendly communities that cater for the needs of older people and believes that people should strive to look after older neighbours, and believes that, as there is no need for loneliness in today's society, everyone should strive to combat it.

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***S5M-00873 Lewis Macdonald: Awards for All Scotland Funding for Aberdeen**

Organisations—That the Parliament congratulates two Aberdeen-based organisations, Sunnybank Community Centre Association (SCCA) and The Mixing Bowl Aberdeen, on being awarded funding from Awards for All Scotland; understands that SCCA is to use its £9,800 award to hire English language tutors for people whose first language is not English and for those who wish to improve their literacy levels and that The Mixing Bowl Aberdeen will use its £7,855 to fund the Deeside Local Food Festival at Cults Academy on 18 September 2016, which will aim to bring the community together and to showcase local produce; recognises the importance of Awards for All Scotland funding, which is provided in partnership with the Big Lottery Fund and sportscotland, in supporting community organisations and events, and wishes both organisations every success with their upcoming projects.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Richard Lyle*, Ivan McKee*

***S5M-00872 Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen International Youth Festival 2016—**That the Parliament welcomes the Aberdeen International Youth Festival 2016, which takes place from 29 July to 6 August and features theatre, musical and dance performers from across the globe, including many from North East Scotland; understands that it will use venues from across the city, including His Majesty's Theatre for the closing Variety Gala, and that the Extended Festival for audiences outside the city will see shows staged in Aberdeenshire, Angus and Moray; recognises that the youth festival has been running since 1973 and that, in that time, over 30,000 young people from around the world have taken part in performances across the north east; believes that it is one of the most highly regarded arts festivals for young performers in the world, and congratulates everyone involved with its organisation and all of the young people whose performances ensure its continued success.

Supported by: Iain Gray*, Jackie Baillie*, Kenneth Gibson*, Fulton MacGregor*, Alexander Burnett*, Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*

***S5M-00870 James Dornan: St Conval's Primary School—**That the Parliament congratulates everyone at St Conval's Primary School on its recent £10,000 Awards for All grant that will be used toward a project that will install playground equipment for use by the pupils and other children in the community to encourage them to remain active, play outdoors and enjoy an active and healthy lifestyle.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine*, Tom Arthur*, Ben Macpherson*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-00869 James Dornan: The Gavinton Street Registered Tenant's Organisation—**That the Parliament congratulates everyone at the Gavinton Street Registered Tenants' Organisation, which is made up of residents of a sheltered housing complex, on its recent £2,500 Awards for All

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grant that will be used to develop its garden space, and believes that this will be of great benefit to both the residents' mental and physical health.

***S5M-00868 Jeremy Balfour: Alba Community Development—**That the Parliament congratulates everyone at the Edinburgh-based Alba Community Development on its recent Awards for All Scotland grant; notes that this will be used to carry out a feasibility study to identify the barriers faced by people with impairments who want to engage with cultural events, and understands that the outcome of the study will also feed into the design and delivery of the group's forthcoming event, Big Flame.

Supported by: Maurice Golden*

***S5M-00867 Jeremy Balfour: Bright Sparks Playgroup, Midlothian—**That the Parliament congratulates everyone at the Bright Sparks Playgroup, which runs playgroup and activity sessions for children in Midlothian who have severe and complex additional support needs, on its recent £10,000 Awards for All Scotland grant that will be used to continue to deliver its pilot programme of a weekly session for pre-school and P1-P2 children to help enable a smoother transition to the classroom.

Supported by: Peter Chapman*, Alexander Stewart*, Donald Cameron*, Alexander Burnett*, Alison Harris*, Maurice Golden*, John Lamont*

***S5M-00866 Elaine Smith: North Sea Industrial Action—**That this Parliament supports the members of the Unite and RMT trade unions in their dispute with the North Sea contractor, Wood Group PSN, over a proposed cut to pay and terms and conditions of up to 30%; understands that the industrial action taken on seven Shell platforms is the first in the North Sea since the early 1990s when the industry was resisting post-Piper Alpha reform; further understands that over 85,000 jobs offshore and in the supply chain have been lost since the oil price collapsed in 2014, resulting in an average reduction of 20% in staff levels on platforms across the UK North Sea; is deeply concerned that contractual cuts, shift increases and bigger workloads for the remaining staff mean that offshore workers are now expected to work an average of 300 hours more a year with heavier workloads but for no extra pay, while directly employed Shell staff on the same platforms work shorter hours and have longer leave entitlement, as well as higher pay; believes that Wood Group PSNs highest paid director received pay and benefits in 2015 of £345,000 and that the parent company, Wood Group plc, awarded a 28% pay rise to one executive and paid out a dividend to shareholders of £79 million; is concerned that morale among offshore workers is low and has been further eroded by legitimate anxieties over safety on understaffed installations and on helicopter transport; believes that Scotland's maximum economic benefit from declining North Sea oil and gas reserves is undermined by poor employment practices by contractors and oil companies in the North Sea, and calls on the Scottish Government to support this industrial action and good industrial relations in the offshore industry in order to maximise Scotland's economic benefit from the offshore oil and gas industry, including the decommissioning sector. **R**

Supported by: Andy Wightman*, Alison Johnstone*, Neil Findlay*, Alex Rowley*

***S5M-00865 David Stewart: Award-winning Radio Presenter Retires after 34 Years—**That the Parliament congratulates the award-winning radio presenter, Helen Macpherson of MFR, who has just completed 34 years working with the radio station; notes that, over this period, Helen has broadcast country music programmes for the local station and also the Bauer network; understands that, over the years, Helen has interviewed many country artists including Shania Twain, Garth Brooks, Johnny Cash and, more recently, Taylor Swift, Eric Church and Lady Antebellum; acknowledges that Helen has also won many awards for her work, including three

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Scottish Country Music Fellowship awards in 1985, 1989 and 1990, a Sony nomination in 1991, a UK Country Radio Award in 2005, a Lifetime Achievement Award from MFR in 2006 and a Country Music Association of America Award in 2006; further understands that she has also broadcast other programmes, such as Helen's Country Kitchen, and that in her spare time she worked for hospital radio; wishes Helen a long and happy retirement, and commends her on her achievements over many years.

Supported by: Douglas Ross*, Liam McArthur*, Miles Briggs*, Jackie Baillie*, Maurice Golden*

***S5M-00864 Andy Wightman: Loss of Capability Scotland's Westerlea Early Years**

Service—That the Parliament understands that the Westerlea Early Years service, which is run by Capability Scotland from its Edinburgh headquarters, has for many years been providing valuable and much-loved support to children up to five who have additional support needs and their families; believes that the service is the only place in Edinburgh where such respite care, music, group play, sensory and hydrotherapy can be accessed by children; expresses concern that the service is due to close on 30 September 2016, and calls on the City of Edinburgh Council and Capability Scotland to urgently examine what support can continue to be offered.

Supported by: Alison Johnstone*, John Finnie*, Jeremy Balfour*

***S5M-00863 John Lamont: Congratulations to the Borderers Representing Team GB**—That the Parliament sends its best wishes to the members of Team GB as they prepare for the Olympic and Paralympic Games in Rio; congratulates in particular the athletes selected from the Scottish Borders, including the Olympian swimmer, Dan Wallace from Duns, Olympian mountain biker, Grant Ferguson from Peebles, Olympian athlete, Chris O'Hare from West Linton, Olympian rugby 7s player, Mark Robertson from Melrose, and the Paralympian athletes Samantha Kinghorn from Gordon and Libby Clegg from Newcastleton, Paralympian swimmer Stephen Clegg from Newcastleton, and Paralympian Boccia player Patrick Wilson from Peebles; understands that there is a record Scottish representation in Team GB, and praises all of the athletes for playing their part in the team's efforts and for flying the flag for the Scottish Borders in Rio.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alexander Burnett*, Miles Briggs*, Liam Kerr*, Alexander Stewart*, Douglas Ross*, Donald Cameron*, Peter Chapman*, Christine Grahame*, Alison Harris*, Colin Beattie*, Brian Whittle*, Maurice Golden*

***S5M-00862 Lewis Macdonald: Active Schools Initiative in Aberdeen**—That the Parliament congratulates Active Schools and Sport Aberdeen on their successful collaborative effort in the Active Schools 100 Day Challenge, which has involved Active Schools co-ordinators posting videos of sporting challenges on social media and inviting parents and children to post their own; recognises the significance of the initiative in increasing the link between young people and access to exercise through social media, and its overall importance in keeping children more active and adopting healthier lifestyles, and looks forward to other such collaborations between Active Schools and bodies such as Sport Aberdeen in the future.

Supported by: Neil Findlay*, Iain Gray*, Jackie Baillie*, Ivan McKee*, Brian Whittle*

***S5M-00861 Lewis Macdonald: Seaton Park Awarded Green Flag**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Seaton Park in Aberdeen has been awarded Green Flag status by Keep Scotland Beautiful for the first time; congratulates the Friends of Seaton Park group which, along with Aberdeen City Council, have worked to regenerate the park to such a high standard; recognises the significance of this achievement following the heavy flood damage endured by Seaton Park in the wake of Storm Frank several months ago; understands that Duthie Park and

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Hazlehead Park in Aberdeen have also retained their Green Flag awards, and congratulates all those involved in developing and maintaining the city's green spaces on their success.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Baillie*

***S5M-00859 Miles Briggs: The Ancre Somme Association Scotland**—That the Parliament commends the work of the Ancre Somme Association Scotland; is aware that the association exists to remember the First World War, Second World War and all subsequent wars and conflicts and the sacrifices of armed forces personnel in these; is further aware of the association's current work to commemorate key battles in the First World War 100 years on; notes that the association has organised a special Battle of the Somme civic reception and service of remembrance on 22 October 2016 to be held in Linlithgow; is also aware of the association's organisation of an exhibition about the Battle of the Somme in Linlithgow Burgh Halls and its outreach work with schools; pays tribute to all those volunteers involved in the association, which is a voluntary organisation raising all of its own funds without any direct governmental support; considers that the role the association plays in educating communities about Scotland's military heritage and preserving the memories of fallen heroes is an important and valuable one; notes calls from the association for direct support from the Scottish Government to arrange a Passchendaele parade and commemoration in 2017 in respect of the battle, which was also known as Third Battle of Ypres, in honour of the almost 500,000 people who lost their lives, many from Scotland; further notes the association's call for additional support to ensure that its work is taught to children in Scotland, leaving a lasting legacy for all future generations, and hopes that more financial support can be found for organisations like the Ancre Somme Association Scotland in order to allow them to continue to carry out good work in Scotland's communities.

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***S5M-00858 Emma Harper: Commemorating Brow Well**—That the Parliament commends the Scottish Southern Counties Burns Association, the organisers of the annual ceremony at Brow Well; notes that the 2016 service took place on 20 June and that it was well attended by local politicians and dignitaries from the Burns community; understands that the well is a place of pilgrimage for enthusiasts of Robert Burns as the poet famously bathed there just three days before his death in Dumfries; notes that this was the first event that has been hosted at the well since recent refurbishment works were undertaken under the guidance of the Solway Firth Partnership; commends the hard work put in by volunteers and Burns enthusiasts to organise the event on an annual basis, and agrees that organisations and events such as these play a vital role in celebrating and preserving Scots language and culture. **R**

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***S5M-00857 Christina McKelvie: Hamilton Athletes in Team GB**—That the Parliament sends its best wishes to the Great Britain team as it prepares for the Olympic Games in Rio and especially the Hamilton athletes, Stephen McGuire, Callum Hawkins and Kirsty Gilmour, who will compete there; commends the athletes for flying the flag for the people of Hamilton and believes that they are a credit to the town; considers that these athletes have shown incredible determination and ability in making the Great Britain squad, and wishes them every success at the Olympics.

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***S5M-00856 Christina McKelvie: Turkish State of Emergency**—That the Parliament is deeply concerned about the recent events in Turkey following the failed military coup; understands that President Erdogan has declared a three-month state of emergency and that the country has partially withdrawn from the European Convention on Human Rights; urges caution to ensure that this does not restrict individual rights or freedoms or introduces unrestricted media censorship; laments the loss of life during the military coup; regrets what it understands are the limitations that are being placed on academic institutions, teachers and civil servants; believes that the state of emergency should not circumvent the democratic process of the Turkish Parliament, and hopes that peace and open democracy is returned swiftly to the country.

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***S5M-00855 Christina McKelvie: Brexit Effect on Welfare**—That the Parliament notes with concern the outcome of the recent EU referendum and what it sees as the potential detrimental effects that it could have on welfare claimants; understands that the UK Government's welfare reforms have resulted in a four-year benefit freeze and that the Office for Budget Responsibility has forecast that 690,000 households are set to lose out on their in-work welfare; notes the recent report from the Resolution Foundation, which predicts that rising inflation caused by a Brexit will result in a 12.5% real-term reduction in the value of claimants' benefits, and believes that, unless a divergent welfare strategy is considered by the UK Government, more welfare claimants will see the true valuation of their benefit decrease, resulting in greater poverty.

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***S5M-00854 George Adam: St Mirren FC under New Ownership**—That the Parliament congratulates the St Mirren Independent Supporters Association (SMiSA) and the local businessman, Gordon Scott, on their successful purchase of the controlling stake in St Mirren Football Club; understands that, for over a year, SMiSA and Gordon have been negotiating a deal with the outgoing board, which will now see Gordon become chairman for 10 years, while SMiSA, through fan subscriptions, will save the money to buy Gordon out and throughout the 10-year period, will have at least one elected representative on the club's board; applauds each and every one of the 1,300 St Mirren fans who signed up to #BuyTheBuds as, without them, it considers that this deal could not have happened; notes that Gordon is an experienced local businessman with a wealth of business knowledge, including having been a director of the club, during which time he was instrumental in the construction of the new stadium, and commends his enthusiasm to take the club forward and to work with the fans to make full fan ownership a reality at the Paisley 2021 Stadium; acknowledges the work of the outgoing board, which took over the club during a period in the club's history and has left it debt free with a new stadium and a state-of-the-art, modern training facility; looks forward optimistically that St Mirren will not be the last Scottish football club to become fan owned, and hopes that many more fans across the country take their clubs back into the control of the people who care about them the most, their fans. **R**

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-00853 Christina McKelvie: Children in Detention Centres (lodged on 22 July 2016)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Ivan McKee*, Liam McArthur*, David Torrance*, John Finnie*, Emma Harper*, Bruce Crawford*, Neil Findlay*

S5M-00852 Ben Macpherson: Edinburgh Twirling Academy (lodged on 22 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*, Maurice Golden*

S5M-00851 Patrick Harvie: Extended Closure of the Glasgow Subway (lodged on 22 July 2016)

New Support: John Finnie*

S5M-00850 Gail Ross: Belladrum Opportunities for North Highland UHI Students (lodged on 22 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*, John Finnie*, Bruce Crawford*, Maurice Golden*

S5M-00849 Andy Wightman: Edinburgh Airport Consultation (lodged on 22 July 2016)

New Support: John Finnie*

S5M-00848 Brian Whittle: I Am Team GB (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Ivan McKee*, Murdo Fraser*, Alex Johnstone*, Lewis Macdonald*

S5M-00847 Colin Beattie: Musselburgh's Burgh Café (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*, Maurice Golden*

S5M-00844 Clare Adamson: Police Scotland Lanarkshire Open Day, Motherwell Police Office (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Ivan McKee*, David Torrance*

S5M-00843 Ben Macpherson: Leith Academy Students Win Internships for US Elections (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00842 James Dornan: Linn Park Equestrian Centre (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00841 Neil Bibby: Sixth Anniversary of the Football Fans in Training Project (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Iain Gray*, Ivan McKee*, Lewis Macdonald*

S5M-00840 Graeme Dey: ChildLine Volunteer of the Year Prize for Nick Brain (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*, Ivan McKee*

S5M-00839 Brian Whittle: Bliss Scotland (lodged on 21 July 2016)

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New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Alex Johnstone*, Ivan McKee*, Claudia Beamish*

S5M-00838 Brian Whittle: Healthy Lifestyles from Day One (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Alex Johnstone*, Ivan McKee*

S5M-00837 Brian Whittle: British Heart Foundation (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Alex Johnstone*, Bruce Crawford*

S5M-00836 Brian Whittle: University of the West of Scotland (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Alex Johnstone*

S5M-00835 Brian Whittle: Engineering (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Alex Johnstone*

S5M-00834 Christina McKelvie: Welcome Increase in Employment (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

S5M-00832 Anas Sarwar: Human Rights Violations in Kashmir (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*, Jackie Baillie*, John Finnie*, Ivan McKee*

S5M-00831 Bill Kidd: Predator Agreement (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*, Clare Haughey*

S5M-00830 Christina McKelvie: Big Lottery Funding for Women's Aid South Lanarkshire and East Renfrewshire (lodged on 21 July 2016)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

S5M-00827 John Mason: Automatic Voter Registration (lodged on 20 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00825 John Mason: 80th Anniversary of the Spanish Civil War (lodged on 20 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00821 Patrick Harvie: Glasgow Youth Council (lodged on 20 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00820 David Stewart: Award-winning Cyclist at 70 (lodged on 19 July 2016)

New Support: John Finnie*, Lewis Macdonald*

S5M-00817 Sandra White: Safeguarding Consumers from Scams (lodged on 19 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00816 Peter Chapman: Congratulations to Aden Country Park (lodged on 19 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00815 Gordon MacDonald: Fair Trade and Brexit (lodged on 19 July 2016)

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New Support: David Torrance*, John Finnie*

S5M-00814 David Stewart: Successful Hebridean Celtic Festival (lodged on 19 July 2016)

New Support: Lewis Macdonald*

S5M-00813 David Stewart: Trucker of the Year (lodged on 19 July 2016)

New Support: Lewis Macdonald*

S5M-00811 Kenneth Gibson: Justice for the Victims of Flight MH17 (lodged on 19 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00810 Emma Harper: The Music Room, Dumfries (lodged on 19 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00808 Sandra White: Congratulations to Tearfund Scotland (lodged on 19 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00807 Stuart McMillan: Top Award for Inverclyde Heritage Group (lodged on 19 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00805 Richard Lochhead: Findhorn Bay Festival 2016 (lodged on 18 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00804 Neil Findlay: Davey Hopper, a Giant of the Labour Movement (lodged on 18 July 2016)

New Support: Anas Sarwar*

S5M-00803 Annie Wells: City of Glasgow College's Riverside Maritime Campus Shortlisted for Architecture Prize (lodged on 15 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*, Edward Mountain*

S5M-00802 Tavish Scott: Congratulations to Ollie Jamieson on 100-mile Cycle around Shetland (lodged on 15 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00800 Gil Paterson: Funding for Clydebank Groups (lodged on 15 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00799 Bob Doris: Celebrating 15 Years of the Maryhill Integration Network (lodged on 15 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00798 George Adam: Outstanding Employer Engagement by UWS (lodged on 15 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

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S5M-00795 Lewis Macdonald: Norwegian Scouts Welcomed to Aberdeen (lodged on 15 July 2016)

New Support: Iain Gray*

S5M-00790 Annie Wells: Major Lottery Grant for LGBT Youth Scotland (lodged on 14 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00789 Jeremy Balfour: Universal Credit, Musselburgh Job Centre (lodged on 14 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00785 Tom Arthur: Congratulations to Morgan Spence from Kilbarchan (lodged on 14 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00784 Graeme Dey: Congratulations to Dianne Edgar (lodged on 14 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00783 Bill Kidd: Headway Glasgow And 3D Drumchapel receive Awards from Lloyds TSB Foundation (lodged on 14 July 2016)

New Support: David Torrance*

S5M-00781 Bill Kidd: Trident (lodged on 14 July 2016)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

S5M-00776 Monica Lennon: Youth Parliament's Report and Leadership on Mental Health (lodged on 13 July 2016)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S5M-00769 Miles Briggs: Honorary Doctorate for Richard Demarco (lodged on 13 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00768 Douglas Ross: Moray Recognises 60 Years of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award (lodged on 13 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00767 Douglas Ross: Learning Disability Conference Promotes the Gie's a Job Message (lodged on 13 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00761 Douglas Ross: Investment at RAF Lossiemouth (lodged on 12 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00760 Douglas Ross: Enzie Crossroads Community Woodland Association (lodged on 12 July 2016)

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New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00759 Alexander Burnett: WES Awards (lodged on 12 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00755 Oliver Mundell: SP Energy Networks Dumfries and Galloway Pylon Project (lodged on 11 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00753 Brian Whittle: Wimbledon (lodged on 11 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00750 Miles Briggs: Edinburgh Assay Office's Innovation Award (lodged on 11 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00747 Jackson Carlaw: Mearns After School Care Service (lodged on 11 July 2016)

New Support: Edward Mountain*

S5M-00728 Miles Briggs: Mrs Unis Spicy Foods Wins £150,000 Contract with Asda (lodged on 07 July 2016)

New Support: Alex Johnstone*

S5M-00727 Angus MacDonald: Protection of the Environment Essential Post-Brexit (lodged on 07 July 2016)

New Support: Iain Gray*, Anas Sarwar*, Alex Rowley*

S5M-00699 Miles Briggs: Support in Mind Scotland's 1 in 100 Campaign (lodged on 05 July 2016)

New Support: Alex Johnstone*

S5M-00691 Miles Briggs: National Museum of Scotland's New Galleries Opening Day, 8 July 2016 (lodged on 04 July 2016)

New Support: Alex Johnstone*

S5M-00673 David Stewart: Drug Driving Limits (lodged on 01 July 2016)

New Support: Johann Lamont*

S5M-00641 Douglas Ross: Sandy Stables Retires as Chairman of Keith FC (lodged on 29 June 2016)

New Support: Alex Johnstone*

S5M-00636 Peter Chapman: Welcoming the EU Decision on Glyphosate (lodged on 29 June 2016)

New Support: Alex Johnstone*

S5M-00622 Edward Mountain: Professor Eric Verspoor (lodged on 28 June 2016)

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New Support: Alex Johnstone*

S5M-00615 Jackson Carlaw: Clara Drummond Wins the BP Portrait Award 2016 (lodged on 28 June 2016)

New Support: Alex Johnstone*

S5M-00565 Miles Briggs: Opposition to Centralisation of Cleft Lip and Palate Surgery (lodged on 22 June 2016)

New Support: Willie Rennie*

S5M-00525 Stuart McMillan: Small Wind Co-op Launches Community Energy Funding Drive for Inverclyde (lodged on 20 June 2016)

New Support: Claudia Beamish*

S5M-00510 Donald Cameron: A National Care Framework for Huntington's Disease (lodged on 17 June 2016)

New Support: Bruce Crawford*, Stuart McMillan*, Rhoda Grant*, David Stewart*, Lewis Macdonald*, Ruth Davidson*, Elaine Smith*, Richard Lochhead*

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Written Questions

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

Inspired Questions are initiated by the Scottish Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

Inspired questions lodged on 25 July 2016

S5W-01624 Jenny Gilruth: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish its report on the recent consultation on whether there should be new offences for employers under the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007.

S5W-01631 Ash Denham: To ask the Scottish Government what information it can provide regarding the ministerial visit to the United States in April 2016.

Written questions lodged from 25 July to 29 July 2016

S5W-01591 Linda Fabiani: To ask the Scottish Government whether its funding for overseas development assistance contributes to the UK Government's 0.7% target for aid spending and, if so, by how much.

S5W-01592 Linda Fabiani: To ask the Scottish Government what its budget has been for (a) international development and (b) overseas development assistance in each year since 2007.

S5W-01594 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to deliver a national infrastructure agency with statutory powers to support development.

S5W-01595 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) sites of allocated land there are and (b) housing unit consents remain outstanding where development has not been brought forward in each local authority.

S5W-01596 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Housing Infrastructure Fund can be used to establish (a) renewable electricity and (b) district heating solutions in off-grid locations.

S5W-01597 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to (a) bring forward proposals to strengthen and (b) review the Scottish Historic Environment Policy and, if so, when.

S5W-01599 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government whether its proposed Planning Bill will include fundamental reform of the system.

S5W-01600 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government what mechanism will be used to allocate financial assistance to local authorities to strengthen their skills and capacity in housing delivery.

S5W-01601 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government what level of financial assistance (a) it has provided since 2011 and (b) will be provided to each local authority to strengthen their skills and capacity for housing delivery.

S5W-01602 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government what the level of (a) capital and (b) other expenditure has been in each local authority planning department in each year since 2011.

S5W-01603 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government how many planning practitioners have been employed in each local authority in each year since 2011.

S5W-01604 Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will prioritise development of brownfield land through its Housing Infrastructure Fund.

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S5W-01621 Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made in compiling the Land Register of Scotland.

S5W-01622 Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on how many homes were powered by renewable energy in (a) 2014 and (b) 2015.

S5W-01623 Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on how many churches are powered by renewable energy.

S5W-01625 Fulton MacGregor: To ask the Scottish Government what the estimated unitary charge costs are for the 25-year private contract period for HM Prison Addiewell.

S5W-01626 Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government how many carcasses have been recovered each year under the seal licences introduced by the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010; how many post-mortems were subsequently carried out, and what the results of these were with regard to the (a) cause and (b) duration of deaths.

S5W-01628 Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recommendations in the *Report of the Inaugural Quinquennial Review of the Operation of Seal Licensing System under the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010*, what action it is taking to increase the recovery of carcasses under the licence system.

S5W-01629 Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government what assurances it can give that funding that provides environmental and public benefits, which are currently provided for by the EU, for example through LEADER and LIFE programmes, will be protected into the future.

S5W-01632 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) black and minority ethnic (BME), (b) non-BME, (c) male and (d) female staff it has employed in each pay grade on 6 April in each year since 2011, broken down by (i) age and (ii) directorate.

S5W-01633 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what the (a) black and minority ethnic and (b) gender pay gap was among its staff expressed in (i) percentage and (ii) real-terms prices in each year since 2011-12, broken down by (A) age and (B) directorate.

S5W-01634 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what the average hourly earnings were of its (a) black and minority ethnic (BME), (b) non-BME, (c) male and (d) female employees in each year since 2011-12, broken down by (i) age and (ii) directorate.

S5W-01635 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government how much land classified as PGRS has been removed from that category in Shetland between the final year of the single farm payment system and the first year of the Basic Payment Scheme.

S5W-01636 John Lamont: To ask the Scottish Government what administrative and legal steps it (a) has taken, (b) is taking and (c) will take to prepare for a second referendum on Scottish independence.

S5W-01638 Mairi Evans: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has provided to registered social landlords in each year since 2007 to carry out home adaptations for (a) older and (b) disabled people, also broken down by the number of homes that have received this support.

S5W-01640 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to (a) prevent and (b) tackle youth homelessness.

S5W-01641 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government how many children have been (a) placed in (i) foster and (ii) kinship care and (b) classified as homeless as a result of parental imprisonment in each of the last five years.

S5W-01642 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to (a) prevent and (b) tackle homelessness among ex-prisoners and their families.

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S5W-01643 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what impact the local authority funding settlement for 2016-17 will have on homelessness in Glasgow.

S5W-01644 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government how much support it has provided to Glasgow City Council in addition to the annual local government settlement in each of the last five years, and what information it has on how much of this the council subsequently allocated to (a) employment schemes, (b) welfare reform measures, (c) reducing poverty, (d) providing free school meals, (e) maintaining teacher numbers, (f) capital investment, (g) integrating health and social care and (h) other support.

S5W-01645 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government how many households are in fuel poverty.

S5W-01646 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what action it takes to support people affected by in-work poverty.

S5W-01647 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what impact fuel poverty has on children's academic attainment and what action it is taking to address this.

S5W-01649 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what impact reductions in local government budget settlements have had on poverty rates, broken down by local authority.

S5W-01650 Joan McAlpine: To ask the Scottish Government what impact the UK Government's decision to suspend payments from the £3 billion European Regional Development Fund will have on Scotland.

S5W-01651 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4W-30300 by Maureen Watt on 17 March 2016, whether it plans to vaccinate older children against meningitis B.

S5W-01652 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many cancer patients have been offered cryopreservation of (a) eggs, (b) sperm and (c) embryos in each year since 1999, and whether it plans to extend this.

S5W-01654 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many cases of food poisoning have been recorded in each year since 1999.

S5W-01655 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many prescriptions for (a) paracetamol, (b) ibuprofen, (c) aspirin, (d) sun cream and (e) eye drops have been issued in each year since 1999, and what the average cost was to the NHS to issue these.

S5W-01657 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) people have been arrested on and (b) times the police have been called to NHS sites in each year since 1999.

S5W-01659 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many recorded cases there have been of property being stolen at NHS sites in each year since 1999.

S5W-01660 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been raised from hospital car parking charges in each year since 1999.

S5W-01661 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how much each NHS board has raised from the sale of (a) land and (b) property in each year since 1999.

S5W-01662 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to expand the 'tell me once' service for bereaved families in Scotland.

S5W-01663 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how much it costs Edinburgh City Council to host events linked to its capital city status.

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S5W-01664 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to improve (a) road safety on and (b) the surface of the (i) A702 and (ii) A71.

S5W-01666 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish an updated suicide prevention strategy.

S5W-01667 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many mental health organisations it has provided funding to in each year since 1999.

S5W-01668 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many phone calls have been received each year by Breathing Space.

S5W-01669 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many under 18s requiring mental health services have been admitted to adult wards in each year since 1999.

S5W-01670 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on providing cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training to all public sector employees.

S5W-01671 Alison Johnstone: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on extending positive behaviour support as an alternative to restraint and seclusion measures to all schools working with children and young people with learning disabilities.

S5W-01672 Alison Johnstone: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the recommendation in the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child's report, *Concluding observations on the fifth periodic report of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*, that (a) mental health legislation should be reviewed to ensure that the interests of under 16-year-olds are taken into account, (b) the prescription of psychotropic drugs to children with behavioural problems should only be used as a last resort and that data should be collected on the amount and regularity that these are prescribed, (c) data should be collected on the food security of children in order to identify the root causes of child food insecurity and malnutrition and (d) restraint and seclusion in schools on children with learning disabilities should only be used as a last resort.

S5W-01677 Jackie Baillie: To ask Scottish Government how many wind farm applications, which have been determined as a result of the project being either close to, or inside, an area of wild land under both section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 and the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997, have been (a) consented and (b) refused since the wild land map was published in June 2014.

S5W-01678 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-01080 by Humza Yousaf on 15 July 2016, what proportion of and how many services are permitted to run in a month without a second person on board before the operator incurs penalties.

S5W-01679 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-01080 by Humza Yousaf on 15 July 2016, whether it will provide a breakdown of the fines incurred for each failure.

S5W-01680 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-01080 by Humza Yousaf on 15 July 2016, how many (a) non-driver only control and (b) driver-only controlled trains were in service in each period.

S5W-01681 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-01078 by Humza Yousaf on 15 July 2016, for what reasons the service quality incentive regime does not include the safety-critical operational duties of a second member of crew on driver-control operated routes.

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S5W-01682 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-01080 by Humza Yousaf on 15 July 2016, how it assesses the endeavours to maintain the minimum staffing level.

S5W-01683 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-01080 by Humza Yousaf on 15 July 2016, how many services breached the minimum threshold for (a) the provision of customer care and (b) ticket inspection by staff in each four-weekly reporting period since June 2015, also broken down by the fines incurred.

S5W-01687 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of passenger train services operated with only one member of staff on board in (a) 2014-15 and (b) 2015-16, also broken down by class of rolling stock.

S5W-01688 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with (a) the UK Government and (b) Network Rail regarding the extension of driver-controlled operations on ScotRail services.

S5W-01689 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the payments made under the Schedule 8 scheme by Network Rail to ScotRail for disruption to services in each year since 2008.

S5W-01690 Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government what the pain management budget has been in each NHS board area in each year since 2010.

S5W-01691 Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government what the (a) average and (b) longest wait has been for patients to receive subsequent pain relief procedures following their initial pain relief treatment in each NHS board area in each of the last five years.

S5W-01692 Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government what monitoring it carries out in respect of waiting times for subsequent treatments for chronic pain relief procedures after a patient has had an initial pain relief treatment.

S5W-01693 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government what the process will be for the selection of the new commissioner of the Scottish Fiscal Commission and by what date the appointment will be announced.

S5W-01694 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason its report, *Provisional Outturn 2015-16 and Budget Estimates 2016-17*, records (a) an underspend in the financial transactions budget and (b) a £128 million overspend in the health line.

S5W-01696 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government when the (a) First Minister, (b) Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Constitution and (c) other Cabinet members last had discussions with the Governor of the Bank of England and what matters were raised.

S5W-01697 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government whether it allocates funding to allow 14 to 18-year-olds from poorer backgrounds access to private tutoring and, if so, how much.

S5W-01698 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the private tutoring of 14 to 18-year-olds, including how this impacts on equalities.

S5W-01699 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government whether it offers guidance on the private tutoring of 14 to 18-year-olds and, if so, whether this includes its position on how much tutors should charge.

S5W-01701 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding the number of private tutors of 14 to 18-year-olds there are in each local authority area.

S5W-01703 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recommendations in the National Prisoner Healthcare Network report, *Brain Injury and Offending*.

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S5W-01704 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to reduce offending by people with acquired brain injury.

S5W-01705 Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that changes to the Scottish Welfare Funding mechanism that are informed by the Income Domain of the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation will adequately respond to any acute downturns in the economy of North East Scotland.

S5W-01706 Kenneth Gibson: To ask Scottish Government when it will announce its decision to approve or to put out to formal consultation, the proposed Clyde regulating order.

S5W-01707 Kenneth Gibson: To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that the membership of the Clyde Marine Planning Partnership achieves parity between all stakeholders; who will be responsible for this and, if applications for membership are rejected, what appeal process will be available.

S5W-01708 Kenneth Gibson: To ask the Scottish Government how regularly Clyde 2020 will report formally to the Clyde Marine Planning Partnership and what format will the report take.

S5W-01709 Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what regulations apply to the use of gas gun bird scarers.

S5W-01710 Ben Macpherson: To ask the Scottish Government how many people have arrived in Scotland through the Syrian Resettlement Programme.

S5W-01712 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government how many public sector staff who are expected to become a Named Person (a) have received training, (b) are being trained and (c) have yet to be trained, broken down by employer.

S5W-01713 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government how much it will cost to train public sector staff as Named Persons.

S5W-01715 Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of the funding available for the Young Farmers Start Up Grant has already been allocated; how this will impact on applications to the Scottish Rural Development Programme 2014-2020, and whether it will make additional funds available to ensure that new applicants receive an assessment and grant that is in line with prior applications.

S5W-01716 John Lamont: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to reduce the number of police officers.

S5W-01717 John Lamont: To ask the Scottish Government whether it remains committed to its pledge to maintain 1,000 extra police officers from the 16,234 police officers recorded in March 2007.

S5W-01718 John Lamont: To ask the Scottish Government whether it remains committed to its pledge in the 2016-17 Budget to "retain police officer numbers at 1,000 higher than in 2007".

S5W-01719 John Lamont: To ask the Scottish Government what its response would be to a sharp drop in the number of police officers.

S5W-01720 Tom Arthur: To ask the Scottish Government how much sportscotland has invested in para-sports in each year since 2007-08.

S5W-01721 Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the proposed closure of trauma and orthopaedic services at Monklands Hospital, what discussions it has had with NHS Lanarkshire regarding visitor transport services for patients who are admitted to (a) Hairmyres Hospital and (b) Wishaw General Hospital.

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S5W-01722 Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government how many emergency admissions there have been in each NHS board area in each year since 2006, also broken down by hospital.

S5W-01723 Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government, if the proposed closure of trauma and orthopaedic services at Monklands Hospital takes place, how many additional ambulances would be required for the NHS Lanarkshire area.

S5W-01724 Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what the 10 busiest A&E departments have been in each of the last five years, broken down by (a) hospital and (b) the number of admissions.

S5W-01730 Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that inspections of claimants by its Agriculture, Food and Rural Communities Directorate and any subsequent issue of sanctions for non-compliance are carried out on a legal basis.

S5W-01731 Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government what action its Agriculture, Food and Rural Communities Directorate takes to (a) identify and (b) support claimants who have dyslexia or poor literacy, and whether it takes these into account when errors in record keeping are discovered.

S5W-01732 Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4O-05555 by Shona Robison on 11 February 2016 (*Official Report*, c. 2), whether it will provide an update on what action it is taking to increase the number of GPs in rural areas, including the incentives that are made available to rural practices.

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Proposals for Members' Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no indication is given that the Scottish Government or UK Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at Proposals for Members' Bills/Session 5 Proposals:
<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/99953.aspx>

New or Reprinted Draft Proposals

James Kelly: Proposed Football Act (Repeal) (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to repeal the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012. (lodged 27 July 2016)

A consultation document, lodged with the proposal, may be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) or, from 8am on 1 August, on the website page referred to above. The consultation period runs from 1 August to 23 October 2016.

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

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Cultural Property (Armed Conflicts) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-1
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Investigatory Powers Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-2
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Lead committee to report by 28 October 2016

[Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Treatment of Crown Estate Scotland \(Interim Management\) as Specified Authority\) Order 2016 \[draft\] \(30 June 2016\)](#)
(Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 7 September 2016

Lead committee to report by 5 September 2016

[Sexual Offences Act 2003 \(Prescribed Police Stations\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/187\) \(26 May 2016\)](#) (Justice)

[Air Weapons Licensing \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/188\) \(26 May 2016\)](#) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 15 September 2016

Lead committee to report by 12 September 2016

[Foods for Specific Groups \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/190\) \(3 June 2016\)](#) (Health and Sport)

[Food Information \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/191\) \(3 June 2016\)](#) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 21 September 2016

Lead committee to report by 19 September 2016

[National Health Service \(Free Prescriptions and Charges for Drugs and Appliances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/195\) \(9 June 2016\)](#) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 29 October 2016

Lead committee to report by 24 October 2016

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Rules Order of Council 2016 \(SI 2016/693\) \(1 July 2016\)](#) (Health and Sport)

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Committee Reports

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Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 26 July 2016 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Queen's and Lords Treasurer's Remembrancer Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016 (SG/2016/116) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Crown Office & Procurator Fiscal Service Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016 (SG/2016/117) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 27 July 2016 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Compendium of Case Reports for July 2016 (SPSO/2016/06) laid before the Scottish Parliament by the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman under Sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002—

- Volume 1 of 3 Case ref: 201507563, Lothian NHS Board
- Volume 2 of 3 Annex: Report of Discontinued Investigations
- Volume 3 of 3 Annex: Report of Discontinued Investigations

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Annual Report and Accounts year ended 31 March 2016 (SG/2016/125) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 28 July 2016 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Treasure Trove in Scotland - Report by Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer 2015/2016 (SG/2016/120) laid before the Scottish Parliament at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power

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