

Tuesday 20 December 2016

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*

Revised at 12:45pm



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection - Right Reverend Dr Nigel Peyton, Bishop of Brechin

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Motion of Condolence

**followed by** Topical Questions

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Scotland's Place in Europe

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Improving the Care Experience for Looked After Children

**followed by** Legislative Consent Motion: Higher Education and Research Bill - UK Legislation

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-02554 Kezia Dugdale: Tackling Mesothelioma in Scotland

### Committee Meetings

**9:30am** Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

**10:00am** Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

**10:00am** Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

**10:00am** Health and Sport Committee

**10:00am** Justice Committee

## Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm Time for Reflection - Right Reverend Dr Nigel Peyton, Bishop of Brechin**

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**followed by Motion of Condolence**

**[S5M-03173 Ruth Davidson: Motion of Condolence](#)**—That the Parliament expresses its deep regret and sadness at the untimely death of Alex Johnstone MSP; offers its sympathy and condolences to his family and friends; recognises the high esteem in which he was held by colleagues from all parties, and appreciates his contribution as a principled public servant dedicated to the people of the north east.

**followed by Topical Questions**

**1. Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government how many women have had transvaginal mesh implants since it requested NHS boards to suspend their use in June 2014. ([S5T-00274](#))

**2. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it has downgraded its forecast of revenues from the residential element of Lands and Buildings Transaction Tax. ([S5T-00277](#))

**followed by Ministerial Statement: Scotland's Place in Europe**

**followed by Scottish Government Debate: Improving the Care Experience for Looked After Children**

**[S5M-03190 Mark McDonald: Improving the Care Experience for Looked After Children](#)**—That the Parliament welcomes the first-ever independent review of Scotland's care system; agrees that the approach will be collaborative, working with care-experienced young people, relevant professionals and carers to gain insight and develop meaningful improvements; agrees to inform the review through the voices of care-experienced young people; acknowledges that recommendations should be achievable, and supports the need to embed sustainable, ongoing improvement so that every child who experiences the care system has their needs fully met and feels loved.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendment

**[S5M-03190.2 Jeremy Balfour: Improving the Care Experience for Looked After Children](#)**—As an amendment to motion S5M-03190 in the name of Mark McDonald (Improving the Care Experience for Looked After Children), after "working with" insert "councillors in local authority areas, who have a duty of care for looked after children,".

**followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Higher Education and Research Bill - UK Legislation**

**[S5M-03181](#) John Swinney: Higher Education and Research Bill - UK Legislation**—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant amendments to the Higher Education and Research Bill, introduced in the House of Commons, relating to extending the power of the Office for Students (OfS) to make arrangements under clause 25 of the Bill so as to also include Scottish higher education providers where Scottish Ministers consent; to allow joint working with Research England (UKRI) and the OfS and the Scottish Further and Higher Education Funding Council and clarify the Secretary of State's powers to fund research, to ensure that they are as broad as the Research Councils, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament or alter the executive power of Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

### followed by Business Motions

**[S5M-03222](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion**—That the Parliament agrees to the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 21 December 2016—

delete

4.45 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.00 pm Decision Time

### followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

#### 5:00 pm Decision Time

### followed by Members' Business

#### Debate on the subject of—

**[S5M-02554](#) Kezia Dugdale: Tackling Mesothelioma in Scotland**—That the Parliament recognises the need to tackle mesothelioma, which is a cancerous disease linked to heavy use of asbestos in Scottish industries between the 1940s and mid-1970s; welcomes the publication of Mesothelioma UK's five-year strategy, *Dedicated to Making Mesothelioma Matter*; notes the extraordinary work of support groups, campaigners, trade unions and charities in supporting those affected by mesothelioma in the Lothian region and across Scotland, and believes that, with Scottish Government support, Scotland can be a world leader in improving research, care and access to support for those affected by mesothelioma.

## Committee Meetings

All meetings take place in the Scottish Parliament, unless otherwise specified.

### Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee 16th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

- Inquiry on the Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union (in private):** The Committee will consider its draft letters to the Scottish and UK Governments on the Inquiry on the Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union.
- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
- Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18 from—  
Keith Brown, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work, The Scottish Government;  
Chris Stark, Director of Energy and Climate Change, Mary McAllan, Director for Economic Development, and Hugh McAloon, Head of Youth Employment, Scottish Government.
- Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.

### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 15th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

- Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Caseins and Caseinates \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/422\);](#)  
[Valuation for Rating \(Decapitalisation Rate\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/402\);](#)  
[Road Traffic \(Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area\) \(East Lothian Council\) Designation Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/407\);](#)  
[Parking Attendants \(Wearing of Uniforms\) \(East Lothian Council Parking Area\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/408\);](#)  
[Road Traffic \(Parking Adjudicators\) \(East Lothian Council\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/409\);](#)  
[Community Empowerment \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/411\);](#)  
[Regulation of Care \(Prescribed Registers\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/413\).](#)
- Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Act of Sederunt \(Sheriff Court Rules Amendment\) \(Electronic Authentication\) 2016 \(SSI 2016/415\);](#)  
[Burial and Cremation \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Commencement No. 1, Transitory and Transitional Provisions\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/417 \(C.43\)\).](#)

### Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

## 16th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18 from—  
Roseanna Cunningham, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform, Keith Connal, Deputy Director, Natural Resources, Neil Ritchie, Acting Head of Division, Marine Planning and Policy, John Ireland, Deputy Director of Low Carbon Economy Division, and David Palmer, Branch Head, Natural Assets and Flooding, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
Tweed Regulation (Salmon Conservation) (No.2) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/391);  
  
The Conservation of Salmon (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI/392).
4. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18:** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

## Health and Sport Committee

### 16th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
The National Health Service (Dietitian Supplementary Prescribers and Therapeutic Radiographer Independent Prescribers) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/393)  
  
The Patient Rights (Complaints Procedure and Consequential Provisions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/401)
2. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18 from—  
Shona Robison, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Christine McLaughlin, Director of Health Finance, and Paul Gray, Director General Health & Social Care and Chief Executive NHSScotland, Scottish Government.

## Justice Committee

### 13th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Draft Budget Scrutiny 2017-18:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18 from—  
Rt Hon James Wolffe QC, Lord Advocate;  
David Harvie, Crown Agent and Chief Executive, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.
3. **Inquiry into the role and purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Michelle Macleod, HM Chief Inspector of Prosecution in Scotland;

Dawn Lewington, Assistant Inspector, HM Inspectorate of Prosecution in Scotland.

4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
Lyon Court and Office Fees (Variation) (Devolved Functions) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/390).
5. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting on 15 December 2016 from the Convener of the Sub-Committee.
6. **Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
7. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme including its approach to future EU engagement.

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