

Monday 31 October 2016

# Business Bulletin

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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

There are no meetings today.

## Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 26 October 2016

### Tuesday 1 November 2016

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection - Reverend Dr Jaco Boonzaaier, Minister, Broxburn Parish Church

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: UK Referendum on EU Membership: Impacts on Justice and Security in Scotland

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-01815 Jeremy Balfour: 100th Anniversary of the Cub Scouts

### Wednesday 2 November 2016

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Economy, Jobs and Fair Work  
Finance and the Constitution

**followed by** Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Justice

**followed by** Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Health

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-01360 Sandra White: Welfare Conditionality Study

### Thursday 3 November 2016

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**12:45 pm** Members' Business — S5M-01511 Alex Rowley: The Cost of Saying Goodbye, Burial and Cremation Charges in Scotland

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Scottish Government Debate: Realising Scotland's Full Potential in a Digital World

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Tuesday 8 November 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 9 November 2016

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Rural Economy and Connectivity;  
Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Thursday 10 November 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 Parliamentary Corporate Body Question Time

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## 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.

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

### Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

1 November 2016

9th Meeting, 2016

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Enterprise Agencies:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Linda Hanna, Managing Director, Strategy and Sectors, Scottish Enterprise;  
Charlotte Wright, Interim Chief Executive, Highlands and Islands Enterprise;  
Gordon McGuinness, Director of Industry & Enterprise Networks, Skills Development Scotland;  
Dr John Kemp, Interim Chief Executive, Scottish Funding Council;  
Douglas Duff, Head of Economic Development and Environmental Services, Falkirk Council and Business Gateway Management Group (Chair).
3. **Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union:** The Committee will take evidence, in round-table format, from—  
Dr Graeme Roy, Director, Fraser of Allander Institute;  
Richard Marsh, Director, 4-Consulting;  
Stephen Boyle, Chief Economist, The Royal Bank of Scotland;  
Dr Matias Margulis, Lecturer, University of Stirling;  
Dr Fabian Zuleeg, Chief Executive and Chief Economist, European Policy Centre;  
Jane Gotts, Director, GenAnalytics Ltd;  
Jenny Stewart, Head of Infrastructure and Government, KPMG.
4. **Enterprise Agencies:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.
5. **Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.

### Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 8 November, the Committee expects to take evidence on Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union.

For further information contact the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5403 or email

[economyjobsandfairwork@parliament.scot](mailto:economyjobsandfairwork@parliament.scot).

### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

1 November 2016

9th Meeting, 2016

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

1. **Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 2016 - Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the—
  - [Bankruptcy \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \[draft\];](#)
  - [Protected Trust Deeds \(Forms\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \[draft\];](#)
  - [Protected Trust Deeds \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \[draft\];](#)
  - [Bankruptcy \(Applications and Decisions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/295\);](#)
  - [Bankruptcy \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Commencement\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/294 \(C.27\)\)](#)

from—

  - Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Business, Innovation and Energy;
  - Graham Fisher, Head of Branch 1, Constitutional and Civil Law Division, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government;
  - Alex Reid, Head of Policy Development, Accountant in Bankruptcy;
  - Carol Kirk, Policy Review Team Leader, Accountant in Bankruptcy.
2. **Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 2016 - Subordinate legislation:** Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Business, Innovation and Energy to move—
  - S5M-02136—That the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee recommends that the [Protected Trust Deeds \(Forms\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \[draft\]](#) be approved.
  - S5M-02137—That the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee recommends that the [Protected Trust Deeds \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \[draft\]](#) be approved.
  - S5M-02138—That the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee recommends that the [Bankruptcy \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \[draft\]](#) be approved.
3. **Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 2016 - Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
  - [Bankruptcy \(Applications and Decisions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/295\).](#)
4. **Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 2016 - Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
  - [Bankruptcy \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Commencement\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/294 \(C.27\)\).](#)
5. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
  - [Air Weapons Licensing \(Exemptions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \[draft\];](#)
  - [Crofting Commission \(Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \[draft\].](#)
6. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
  - [Act of Sederunt \(Fees of Solicitors and Shorthand Writers in the Court of Session, Sheriff Appeal Court and Sheriff Court Amendment\) 2016 \(SSI 2016/316\);](#)
  - [General Pharmaceutical Council \(Amendment of Miscellaneous Provisions\) Rules Order of Council 2016 \(SI 2016/1008\).](#)
7. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
  - [Act of Sederunt \(Sheriff Court Bankruptcy Rules\) 2016 \(SSI 2016/313\);](#)
  - [Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session, Sheriff Appeal Court Rules and Sheriff Court Rules Amendment\) \(Bankruptcy \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(SSI 2016/312\);](#)
  - [Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session 1994 and Sheriff Court Rules Amendment\) \(No. 4\) \(Simple Procedure\) 2016 \(SSI 2016/315\);](#)
  - [Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session 1994 Amendment\) \(Postal Administration\) 2016 \(SSI 2016/318\);](#)

[Act of Sederunt \(Rules of the Court of Session 1994 and Summary Application Rules 1999 Amendment\) \(Serious Crime Prevention Orders etc.\) 2016 \(SSI 2016/319\);](#)  
[Scottish Fiscal Commission Act 2016 \(Commencement and Transitory Provision\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/326 \(C.30\)\).](#)

### **Proposed future business**

The Committee will next meet on Tuesday 8 November. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5212 or at [dplr.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:dplr.committee@parliament.scot)

### **Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 1 November 2016 9th 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. **Biodiversity: Scotland's progress to 2020:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Adam Smith, Director Scotland, Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust;  
Duncan Orr-Ewing, Head of Species and Land Management, The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds Scotland;  
Calum Duncan, Head of Conservation Scotland, Marine Conservation Society;  
Chris Ellis, Head of Cryptogamic Botany, Royal Botanical Gardens;  
Catherine Lloyd, Tayside Biodiversity Co-ordinator, Tayside Biodiversity Partnership;  
Bruce Wilson, Senior Policy Officer, Scottish Wildlife Trust;  
William McGhee, Forest Policy Group.
3. **Petition PE1490:** The Committee will consider a petition by Patrick Krause on the control of wild goose numbers.
4. **Biodiversity: Scotland's progress to 2020 (in private):** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Scotland's greenhouse gas emissions targets and climate change adaptation (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to evidence heard at previous meetings.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 8 November, the Committee will take evidence from Marine Scotland and Scottish Natural Heritage on the Scottish Government's Draft Budget 2017-18 and will also consider its climate change plan engagement approach paper.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Tullis, on 0131 348 5240 or [ecclr.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:ecclr.committee@parliament.scot).

### **Health and Sport Committee 1 November 2016 9th Meeting, 2016**

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

1. **Recruitment and Retention:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Adam Longhorn, Vice Convener, Allied Health Professions Federation (Scotland);  
Jill Vickerman, National Director, British Medical Association Scotland;



Trisha Hall, Country Manager, Scottish Association of Social Work;  
Candy Millard, Head of Strategic Services, East Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership;  
Caroline Lamb, Chief Executive, NHS Education for Scotland;  
Sian Kiely, Scottish Knowledge and Research Manager, Professional Practice, Royal College of Nursing;  
Dave Watson, Head of Policy and Public Affairs, UNISON Scotland;

and then from—

Gill McVicar, Director of Operations, North and West Operational Unit, NHS Highland;  
Ron Culley, Chief Officer, Western Isles Health and Social Care Partnership;  
David Hogg, Rural GP on Isle of Arran and Scottish Council Member, Royal College of General Practitioners;  
Dr Donald Macaskill, Chief Executive, Scottish Care;  
William S McKerrow, Chair, Scottish School of Rural Health and Wellbeing;  
Stuart Fergusson, Clinical Leadership Fellow, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, and Specialty Registrar in General Surgery;  
Gillian Smith, Director, Royal College of Midwives Scotland;  
James Cannon, Director of Regional Planning, North of Scotland Regional Planning Group.

2. **Delayed Discharges (in private):** The Committee will discuss the Scottish Government response.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, David Cullum, on 0131 348 5410, or email, [healthandsport@parliament.scot](mailto:healthandsport@parliament.scot).

## **Justice Committee**

**1 November 2016**

**8th Meeting, 2016**

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the—  
Sheriff Court Simple Procedure (Limits on Award of Expenses) Order 2016 [draft];  
  
Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (Relevant Officer and Consequential Provisions) Order 2016 [draft];  
  
from—  
Annabelle Ewing, Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs, Walter Drummond-Murray, Civil Law and Legal System Division, and Greig Walker, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Annabelle Ewing (Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs) to move—  
S5M-01714—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Sheriff Court Simple Procedure (Limits on Award of Expenses) Order 2016 [draft] be approved.

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S5M-02128—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (Relevant Officer and Consequential Provisions) Order 2016 [draft] be approved.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 2016 [draft] from—  
Annabelle Ewing, Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs, Walter Drummond-Murray, Civil Law and Legal System Division, and Greig Walker, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** Annabell Ewing (Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs) to move—  
S5M-01715—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 2016 [draft] be approved;
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/290);  
  
Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2016 (SSI 2016/317).
6. **The future of British Transport Police in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence, in round-table format, from—  
Chief Superintendent Gordon Crosson, President, Association of Scottish Police Superintendents;  
Deputy Chief Constable Adrian Hanstock, British Transport Police;  
Nigel Goodband, Chairman, and Darren Townsend, General Secretary, British Transport Police Federation Scotland;  
Assistant Chief Constable Bernard Higgins, Operations and Justice, Police Scotland;  
Nick Fyfe, Founding Director, Scottish Institute for Policing Research;  
John Foley, Chief Executive, Scottish Police Authority.
7. **Inquiry into the role and purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Liz Dahl, Chief Executive, Circle;  
Steve Farrell, Lead Organiser for Scotland, Community;  
Professor Nancy Loucks, Chief Executive, Families Outside.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 15 November, the Committee expects to continue taking evidence on its inquiry into the role and purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service and to consider subordinate legislation. For further information, contact Peter McGrath, the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email [peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot](mailto:peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot)

### **Education and Skills Committee**

**2 November 2016**

**9th Meeting, 2016**

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
Additional Support for Learning (Sources of Information) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/299).
2. **Overview Sessions:** The Committee will take evidence on issues raised in its overview sessions on Further and Higher Education, Skills, Attainment, Children's Services, Curriculum for Excellence and Early Years, from—

John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, Aileen McKechnie, Director, Advanced Learning and Science, and Fiona Robertson, Director of Learning, Scottish Government.

3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 9 November, the Committee will take evidence from Skills Development Scotland as part of its pre-budget scrutiny of public bodies.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Roz Thomson on 0131 348 5204 or by email: [es.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:es.committee@parliament.scot).

## **Finance and Constitution Committee**

**2 November 2016**

**9th Meeting, 2016**

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Public Finances and Economic Performance:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Professor David Bell, Professor of Economics, University of Stirling;  
Professor David Heald, Professor of Public Sector Accounting, University of Glasgow.
3. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Jim Johnston, by calling 0131 3485215 or by emailing [FCC@parliament.scot](mailto:FCC@parliament.scot).

## **Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee**

**2 November 2016**

**8th Meeting, 2016**

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

1. **Review of priorities for crofting law reform:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Lucy Sumsion, Crofting Policy Manager and Regional Manager for Argyll and the Islands, NFU Scotland;  
Patrick Krause, Chief Executive, Scottish Crofting Federation (SCF);  
Donald MacKinnon, SCF Young Crofters;  
Peter Peacock, Policy Director, Community Land Scotland;  
Murray McCheyne, Chair of Crofting Policy Group, Scottish Land and Estates.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 9 November, the Committee will take evidence from Crofting Legal Experts.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5211 or at [rec.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:rec.committee@parliament.scot)

## **Local Government and Communities Committee**

## 2 November 2016

### 9th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

- Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland Annual Report and Accounts 2015-16:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Bill Thomson, Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland;  
Ruth Hogg, Investigations Manager, Office of the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.
- Scottish local government elections and voting:** The Committee will take evidence, in a roundtable format, from—  
Dr Lynn Bennie, Reader in Politics, School of Social Science, University of Aberdeen;  
Willie Sullivan, Director, Electoral Reform Society Scotland;  
Sarah Paterson, Public Affairs, Media and Communications, YouthLink Scotland;  
Victoria Hannigan, Modern Studies Association;  
Dave Watson, Head of Policy and Public Affairs, UNISON Scotland;  
Debbie King, Campaigns and Public Affairs Manager, Shelter Scotland;  
Suzanne Munday, Director, MECOPP;  
Kayleigh Thorpe, Campaigns and Policy Manager, ENABLE Scotland.
- Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2.

### Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 9 November, the Committee expects to take evidence as part of its budget scrutiny for 2017-18.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Clare Hawthorne on 0131-348-6037 or [LGCCCommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:LGCCCommittee@parliament.scot).

## Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

### 3 November 2016

#### 7th Meeting, 2016

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
- Section 23 report - NHS in Scotland 2016:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "NHS in Scotland 2016" from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Angela Canning, Carol Calder, Senior Manager, and Jillian Matthew, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
- Section 22 report - The 2015/16 audit of NHS 24:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "The 2015/16 audit of NHS 24: Update on management of an IT contract" from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Carol Calder, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;  
Nick Bennett, Partner, Scott-Moncrieff.
- Section 22 report - The 2015/16 audit of NHS Tayside:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "The 2015/16 audit of NHS Tayside: Financial sustainability" from—

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- Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Carol Calder, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;  
Kenny Wilson, Partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers.
- Section 23 report - NHS in Scotland 2016:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Angela Canning, Carol Calder, Senior Manager, and Jillian Matthew, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
  - Section 22 report - The 2015/16 audit of NHS 24:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Carol Calder, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;  
Nick Bennett, Partner, Scott-Moncrieff.
  - Section 22 report - The 2015/16 audit of NHS Tayside:** The Committee will consider the evidence received at agenda item 4 and take further evidence from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Carol Calder, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;  
Kenny Wilson, Partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 10 November, the Committee will take evidence from Audit Scotland and the Permanent Secretary on the Scottish Government Consolidated Accounts and from the Permanent Secretary on CAP Futures.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Terry Shevlin, on 0131 348 5390 or [papls.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:papls.committee@parliament.scot).

## **Equalities and Human Rights Committee**

**3 November 2016**

**7th Meeting, 2016**

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

- Departure of the UK from the European Union - implications for equalities and human rights:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Lynn Welsh, Head of Legal in Scotland, Equality and Human Rights Commission;  
Judith Robertson, Chair, Scottish Human Rights Commission;  
and then from—  
Dr Tobias Lock, Senior Lecturer in EU Law, and Dr Cormac Mac Amhlaigh, Senior Lecturer in Law, University of Edinburgh;  
Prof Muriel Robison, Lecturer in Law, University of Glasgow;  
Prof Nicole Busby, Professor of Labour Law, University of Strathclyde.
- Departure of the UK from the European Union - implications for equalities and human rights (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence received.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 10 November, the Committee the Committee will undertake a scoping session with witnesses on the issue of Bullying and harassment of children and young people in schools.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee by email at: [equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot](mailto:equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot) or by phone on 0131 348 5223.

**Social Security Committee**  
**3 November 2016**  
**7th 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 item 3 in private.
2. **Social security:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Rt Hon Damian Green MP, Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, UK Government;  
Richard Cornish, Devolution Director, and Denise Horsfall, Work Services Director for Scotland, Department for Work and Pensions.
3. **Social security:** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

**Proposed future business**

At its next meeting on 10 November, the Committee expects to consider its approach to the Scottish Government's draft Budget and to take evidence for its inquiry on Universal Credit.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Simon Watkins, on 0131 348 5228 or by email at: [SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot)

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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
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- 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 achieved cross party support

**\*[S5M-02193](#) David Stewart: Highlands and Islands Enterprise's Major Contribution**—That the Parliament notes the major contribution of Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE), and its predecessor, the Highlands and Islands Development Board, over the last 50 years; recognises what it sees as the real added value that HIE has made to the economy of the Highlands and Islands, both in terms of economic and community development and in helping to reverse depopulation; further notes that one of the biggest developments is in the perception of the region in that young people's attitudes towards the area appear increasingly positive, and considers that the organisation is a crucial part of Scotland's economic and social development strategy.

Supported by: Richard Lyle\*, John Lamont\*, Lewis Macdonald\*

### Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

**\*[S5M-02181](#) Margaret Mitchell: Pathways to Confidence for Children and Young People**—That the Parliament congratulates the partnership project, Pathways to Confidence, on its second anniversary; considers this an outstanding initiative that aims to improve outcomes for eight-to-14-year-olds and their families in the Bellshill, Uddingston, Hamilton and Blantyre areas; notes that it was launched in October 2014 and is funded by William Grant and Sons Ltd through Foundation Scotland; recognises that the project engages with young people and their principle carers through one-to-one mentoring and befriending, which, it believes, helps families in accessing other services in order to address specific needs and long-term support; understands that it aims to increase self-esteem by identifying the young people's goals and assisting them in achieving these; notes that the principal partners in the project are COVEY Befriending, Bellshill and Mossend YMCA, Airdrie Citizens Advice, Family Mediation, Partners in Play and the Hamilton Information Project for Youth; believes that, through the Pathways to Confidence partnership, families have benefited from increased income, access to specialist services and the resolution of childcare issues; notes the anniversary celebration that was held on 26 October 2016 at which young people shared their positive experiences of the project; considers that the partnership is doing invaluable work to support some of the most vulnerable families in the Central Scotland region, and believes that, if it was replicated elsewhere in the country, it could achieve the same positive outcomes.

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Supported by: Maurice Corry\*, Richard Lyle\*, John Lamont\*, Donald Cameron\*, Alison Harris\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Peter Chapman\*

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*S5M-02196 Liam McArthur: Orkney Finalists in the 2016 Scottish Health Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates the NHS Orkney staff members, Pam Halliday and Steven Johnston, on reaching the finals of this year's Scottish Health Awards, in the Midwife and the Dentist categories respectively; believes that this is recognition of their outstanding contribution to healthcare in Orkney; notes that the awards ceremony will take place in Edinburgh on 3 November 2016, and wishes Pam, Steven and all those nominated for awards the best of luck.

**\*S5M-02195 Liam McArthur: Thorfinn FC Mark 125th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Kirkwall Thorfinn FC on its 125th anniversary; notes that the anniversary milestone was marked by a celebratory gala dinner at Kirkwall Grammar School on 15 October 2016; further congratulates the 17 players, Steven Miller, Eric Kemp, Alan Findlay, Andy Kemp, Brian Firth, Bruce Donaldson, Fraser Byers, George Stout, Jim "Dook" Donaldson, Graham Johnston, Johnny "Jecko" Johnston, Norrie Drever, Paddy Highly, Colin "Paddy" Kirkpatrick, Erik "Peem" Bews, Ronnie Paterson and Brian Kemp, inducted into the Kirkwall Thorfinn's Hall of Fame for their significant contribution to football in Orkney; notes that Neil Moncrieff of Lerwick Spurs FC attended the dinner and presented a trophy to the Thorfinn President, James Linklater, to celebrate the long-standing association and friendship between the two clubs; further notes that memorabilia was on display from various Thorfinn eras and triumphs; recognises the huge success of the event; considers that everyone behind the scenes who helped and provided their support deserve credit for their hard work; acknowledges the contribution that football clubs like Thorfinn make to their communities in Orkney and across Scotland, and wishes everyone well for the next 125 years.

**\*S5M-02192 Colin Beattie: Kings Park Nominated for UK's Best Park, as Voted by YOU! 2016 Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Midlothian Council after Kings Park in Dalkeith was nominated in the Fields in Trust UK's Best Park, as Voted by YOU! 2016 Award; notes that the award gives the best parks in the UK a chance for public recognition; considers that Kings Park's nomination for the award highlights its beauty and underscores its importance as the centre of all outdoor activities in the local community, and thanks the council and the park staff for their continuous work in caring for Kings Park, making it a wonderful environment for families, children, and individuals of all ages.

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**\*S5M-02191 Colin Beattie: Roslin Park Nominated for UK's Best Park, as Voted by YOU! 2016 Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Midlothian Council on Roslin Park being nominated for the Fields in Trust UK's Best Park, as Voted by YOU! 2016 Award; notes that the award gives the best parks in the UK a chance for public recognition; considers that Roslin Park's nomination for the award highlights its beauty and underscores its importance as the centre of all outdoor activities in the local community, and thanks the council, the park staff and volunteers for their continuous work in caring for Roslin Park, making it a wonderful environment for families, children and individuals of all ages.



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**\*S5M-02190 Murdo Fraser: Campaign for Anonymity in the First Stages of Sexual Assault Cases**—That the Parliament notes the campaign that is being led by the Liberal Democrat peer, and former police officer, Brian Paddick, to ban the of naming sexual crime suspects before they have been charged; understands that this follows a series of high-profile cases in which suspects have been named in the media before being released without charge; believes that these people have experienced reputational damage as a result of the unproven charges; notes that the proposals would amend the Policing and Crime Bill that is being considered by the UK Parliament to make it illegal in England and Wales for anyone to publicly name someone arrested on suspicion of a sexual crime unless they had been charged; understands that supporters of this change in legislation believe that publicity following arrest would not prevent more victims coming forward; understands that the idea of a ban is supported by the UK's most senior police officer, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe, as well as the former Chief Constable of the British Transport Police, Andy Trotter, and recognises the delicate balance that needs to be struck in the legal system between protecting victims whilst maintaining the presumption of innocence until proven guilty.

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**\*S5M-02189 Ross Greer: House of Commons Vote on Yemen**—That the Parliament notes with disappointment the House of Commons vote against supporting a UN-led investigation into potential war crimes in Yemen; is particularly disappointed by the decision not to support an end to UK arms sales to Saudi Arabia, which it considers to be an aggressor in the Yemen conflict; considers that the UK's arms transfers to Saudi Arabia are in contravention of its obligations under the Arms Trade Treaty and the EU Common Position, as well as against UK law; understands that over 6,000 people have been killed in the last 18 months in this conflict and that Saudi airstrikes have repeatedly hit civilian targets such as schools, funerals, markets, weddings and factories; further understands that much of the UK arms supplied to Saudi Arabia are manufactured in Scotland, including guided missile systems assembled at the Raytheon factory in Fife, and calls for an immediate end to UK arms sales, which it considers fuel conflict and cause death and suffering across the world.

**\*S5M-02188 Edward Mountain: Inverness Ice Centre Benefits from Major Refurbishment**—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at Inverness Ice Centre on the completion of its £720,000 refurbishment, which was funded by sportscotland and The Highland Council; understands the centre will now be more efficient with the ability to adapt to the outside weather; notes that as well as being visually upgraded, it will now be able to be configured to suit different user groups, and wishes the management, staff and users every success.

**\*S5M-02187 Richard Lyle: Recognising the Purple 4 Rotary Campaign in Uddingston and Bothwell**—That the Parliament recognises the fantastic efforts of the partnership approach between the Rotary Club of Bothwell and Uddingston Pride to promote the Purple 4 Rotary campaign; understands that this campaign is a joint venture by Rotary UK and the Royal Horticultural Society to raise awareness and work toward the eradication of polio; notes that the campaign is a final push in the eradication of polio whereby local groups working together will plant purple crocuses, which is the chosen symbol of the successful campaign; believes that action by groups such as the Rotary Club and Uddingston Pride are important in raising

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awareness of key issues in communities, but also crucial in delivering civic pride, wishes the groups locally and across Scotland the very best as they work to raise awareness of what it sees as such a vitally important issue.

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**\*S5M-02186 James Dornan: The Jeely Piece Club**—That the Parliament congratulates the Jeely Piece Club, which is based in Castlemilk in the Glasgow Cathcart constituency, on its £5,000 grant from the Big Lottery Fund's Celebrate programme; believes that this will be crucial in delivering much-valued services to children and their families, and understands that it will assist in bringing the community together for an illuminated woodland walk that will promote the benefits of the area's environment and teach the children about the habits of urban wildlife.

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**\*S5M-02185 Bill Kidd: Historic Vote at the United Nations**—That the Parliament notes what is considered to be an historic vote of 126 nations for, with 38 nations against and 16 nations abstaining at the UN in respect of a 'legally binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination', which is to be negotiated in March 2017, and considers that this could lead to a treaty on nuclear weapons, which are the most powerful of all weapons of mass-destruction, joining chemical and biological weapons in being banned from being manufactured, stored or used by any nation state.

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**\*S5M-02184 Christina McKelvie: Congratulations to Friends of Stonehouse Park**—That the Parliament congratulates Friends of Stonehouse Park on receiving £2,312 from the Big Lottery Fund's Celebrate programme; understands that Celebrate asked local groups to apply for funding to hold events or activities that bring people together and celebrate the local community; believes that Friends of Stonehouse Park organise events and promote the use of Alexander Hamilton Memorial Park in Stonehouse, South Lanarkshire; further understands that the grant will be used to organise a Halloween celebration to bring families in the community together; notes that the National Lottery fund invests over £650 million each year to projects, and congratulates its chair, Maureen McGinn, on her management of the fund, which has helped people and communities all across Scotland.

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**\*S5M-02183 Christina McKelvie: Congratulations to the President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe**—That the Parliament congratulates Gudrun Mosler-Törnström on her election as President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe; understands that Gudrun is the first woman to be elected to the post; believes that the president will seek to monitor local and regional democracy in member states, fight against corruption, address growing extremism and radicalisation and work toward the integration and empowerment of migrants; notes that Gudrun has served as head of the Austrian delegation to the congress since 2011; further notes that she was head of delegation and rapporteur in monitoring missions throughout Lithuania, Azerbaijan, Sweden, Greece, France and

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election observation missions in Ukraine, Georgia and Azerbaijan; further believes that Gudrun will serve a two-year term, and warmly wishes her all the best for the future.

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**\*S5M-02182 David Torrance: Fife Coastal Path Success**—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement that more than 3.36 million people took to the Fife Coastal Path in 2015 to engage with the kingdom's stunning coastline, with 36,000 completing the full 120-mile route; notes that the study, which was commissioned by the Fife Coast and Countryside Trust, reported that the path has generated around £3.7 million annually for businesses, with an impressive 89% of visitors returning more than once; commends the dedication of the coastal path team to giving everyone the opportunity to experience Fife's great outdoors and for working hard to ensure the sustainable use and enjoyment of the coast and countryside, and wishes the team all the best for the future.

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**\*S5M-02180 Gil Paterson: Well-known Clydebank Vet Retires after 40 Years**—That the Parliament commends Michael Boyce, who has served the family pets of Clydebank for more than 40 years as a vet; acknowledges the length of his service, which has led to the 66-year-old becoming a very well-known vet in the area; welcomes that there has been an outpouring of good wishes and many thank you messages to Michael from well-wishers in Clydebank, and wishes Michael and his wife well now that he has retired from his beloved practice, Boyce and Houston.

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**\*S5M-02179 David Stewart: NTS Volunteer of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Ron Clowes from Fochabers on winning the Volunteer of the Year Award at the National Trust for Scotland ceremony in Edinburgh; notes that Ron contributes to the conservation charity as an outdoor conservation volunteer carrying out practical work such as drystone dyking, footpath construction, woodland management and much more; acknowledges his enthusiasm and drive in supporting and training others and helping them to achieve their tasks with pride and satisfaction, and respects the roles that such volunteers carry out giving their time and talents to the ongoing protection of our heritage.

Supported by: Richard Lyle\*, John Finnie\*

**\*S5M-02177 Jamie Greene: Private Investment in the Gourock Food and Drink Industry**—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement that Gregg McLeod from Inverclyde will, it understands, be investing substantial funds of £150,000 into the Gourock food and drink industry through the expansion of the popular Café Continental on Kempock Street; recognises the positive role that private investment plays in driving both the local and national economies and in providing jobs and opportunities for people of all ages, and acknowledges what it sees as the importance of enacting policy that encourages and rewards the entrepreneurial spirit of small business owners in Scotland rather than hinders it.

**\*S5M-02176 John Mason: Death Sentence for Mentally-ill Man in Pakistan**—That the Parliament notes the decision to impose a death sentence on Imdad Ali, which has been taken by the Supreme Court of Pakistan and is due to be carried out on 2 November 2016; understands that he was convicted of killing his religious mentor in 2001 after accusing him of conspiring

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against him and holding back spiritual knowledge from him; further understands that this death sentence was issued despite Imdad being diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia in 2012 and having shown symptoms long before; disagrees with the ruling when it claimed that this condition was not a permanent mental disorder and therefore could not be defined as a mental illness; believes that there is no need for the death penalty under any circumstance, but particularly when it is to be applied to people incapable of understanding the consequences of their own actions, and calls on the Pakistani authorities to show compassion and to avoid setting what it believes would be an incredibly dangerous precedent regarding the treatment of people with acute mental health issues.

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**\*S5M-02175 Neil Bibby: Good Luck to Scotland in Rugby League Four Nations**—That the Parliament notes that 28 October 2016 marks the start of the Rugby League Four Nations tournament, featuring Scotland, England, Australia and New Zealand; understands that the Four Nations is a round-robin tournament leading to a final, and which is held every two years, swapping between northern and southern hemispheres; recognises that Scotland will be making its Four Nations debut this year after qualifying by overcoming France, Ireland and Wales to win the 2014 European Cup; notes that Scotland's squad includes players from both the Super League and National Rugby League in Australia, and wishes the team, which is managed by Steve McCormack, good luck in the tournament.

Supported by: David Stewart\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Clare Haughey\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*, James Dornan\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**\*S5M-02173 Graeme Dey: Angus LEADER Fund Grants**—That the Parliament welcomes the grants from the Angus LEADER Fund to five local projects; understands that these were Ashbrook Nursery, for a café build, Auchlishie Farm, for the development of a barn-style bunk house, Artisan Tea Producers, for a cooperation project with Fife and Perth and Kinross councils for the production of artisan tea, Financial Inclusion Group, for feasibility of a rural advice service and Angus Council, for support to youth projects; notes that Angus LEADER is an EU funding programme that is being part-financed by the Scottish Government and the LEADER 2014-2020 programme for rural development projects, with a fund of over £2 million available for rural Angus, and notes that grants awarded during the last six months have amounted to around £500,000.

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**S5M-02178 Donald Cameron: Rockfield Centre Wins Rural Innovation Award** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: John Lamont\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Alison Harris\*, Ross Thomson\*, Maurice Corry\*, Richard Lyle\*, Miles Briggs\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*

**S5M-02170 Liam McArthur: Support for Pilgrimage Route to Mark 900th Anniversary of St Magnus's Death** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Richard Lyle\*

**S5M-02169 Liam McArthur: Coffee Morning in Memory of Janice Forsyth** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Richard Lyle\*

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**[S5M-02166](#) Donald Cameron: Isle of Eriska Hotel Wins Prestigious Food and Drink Award** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: John Lamont\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Alison Harris\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Ross Thomson\*, Maurice Corry\*, Richard Lyle\*, Jamie Greene\*, John Finnie\*, Miles Briggs\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*

**[S5M-02164](#) Kate Forbes: New Teacher for Muck Primary School** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Bob Doris\*, Rona Mackay\*, John Finnie\*, Alison Harris\*

**[S5M-02162](#) Clare Haughey: New Bike Town Cycling Hub for Rutherglen and Cambuslang** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-02161](#) Rachael Hamilton: Success for Dunbar High Street** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Alison Harris\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Alexander Stewart\*

**[S5M-02160](#) Alexander Burnett: National Offshore and Onshore Oil and Gas Awards** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*, Alexander Stewart\*

**[S5M-02155](#) Alexander Stewart: Kincardine Nurse, Angela Baird, up for Top Award** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Clare Haughey\*

**[S5M-02153](#) Iain Gray: Scottish Tree of the Year** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**[S5M-02152](#) Bob Doris: Congratulating Andy Murray and Young People's Future** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Clare Haughey\*

**[S5M-02151](#) Alison Harris: Gus Spowart, Raising Money for MS Research** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*

**[S5M-02150](#) Bob Doris: Congratulations to Licketyspit Limited** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Clare Haughey\*

**[S5M-02148](#) David Torrance: Congratulations to CLEAR Levenmouth** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: Clare Haughey\*

**[S5M-02147](#) Alison Johnstone: UN Call for Investment in Walking and Cycling** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**[S5M-02146](#) Alison Johnstone: Welcoming Active Girls Day 2016** (lodged on 27 October 2016)

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New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*, John Finnie\*, Johann Lamont\*

**[S5M-02145](#) Maurice Corry: Congratulating Barrmill Jolly Beggars Burns Club** (lodged on 26 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02143](#) Maurice Corry: Friends of Marymass Society** (lodged on 26 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02142](#) Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Young Carers Project Celebrates Big Lottery Funding** (lodged on 26 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02134](#) Alex Neil: St Andrew's Hospice Refurbishment Gets Go-ahead** (lodged on 26 October 2016)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-02133](#) Alex Neil: St Margaret's High School in Airdrie wins Malawi Award** (lodged on 26 October 2016)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-02132](#) Neil Bibby: After 30 Years of Bus Deregulation, it's Time to put Passengers First** (lodged on 26 October 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**[S5M-02131](#) Miles Briggs: Edinburgh Waverley Station Access Arrangements** (lodged on 26 October 2016)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*

**[S5M-02129](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Retail Revival in Edinburgh** (lodged on 26 October 2016)

New Support: John Scott\*

**[S5M-02122](#) Dean Lockhart: Kingdom Off Road Motorcycle Club Secures Young Start Funding** (lodged on 25 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Margaret Mitchell\*

**[S5M-02116](#) Neil Findlay: Job Cuts at EHRC** (lodged on 25 October 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**[S5M-02115](#) Finlay Carson: South of Scotland Enterprise Agency** (lodged on 25 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, Margaret Mitchell\*

**[S5M-02114](#) Ivan McKee: Congratulating Wallacewell Community Fellowship and Oasis** (lodged on 25 October 2016)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-02109](#) John Mason: Scotland Shouldn't Lose MPs** (lodged on 25 October 2016)

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New Support: John Finnie\*

**[S5M-02101](#) Liam Kerr: Anthony Nolan Trust and Round Table (Great Britain and Ireland)**  
(lodged on 25 October 2016)

New Support: John Scott\*

**[S5M-02097](#) Jamie Greene: Congratulating Businesses Recognised at the 2016 Scottish Digital Business Awards** (lodged on 24 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02096](#) Kenneth Gibson: Arran Ferry Service Must Remain in Ardrossan** (lodged on 24 October 2016)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*

**[S5M-02089](#) Alexander Stewart: Top Ranking for Dollar Academy Pupil** (lodged on 24 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02084](#) Donald Cameron: Mary's Meals Receives Queen's Award for Voluntary Service**  
(lodged on 24 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02083](#) Alexander Stewart: Belhaven Jobs Boost for Clackmannanshire** (lodged on 24 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02081](#) Miles Briggs: Inch View Care Home Wins Most Innovative Partnership Award**  
(lodged on 24 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02076](#) Willie Coffey: Congratulations to Ayrshire Cancer Support Group** (lodged on 24 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02075](#) Willie Coffey: Congratulations to David Howie** (lodged on 24 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02069](#) James Dornan: Financial Capability Week** (lodged on 24 October 2016)

New Support: David Stewart\*, Rhoda Grant\*

**[S5M-02040](#) Douglas Ross: Levenwick Village Club Wins Lottery Funding** (lodged on 20 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02039](#) Douglas Ross: Wild Things' Funding Award** (lodged on 20 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

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**[S5M-02038](#) Douglas Ross: Anne Docherty Wins Gold** (lodged on 20 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02035](#) Edward Mountain: Young Highland Chef of the Year** (lodged on 20 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02034](#) Edward Mountain: Inverness Street Festival Hailed a Success** (lodged on 20 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02028](#) Douglas Ross: RAF Lossiemouth to Receive Major Upgrades** (lodged on 19 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02025](#) Miles Briggs: A Tribute to Mr Q** (lodged on 19 October 2016)

New Support: John Scott\*

**[S5M-02023](#) Jackson Carlaw: East Renfrewshire Children Successfully Complete Reading Challenge** (lodged on 19 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02022](#) Annie Wells: Macmillan Services Shortlist for Excellence Awards** (lodged on 19 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02021](#) Jamie Greene: Congratulations to the Meallmore Nurse of the Year, Heather McGachy** (lodged on 19 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02020](#) Jamie Greene: Congratulations to Greenock Central Residents' Action Group** (lodged on 19 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02012](#) Donald Cameron: 30th Birthday for the Tìree Wave Classic** (lodged on 18 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02011](#) Donald Cameron: Young Traditional Musician of the Year Finalists from the Highlands and Islands** (lodged on 18 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02010](#) Donald Cameron: Harris Tweed Commissioned for Mòd 2016** (lodged on 18 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02009](#) Miles Briggs: Home Restaurant, Pay it Forward** (lodged on 18 October 2016)



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New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02005](#) Liam Kerr: Transition Extreme Aberdeen, Crowdfunding Campaign** (lodged on 18 October 2016)

New Support: John Scott\*

**[S5M-02004](#) Willie Coffey: Congratulations to Ayrshire College** (lodged on 18 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*, John Scott\*

**[S5M-02003](#) Dean Lockhart: Stirling Castle in Top 10** (lodged on 17 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-02002](#) Margaret Mitchell: Befriend in Bellshill's 10th Anniversary** (lodged on 17 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-01996](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Second Quarter Tourism Spending in Scotland** (lodged on 14 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-01991](#) Finlay Carson: Kite Power Solutions** (lodged on 14 October 2016)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S5M-01891](#) Bob Doris: Awards for All Success in Maryhill and Springburn** (lodged on 06 October 2016)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*

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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 28 October 2016

**[S5W-04169](#) Jenny Gilruth:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish the findings of the independent review of its recent consultation on the UK Government's Apprenticeship Levy.

### Written questions lodged on 28 October 2016

**[S5W-04049](#) Ross Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether a member of its Joint Housing Policy and Delivery Group (JHPDG) declared a conflict of interest with respect to their role as a company director in the private rented sector in relation to (a) a submission of 25 March 2015 as part of the JHPDG Draft Key Objections Suggestions Table and (b) contact made with the Scottish Government Planning and Architecture Division on 9 and 14 March 2016 when requesting assistance with a private housing development in which there may have been a personal interest and, if so, whether it supports that person continuing in their role.

**[S5W-04108](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to reduce domestic abuse in areas that have seen a rise in such cases in recent years.

**[S5W-04109](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to work with community groups and charities to encourage people affected by (a) forced marriage and (b) domestic abuse to seek help and advice.

**[S5W-04110](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential impact of reductions in local government budgets on the provision of housing for people affected by domestic abuse.

**[S5W-04111](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential impact of the UK's decision to leave the EU on Erasmus+ funding for Scotland's young people.

**[S5W-04112](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will ensure that every town and village has free wireless internet by 2020, as proposed by the European Commission.

**[S5W-04113](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides to rural communities to install their own fibre networks when commercial and other government programmes are unable to reach their premises.

**[S5W-04114](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with BT regarding the removal of phone boxes in rural areas, and what assessment it has made of the safety implications for people in areas with poor mobile phone coverage.

**[S5W-04115](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of how many phone boxes have been removed in rural areas where there is poor mobile phone coverage.

**[S5W-04116](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential impact on the UK solar power market of the proposed rise in business rates in 2017 for organisations investing in rooftop solar power for their own consumption.

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**[S5W-04117](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding it is providing for costs associated with (a) health services and (b) civil legal advice and assistance, which result from the dispersal of asylum seekers to Scotland.

**[S5W-04118](#) John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its announcement on 10 October 2016 of its support for a third runway at Heathrow Airport, whether it plans to publish comprehensive details of how it will offset additional CO2 emissions resulting from the “£10m route development fund to help support new domestic routes”, and “£200m of construction-related spend in Scotland during planning and construction.”

**[S5W-04119](#) John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its announcement on 10 October 2016 of its support for a third runway at Heathrow Airport, how its commitments to “The creation of up to 16,000 new jobs across Scotland from the new capacity,” will be met; where, and within what sectors those new jobs will be created, and whether it will define the term “new capacity”.

**[S5W-04120](#) John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its announcement on 10 October 2016 of its support for a third runway at Heathrow Airport, whether, given a prior commitment to “£200 million of construction-related spend in Scotland during planning and construction”, it has confidence in the integrity of the procurement process associated with the building of any third runway.

**[S5W-04121](#) John Finnie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its announcement on 10 October 2016 of its support for a third runway at Heathrow Airport, and the announcement of a “£10m route development fund to help support new domestic routes”, whether it will define the term “domestic routes”; who will be consulted on any new domestic routes, and when the £10 million will become available.

**[S5W-04122](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure that funding provided for veterans' organisations and events are being used in the most effective and efficient manner.

**[S5W-04123](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration is being given to the mental health and related needs of veterans by local health and social care partnerships.

**[S5W-04124](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance and training it provides for NHS Veterans Champions to help them meet the obligations of the Armed Forces Covenant.

**[S5W-04125](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration is being given to the needs of (a) older and (b) disabled veterans by local health and social care partnerships.

**[S5W-04127](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to improve mental health services to ensure that they meet the needs of female veterans and veterans' spouses, in light of reports that these groups are underusing available services.

**[S5W-04128](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to promote a better understanding of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) to help improve the assessment of veterans.

**[S5W-04129](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to increase awareness of NHS staff so that issues relating to pre-enlistment and length of time served in the Armed Forces, and the impact of these on veterans' mental health and related health and social care needs, are taken into account when deciding on the most appropriate services to meet their needs.

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**[S5W-04130](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to increase the understanding of the impact of alcohol misuse among vulnerable veterans.

**[S5W-04131](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure that effective partnerships exist between voluntary sector mental health services, the NHS, local authorities and the justice system to ensure that vulnerable veterans receive access to appropriate help in relation to alcohol issues.

**[S5W-04132](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what policy guidance it has provided to NHS boards in relation to the Armed Forces Covenant.

**[S5W-04133](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what conditions apply to veterans in terms of receiving priority NHS treatment.

**[S5W-04135](#) Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to improve access to information for veterans on public sector websites.

**[S5W-04136](#) Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to the findings of the independent review of the Police Federation in England and Wales that was chaired by Sir David Normington, and whether it will commission a similar review of the Scottish Police Federation.

**[S5W-04138](#) Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether police officers should be allowed to vote for the chair of the Scottish Police Federation.

**[S5W-04139](#) Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government how the Private Housing (Tenancies) (Scotland) Act 2016 can be used by local authorities to ensure that their rents reflect local rental market changes.

**[S5W-04140](#) Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what mechanism is in place to ensure that mid-market rent landlords respond to Office for National Statistics data showing a fall in private rental prices in the 12 months to September 2016.

**[S5W-04141](#) Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent on Gaelic road signage in (a) Ayrshire and Arran, (b) the Scottish Borders, (c) Dumfries and Galloway and (d) the rest of Scotland in each of the last five years.

**[S5W-04143](#) Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many native Gaelic speakers there are in (a) Ayrshire and Arran, (b) the Scottish Borders, (c) Dumfries and Galloway and (d) the rest of Scotland.

**[S5W-04144](#) Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government what research it has carried out to ascertain whether Gaelic road signage could be a potential hazard as drivers might take more time to read larger volumes of writing.

## New Subordinate Legislation

### Affirmative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 28 October 2016 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Aberdeen Harbour Revision Order 2016 [draft]  
laid under section 54A of the Harbours Act 1964

### Negative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 28 October 2016 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Justices of the Peace (Training and Appraisal) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/329)  
laid under section 28 of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Court Fees (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/332)  
laid under section 133(3) of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014

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## Progress of Legislation

### Bills

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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 4.30 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.

### 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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#### **Policing and Crime Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-3**

Justice Committee, 28 June 2016

#### **Policing and Crime Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-3a (Supplementary LCM)**

Lodged 6 October 2016

#### **Higher Education and Research Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-4**

Education and Skills Committee, 26 October 2016

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## Affirmative instruments

### Lead committee to report by 1 November 2016

[Council Tax \(Substitution of Proportion\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (7 September 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

### Lead committee to report by 3 November 2016

[Smoking Prohibition \(Children in Motor Vehicles\) \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Fixed Penalty Notices\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (9 September 2016) (Health and Sport)

### Lead committee to report by 6 November 2016

[Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Treatment of Scottish Fiscal Commission as Specified Authority\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (12 September 2016) (Finance)

[Council Tax \(Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (12 September 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

### Lead committee to report by 8 November 2016

[Representation of the People \(Postal Voting for Local Government Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (14 September 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

### Lead committee to report by 9 November 2016

[Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment \(No. 2\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (15 September 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

### Lead committee to report by 10 November 2016

[Maximum Number of Judges \(Scotland\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (16 September 2016) (Justice)

[Sheriff Court Simple Procedure \(Limits on Award of Expenses\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (16 September 2016) (Justice)

### Lead committee to report by 15 November 2016

[Protected Trust Deeds \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (21 September 2016) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)

[Protected Trust Deeds \(Forms\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (21 September 2016) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)

[Bankruptcy \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (21 September 2016) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)

### Lead committee to report by 16 November 2016

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2016 Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (22 September 2016) (Finance)

### Lead committee to report by 30 November 2016

[Courts Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Relevant Officer and Consequential Provisions\) Order 2016](#) [draft] re-laid (6 October 2016) (Justice) - this SSI replaces the draft Order which was laid on 16 September

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### Lead committee to report by 1 December 2016

[Home Detention Curfew Licence \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016](#) [draft] (7 October 2016) (Justice)

### Lead committee to report by 2 December 2016

[Crown Estate Scotland \(Interim Management\) Order 2017](#) [draft] (21 October 2016) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Air Weapons Licensing \(Exemptions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (24 October 2016) (Justice)

### Lead committee to report by 3 December 2016

[Crofting Commission \(Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016](#) [draft] (25 October 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

### Lead committee to report by 6 December 2016

Aberdeen Harbour Revision Order 2016 (28 October 2016) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

### Negative instruments

#### Subject to annulment by 1 November 2016

##### Lead committee to report by 31 October 2016

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/253\)](#) (7 September 2016) (Social Security)

#### Subject to annulment by 2 November 2016

##### Lead committee to report by 31 October 2016

[Children's Services Planning \(Specified Date\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/255\)](#) (8 September 2016) (Education and Skills)

[Civil Legal Aid \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/257\)](#) (8 September 2016) (Justice)

[Acquisition of Land \(Rate of Interest after Entry\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/258\)](#) (8 September 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

#### Subject to annulment by 3 November 2016

##### Lead committee to report by 31 October 2016

[Food Hygiene \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/260\)](#) (9 September 2016) (Health and Sport)

[Education \(Student Loans\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/261\)](#) (9 September 2016) (Education and Skills)

#### Subject to annulment by 7 November 2016

##### Lead committee to report by 31 October 2016

[General Dental Council \(Fitness to Practice\) \(Amendment\) Rules Order of Council 2016 \(SI 2016/902\)](#) (13 September 2016) (Health and Sport)



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**Subject to annulment by 8 November 2016**

**Lead committee to report by 7 November 2016**

[Representation of the People \(Variation of Limit of Candidates' Local Government Election Expenses\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/263\) \(14 September 2016\)](#) (Local Government and Communities)

[Representation of the People \(Absent Voting at Local Government Elections\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/264\) \(14 September 2016\)](#) (Local Government and Communities)

**Subject to annulment by 10 November 2016**

**Lead committee to report by 7 November 2016**

[Civil Legal Aid \(Scotland\) \(Fees\) Amendment Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/290\) \(16 September 2016\)](#) (Justice)

[Smoke Control Areas \(Exempted Fireplaces\) \(Scotland\) Revocation Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/292\) \(16 September 2016\)](#) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Smoke Control Areas \(Authorised Fuels\) \(Scotland\) Revocation Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/293\) \(16 September 2016\)](#) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

**Subject to annulment by 15 November 2016**

**Lead committee to report by 14 November 2016**

[Bankruptcy \(Applications and Decisions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/295\) \(21 September 2016\)](#) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)

**Subject to annulment by 23 November 2016**

**Lead committee to report by 21 November 2016**

[Additional Support for Learning \(Sources of Information\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/299\) \(29 September 2016\)](#) (Education and Skills)

**Subject to annulment by 29 November 2016**

**Lead committee to report by 28 November 2016**

[Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan and Performance Report \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/309\) \(5 October 2016\)](#) (Justice)

**Subject to annulment by 2 December 2016**

**Lead committee to report by 28 November 2016**

[Act of Sederunt \(Fees of Solicitors and Shorthand Writers in the Court of Session, Sheriff Appeal Court and Sheriff Court Amendment\) 2016 \(SSI 2016/316\) \(14 October 2016\)](#) (Justice)

[Civil Legal Aid \(Scotland\) \(Fees\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/317\) \(18 October 2016\)](#) (Justice)

[General Pharmaceutical Council \(Amendment of Miscellaneous Provisions\) Rules Order of Council 2016 \(SI 2016/1008\) \(21 October 2016\)](#) (Health and Sport)

**Subject to annulment by 6 December 2016**

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**Lead committee to report by 5 December 2016**

[Justices of the Peace \(Training and Appraisal\) \(Scotland\) Order 2016 \(SSI 2016/329\)](#) (28 October 2016) (Justice)

Court Fees (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2016 (SSI 2016/332) (28 October 2016) (Justice)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

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### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 28 October 2016 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

**Children's Hearings Scotland Annual Report and Accounts Year ended 31 March 2016: SG/2016/204** laid under paragraph 23 of schedule 1 of the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

**Children's Hearings Scotland: National Convener's Annual Report to the Board 2015/16: SG/2016/205** laid under paragraph 24 of schedule 1 of the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011

**Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh Annual Report and Consolidated Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016: SG/2016/218** laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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