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Business Bulletin

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Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions - 9 March 2017

Following the Parliament's agreement to Business Motion S5M-04161, SPCB Questions will take place at 2.30 pm on Thursday 9 March.

The deadline for lodging oral questions to the SPCB is 4.30 pm on Wednesday 1 March. Up to 12 questions will be randomly selected and published in the Business Bulletin on Friday 3 March. Members are reminded that questions to the SPCB can be only on matters concerning the SPCB or the staff of the Parliament.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

- 11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 11:40 am** General Questions
- 12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions
- 12:45 pm** Members' Business — S5M-02310
Lewis Macdonald: Co-investment in the UK
Oil and Gas Sector
- 2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 2:30 pm** Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget
(Scotland) Bill
- followed by** Business Motions
- followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 5:00 pm** Decision Time

Committee Meetings

- 9:00am** Culture, Tourism, Europe and
External Relations Committee
- 9:30am** Equalities and Human Rights
Committee
- 10:00am** Social Security Committee
- 10:00am** Standards, Procedures and Public
Appointments Committee
- 1:00pm** Justice Sub-Committee on Policing

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with NHS Lothian regarding plans to rebuild the Edinburgh Cancer Centre. ([S5O-00689](#))
- 2. Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle Islamophobia. ([S5O-00690](#))
- 3. Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Dumfries and Galloway Council regarding engagement with local communities on proposed regeneration plans for the Whitesands in Dumfries. ([S5O-00691](#))
- 4. Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making with the Scottish Growth Scheme. ([S5O-00692](#))
- 5. Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that there is access to local specialist care services across the Highlands and Islands. ([S5O-00693](#))
- 6. Johann Lamont:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met groups representing survivors of child sexual abuse and what issues were discussed. ([S5O-00694](#))
- 7. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support children with additional support needs when they leave school. ([S5O-00695](#))
- 8. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has made to the UK Government regarding the impact on employees in Scotland of the proposals to reduce the pensions of workers in the nuclear decommissioning estate. ([S5O-00696](#))
- 9. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people have applied to join the social security experience panels, and how many have been accepted. ([S5O-00697](#))
- 10. Bill Bowman:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with businesses regarding the implementation of the apprenticeship levy from April 2017. ([S5O-00698](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Ruth Davidson:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the day. ([S5F-00903](#))
- 2. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the week. ([S5F-00913](#))
- 3. Willie Rennie:** To ask the First Minister what issues will be discussed at the next meeting of the Cabinet. ([S5F-00900](#))
- 4. John Mason:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the report by Macmillan Cancer Support, which highlights the disparity in cancer survival rates between people from more and less deprived areas. ([S5F-00920](#))
- 5. Maurice Golden:** To ask the First Minister, in light of the verdict, whether the Scottish Government considers that it was worthwhile for it to spend £136,000 on legal fees in the recent Brexit case at the Supreme Court. ([S5F-00924](#))

6. Mark Griffin: To ask the First Minister for what reason the wealth gap between rich and poor in Scotland is widening. ([S5F-00910](#))

7. Emma Harper: To ask the First Minister what discussions the Scottish Government has held regarding the future of broadcasting in Scotland. ([S5F-00940](#))

12:45 pm Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

[S5M-02310](#) Lewis Macdonald: Co-investment in the UK Oil and Gas Sector—That the Parliament understands that the number of jobs lost as a result of the downturn in the UK oil and gas sector could be over 120,000 by the end of 2016; considers that the sector is of vital economic interest and cannot be left exclusively to market forces; further considers that the sector needs to have confidence that it can invest for the future; supports the use of Scottish and UK Government borrowing powers to leverage money into the sector, including active consideration of strategic public stakes in infrastructure investment, and notes calls on the Scottish Government to facilitate and take part in discussions with the UK Government, industry and trade unions to create a plan for co-investment that will support jobs, including in the north east, increase confidence and create returns to the public sector.

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) Bill

[S5M-04168](#) Derek Mackay: Budget (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Budget (Scotland) Bill be passed.

[S5M-04168.2](#) Murdo Fraser: Budget (Scotland) Bill—As an amendment to motion S5M-04168 in the name of Derek Mackay (Budget (Scotland) Bill), insert at end “, but, in so doing, regrets the damage that will be caused to the Scottish economy and public finances by making Scotland the highest taxed part of the UK.”

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee 7th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Royal Charter for the continuance of the BBC and Agreement between Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport and the BBC:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Lord Hall of Birkenhead, Director General, BBC;
Donalda MacKinnon, Director, BBC Scotland;
Ken MacQuarrie, Director, Nations and Regions, BBC;
and then from—
Glenn Preston, Director Scotland, and Kevin Bakhurst, Group Director Content Policy, Ofcom.
3. **Royal Charter for the continuance of the BBC and Agreement between Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport and the BBC (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Equalities and Human Rights Committee 5th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Destitution and Asylum in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will review its work programme.

Social Security Committee 3rd Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will receive a briefing from—
Gillian Cross, Policy Adviser, Social Justice Strategy Team and Bill Team Leader, Paul Tyrer, Head of Social Justice Strategy, Andrew White, Senior Assistant Statistician, Communities Analysis Division, and Stuart Foubister, Divisional Solicitor, Scottish Government.
2. **Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider an approach paper.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 4th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Cross-Party Groups:** The Committee will consider applications for recognition from two Cross-Party Groups, and take evidence from—
Richard Lyle, Convener of the proposed CPG on Dementia;

Patrick Harvie, Convener of the proposed CPG on Beer and Pubs.

2. **Cross-Party Group - approval:** The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to the proposed Cross-Party Groups on Dementia, and Beer and Pubs.
3. **Acting Conveners (in private):** The Committee will consider a note by the Clerk.

Justice Sub-Committee on Policing 4th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 1.00 pm in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Sub-Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Independent Assurance Review Police Scotland - Call-handling Update Report:** The Sub-Committee will take evidence from—
Derek Penman, HM Chief Inspector of Constabulary in Scotland, Christina Yule, Lead Inspector, and Laura Paton, Lead Inspector, HM Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland.
3. **Independent Assurance Review Police Scotland - Call-handling Update Report:** The Sub-Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Sub-Committee will consider its work programme.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 22 February 2017

Tuesday 28 February 2017

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee Debate: Report on the Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-03354 Kenneth Gibson: It's OK to Talk. Period.

Wednesday 1 March 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Justice and the Law Officers

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-04086 Alexander Stewart: Safe Drive, Stay Alive Project

Thursday 2 March 2017

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-03731 Fulton MacGregor: Apprenticeship Week

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Ministerial Statement: Child Protection Improvement Programme

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Patient Safety Programme

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: UK Criminal Finances Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 7 March 2017

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 8 March 2017

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

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2:30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

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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-04183 Christina McKelvie: Remove the Domestic Abuse Victim Tax**—That the Parliament condemns the UK Government's policy to charge victims of domestic abuse for using the Child Maintenance Service; understands that for victims of domestic abuse, the Collect and Pay service is the only safe way for them to exercise their right to child maintenance; notes that using this service incurs a charge of 4% for the collecting parent; believes that the alternative, free scheme, Direct Pay, does not offer the same protections as Collect and Pay and has no powers of enforcement should the paying parent fail to meet their obligation to pay; understands that, in Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse, millions of pounds of child maintenance goes unpaid and leads to children missing out on money intended to support them; further understands that the UK Government exempts victims of domestic abuse from the £20 Collect and Pay application charge, but do not remove the ongoing monthly charges, and notes the calls on the UK Government to remove the 4% collection charge on child maintenance payments for victims of domestic abuse.

Supported by: Rona Mackay*, Emma Harper*, Kenneth Gibson*, Ruth Maguire*, Richard Lyle*, Colin Beattie*, Joan McAlpine*, Fulton MacGregor*, Sandra White*, Bob Doris*, Ash Denham*, Gillian Martin*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-04199 Sandra White: Glasgow Kelvin Tackling Climate Change**—That the Parliament congratulates the five organisations in the Glasgow Kelvin constituency, the Glasgow Bike Station, Annexe Communities, The Chinese Community Development Partnership, Shia Asna Islamic Centre and Glasgow Mena Trust, on their successful applications to the Scottish Governments Climate Challenge Fund, which supports community projects; notes that awards ranged from just under £40,000 to almost £150,000, which will enable these projects to deliver programmes ranging from active travel to improving home energy to food waste management; acknowledges that these projects will build on and support the Scottish Government's commitment to tackling climate change, and wishes all of the projects every success.

Supported by: James Dornan*, Bob Doris*, Mairi Evans*, Ruth Maguire*

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***S5M-04198 Gail Ross: Funding for Kinlochbervie Play Park**—That the Parliament welcomes the award of £50,000 to upgrade Kinlochbervie play park; notes that the funding came from landfill tax credits, which was formerly known as the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund, and which is administered by the Suez Communities Trust, and understands that the funding will go towards updating the 25-year-old park by bringing in new state-of-the-art equipment, which will be used by locals and visitors alike.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Ruth Maguire*, Douglas Ross*, Joan McAlpine*, Emma Harper*, Edward Mountain*, Colin Beattie*, Donald Cameron*, Alison Harris*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Bob Doris*

***S5M-04197 Donald Cameron: Major Boost for Tourism in Argyll**—That the Parliament recognises the recent report produced by Argyll and the Isles Tourism Co-operative (AITC), which shows that, since 2011, the number of tourists visiting Argyll has increased substantially and that the amount spent by tourists has also risen; acknowledges that tourist spending has risen from £167 million to £270 million and that, out of all local authority areas, Argyll and Bute saw the largest increase in tourist numbers with a 21.9% increase between 2015 and 2016 compared to the national average of 4.9%, and considers that AITC's new campaign, Wild About Argyll, will further contribute to the success of Argyll and Bute's burgeoning tourism industry.

Supported by: Liam Kerr*, Liz Smith*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, John Lamont*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, Alison Harris*, Douglas Ross*, Richard Lyle*, Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*

***S5M-04196 Douglas Ross: Burghead Free Church to Reopen Following Major Redevelopment Works**—That the Parliament congratulates the Burghead Free Church in Moray, which is set to reopen on 12 March 2017 following an extensive refurbishment programme of works over the last 10 months; understands that, following his arrival in 2015, the church worker, Peter Turnbull, set about the process of raising the £100,000 necessary to refurbish the building, which dates back to 1845; notes that most of the funding came from donations, as well as the sale of the old pews from the church; believes that the aim was to create a welcoming, flexible and contemporary space that would be a great base for making the good news of Jesus known, and that would also be a resource for the community, with the building benefitting from new flooring, new heating, flexible seating and modern audio-visual facilities, and sends its best wishes to everyone connected to Burghead Free Church.

Supported by: Maurice Corry*, Miles Briggs*, Margaret Mitchell*, Alison Harris*, Peter Chapman*, Alexander Stewart*, Donald Cameron*, John Lamont*, Richard Lyle*, Murdo Fraser*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liz Smith*

***S5M-04195 Angus MacDonald: Scottish Railway Preservation Society's Vision for Bo'ness and Kinneil Railway**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the Scottish Railway Preservation Society's (SRPS) vision for the Bo'ness and Kinneil Railway; considers that the SRPS is bidding for funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund, and various other grant-funding bodies, to secure the £2 million needed to realise this project; recognises that the project will provide a modern facility for the maintenance and care of the collection of steam engines currently housed there; understands that the project will also create jobs and apprenticeships to ensure that engineering skills can be passed on to a new generation through Scotland's Modern Apprentice scheme; congratulates the SRPS on championing the Bo'ness and Kinneil Railway and for its commitment to Bo'ness and the communities that will benefit from the investment in the area, and wishes everyone involved in the project success in their continuing work at Bo'ness and Kinneil Railway.

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Supported by: Ruth Maguire*, Joan McAlpine*, Colin Beattie*, Alison Harris*, John Mason*, Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*, Elaine Smith*

***S5M-04194 Angus MacDonald: Larbert High School Education Scotland Report**—That the Parliament congratulates Larbert High School on its most recent report from Education Scotland, which rates the school as either very good or excellent in each area of evaluation; understands that the school has strengths in a number of areas, including collaborative approaches to developing and implementing a shared vision across the school and cluster, meaning that the school can demonstrate very effective planning for continuous improvement and an appropriate pace of change, high levels of staff engagement in professional learning, which is leading to continuous improvement in learning and teaching, strong outcomes; recognises the strong outcomes in relation to wellbeing and highly effective approaches to inclusion, equity and equality resulting in almost all young people feeling very well supported and able to achieve, the positive attributes and skills that young people develop as a result of their extensive participation in opportunities for achievement and outstanding strategic leadership of the headteacher and the culture of purposeful leadership at all levels; considers that the staff and pupils of Larbert High School, and Falkirk Council, should be incredibly proud of this report and that they should continue their work to maintain this high level of standards, and wishes continued success and achievement to all pupils and staff at the school.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, James Dornan*, Bill Kidd*, Mark Ruskell*, Richard Lyle*, Mairi Evans*, Ruth Maguire*, Monica Lennon*, Ash Denham*

***S5M-04193 Gordon Lindhurst: Report on the Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union**—That the Parliament notes the conclusions and recommendations contained in the Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee's 2nd Report, 2017 (Session 5), *Report on the Economic Impact of Leaving the European Union* (SP Paper 80).

Supported by: John Mason*

***S5M-04192 Gordon MacDonald: The Value of Citizens Advice Bureau to Clients in Scotland**—That the Parliament welcomes the Citizens Advice Scotland (CAS) modernisation of its governance structure in line with the changes proposed in the independent review of governance; commends CAS on a new structure, which aligns with Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator's best practice recommendations; highlights the value of Citizens Advice Bureaux (CAB) to clients in Scotland, with more than 310,000 clients helped to solve their problems, and the key role of CAS in supporting that work operationally; understands the critical importance of the policy work that CAS does using data from the CAB network, and notes that the value of advice delivered by the CAB service in 2015-16 returned £11 of value for every £1 of core funding received by the CAB network, and achieved £120 million in financial gain for clients.

Supported by: Liam McArthur*, Andy Wightman*, John Mason*, Graeme Dey*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Murdo Fraser*, Sandra White*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bob Doris*, Fulton MacGregor*

***S5M-04191 Liam Kerr: Montrose Air Station Heritage Centre Secures Rare Aircraft**—That the Parliament congratulates Montrose Air Station Heritage Centre on the addition of a Miles M.2H Hawk Major aircraft to its collection; recognises that this Second World War-aircraft is very rare, with only 145 being made, and commends the volunteer-run centre on what it considers its significant achievement in acquiring this in the face of competition from other museums across the country.

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Supported by: Maurice Corry*, Miles Briggs*, Alison Harris*, Margaret Mitchell*, Donald Cameron*, Alexander Stewart*, John Lamont*, Richard Lyle*, Murdo Fraser*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liz Smith*, Kenneth Gibson*

***S5M-04190 Liam Kerr: Danny Lavery Suicide Awareness Fundraiser**—That the Parliament commends Danny Lavery, who is from Angus, for organising a concert to raise funds for suicide prevention and awareness charities in the area; notes that over £3,000 was raised through ticket sales and a raffle, and appreciates that over 400 people attended.

Supported by: Margaret Mitchell*, Peter Chapman*, Emma Harper*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Alison Harris*, Donald Cameron*, John Lamont*, Bill Kidd*, Alexander Stewart*, Richard Lyle*, Murdo Fraser*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liz Smith*, Kenneth Gibson*, Monica Lennon*

***S5M-04189 Patrick Harvie: Campaign to Save the Old College Bar, Glasgow**—That the Parliament welcomes CAMRA's backing of the campaign to save what it understands is Glasgow's oldest pub, the Old College Bar; notes that the building on High Street has been in place since the 1800s with foundations dating as far back as the late 1500s; believes that it is one of the last "working men's pubs" in the area and provides an important community hub for its patrons; understands that plans have been submitted to demolish the building in order to make way for a 12-storey, 426-bed, block of luxury student flats, despite acknowledging the building is in a conservation area in the application; believes that CAMRA is calling for a sympathetic developer to retain and restore the bar in the scope of any new development; notes the long-running campaign to save the built heritage of High Street, which is one of the city's oldest and most historically-significant streets; is concerned that it is at risk following what it sees as having been decades of neglect and failure to carry out maintenance and repair work, and understands the need to ensure that businesses and students are not priced out of the market or forced into properties that are not fit for purpose.

Supported by: Rona Mackay*, Richard Lyle*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-04188 Kenneth Gibson: Torture and Killings in Syrian Jails**—That the Parliament condemns the reported killings by Syrian authorities in jails across the country, as highlighted in the report, *Human slaughterhouse: Mass hangings and extermination at Saydnaya prison, Syria*, which states that, in just that one prison alone, which is known by detainees as "the slaughterhouse", at least 13,000 people have been killed by the authorities since the start of 2011; recognises that the report found that between 20 and 50 people were hanged every week at Saydnaya between 2011 and 2015; understands that these killings were carried out by the military police and authorised by senior officials, including deputies of President Assad; notes that, since the late 1980s, there have been at least 35 different torture methods recorded in Syria by Amnesty International, with practices having increased since 2011; realises that these figures run up until 2015 only; believes that, in all probability, thousands more people have been tortured and killed since; understands that Saydnaya is not the only Syrian prison to adopt these practices, with Amnesty stating that there are thousands more victims; believes that the victims are overwhelmingly ordinary citizens who oppose the government; understands that sexual assault is also inflicted on prisoners, with a report from the London School of Economics finding that, every morning, female prisoners are taken away to be tortured and raped, and considers that those responsible for these horrific crimes must be held accountable for their actions against humanity.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Emma Harper*, John Mason*, Bob Doris*, Ash Denham*

***S5M-04187 Ross Greer: Junk Kouture Finals**—That the Parliament congratulates all who took part in the recent Junk Kouture finals; notes that 80 teams of pupils took part in the finals at the

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SECC Armadillo in Glasgow in front of celebrities including the *X Factor* judge, Louis Walsh, and The Saturdays' Una Healey, in which the pupils displayed fashion items they had made by recycling rubbish; congratulates the overall winner, Wear No Evil, from St Paul's Academy in Dundee, the Glamour Award winner, Air of Antionette, from Dumfries Academy, the Enterprise Award winner, Power of the Poppy, from Arbroath High, the Junior Designers of the Year, Foregone Fairytale Reminiscence, from Brannock High School in Motherwell, and the winners of the performance prize, Sowma, from Hillhead High School in Glasgow; recognises that the contest showed an incredible array of work from all participants and demonstrates that recycling can be fun and have stunning results, and wishes the participants and organisers well for the future.

Supported by: Graeme Dey*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-04186 Annie Wells: LGBT Award for Barnardo's Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates Barnardo's Scotland on being given the top accolade from LGBT Youth Scotland for its work in ensuring that its services in Glasgow are supportive of LGBT people and that 82% of its staff have undertaken LGBT awareness training in the organisation.

***S5M-04185 Miles Briggs: Converge Challenge 2017**—That the Parliament welcomes the recent launch of Converge Challenge's 2017 programme; is aware that Converge Challenge is a pan-Scotland entrepreneurial and business training initiative that is not sector specific and can be for a product, process or service at any stage of development, and which is aimed at staff, students and recent graduates of Scottish universities and research institutes; notes that there are three award categories and that the prize funds for the KickStart and Social Enterprise categories have increased to £10,000 as part of an overall fund of £150,000 in 2017; commends all involved in Converge Challenge, including the many business sponsors and Scotland's universities; notes that previous Converge Challenge awards have supported numerous start-up and spin-out companies, with over 80% of companies created through it still trading after three years; considers that Converge Challenge is an innovative, important and valuable source of support for entrepreneurs at university and recent graduates with great potential to provide a further welcome and significant boost to economic development in Scotland, and encourages entrepreneurial university staff, students and recent graduates of universities and research institutes in Lothian and across Scotland to apply for support before the deadline for applications on 10 April 2017.

Supported by: Jamie Greene*, Peter Chapman*, Douglas Ross*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, Liz Smith*, Jeremy Balfour*, John Lamont*, Kenneth Gibson*, Maurice Corry*, Colin Beattie*, Ash Denham*, Edward Mountain*, Murdo Fraser*, Alison Harris*, Donald Cameron*

***S5M-04184 Colin Beattie: MidYouth Launch**—That the Parliament welcomes the establishment of MidYouth; understands that it is the first LGBT youth group in Midlothian; notes the importance of having such organisations throughout Scotland; believes that this group will be beneficial for young people in Midlothian, and wishes the group success going forward.

Supported by: Ruth Maguire*, Rona Mackay*, Monica Lennon*, Miles Briggs*, Fulton MacGregor*, Donald Cameron*, Jeremy Balfour*, David Torrance*, Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-04182 Lewis Macdonald: Launch of GolfAberdeenshire**—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of GolfAberdeenshire, which is a new initiative from VisitAberdeenshire to help promote golf tourism in the north east; understands that the scheme will bring together golf courses, hotels and tour operators to raise the profile of the 55 golf courses in Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire in a bid to attract more players from around the world; recognises that the golf industry is worth £1.1 billion to Scotland's economy and that golf tourism and events contribute £20 million to the local

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economy in the north east; commends VisitAberdeenshire on the launch of its new initiative, and looks forward to continued golf tourism success in the region thanks to GolfAberdeenshire's work.

***S5M-04181 Alison Johnstone: Air Pollution Linked to Premature Birth**—That the Parliament acknowledges the findings of research led by the Stockholm Environmental Institute, the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and the University of Colorado that between 2.7 and 3.4 million premature births around the world in 2010 may be linked to air pollution and that exposure to fine particulate matter during pregnancy can have a negative impact on babies' birth weight and can increase the likelihood of premature birth; notes the authors' recommendation that action should therefore be taken to reduce such pollution in order to lower the global rate of premature birth, and supports all efforts to do this and to improve maternal health in Scotland and around the world.

***S5M-04180 Christina McKelvie: Amnesty International Annual Report 2016/17**—That the Parliament notes the publication of the report, *Amnesty International Annual Report 2016/17*; further notes that it documents the state of human rights across the world during 2016; is deeply concerned at its finding that 36 countries illegally returned refugees back to a country where their rights were at risk; is further troubled to learn that the report shows that 23 war crimes were committed in at least 23 countries during the year; is distressed that the report documents 22 countries in which people were killed for peacefully standing up for human rights; reinforces its belief that human rights should be truly universal to all; pledges that it will continue to stand up for human rights in Scotland and abroad wherever possible, and further pledges to work in partnership with others to address the findings of the report and to ensure human rights for all.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Patrick Harvie*, Sandra White*, Graeme Dey*, Clare Haughey*, Gillian Martin*, David Torrance*, Kenneth Gibson*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-04179 Maurice Corry: Phil Slade and Mark Belamarich**—That the Parliament wishes Phil Slade and Mark Belamarich the best of luck in their attempt to break the world record that they set for sailing in a double-handed dinghy by covering 500 nautical miles of open sea from Plymouth to the Gareloch; understands that their current Guinness World Records-recognised distance of 309.25 nautical miles was set by travelling non-stop from Plymouth to Portsmouth, via Septiles in France, using a Royal Navy bosun sail training dinghy, and acknowledges that Phil and Mark will be raising money for both the Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity and Bowel Cancer UK during their attempt.

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***S5M-04178 Gail Ross: Meygen Deployment**—That the Parliament welcomes the deployment of the AR1500 tidal stream turbine in the Pentland Firth as part of the Meygen Tidal project; notes that it is the fourth turbine to be deployed and congratulates the team at Meygen on completing the job in less than 60 minutes; appreciates the 6 MW of power that the scheme is already producing for the local distribution network, and looks forward to what it hopes will be the further positive economic and environmental effects that it will bring to the area's economy.

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***S5M-04177 Claudia Beamish: Big Lottery Funding for PND Borders—**That the Parliament congratulates PND Borders on receiving £150,000 from the Big Lottery Fund; understands that it will use the money to continue and expand the therapeutic services for women with post-natal depression, which will include counselling and art therapy; believes that the service will reach over 165 women in the next three years; notes that the programme is also open to the male partners of the women and includes baby massage, crèche facilities and a nutrition group, and wishes PND Borders every success in the future.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Jeremy Balfour*, John Lamont*, David Stewart*, Edward Mountain*, Colin Beattie*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-04176 Alexander Stewart: New Patron for Perth Autism Support—**That the Parliament congratulates Perth Autism Support on its enlistment of the actor/director, Andy Gray, as its patron; believes that, as a Perth man, Andy was honoured to be asked, as he was fully conversant with its work and had previously attended its theatre classes; understands that one of his first engagements as patron will be to attend the annual Perth Autism Support Sapphire Ball at the Salutation Hotel in Perth on 29 April 2017, and wishes Perth Autism Support and Andy Gray the very best of luck with all their activities throughout the coming year.

Supported by: Jamie Greene*, John Lamont*, Peter Chapman*, Maurice Corry*, Margaret Mitchell*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Donald Cameron*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liz Smith*, Oliver Mundell*, Fulton MacGregor*, Murdo Fraser*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Bowman*, Alison Harris*

***S5M-04175 Alexander Stewart: Disability Award for Forth Valley College—**That the Parliament congratulates Forth Valley College on receiving the Disability Confident accreditation; understands that, to meet the criteria, the college had to achieve several core aims, which included actively looking to attract disabled people and providing a fully inclusive, accessible recruitment process, and notes that the college then successfully completed the Disability Confident self-assessment plus further requirements for this award, which now ensures that it is amongst the first colleges to attain this accreditation, adding to its current accreditation as a UK Living Wage Employer.

Supported by: Liz Smith*, John Lamont*, Alison Harris*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Margaret Mitchell*, Colin Beattie*, Peter Chapman*, Donald Cameron*, Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Jeremy Balfour*, Ash Denham*, Oliver Mundell*, Murdo Fraser*, Richard Lyle*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Bowman*

***S5M-04174 Lewis Macdonald: Scotland's First Cruyff Court Opens in Aberdeen—**That the Parliament welcomes the official opening of Scotland's first Cruyff Court at Catherine Street Court in Aberdeen on 17 February 2017; recognises that the facility, which has been named the Cruyff Court Denis Law, has been transformed into a hi-tech, all-weather play and sports area thanks to £200,000 funding from Aberdeen City Council, the Cruyff Foundation and the Denis Law Legacy Trust; understands that the concept of the Cruyff Court was developed by the late footballer, Johan Cruyff, whose aim was to provide safe city spaces for young people to play and enjoy sporting activities; acknowledges that, thanks to the ongoing work of Robert Gordon University's Streetsport initiative, young people in the Catherine Street area will be able to access a range of free activities at the Cruyff Court Denis Law, including street hockey, street dance and freestyle football, and thanks all those involved in the projects to bring a Cruyff Court to Aberdeen.

Supported by: Neil Findlay*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gillian Martin*, Kenneth Gibson*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-04173 Lewis Macdonald: APSE Scottish Apprentice of the Year—**That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen City Council electrician apprentice, Graeme Baird, on winning the

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Association for Public Service Excellence (APSE) Scottish Building and Housing Apprentice of the Year award for the third year running; understands that Graeme won the Scottish Apprentice of the Year in the first and second year categories in 2015 and 2016, before securing a hat-trick of awards by winning Scottish Apprentice of the Year in the third year category at the 2017 awards ceremony in Dunblane on 16 February; recognises that five Aberdeen City Council apprentices were put forward for this year's awards, with those entered asked to provide a portfolio of their work and any awards won, along with an essay about their apprenticeship, to the APSE judges; acknowledges the important opportunities offered by apprenticeships, and commends Graeme Baird and his four colleagues on their achievement in being recognised by their employer, Aberdeen City Council, and by APSE.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Iain Gray*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Liam Kerr*, Gillian Martin*, Kenneth Gibson*, Richard Lyle*

[S5M-04168](#) Derek Mackay: Budget (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Budget (Scotland) Bill be passed.

Supported by: Nicola Sturgeon, Joe FitzPatrick

[*S5M-04168.2](#) Murdo Fraser: Budget (Scotland) Bill—As an amendment to motion S5M-04168 in the name of Derek Mackay (Budget (Scotland) Bill), insert at end “, but, in so doing, regrets the damage that will be caused to the Scottish economy and public finances by making Scotland the highest taxed part of the UK.”

[*S5M-04168.1](#) Kezia Dugdale: Budget (Scotland) Bill—As an amendment to motion S5M-04168 in the name of Derek Mackay (Budget (Scotland) Bill), insert at end “, and, in so doing, believes that Scottish income tax rates should be set as follows for 2017-18 to invest in public services: basic rate at 21p above £11,500, higher rate at 41p above £42,385 and additional rate at 50p above £150,000.”

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S5M-04172](#) Colin Beattie: MYPAS Awarded Silver Charter (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Jenny Gilruth*, Jeremy Balfour*, Ash Denham*, Miles Briggs*, Clare Haughey*, Joan McAlpine*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*

[S5M-04171](#) Colin Beattie: Our Lady of Loretto Youth Players (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*, Jeremy Balfour*, Ruth Maguire*, Iain Gray*, Joan McAlpine*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*

[S5M-04170](#) Jackie Baillie: Health and Fuel Poverty (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Anas Sarwar*, Claudia Beamish*, Neil Findlay*, Alex Rowley*, Johann Lamont*

[S5M-04169](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Sirens Superleague Netball Team Debut (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell*, Bill Bowman*, Ruth Maguire*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04167](#) Annie Wells: 2017 Rainbow Relay Run, Glasgow (lodged on 21 February 2017)

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New Support: Bill Bowman*, Edward Mountain*, Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Oliver Mundell*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04166](#) Richard Lochhead: The Drouthy Cobbler, Moray, Shortlisted for Award (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Alexander Burnett*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04165](#) Peter Chapman: Ellon Fire and Rescue Service (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Bill Bowman*, Murdo Fraser*, Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Oliver Mundell*, Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04164](#) Colin Beattie: Pathedible Orchard (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Alexander Burnett*, Bill Kidd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04160](#) Angus MacDonald: Rotary Club of Polmont Primary School Quiz Won by Laurieston Primary School (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Alexander Burnett*, Jenny Gilruth*, David Torrance*, Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04159](#) Finlay Carson: Newton Stewart RFC Wins BT West Division One Title (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04158](#) Tavish Scott: Energy Action Scotland Support for Shetland Cancer Patients (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04156](#) Gil Paterson: Fundraisers Install Nine Defibrillators (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04155](#) Richard Lochhead: Dufftown's Bicentenary (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Alexander Burnett*, Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04154](#) George Adam: Success for Paisley Pirates (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04149](#) Richard Lochhead: Findhorn Village Conservation Company (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Stewart Stevenson*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04148](#) Murdo Fraser: Archaeological Dig for James I (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04147](#) Jeremy Balfour: Lottery Funding for Community One Stop Shop (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Oliver Mundell*, Fulton MacGregor*

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[S5M-04146](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulations to Couple Counselling Lothian (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Neil Findlay*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04145](#) Jenny Gilruth: Fife Employment Access Trust (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04144](#) Jenny Gilruth: Fife Women's Aid (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04143](#) Alexander Stewart: Tesco Alloa Introduces Quiet Hour to Help People with Autism (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Stuart McMillan*, Oliver Mundell*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04142](#) James Dornan: Congratulating Finn's Place (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Johann Lamont*

[S5M-04141](#) David Torrance: Cruse Bereavement Care Scotland (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04140](#) David Torrance: CLEAR Levenmouth (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04139](#) John Finnie: Highlands and Islands Climate Challenge Fund (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Claudia Beamish*, Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04137](#) Ash Denham: Neurofibromatosis Awareness Day (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: John Mason*, Neil Findlay*, Maurice Corry*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jamie Greene*, David Torrance*, Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-04136](#) Emma Harper: Marks and Spencer to Stock Scotch Lamb Only (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: John Mason*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04135](#) Alexander Stewart: Tribute to Perth Photographer, Louis Flood (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04134](#) Fulton MacGregor: O'Neill Family Raise £20,000 for Charity (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04133](#) Graeme Dey: Monifieth Befriending Scheme (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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[S5M-04132 Miles Briggs: Report on the Mental Health of Young Carers](#) (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Neil Findlay*, Oliver Mundell*, Monica Lennon*

[S5M-04131 Claudia Beamish: Report on Young Carers, "Coping is Difficult, But I Feel Proud"](#) (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Neil Findlay*, Johann Lamont*

[S5M-04130 Ben Macpherson: Justice for Yazidi People](#) (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Ash Denham*, Gillian Martin*

[S5M-04129 Douglas Ross: Funding Boost for Voluntary Action Orkney](#) (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04128 Bill Bowman: Big Lottery Fund Success for Maxwelltown Information Centre](#) (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04127 Bill Bowman: Big Lottery Fund Success for Monifieth Befriending Scheme](#) (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04125 Gordon Lindhurst: Asda Livingston Donation to SANDS Lothians](#) (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Neil Findlay*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04124 Brian Whittle: Killie Heartmates and Other Rehabilitation Services](#) (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Finlay Carson*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04123 Gil Paterson: Strange Claims by Labour](#) (lodged on 21 February 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

[S5M-04121 Alexander Stewart: Inspirational Dunfermline Teenager](#) (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04120 Tavish Scott: Congratulations to Shetland College UHI](#) (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04119 Alexander Stewart: Rosyth Gala Returns](#) (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04117 Alexander Stewart: 1st Tulliallan Company BB's Fundraising Auction](#) (lodged on 20 February 2017)

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New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04115](#) Ash Denham: The Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) Bill (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Kate Forbes*

[S5M-04114](#) Alexander Stewart: Tribute to Popular Retired Alloa Dentist, John Short (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04113](#) Jackie Baillie: Closure of the Vale of Leven's Out-of-Hours GP Service (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04111](#) Murdo Fraser: Life of Eberhart "Paddy" Bort (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Andy Wightman*, Johann Lamont*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04110](#) Anas Sarwar: Macmillan Cancer Deprivation Report (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Johann Lamont*

[S5M-04108](#) Clare Adamson: Motherwell and Wishaw Candidates for the Scottish Youth Parliament (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alison Harris*

[S5M-04104](#) Clare Adamson: Eberhard "Paddy" Bort (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Johann Lamont*

[S5M-04103](#) Neil Findlay: Congratulations to the Bridgend Shale History Project (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04102](#) Peter Chapman: Candlelit Supper in Ellon Raises Funds for Rwandan Children (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04099](#) Mary Fee: United Nations World Day of Social Justice (lodged on 20 February 2017)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

[S5M-04097](#) Jeremy Balfour: Spartans CFA Changing Lives in North Edinburgh (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04094](#) Elaine Smith: End Inequality in Scotland (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay*, Johann Lamont*

[S5M-04093](#) Gail Ross: Congratulations to Ellora James (lodged on 17 February 2017)

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New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04092 Jackie Baillie: Luss Farmer's Win Prestigious Ambassador Award](#) (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04091 Jackie Baillie: Loch Lomond Whisky Group Launches Global Travel Retail Range](#) (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04090 Fulton MacGregor: Care Day 2017](#) (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04089 Kezia Dugdale: Congratulating Action Party](#) (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04088 Jamie Greene: North Ayrshire Support Services for LGBTI Youth](#) (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04086 Alexander Stewart: Safe Drive, Stay Alive Project](#) (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04084 Christina McKelvie: Learning Disability Awards](#) (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04082 Annie Wells: Light up Queens Park Petition to Stop Rape and Sexual Assault](#) (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04081 Ross Thomson: Award Winning Academy of Make-up to Open in Aberdeen](#) (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04079 Alex Rowley: Safe Drive Stay Alive Roadshow](#) (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04078 Annie Wells: More Funding in Glasgow from the Young Start Fund](#) (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04077 David Stewart: Increase in Visitors to Historic Highlands and Islands Sites](#) (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04076 Alexander Stewart: Tullibody Fruit Barra](#) (lodged on 16 February 2017)

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New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04075.1](#) Patrick Harvie: Glasgow Airport Passenger Numbers (lodged on 17 February 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04075](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Airport Passenger Numbers (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Jackie Baillie*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04074](#) Peter Chapman: Friends of Anchor's Biggest Campaign (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04073](#) Alexander Stewart: Jay Robertson, Young Dunfermline Dance Champion (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04072](#) Miles Briggs: Young Start Boost for Lothian Projects (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Neil Findlay*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04071](#) Miles Briggs: The St John and the City Project (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Neil Findlay*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04069](#) Alexander Stewart: Further Employment Opportunities Around Perth (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04068](#) Liam Kerr: Cycling Initiative Launched in Angus (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04067](#) Liam Kerr: Neil Ironside Aids Serviceman (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04066](#) Liam Kerr: Arbroath Pets at Home Fundraising (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04065](#) John Lamont: Kelso High School, Gold Status (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04064](#) Liam Kerr: Links Park Community Trust, Montrose (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04063](#) Lewis Macdonald: Inaugural Winter Golden Games Held in Aberdeen (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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[S5M-04062](#) Alexander Burnett: Referendums (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04061](#) Maurice Corry: Combat Stress Finds Veterans in Scotland Face Higher Levels of Deprivation Than Those in Rest of UK (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04060](#) Maurice Corry: Anne and Bobby Lennox (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04059](#) Ross Thomson: Greenwell Equipment Sponsors Newmachar United FC (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04058](#) Alexander Stewart: Tillicoultry Woman in 1,000km Bid for Ectopic Pregnancy Trust (lodged on 16 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04054](#) Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Artist Launches First Solo Exhibition in Alloa (lodged on 15 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04048](#) Stuart McMillan: Commonwealth Day 2017 (lodged on 15 February 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-04047](#) Emma Harper: Quality Meat Scotland Warns of Brexit Risks to Meat Producers (lodged on 15 February 2017)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04046](#) Lewis Macdonald: Team Zariba Selected for World Synchronized Skating Championship (lodged on 15 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04043](#) Brian Whittle: Scottish Athletic Achievements Since 1 January 2017 (lodged on 15 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Neil Findlay*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-04042](#) Bill Bowman: Thanking Arbroath Resident, Alison Stedman (lodged on 15 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04041](#) Ben Macpherson: Hibernian Community Foundation Secures Young Start Funding (lodged on 15 February 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04039](#) Lewis Macdonald: Success of SPECTRA Aberdeen 2017 (lodged on 14 February 2017)

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New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04038](#) Ross Thomson: Zara Morris-Trainor (lodged on 14 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04037](#) Emma Harper: Raising Awareness of Tourette's (lodged on 14 February 2017)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04033](#) Tavish Scott: Tingwall Man Raises Money for the ARCHIE Foundation (lodged on 14 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04032](#) Tavish Scott: Awards for Shetland Journalism (lodged on 14 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04031](#) Alexander Stewart: Dunblane Woman is Fastest Solo Rower Across the Atlantic (lodged on 14 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04030](#) Gail Ross: NFU Scotland's Centenary Trust (lodged on 14 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04029](#) Gail Ross: Funding for Sail Scotland (lodged on 14 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04028](#) Alexander Stewart: East Neuk Festival 2017 (lodged on 14 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04026](#) Ross Thomson: Dance Studio Raises £5,000 for Oncology Campaign (lodged on 14 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04022](#) Peter Chapman: Major Road and Rail Reviews for Aberdeenshire (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04021](#) George Adam: MS Awareness Week (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04020](#) Graeme Dey: Arbroath High School Junk Kouture Scotland Winners (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04019](#) Alexander Stewart: Sir David Hempleman-Adams in Perth for Geographical Society's Inspiring People (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

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[S5M-04018](#) Maurice Corry: Heroes Drinks Company Given Asda Listing (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04017](#) Jackson Carlaw: Eastwood Receives Awards For All Scotland Grants (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04016](#) Graeme Dey: Included in the Main?! (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04011](#) Finlay Carson: Dalbeattie Primary School Awarded Fifth Green Flag (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04009](#) Miles Briggs: Edinburgh's Fintech Hub to Open in May (lodged on 13 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04005](#) Brian Whittle: Cardiac Rehabilitation Week (lodged on 10 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04003](#) Douglas Ross: Retirement of Sandy Burgess from Forres Academy (lodged on 10 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-04000](#) Edward Mountain: Captain David Seath Memorial Fund (lodged on 10 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03996](#) Liam Kerr: OPITO Study Shows Confidence in North Sea Future (lodged on 10 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03995](#) Kate Forbes: West Highland College UHI (lodged on 10 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03991](#) Miles Briggs: Forth One, the Capital's Most Popular Radio Station (lodged on 10 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03990](#) Colin Beattie: Funding for the Midlothian Association of Play (lodged on 10 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03989](#) Colin Beattie: Mayfield Town Centre Makeover (lodged on 10 February 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03987](#) Margaret Mitchell: Victims of Crime Day (lodged on 10 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03985](#) Jeremy Balfour: Juno Supporting Mums (lodged on 10 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03984](#) Adam Tomkins: Community Jobs Scotland (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03978](#) Neil Findlay: Butchers Q Guild Smithfield Award (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03977](#) Neil Findlay: New £2.3 million Homeless Assessment Centre in Blackburn (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03976](#) Neil Findlay: Brogan Burns, British Educational Award (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03974](#) Adam Tomkins: The Glasgow Children's Holiday Scheme (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03972](#) Annie Wells: Congratulating Apple CEO, Tim Cook, on Honorary Doctorate from the University of Glasgow (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03971](#) Andy Wightman: Cessation of National Courses in Russian Language for all Scottish Schools (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Ivan McKee*

[S5M-03970](#) Maurice Golden: Congratulations to Sarah and Laura Ayoub (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03969](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa Rotary Club Raises Funds to Help Disadvantaged Young People Participate in Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03968](#) Gail Ross: Bradbury Centre in Bonar Bridge (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03965](#) Linda Fabiani: East Kilbride's South Lanarkshire College Excels Again (lodged on 09 February 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03964](#) Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Hits the Jackpot on Lottery Projects
(lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03962](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Fundraising Efforts of Pets at Home, Livingston (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03961](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Search for Architects, the Ross Bandstand in Edinburgh
(lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03953](#) Maurice Corry: Plastic Tide (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03952](#) Ross Thomson: Aberdeen's Best Curry Awards (lodged on 09 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03951](#) Jeremy Balfour: Holy Trinity Church of Scotland Hit Water in Burkina Faso
(lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03950](#) Rhoda Grant: Triggers for Loneliness (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03949](#) Angus MacDonald: NHS Forth Valley Long-service Awards (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03948](#) Angus MacDonald: Church of Scotland's First Digital Minister (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03946](#) Brian Whittle: Clydesdale Community Initiatives (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03942](#) Liam Kerr: Dundee and Angus College (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03941](#) Liam Kerr: Reg Hunter Raises £1,000 for Alzheimer's Society (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03940](#) Liam Kerr: Reopening of the Montrose Basin Visitor Centre (lodged on 08 February 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Oliver Mundell*

[S5M-03939](#) John Lamont: Congratulations to NFUS St Boswells Office on its Membership Flame Award (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03938](#) Maurice Golden: St Mark's Primary School Green Flag (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03935](#) Liam Kerr: Inaugural Aberdeen-Malaga Ryanair Flight (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03929](#) Alexander Stewart: Popular Dunblane Walkway Restored by Hardworking Townsfolk (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03926](#) Colin Beattie: Forward Mid's Directory for Disabled People 2017 (lodged on 08 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03905](#) Christine Grahame: Bee Cool (lodged on 07 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03856](#) Maurice Golden: Professor James Curran (lodged on 06 February 2017)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*

[S5M-03808](#) Bruce Crawford: Bonnie Prince Charlie Trail (lodged on 01 February 2017)

New Support: Alison Harris*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Gordon MacDonald*, Peter Chapman*

[S5M-02976](#) Colin Beattie: Industrial Strategy for a More Prosperous, Fairer Britain (lodged on 07 December 2016)

New Support: Willie Coffey*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 01 March 2017

Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

- 1. David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met European Commission officials, and what was discussed. ([S5O-00700](#))
- 2. George Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government how the historic environment can promote culture in towns and cities. ([S5O-00701](#))
- 3. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government how successful it considers Celtic Connections 2017 has been for Glasgow and Scotland. ([S5O-00702](#))
- 4. Graeme Dey:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress is being made in negotiations with the UK Government regarding the freedom of movement of agriculture and horticulture workers post-Brexit. ([S5O-00703](#))
- 5. Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to acknowledge and commemorate the role of the founding Director of the Edinburgh International Festival, Rudolf Bing, in this its 70th anniversary year. ([S5O-00704](#))
- 6. Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making in securing additional funding for BBC Alba. ([S5O-00705](#))
- 7. Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made in developing links with Qatar. ([S5O-00706](#))
- 8. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing for the paddle steamer, Maid of the Loch. ([S5O-00707](#))
- 9. Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has made to the UK Government regarding its decision to end the Dubs scheme for bringing lone child refugees to the UK. ([S5O-00708](#))
- 10. Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports tourism in rural areas, and what impact the rural economy hub could have on this. ([S5O-00709](#)) R

Justice and the Law Officers

- 1. Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent update report by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland on call handling in Police Scotland. ([S5O-00710](#))
- 2. Peter Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve the completion rate of community payback orders. ([S5O-00711](#))
- 3. Adam Tomkins:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that 30% of sheriff courts are failing to reach the 26-week target from caution and charge to verdict. ([S5O-00712](#))
- 4. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the time taken to conclude cases in the courts. ([S5O-00713](#))
- 5. Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making with the implementation of section 179 of the Criminal Justice and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2010 regarding disabled access. ([S5O-00714](#))

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- 6. Gil Paterson:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will next meet the Advocate General for Scotland. ([S5O-00715](#))
- 7. Douglas Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met the Scottish Police Authority and what issues were discussed. ([S5O-00716](#))
- 8. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans are in place to maintain specialist railway policing expertise within Police Scotland. ([S5O-00717](#))
- 9. James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government what costs have been incurred in detaining suspects in custody prior to court appearances for offences under the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012. ([S5O-00718](#))
- 10. Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has examined restructuring Police Scotland in order to enable it to regain the VAT exemption lost due to its centralisation, and what assessment it has made of how this would benefit services across Scotland. ([S5O-00719](#))

General Questions selected for answer on 02 March 2017

- 1. Jenny Gilruth:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to close the attainment gap. ([S5O-00720](#))
- 2. Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what evaluation has been made of its previous suicide prevention strategy, and how this will underpin its updated mental health strategy. ([S5O-00721](#))
- 3. Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with retail banks regarding branch networks. ([S5O-00722](#))
- 4. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to assist people in the oil and gas industry who are facing redundancy. ([S5O-00723](#))
- 5. Gail Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government how it works with rural community councils to develop community empowerment, devolve powers locally and help reform local government. ([S5O-00724](#))
- 6. Stewart Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government what the impact would be on the fishing industry of the UK Government considering it a medium priority in its negotiations on leaving the EU, as suggested in a recently-leaked memo. ([S5O-00725](#))
- 7. Kate Forbes:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting The Highland Council in recruiting teachers. ([S5O-00726](#))
- 8. Maree Todd:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has received an update from the Department for Work and Pensions regarding progress of the roll-out of universal credit in the Highlands. ([S5O-00727](#))
- 9. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to identify European E-road routes on road signs after the UK leaves the EU. ([S5O-00728](#))
- 10. Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport will announce a final decision regarding the proposed closure of the children's ward at the Royal Alexandra Hospital. ([S5O-00729](#))

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Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 22 February 2017

[S5W-07385](#) Mary Fee: To ask the Scottish Government (a) how many and (b) what percentage of prisoners are aged over (i) 49 and (ii) 59.

[S5W-07386](#) Mary Fee: To ask the Scottish Government (a) how many and (b) what percentage of prisoners have (i) a disability and (b) dementia.

[S5W-07387](#) Mary Fee: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of whether older prisoners receive the same level of health and social care as the general population, including primary and dental care.

[S5W-07388](#) Mary Fee: To ask the Scottish Government what the barriers are to older people accessing healthcare services from within prison, and what steps it is taking to overcome these.

[S5W-07389](#) Mary Fee: To ask the Scottish Government what specific training is provided to prison officers and staff on how to care for (a) older people and (b) people with dementia.

[S5W-07390](#) Mary Fee: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will develop guidance regarding best practice and responsibilities when resettling older people on their release from prison, including advice on pensions, housing and accessing healthcare.

[S5W-07391](#) Mary Fee: To ask the Scottish Government what resources are provided to voluntary sector agencies to support older people who are (a) in prison and (b) being resettled following their release from prison.

[S5W-07392](#) Mary Fee: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to develop a national strategy for older prisoners.

[S5W-07394](#) Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) animal habitats and (b) species in Scotland are protected by the EU habitats directive.

[S5W-07395](#) Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the possible impact on marine protected areas and species in Scotland, whether the UK Government has provided it with a guarantee that it will (a) introduce a replacement and (b) maintain equivalent funding for the 2014-20 period for the INTERREG programme after the UK leaves the EU.

[S5W-07396](#) Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the possible impact on environment and climate action projects in Scotland, whether the UK Government has provided it with a guarantee that it will (a) introduce a replacement and (b) maintain equivalent funding for the EU LIFE programme after the UK leaves the EU.

[S5W-07397](#) Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government how many Natura sites in Scotland are underpinned by (a) the EU (i) habitats and (ii) birds directive and (b) being designated sites of special scientific interest or marine protected areas, and how many are not.

[S5W-07399](#) Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government how much of the funding to maintain or improve the condition of protected areas comes from the Scottish Rural Development Programme.

[S5W-07401](#) Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on introducing a strategy similar to the Welsh Government's liver disease delivery plan.

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[S5W-07402](#) Fulton MacGregor: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to introducing a returnable deposit scheme on cans and bottles in order to reduce littering and increase recycling.

[S5W-07404](#) Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides to local authorities to improve health and safety standards in schools.

[S5W-07405](#) Anas Sarwar: To ask the Scottish Government what the uptake rates are of the meningitis B vaccine for children under five, broken down by (a) age and (b) NHS board.

[S5W-07406](#) Anas Sarwar: To ask the Scottish Government in what circumstances a proactive vaccination for meningitis B would happen under the NHS if the individual concerned is outwith the routine childhood programme.

[S5W-07407](#) Anas Sarwar: To ask the Scottish Government how many vaccinations have been carried out free for people who would not be covered by the routine childhood programme since 2005, also broken down by (a) year, (b) age and (c) NHS board.

[S5W-07408](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what the membership will be of the group that it has agreed to lead to write new qualities and standards for school toilets.

[S5W-07409](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether the group that it has agreed to lead to write new qualities and standards for school toilets will address the issue of sanitary item provision in schools.

[S5W-07410](#) Gillian Martin: To ask the Scottish Government how it supports people with Lyme's disease and raises awareness on the (a) prevention of tick bites and (b) detection of early symptoms.

[S5W-07411](#) Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider revising the National Assistance Act 1948 regarding matters that are devolved.

[S5W-07412](#) Peter Chapman: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to increase the proportion of landings of pelagic fish in Scottish ports.

[S5W-07413](#) Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many vehicles there have been in its car service in each year since 1999, broken down by model.

[S5W-07416](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-05882 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 19 January 2017, for what reason the SAAS loan bands are no longer based on a parental income sliding scale and what support it gives to families whose income is just above the threshold, resulting in them not being eligible for the higher loan rate to pay for more than one child at college or university.

[S5W-07417](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on reports that inexperienced volunteers and parents are permitted to run childcare businesses and that they can be held accountable for the quality of the (a) care and (b) education provided.

[S5W-07418](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the remit of Early Years Scotland and council teams to oversee playgroups, what its response is to reports that they might not be held accountable for the quality of the (a) care and (b) education provided, and what the level of accountability is of (i) Early Years Scotland development workers and (ii) principle teachers.

[S5W-07419](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what support it offers to voluntary playgroups to assist in recruiting specialised and experienced staff.

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[S5W-07420 Alexander Burnett:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what role voluntary playgroups will play in meeting its commitment to expand the early learning and childcare entitlement to 1,140 hours per year by 2020 and for this to apply to all three- and four-year-olds.

[S5W-07421 Alexander Burnett:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what programmes the NHS provides that offer exercise and nutritional advice to tackle (a) obesity, (b) type 2 diabetes and (c) other medical conditions.

[S5W-07422 Alexander Burnett:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what programmes the NHS provides to help older people stay active.

[S5W-07423 Anas Sarwar:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what the contract cost is for upgrading the Community Health Index.

[S5W-07424 Anas Sarwar:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether Atos made an offer to upgrade the Community Health Index for free.

[S5W-07435 Mike Rumbles:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent report that Coca-Cola Ltd has added its support to a campaign calling for a deposit return scheme to be introduced in Scotland and the company's comment that 63% of its consumers support the introduction of a deposits system in the UK, with 51% saying they would be more likely to recycle as a result.

[S5W-07437 Neil Findlay:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what work each of its (a) directorates and (b) agencies have commissioned from Professor Russell Griggs in each year since 2013, and what information it has regarding work commissioned by other public bodies.

[S5W-07438 Donald Cameron:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to raise awareness of dystonia.

[S5W-07439 Donald Cameron:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has provided for dystonia research.

[S5W-07440 Donald Cameron:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what support is available to people who (a) live with and (b) are newly-diagnosed with a form of dystonia.

[S5W-07441 Monica Lennon:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what the terms of reference will be for the group that it has agreed to lead to write new qualities and standards for school toilets.

[S5W-07460 Alexander Burnett:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what support it offers to voluntary playgroups that rely on fundraising or donations.

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New Subordinate Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

New Subordinate Legislation

Negative instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 22 February 2017 and is subject to the negative procedure—

Animal Feed (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/38)
laid under section 84 of the Agriculture Act 1970

Progress of Legislation

Bills

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the Scottish Parliament website at:

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/576.aspx>

For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 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.

Air Departure Tax (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Finance and Constitution), 22 February 2017

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform), 21 February 2017

Budget (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 23 February 2017

Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Social Security), 23 February 2017

Lead committee - Social Security

Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 21 February 2017

Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 21 February 2017

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Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 7 February 2017

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform), 21 February 2017

Legislative Consent Memorandums

A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:

<http://external.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/31313.aspx>

Criminal Finances Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-6

Justice Committee, 31 January 2017

Digital Economy Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-8

Agreed by Parliament on 22 February 2017

Farriers (Registration) Bill (UK Parliament legislations) LCM-S5-9

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee, 21 February 2017

Health Service Medical Supplies (Costs) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-5

Agreed by Parliament on 7 February 2017

Subordinate Legislation *(date of laying)* (lead committee)

Instrument subject to approval

To be approved by resolution of the Parliament by 3 March 2017

[Scottish Landfill Tax \(Standard Rate and Lower Rate\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/23\)](#) (27 January 2017) (Finance and Constitution)

Affirmative instruments

Lead committee to report by 6 March 2017

[Schools \(Consultation\) \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(Modification\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (17 January 2017) (Education and Skills)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Lead committee to report by 12 March 2017

[Sale of Tobacco \(Registration of Moveable Structures and Fixed Penalty Notices\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (23 January 2017) (Health and Sport)

Lead committee to report by 15 March 2017

[National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Older and Disabled Persons \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (26 January 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Judiciary and Courts \(Scotland\) Act 2008 \(Scottish Land Court\) Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (26 January 2017) (Justice)

Lead committee to report by 16 March 2017

[Continuing Care \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (27 January 2017) (Education and Skills)

[National Health Service \(Scotland\) Act 1978 \(Independent Clinic\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (27 January 2017) (Health and Sport)

[Scottish Fiscal Commission \(Modification of Functions\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (27 January 2017) (Finance and Constitution)

Lead committee to report by 22 March 2017

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2016 Amendment Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (2 February 2017) (Finance and Constitution)

Lead committee to report by 23 March 2017

[Scottish Tribunals \(Listed Tribunals\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (3 February 2017) (Justice)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Tax Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Composition\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (3 February 2017) (Justice)

[Tribunals \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Ancillary Provisions\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (3 February 2017) (Justice)

Lead committee to report by 31 March 2017

[Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of the Upper Tax Tribunal for Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (16 February 2017) (Justice)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of the First-tier Tax Tribunal for Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (16 February 2017) (Justice)

[Bankruptcy and Protected Trust Deeds \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (20 February 2017) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)

Lead committee to report by 17 April 2017

[Carbon Accounting Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (21 February 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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[Letting Agent Registration \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/432\)](#) (22 December 2016)

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[Licensing of Relevant Permanent Sites \(Scotland\) Regulations 2016 \(SSI 2016/433\)](#) (22 December 2016) (Local Government and Communities)

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Subject to annulment by 2 March 2017

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[Plant Health \(Import Inspection Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/6\)](#) (13 January 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 7 March 2017

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[Title Conditions \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Rural Housing Bodies\) Amendment Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/7\)](#) (18 January 2017) (Justice)

Subject to annulment by 8 March 2017

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[Non-Domestic Rates \(Levying\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/9\)](#) (19 January 2017)

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[Non-Domestic Rates \(Rural Areas\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/22\)](#) (27 January 2017)

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Subject to annulment by 23 March 2017

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[National Health Service Superannuation Scheme \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/27\)](#) (3 February 2017) (Health and Sport)

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Other documents

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Committee Reports

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Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 9th Report 2017 (Session 5): Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 (SP Paper 88)

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 10th Report 2017 (Session 5): Subordinate Legislation (SP Paper 89)

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Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 22 February 2017 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

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