

Thursday 15 June 2017

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## 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-05662  
Christine Grahame: Stink Pits Stink
- 2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 2:30 pm** Scottish Parliamentary Corporate  
Body Questions
- followed by** Ministerial Statement: Education  
Governance Next Steps
- followed by** Scottish Government Debate:  
Recognise and Celebrate Edinburgh's  
International Festivals in their 70th  
Anniversary Year
- followed by** Business Motions
- followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 5:00 pm** Decision Time

### Committee Meetings

- 8:45am** Public Petitions Committee
- 8:50am** Public Audit and Post-legislative  
Scrutiny Committee
- 9:00am** Culture, Tourism, Europe and  
External Relations Committee
- 9:00am** Equalities and Human Rights  
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. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with Police Scotland regarding its estates strategy. ([S5O-01119](#))
- 2. Rhoda Grant:** [Withdrawn] ([S5O-01120](#))
- 3. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what its most recent figures are for the uptake of the Young Scot National Entitlement Card. ([S5O-01121](#))
- 4. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that products covered by the Conformité Européenne, or CE, mark that are manufactured or sold in Scotland will continue to meet such standards post-Brexit. ([S5O-01122](#))
- 5. Alison Johnstone:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to introducing legislation on the installation of CCTV in abattoirs. ([S5O-01123](#))
- 6. Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government when its rural payments division will issue advice to the Crofting Commission to determine the sub-let crofting application at Vigga, West Yell, Shetland, which was submitted to the commission on 24 June 2016. ([S5O-01124](#))
- 7. Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government whether all farmers will receive their 2015 and 2016 subsidy payments by the end of June 2017. ([S5O-01125](#)) **R**
- 8. Anas Sarwar:** [Withdrawn] ([S5O-01126](#))
- 9. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government what improvements have been made to the rail infrastructure in, and rail services to, North Ayrshire since 2007. ([S5O-01127](#))
- 10. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports communities in the Glasgow Maryhill and Springburn constituency in accessing new affordable housing. ([S5O-01128](#))

### 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-01381](#))
- 2. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the week. ([S5F-01379](#))
- 3. Patrick Harvie:** To ask the First Minister when the Cabinet will next meet. ([S5F-01382](#))
- 4. James Dornan:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government is doing to support LGBT rights. ([S5F-01394](#))
- 5. Peter Chapman:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the Audit Scotland update on the CAP Futures programme. ([S5F-01392](#)) **R**
- 6. Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the First Minister whether work by Scottish Government officials on a second independence referendum will now cease. ([S5F-01401](#))
- 7. Graeme Dey:** To ask the First Minister how the Scottish Government is marking Carers Week. ([S5F-01391](#))

## 12:45 pm Members' Business

### Debate on the subject of—

**[S5M-05662](#) Christine Grahame: Stink Pits Stink**—That the Parliament notes the continued use of stink pits, which are also known as middens, as part of the predator control regime on shooting estates in the Scottish Borders and elsewhere; understands that these are pits or piles of animal carcasses that are left to decompose so that the smell will attract foxes and other predators into snares placed around them; believes that the dead animals found in these pits recently have included foxes, deer, whole salmon, pink-footed geese, pheasants, rabbits, mountain hares and domestic cats; considers that killing and dumping animals, including protected species and domestic pets, to rot and act as bait to trap other animals, is inhumane and fundamentally disrespectful to the creatures; believes that current use goes beyond good practice in many instances; notes the view that it is necessary to assess the justification for permitting their use when the disposal of farm livestock is strictly controlled, when the extent to which their use is associated with the killing of protected species and domestic animals is taken account of and when the association between the pits and intensive predator control regimes as practised on driven grouse moors is examined, and notes calls for the Scottish Government to consider the merits of banning the use of stink pits in Scotland altogether, on ethical, animal welfare and public health grounds.

## 2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

### 2:30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

- 1. John Scott:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what plans it has to address the pooling of water on the roof of the Garden Lobby. ([S5O-01130](#))
- 2. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it plans to increase the number of electric vehicle charging points. ([S5O-01133](#))
- 3. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what consideration it has given to reducing the portion size of food served in the Garden Level Restaurant. ([S5O-01134](#))
- 4. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body how many potentially lethal weapons have been seized by security staff in 2017. ([S5O-01129](#))
- 5. Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what assessment it has made of the danger of cyber-attacks on its IT systems. ([S5O-01132](#))

### followed by Ministerial Statement: Education Governance Next Steps

### followed by Scottish Government Debate: Recognise and Celebrate Edinburgh's International Festivals in their 70th Anniversary Year

**[S5M-06073](#) Fiona Hyslop: Recognise and Celebrate Edinburgh's International Festivals in their 70th Anniversary Year**—That the Parliament recognises the success and impact of Edinburgh's world-leading international festivals, which are in their 70th year; notes that the festivals, their partners, supporters, funders, artists and audiences make an invaluable contribution to Edinburgh and Scotland's communities and wider society, economy and culture, and

acknowledges and celebrates the impact that the festivals have made establishing Scotland's place internationally as innovators, thinkers and cultural leaders, and for providing a welcome to the world, while maintaining and growing their world-leading status.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**[S5M-06073.1](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Recognise and Celebrate Edinburgh's International Festivals in their 70th Anniversary Year**—As an amendment to motion S5M-06073 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Recognise and Celebrate Edinburgh's International Festivals in their 70th Anniversary Year), insert at end ", and welcomes UK Government proposals to support the development of the new Edinburgh Concert Hall under Edinburgh's City Deal."

**[S5M-06073.2](#) Lewis Macdonald: Recognise and Celebrate Edinburgh's International Festivals in their 70th Anniversary Year**—As an amendment to motion S5M-06073 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Recognise and Celebrate Edinburgh's International Festivals in their 70th Anniversary Year), insert at end "; believes that the ideals behind the origin of the festivals in the wake of the Second World War, namely that culture can break down borders and bring people from all nationalities together, are still pertinent today, and recognises the need to find solutions to the future funding challenge that the festivals face."

### followed by Business Motions

**[S5M-06127](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion**—That the Parliament agrees to the following revision to the programme of business for Tuesday 20 June 2017—

after

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau motions

insert

*followed by* Member's Oath/Affirmation

### followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

### 5:00 pm Decision Time

## Committee Meetings

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

### Public Petitions Committee 12th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

- Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—  
[PE1649](#) by Jennifer Lawrie on Council tax bands;  
[PE1650](#) by Rebecca Jeynes on Students Awards Agency for Scotland's post-graduate eligibility criteria;  
[PE1652](#) by Irene Baillie on Abusive and threatening communication.
- Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—  
[PE1551](#) by Scott Pattinson on Mandatory reporting of child abuse;  
[PE1612](#) by Graham McKinlay on Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme - Change to the "same roof rule";  
[PE1625](#) by Patricia Hewitt and Mary Black on Wider awareness, acceptance and recognition of Pathological Demand Avoidance Syndrome;  
[PE1633](#) by Bill Alexander on Private criminal prosecutions;  
[PE1636](#) by Michael Traill on Require that all single use drinks cups are 100% biodegradable.
- Consideration of a continued petition:** The Committee will consider a continued petition—  
[PE1463](#) by Sandra Whyte, Marian Dyer and Lorraine Cleaver on Effective thyroid and adrenal testing, diagnosis and treatment;  
and will take evidence from—  
Lorraine Cleaver and John Midgley.
- Consideration of a new petition:** The Committee will consider a new petition—  
[PE1648](#) by Stephanie Dodds on Nursery business rates;  
and will take evidence from—  
Stephanie Dodds; Claire Schofield, Director of Membership, Policy and Communications National Day Nurseries Association.
- Consideration of a continued petition:** The Committee will consider a continued petition—  
[PE1319](#) by William Smith and Scott Robertson on Improving youth football in Scotland;  
and will take evidence from—  
Neil Doncaster, Chief Executive, Scottish Professional Football League; Andrew McKinlay, Chief Operating Officer and Stewart Regan, Chief Executive, Scottish Football Association.

### Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 16th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 8:50 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
- Administration of the Scottish Income Rate of Income Tax 2015/16:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Jim Harra, Additional Accounting Officer for Scottish Income Tax & Director General Customer Strategy & Tax Design, and Sarah Walker, Deputy Director Devolution, HMRC.

3. **Post-legislative scrutiny: the National Fraud Initiative:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Derek Mackay, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution, and Brian Taylor, Senior Risk Manager, Scottish Government.

4. **Administration of the Scottish Income Rate of Income Tax 2015/16:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at item 2 and take further evidence from—  
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Mark Taylor, Assistant Director, Audit Scotland.
5. **Post-legislative scrutiny: The National Fraud Initiative:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at item 3.

### **Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Relations Committee 16th Meeting, 2017**

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
3. **International Development:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Jane Salmonson, Chief Executive, Network of International Development Organisations in Scotland (NIDOS);

David Hope-Jones, Chief Executive, Scotland Malawi Partnership;

Dr Hazel Gray, Centre of African Studies/Global Development Academy, University of Edinburgh;

Dr Tanya Wisely, Co-ordinator, International Development Education Association Scotland (IDEAS);

Geraldine Hill, Advocacy Manager, Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF);

Heena Qamar, Charity Development Manager, First Aid Africa;

Professor Jo Sharp, Glasgow Centre for International Development, University of Glasgow.

4. **International Development:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### **Equalities and Human Rights Committee 16th Meeting, 2017**

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether its consideration of its approach to forthcoming legislation, as well as responses from the

Scottish Government to recent Committee reports, should be taken in private at future meetings.

2. **Bullying and harassment of children and young people in schools:** The Committee will take evidence, in round-table format, from—  
 Hannah Brisbane, Youth Advocate, and Susie McGuinness, Youth Advocate, Girlguiding Scotland;  
 Derek Allan, Rector, Cameron Bowie, Student, and Shauni Boyd, former Student, Kirkcaldy High School;  
 Niamh McGeechan, and Hannah Houston, STAMP Project: Lanarkshire Rape Crisis;  
 Terri Smith MSYP, Chair of the Scottish Youth Parliament, and MYSP for Edinburgh Northern and Leith;  
 Anne Whiteford, SHQ Commissioner (Development), Scouting Scotland;  
 and then from—  
 Anthony Horan, Director of the Catholic Parliamentary Office, Catholic Bishops' Conference of Scotland;  
 Rev Dr Richard Frazer, Convener of the Church and Society Council, Church of Scotland;  
 Imam Hassan Rabbani, Board Member, Muslim Council of Scotland;  
 Samena Dean, Youth Worker, Scotland Against Criminalising Communities;  
 Brittany Ritell, Youth Worker, and Representative for the Scottish Council of Jewish Communities;  
 Charlie Lynch, Secretary, Scottish Secular Society.
3. **Bullying and harassment of children and young people in schools (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence received.

### **Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 12th Meeting, 2017**

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

1. **Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will review its work programme.

### **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing 12th Meeting, 2017**

The Committee will meet at 1.00 pm in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Sub-Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Deployment of police body worn video:** The Sub-Committee will take evidence from—  
 Superintendent Andrew Allan, Association of Scottish Police Superintendents Executive;  
 Assistant Chief Constable Mark Williams, and Superintendent Nick Topping, Police Scotland;

Calum Steele, General Secretary, Scottish Police Federation.

3. **Work programme:** The Sub-Committee will consider its work programme.

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