

Wednesday 8 March 2017

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Labour Debate: The
Scottish Government and Education, 10
Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and
Pupils

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-
03214 Linda Fabiani: Marie Curie's Great
Daffodil Appeal

Committee Meetings

10:00am Education and Skills Committee

10:00am Local Government and
Communities Committee

10:00am Rural Economy and Connectivity
Committee

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Education and Skills

- 1. Peter Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that remote and rural schools are not disadvantaged compared to those in urban areas. ([S5O-00732](#))
- 2. Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to retain and recruit teachers to tackle shortages. ([S5O-00733](#))
- 3. Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent on graduate apprenticeships since they were introduced. ([S5O-00734](#))
- 4. Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the consultation on reforms to its named persons scheme has been described by one group as a “sham”. ([S5O-00735](#))
- 5. Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that schools have adequate numbers of support staff. ([S5O-00736](#))
- 6. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government how much support will be provided to schools in the Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley constituency through Pupil Equity Funding, and when this will commence. ([S5O-00737](#))
- 7. Patrick Harvie:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to reform personal and social health education, in light of evidence presented to the Education and Skills Committee on 22 February 2017. ([S5O-00738](#))
- 8. Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that children receive quality early learning and childcare. ([S5O-00739](#))
- 9. James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that school uniform costs for pupils from low-income families can be met. ([S5O-00740](#))
- 10. Bruce Crawford:** To ask the Scottish Government how much local authorities spent on education in 2015-16. ([S5O-00741](#))
- 11. Gail Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government what support and resources it provides to schools to encourage and develop relationships with employers, businesses and further educational establishments in their area. ([S5O-00742](#))
- 12. Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government how many of the recently announced 371 new teacher training places will be at the University of Aberdeen. ([S5O-00743](#))
- 13. Claire Baker:** [Not Lodged] ([S5O-00744](#))
- 14. Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government how personal and social education in schools can help to tackle mental health issues affecting LGBTI pupils. ([S5O-00745](#))
- 15. George Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve attainment in schools. ([S5O-00746](#))
- 16. Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that schoolchildren are being encouraged to read books. ([S5O-00747](#))

17. Gordon MacDonald: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on protecting additional places for widening access and articulation schemes to ensure that targets set by the Commission on Widening Access are not missed. ([S5O-00748](#))

18. Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with local authorities regarding the provision of accurate lists of available supply teachers. ([S5O-00749](#))

19. Linda Fabiani: To ask the Scottish Government when it last met South Lanarkshire Council to discuss education matters. ([S5O-00750](#))

20. Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government what impact the reduction in the Skills and Training budget in 2017-18 will have on Skills Development Scotland's ability to grow the economy and develop the workforce. ([S5O-00751](#))

followed by **Scottish Labour Debate: The Scottish Government and Education, 10 Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and Pupils**

[S5M-04456](#) **Iain Gray: The Scottish Government and Education, 10 Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and Pupils**—That the Parliament notes the evidence submitted to the Education and Skills Committee that many teachers have lost confidence in Education Scotland and the SQA; notes Scottish Government figures, which show falling numbers of teachers and support staff; is disappointed in the results of the OECD's PISA worldwide survey, which show a decline in reading, maths and science scores in Scotland in both absolute and relative terms; notes a number of significant responses to the Scottish Government review of the governance of schools, which question its thrust and direction, and believes that its stewardship of education is failing teachers, parents and pupils.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendment

[S5M-04456.2](#) **John Swinney: The Scottish Government and Education, 10 Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and Pupils**—As an amendment to motion S5M-04456 in the name of Iain Gray (The Scottish Government and Education, 10 Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and Pupils), leave out from first “notes” to end and insert “congratulates pupils and teachers on their achievements during the period of curriculum reform including, in 2016, the record number of Advanced Higher passes and second highest number of Higher passes ever achieved by young people; notes the most recent statistics, which show a continued increase in the positive destinations for young people leaving school in 2015-16, including a record figure of 88.7% of young people from deprived communities continuing their education, entering training or getting a job after they leave school; acknowledges that, despite this progress, there remains significant challenges in closing the attainment gap and raising standards for all; further acknowledges the wider challenges that exist within Scottish education, including budget pressures, the wider impacts of poverty on educational opportunity, teacher recruitment, teacher workload and the role of key agencies, such as the SQA and Education Scotland; recognises that Scottish education has always been a collaborative effort involving local government, the Scottish Government, key agencies, professional organisations, teachers, parents, pupils and educationalists, and believes that the recommendations made by the OECD in its 2015 review of Scottish education should form the basis for the way ahead in Scottish education.”

followed by **Business Motions**

[S5M-04485](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

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2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Inclusive Tourism, Promoting Accessible Tourism and Changing Lives Through the Visitor Economy

followed by Cross-party Selection Panel Motion: Appointment of the new Commissioner for Children and Young People in Scotland

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2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions

Health and Sport

followed by Committee Debate

followed by Business Motions

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followed by Members' Business

Thursday 16 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

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee: Report on The Climate Change Plan - The Third Report on Policies and Proposals 2017-2032

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Farriers (Registration) Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 21 March 2017

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

[Wednesday 8 March 2017](#)

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 22 March 2017

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions

Communities, Social Security and Equalities

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 23 March 2017

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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[S5M-04486](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 2 June 2017.

[S5M-04487](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Contract (Third Party Rights) (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 2 June 2017.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S5M-04334](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Older and Disabled Persons (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 [draft] be approved.

[S5M-04488](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008 (Scottish Land Court) Order 2017 [draft] be approved.

[S5M-04489](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Scottish Fiscal Commission (Modification of Functions) Regulations 2017 [draft] be approved.

[S5M-04490](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

[S5M-04491](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Justice Committee

meetings—That the Parliament agrees that, under Rule 12.3.3B of Standing Orders, the Justice Committee can meet, if necessary, at 1.00pm on a Thursday, between 9 and 30 March 2017 (inclusive), for the purpose of considering a draft report on its inquiry into the role and purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service and that any meeting held under this Rule is concluded before the commencement of a meeting of the Parliament that afternoon.

[S5M-04492](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Local Government

Finance (Scotland) Order 2017 [draft]—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2017 [draft] be considered by the Parliament.

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

[S5M-03214](#) Linda Fabiani: Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal—That the Parliament welcomes Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal, which is now in its 31st year and runs throughout March 2017; understands that Marie Curie provides care and support for over 8,000 people and their families every year in Scotland in their own homes, in 31 local authorities and in Marie Curie hospices in Edinburgh and Glasgow; highlights the vital contribution that volunteers make to provide this care; acknowledges that in 2015-16, 1,863 people across Scotland volunteered for Marie Curie in their community fundraising groups, the Helper service, shops and offices; recognises the dedication and hard work of fundraising volunteers that means the annual Great Daffodil Appeal has so far raised over £80 million pounds since 1986 to enable and support the work of the charity; applauds what it sees as the substantial contribution made by over 80 local Marie Curie fundraising groups to the Great Daffodil Appeal every year to support Marie Curie services across Scotland; further recognises that trained volunteers from the Marie Curie Helper service, currently available in Dumfries and Galloway, Fife, Lothian, Grampian and Argyll and Bute, provide one-to-one emotional support, companionship and information for people living with a terminal illness and their families; considers that terminal illness can be a lonely and isolating experience and that the Helper service can help tackle social isolation, loneliness and associated mental health issues; recognises the role of volunteers in Marie Curie's 37 shops in Scotland who it considers provide excellent customer service and are involved in a wide range of activities to support the running of each shop; acknowledges that volunteering or joining a fundraising group can be very rewarding and every volunteer's gift of time and skills helps Marie Curie to make a real difference to the lives of people living with a terminal illness, and their families, as well as raising vital local funds; applauds the work of staff and volunteers across Marie Curie who work toward its vision of a better life for people and their families living with a terminal illness, and notes calls to encourage as many people as possible to support the campaign.

Committee Meetings

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

Education and Skills Committee 7th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **School Education:** The Committee will take evidence on Additional Support Needs, Personal and Social Education and the Curriculum for Excellence from:
John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, Fiona Robertson, Director of Learning, and Donna Bell, Deputy Director Strategy and Performance, Scottish Government.
2. **Review of Evidence (in private)** The Committee will discuss the evidence heard earlier in the meeting in relation to School Education.

Local Government and Communities Committee 8th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Homelessness:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Adam Lang, Head of Communications and Policy, Shelter Scotland;
Tony Cain, Policy Manager, and Julie Hunter, Housing Strategy Manager, North Lanarkshire Council, Association of Local Authority Chief Housing Officers;
Lee Clark, Manager, Conflict Resolution Service, and Mark Kennedy, Manager, Homeless Prevention Service, Cyrenians;
Jan Williamson, Head of Services, Streetwork.
2. **Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 1.
3. **The Draft Climate Change Plan (RPP3) (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee 8th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Major transport infrastructure projects update:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Keith Brown, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work, Michelle Rennie, Director of Major Transport Infrastructure Projects, and Graham Porteous, Head of Special Projects, Transport Scotland, Scottish Government.
2. **Forth Replacement Crossing project team update:** The Committee will take evidence from—
David Climie, Project Director, Forth Replacement Crossing Team, and Lawrence Shackman, Project Manager, Forth Replacement Crossing Team, Transport Scotland.
3. **Draft climate change plan (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 1 March 2017

Thursday 9 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-03984 Adam Tomkins: Community Jobs Scotland

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2017 [draft]

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Biodiversity

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Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

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

Social Security Committee

9 March 2017

5th Meeting, 2017

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Citizen's Income:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor Donald Hirsch, Director, Centre for Research in Social Policy, Loughborough University;
Siobhan Mathers, Advisory Board member, Reform Scotland;
Annie Miller, Chair, Citizen's Income Trust and Trustee, Citizen's Basic Income Network in Scotland;
Howard Reed, Director, Landman Economics;
Anthony Painter, Director, Action and Research Centre, RSA.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment Regulations (SSI 2017/41) from—
Robin Haynes, Head of Council Tax, and Dave Sorensen, Statistician, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
Council Tax Reduction (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 (SSI 2017/41).
5. **Committee debate:** The Committee will consider whether it wishes to submit a request for a chamber debate.
6. **Citizen's Income:** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 13 March, the Committee expects to consider inter-governmental co-operation on social security with the Scottish Affairs Committee, UK Parliament.

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

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

9 March 2017

6th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.

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- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take future consideration of a report from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland, and its own draft report on the complaint, in private at a future meeting.
- Cross-Party Group:** The Committee will consider an application for recognition from the proposed Cross-Party Group on Fishing, and take evidence from—
Stewart Stevenson, Convener of the proposed CPG on Fishing.
- Cross-Party Group - approval:** The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to the proposed Cross-Party Group on Fishing.
- Acting Conveners (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report and draft Standing Order rule changes.
- Complaint:** The Committee will consider a report from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 16 March, the Committee expects to continue its consideration of a report from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Dougie Wands, on 0131 348 6924 or at SPPACCommittee@parliament.scot

Justice Committee

9 March 2017

9th Meeting, 2017

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

- Inquiry into the role and purpose of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (in private):** The Committee will continue its consideration of a draft report.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 14 March, the Committee expects to continue taking evidence on the Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) at Stage 1 and on the Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1, and to consider subordinate legislation in relation to Scottish Tribunals. For further information, contact Peter McGrath, the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot

Social Security Committee

13 March 2017

6th Meeting, 2017

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

- Introduction:** The Convener will welcome members of the Scottish Affairs Committee, UK Parliament, to participate in the meeting:
Pete Wishart MP, Chair, Deidre Brock MP, Margaret Ferrier MP, Chris Law MP, Stephen Hepburn MP, Ian Murray MP, and Anna Soubry MP, Scottish Affairs Committee, UK Parliament.
- Inter-governmental co-operation on social security:** The Committee will take evidence from—
John Dickie, Director, Child Poverty Action Group in Scotland (CPAG);
Bill Scott, Policy Director, Inclusion Scotland;

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Professor Nicola McEwen, Professor of Territorial Politics and Associate Director of the Centre on Constitutional Change, University of Edinburgh.

3. **Inter-governmental co-operation on social security:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Stephen Kerr, Social Security Director, and Lisa Baron-Broadhurst, Programme Director, Social Security Directorate, Scottish Government;
Mary Pattison, Director, Ageing Society & State Pensions Directorate, Senior Responsible Officer for the DWP Scottish Devolution Programme, and Pete Searle, Director, Working Age Benefit and Devolution Directorate, Department for Work and Pensions.

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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.

Motions for Debate

***S5M-04493 Roseanna Cunningham: Biodiversity**—That the Parliament recognises that Scotland's biodiversity is one of its most precious and valuable assets, has intrinsic value and underpins a strong economy and healthy communities; agrees that significant progress has been made to protect and enhance Scotland's biodiversity, and notes that, by working in partnership, Scotland can collectively achieve more for its biodiversity, help meet its international obligations and ensure that its biodiversity has a secure and healthy future.

Supported by: Joe FitzPatrick*

***S5M-04472 Derek Mackay: Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2017 [draft]**—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2017 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Joe FitzPatrick*, Kevin Stewart*

S5M-04456 Iain Gray: The Scottish Government and Education, 10 Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and Pupils—That the Parliament notes the evidence submitted to the Education and Skills Committee that many teachers have lost confidence in Education Scotland and the SQA; notes Scottish Government figures, which show falling numbers of teachers and support staff; is disappointed in the results of the OECD's PISA worldwide survey, which show a decline in reading, maths and science scores in Scotland in both absolute and relative terms; notes a number of significant responses to the Scottish Government review of the governance of schools, which question its thrust and direction, and believes that its stewardship of education is failing teachers, parents and pupils.

***S5M-04456.2 John Swinney: The Scottish Government and Education, 10 Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and Pupils**—As an amendment to motion S5M-04456 in the name of Iain Gray (The Scottish Government and Education, 10 Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and Pupils), leave out from first "notes" to end and insert "congratulates pupils and teachers on their achievements during the period of curriculum reform including, in 2016, the record number of Advanced Higher passes and second highest number of Higher passes ever achieved by young people; notes the most recent statistics, which show a continued increase in the positive

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Supported by: Shirley-Anne Somerville*, Mark McDonald*

***S5M-04456.1 Ross Greer: The Scottish Government and Education, 10 Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and Pupils**—As an amendment to motion S5M-04456 in the name of Iain Gray (The Scottish Government and Education, 10 Years of Letting Down Teachers, Parents and Pupils), insert at end “; agrees with calls to appropriately support and resource all current and future teachers in training to meet the additional support needs of pupils in their classrooms; believes that Initial Teacher Education should incorporate more training for new teachers, and that free-to-access training must be available for current teachers, on LGBTI+ issues; supports the explicit recording of homophobic, biphobic and transphobic bullying in all schools, along with other incidents of bullying on protected characteristics; supports school action to poverty-proof institutions, and commends the EIS’s Face up to Child Poverty campaign as an important resource for teachers and schools.”

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***S5M-04473 Jackie Baillie: The Proposed Privatisation of the MOD Guard Service**—That the Parliament expresses its concern about the proposal to privatise the MOD Guard Service, which is responsible for security at over 100 sites across the UK, including HMNB Clyde at Faslane and RNAD Cullinston; understands that the service was established in 1992 in response to the loss of 11 lives in the 1989 terrorist attack on the Royal Marine Depot in Deal, which led to concerns regarding the site security that has been partly provided by private contractors; believes that the 2,000 civil servants working in the service across the UK are motivated and loyal employees who receive a much higher level of training than that offered by private security companies; welcomes Unite the Union’s campaign to oppose the privatisation, and notes the calls of the workers at Faslane and Cullinston, as well as at the other nuclear and high-profile sites across the UK that contain military and civilian staff, for the Secretary of State for Defence to reject the proposal.

Supported by: Alex Rowley*, Iain Gray*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-04495 Neil Findlay: £10,000 for Boghead Nature Park in Bathgate**—That the Parliament congratulates Bathgate Community Council on being awarded a fund of £10,000 to revamp Boghead Nature Park; understands that the money was awarded from the Tesco Bags of Help fund and will be used to improve the park by putting in new signage and seating; recognises that parks are an essential part of local communities, and welcomes any measures taken to improve these areas.

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Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stuart McMillan*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*

***[S5M-04494](#) Neil Findlay: Broxburn Academy Wins Robot Design Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Broxburn Academy on winning the award for Best Robot Design at the Tomorrow's Engineers Robotics Competition held at West Lothian College, and understands that the programme engages pupils in a broad range of science, technology and maths pursuits, and aims to increase pupils' interests and skills in these areas.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*

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11.40 am General Questions

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2.30 pm Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee: Report on The Climate Change Plan - The Third Report on Policies and Proposals 2017-2032

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Farriers (Registration) Bill – UK Legislation

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12.45 pm Members' Business

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***[S5M-04484](#) Gordon Lindhurst: CAP Job Club at the Holy Trinity Church, Wester**

Hailes—That the Parliament congratulates Christians against Poverty (CAP) and the Holy Trinity Church in Wester Hailes on the launch of their CAP Job Club; understands that it will initially run for an eight-week period and aims to support people in gaining employment by offering practical help and advice in a friendly setting; recognises that it is also an opportunity for jobseekers to meet other people who are out of work; notes that the club is one of 169 across the UK; thanks the job club coach, Chris Hoskins, and wishes Chris and everyone else involved with the club every success.

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***[S5M-04483](#) Kezia Dugdale: Bill McInnes OBE**—That the Parliament notes with sadness the passing of Bill McInnes OBE; is grateful for his dedication to basketball in Scotland and Great Britain; recognises his distinguished career, which saw him earn 172 international caps, including 49 for Great Britain; observes his role as one of the founding members of the successful Boroughmuir Basketball Club, which dominated the domestic game in the 1970s, including winning the British Championship in 1972, and entered the European Cup on five occasions, and recognises Bill's work as a director and chairman of Basketball Scotland, chair of the British Basketball Foundation, chair of the British Masters Basketball Association and as secretary to Boroughmuir Basketball Club since 1961.

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***[S5M-04481](#) Roseanna Cunningham: Carbon Accounting Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft]**—That the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee recommends that the Carbon Accounting Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Joe FitzPatrick*

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***S5M-04480 Mary Fee: World Down Syndrome Day**—That the Parliament notes that 21 March 2017 marks the fifth annual World Down Syndrome Day; notes that the day was first observed in 2006 before being recognised and endorsed by the UN in 2011; recognises that this year's theme is focused on enabling people with the condition, and their advocates, to speak up in an effort to influence government policy in order to ensure equal treatment and respect and to have the chance to fully participate in all aspects of society; congratulates Down's Syndrome Scotland, which is a parent-led charity that has been supporting people to achieve their full potential for 25 years, and commends its work in attempting to influence policy outcomes to ensure that society reflects the needs of people with Down's syndrome.

***S5M-04479 Annabelle Ewing: International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 [draft]**—That the Justice Committee recommends that the International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2017 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Michael Matheson*

***S5M-04478 Ivan McKee: Supporting The International Women's Strike on 8 March 2017**—That the Parliament welcomes, as part of International Women's Day on 8 March 2017, the International Women's Strike (IWS), a grassroots movement, inspired by events in Poland and Iceland; understands that IWS was established as a response to the current social, legal, political, moral and verbal violence experienced by women across the world and that there will be an IWS gathering on the Mound in Edinburgh from 5-7pm on 8 March, incorporating a series of events including performance art, song and a collection of sanitary products for homeless women, to raise awareness of gender inequality in Scotland and the world; notes that further details can be found at facebook.com/events/386640558362793/; commends the organisers, and wishes the participants a very successful event.

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***S5M-04477 Angus MacDonald: Kidney Kids Scotland Highlighting World Kidney Day**—That the Parliament recognises the commitment of Charity Kidney Kids Scotland, which is based in Stenhousemuir in the Falkirk East constituency, in raising awareness of World Kidney Day 2017, which falls on 9 March; understands that a rowing machine challenge, in conjunction with Falkirk Community Trust, will be held in the Camelon Mariner's Centre, Stenhousemuir Gym and both Grangemouth and Bo'ness sports complexes, to challenge participants to burn off a Malteser, or more if they wish; considers that World Kidney Day is a global campaign aimed at raising awareness of people's kidneys, and this year has the theme, Kidney Disease and Obesity: Healthy Lifestyle for Healthy Kidneys; congratulates Kidney Kids Scotland on its fundraising efforts in the run up to World Kidney Day, raising over £700 with a dress down day and raffle at Falkirk Council, and a bake sale at Falkirk Cineworld, and wishes all participants well for the rowing machine challenge, and continued success in the future for Kidney Kids Scotland in raising awareness.

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***S5M-04476 Alexander Stewart: Fife Air Cadets Raise Funds in Memory of Captain David Seath**—That the Parliament recognises the Air Cadets and staff of 1145 (Dunfermline) Squadron in their adoption of the Captain David Seath Memorial Fund as their charity of the year; understands that Fife's Captain Seath was competing in the 2016 London Marathon to raise funds for Help For Heroes when he collapsed just three miles short of the finish line after experiencing a

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cardiac arrest, and sadly passed away later that day aged just 31; believes that, as an Air Cadet serving with 1145 (Dunfermline) Squadron, Captain Seath worked his way up to Cadet Sergeant, amassed a collection of awards and accolades, was an inspiration to his peers and made a huge impact on those who met him; notes that, as he was a former squadron member before attending Sandhurst Military Academy and serving as an Officer of the 19th Regiment Royal Artillery, as well as 29 Commando Regiment Royal Artillery in Afghanistan and the Middle East, the current crop of cadets felt it would be a fitting tribute to commence fundraising in his memory; understands that, along with sponsored runs, a sale of baking, collections and a race night, with cadets working towards their Duke of Edinburgh Awards having roles in the organisation of events, they have also organised a 5km run and walk on the same day that a team will run the London Marathon 2017, all in Captain Seath's memory, and notes that national fundraising events have so far raised almost £250,000 for the cause.

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***S5M-04471 John Finnie: Two-thirds of Older People in the Highlands Experience**

Loneliness—That the Parliament notes with concern reports that two-thirds of older people in the Highlands experience loneliness; understands that a survey of 3,000 people over 65 suggested that 67% felt isolated, increasing to 71% for 80 to 84-year-olds; welcomes the Reach Out campaign, which was launched in summer 2016 by *The Inverness Courier* in conjunction with NHS Highland; notes that the campaign calls on people and businesses to help reduce loneliness by saying "hello" to neighbours and volunteering with, or organising, events to bring people together; understands that the NHS board's Director of Public Health, Hugo van Woerden, has made a number of recommendations, including supporting the voluntary sector so that it can further invest in community-based support and enabling access to services through community transport, and encourages everyone to take an active role in tackling loneliness in their community.

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***S5M-04470 Gail Ross: Funding for the Caithness Broch Project**—That the Parliament congratulates the Caithness Broch Project on its grant of £6,000 from Whirlwind Renewables and Foundation Scotland; notes that the funding will go towards the staging of the Caithness Broch Festival, which will carry out community archaeology at Bruan Broch; congratulates all those involved in the project on their efforts to unlock the history of these tower-like Iron Age structures, and celebrates the Year of History, Heritage, and Archaeology 2017.

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***S5M-04469 Sandra White: Glasgow Caledonian University Delivers International Social Impact Project**

—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow Caledonian University (GCU) on winning the Ashoka U Innovation Award in celebration of its community partnership working; welcomes the Common Good First digital project, which aims to share the experiences and challenges of communities in Glasgow with projects in South Africa, and which will ultimately be rolled out across Scotland and around the world; notes that the digital platform is a collaboration

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with colleagues in six South African universities and partner institutions in Spain, Norway, Iceland and Denmark, and is co-funded by the European Commission; understands that GCU is committed to delivering on its common good mission, and welcomes the impact of Scottish Government and EU funding, which it considers assists groups such as GCU to deliver innovative projects that change lives in Scotland and beyond, helping to support the global impact of the Scottish university sector.

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***S5M-04468 Alexander Stewart: Forth Valley Royal Hospital's Wall of Wellbeing**

Returns—That the Parliament welcomes the return of the Wall of Wellbeing at Forth Valley Royal Hospital; understands that the front of the hospital has again been turned into a giant cinema screen to showcase health messages and artwork produced by local schools, artists and theatre groups; notes that, following a successful season in 2016, the Wall of Wellbeing will take over an exterior wall of the building from dusk until 8.00 pm, where messages are projected in a 50-minute loop onto a space that measures 40 by 30 feet; further notes that the first showing took place in front of a large audience and featured stills and video clips, including an interview with Sir Alex Ferguson, pupils at a local high school highlighting the dangers of smoking, drinking and so-called “sexting”, as well as featuring the excellent work carried out by the winners of the recent NHS Forth Valley Staff Awards, and acknowledges that there will also be photographs of post-industrial Falkirk and digital portraits of local military families from the Macrobert Arts Centre in Stirling.

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***S5M-04467 John Finnie: Improving Air Quality**—That the Parliament notes the EU's recent final warning and threat of heavy fines against five countries, including the UK, following air quality breaches arising from nitrogen dioxide emissions, largely from vehicle exhausts; understands however that research has demonstrated that up to 90% of harmful PM2.5 and 85% of PM10 pollution comes from non-exhaust sources, such as tyre and surface wear and vehicle brakes, and that this is known as the Oslo effect; believes that, as electric vehicles can be up to 40% heavier, even more of these harmful particles are emitted from their tyres; understands that rail-based vehicles, such as trams with regenerative braking, emit virtually none of these; believes that the World Health Organization and the University of Bath have identified serious health risks from the pollutants, which they calculate led to 16,335 premature deaths in the UK in 2012; believes that they identified hotspots of high traffic density where the pollution is particularly bad; is concerned that increased incidence of Alzheimer's disease, diabetes, and dementia might be linked to these particulates; notes that 21 new tram systems are expected to open in 2017, including in Algeria, Luxembourg, Denmark and the United States, and encourages the Scottish and UK governments, and local authorities, to explore the impact that trams could have in tackling congestion and improving air quality in cities.

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***S5M-04466 Kate Forbes: Meet Your MSP Project**—That the Parliament congratulates the Meet Your MSP project run by the Scottish Churches Parliamentary Office on achieving over 65 meetings between churches and MSPs since it began in June 2016; commends the project for continuing to pursue meaningful relationships and break down barriers between politicians and local churches; applauds those who have taken part and who will do so in future months, and

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considers that this is only the beginning of a process that will lead to stronger local communities in the future.

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***S5M-04465 Miles Briggs: Autism Funding Boost for the University of Edinburgh**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that the University of Edinburgh has received £20 million of funding from the US philanthropic foundation, The Simons Foundation, to undertake research into brain development, aimed at finding new treatments for autism; understands that the Simons Initiative for the Developing Brain will be based at the university's Patrick Wild Centre for Research into Autism, Fragile X Syndrome and Intellectual Disabilities; is aware that scientists will use advanced techniques to probe brain development in the presence of DNA changes known to cause autism and that the research will increase understanding of autism; wishes the centre director, Professor Peter Kind, and all the staff involved every success with this important work, and considers that this investment from The Simons Foundation is a further boost to the University of Edinburgh's world class reputation for medical research.

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***S5M-04464 Neil Findlay: University of Edinburgh Ends Four-year Primary Teaching Degree**—That the Parliament notes the decision by the University of Edinburgh to close its four-year undergraduate degree course for primary school teaching; understands that this will mean that the only routes offered by the university to becoming a primary teacher will be post-graduate courses, which will mean that students would have to complete five or six years study instead of four; believes that this could have a detrimental impact on the university's goal of widening access to students from deprived communities as they might be concerned about the additional level of debt accrued by at least one additional year of study; understands that this decision could threaten the jobs of the staff who deliver the four-year course, and calls on the university to engage in genuine consultation with the staff and with its University and College Union (UCU) branch.

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***S5M-04463 Tavish Scott: Shetlander Wins Scottish Table Tennis Championships**—That the Parliament congratulates Shetland's Lynda Flaws on winning the women's singles title at the 2017 table tennis Scottish National Championships, which were held in Perth; understands that this is the third time that Lynda has earned the title, having previously won in 2012 and 2013; notes that she also won the women's doubles title with partner, Rebecca Plaistow, and recognises the immense dedication that Lynda and her fellow athletes have put into their sport.

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***S5M-04462 Alexander Stewart: Six-figure Funding Award for Alloa RFC**—That the Parliament welcomes the news of a six-figure funding award for Alloa Rugby Football Club; believes that the near £114,000 sum came in a two-part award of £50,000 from the Scottish Rugby Union and a further £63,893 from sportscotland; recognises that these funds will go towards providing improved facilities for the whole Alloa rugby community; understands that

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sportscotland is working to build a world-class sporting system for everyone in Scotland and that this investment in rugby is a key part of its plan, and notes that this funding is aimed at providing better opportunities in local communities with a view to potentially discovering the next generation of Scotland players.

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***S5M-04461 Miles Briggs: Edinburgh's Scottish Mortgage to Enter the FTSE**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that the Edinburgh-headquartered, Baillie Gifford Scottish Mortgage Investment Trust PLC, will, for the first time, enter the FTSE 100 leading share index on 17 March 2017; understands that Scottish Mortgage is the UK's largest conventional investment trust with gross assets in excess of £5 billion; considers that its entry to the FTSE 100 is a milestone for the company, which was founded in 1909, and a testament to the talent and hard work of its board, managers and all its staff who have achieved such a strong investment performance over the last 10 years; believes that Scottish Mortgage joining the FTSE is a further boost for Edinburgh's reputation and profile as a global centre of excellence for financial services, and wishes the company continued success in the future.

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***S5M-04460 Miles Briggs: Scottish Ambulance Service's Registration to Resuscitation Campaign**—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of the Scottish Ambulance Service's new Registration to Resuscitation campaign; notes that the campaign aims to encourage community organisations and individuals to register their public access defibrillators on a new website, pad.scottishambulance.com; considers that, while there is no legal obligation to register defibrillators, it makes sense for the ambulance service to know the location of each community defibrillator so that when someone calls 999 the service knows where the nearest defibrillator is if it is required before they arrive; encourages defibrillator custodians in community centres, sports facilities, transport services and all other places where they are sited to register their defibrillators; pays tribute to the continuing good work of charitable organisations in Lothian and across Scotland, including the Jamie Skinner Foundation and St John Scotland, for providing defibrillators in communities, and wishes the Registration to Resuscitation campaign every success in helping to empower the ambulance service to save more lives of people who have a cardiac arrest.

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S5M-04292 Ross Greer: Bedouin Villages in Israel—That the Parliament condemns the plans by Israel to demolish the Bedouin villages, Khan al Ahmar and Umm al Hiran; expresses concern at the violence that has accompanied the demolition of Bedouin villages, including the deaths of two individuals following a pre-dawn raid in Umm al Hiran on 18 January 2017; understands that there are at least 35 Bedouin villages considered illegal by Israel and that this causes hardship, including restricted access to basic infrastructure, the continued threat of demolition and the need

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to construct essential structures, such as schools from car tyres and mud to circumvent bans on construction material, and urges Israel to legally recognise these Bedouin villages as home to native peoples who have a right to live without harassment from the Israeli state, cease what it sees as threats of demolition and financial sanctions, and permit these villages to be integrated into national infrastructure.

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***S5M-04292.1 Jackson Carlaw: Bedouin Villages in Israel**—As an amendment to motion S5M-04292 in the name of Ross Greer (Bedouin Villages in Israel), leave out from “condemns” to end and insert “understands that Khan al-Ahmar is a Bedouin village in Area C, the part of the West Bank in which, according to long-standing agreements between Israel and the Palestinian Authority, including the Oslo agreements, Israel has full responsibility for the enforcement of planning and zoning laws; notes that similar to Europe’s traveller community, the Bedouin population in Israel and the West Bank lead nomadic lives and do not adhere to traditional, legal land ownership regulations; believes therefore that the rapid growth of the Bedouin population is a significant challenge for Israel; considers that democratic Israel recognises the traditional lifestyle of the Bedouins and has proposed solutions that are appropriate to their specific needs; further considers that the Bedouin people have been offered plots of similar, or even better, quality in a nearby area that already conforms to planning and zoning laws; believes that building houses there will also improve the petitioners’ quality of life, giving them access to infrastructure and educational facilities that are not available in their current illegal locations; further believes that they will be allowed to continue the same agricultural activities on the lands that they currently claim; considers that, just as Israel enforces planning laws in Area C, the Israeli Government also removes Israeli homes built on private Palestinian land in the West Bank; notes that, for example, on 1 March 2017, security forces bulldozed nine homes built on private Palestinian land in the West Bank settlement of Ofra and, in February, Israeli police and border police officers evicted around 50 families from their homes in Amona; understands that Umm al-Hiran is an illegal Bedouin village built on state-owned land in the Negev in Israel; notes that there are 46 other such illegal villages in Israel’s Negev region and, while there are no restrictions on where Bedouins can live, towns and villages are structured in a similar way to how town planning works in the UK; considers that Umm al-Hiran is 8 km from Hura, a Bedouin town with approved plans and developed infrastructure, where children of Umm al-Hiran already study and, when Bedouins move to Hura, each family will receive 800 square metres of land from the Israeli Government, and ultimately believes that the Israeli Government is committed to protecting the cultural values of the Bedouins as its largest construction project, costing an estimated half a billion Israeli shekels, which will see the Israel Land Administration, as part of its plan to expand the existing Bedouin towns in the Negev, double the size of the Bedouin town of Rahat.

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-04482 Derek Mackay: Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2017 [draft] (lodged on 07 March 2017)

New Support: Joe FitzPatrick*, Kevin Stewart*

S5M-04459 Neil Findlay: The Mesh Scandal Goes On (lodged on 06 March 2017)

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New Support: Monica Lennon*

[S5M-04458](#) Pauline McNeill: Ticket Touting (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Iain Gray*, Fulton MacGregor*, David Torrance*, Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04457](#) Alexander Stewart: Girls Football in Alloa Receives Funding (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: John Lamont*, Douglas Ross*, Jamie Greene*, Bill Bowman*, Finlay Carson*, Donald Cameron*, Miles Briggs*, Annie Wells*, David Torrance*, Rachael Hamilton*, Murdo Fraser*

[S5M-04455](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Tourism Group to Hold Summit (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: David Stewart*, Douglas Ross*, David Torrance*, Maree Todd*, Donald Cameron*

[S5M-04454](#) Tavish Scott: Shetland's First Business Week (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Stuart McMillan*, David Torrance*, Maree Todd*

[S5M-04452](#) Maurice Corry: Rhu Primary School's Fifth Green Flag (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Bill Bowman*, Edward Mountain*, Finlay Carson*, Jackie Baillie*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04451](#) Jamie Greene: Congratulating Inverkip's Shirley Cairney (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Bill Bowman*, Edward Mountain*, Finlay Carson*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*, David Torrance* R

[S5M-04450](#) Jamie Greene: Congratulating Dalry Bowling Club (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Bill Bowman*, Edward Mountain*, Finlay Carson*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04449](#) Jamie Greene: Efforts of the Staff at Kilbirnie's Tesco (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Bowman*, Finlay Carson*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04448](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa Lodge Raises Grand Sum for Prostate Scotland (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Bill Bowman*, Edward Mountain*, Finlay Carson*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04447](#) Graeme Dey: Keep Scotland Beautiful, Tackle Roadside Litter (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Gillian Martin*, Ivan McKee*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04444](#) Liz Smith: Laura Muir's European Indoor Athletics Success (lodged on 06 March 2017)

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[S5M-04443](#) Gail Ross: Wester Ross Snorkelers (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Stuart McMillan*, Gillian Martin*, Ivan McKee*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Maree Todd*

[S5M-04442](#) Gail Ross: Inverness Music Festival (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Gillian Martin*, Ivan McKee*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Maree Todd*

[S5M-04441](#) Gail Ross: Tain Guides Awards (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Stuart McMillan*, Gillian Martin*, Ivan McKee*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Maree Todd*

[S5M-04439](#) Monica Lennon: Suicide and Inequality (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: James Kelly*, Richard Leonard*, Stuart McMillan*, Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-04438](#) Tavish Scott: Shetland Winners at Lantra Learner of the Year Awards (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04437](#) Ben Macpherson: T2 Trainspotting Props and Set to be Auctioned (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: George Adam*, Emma Harper*, Graeme Dey*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Miles Briggs*, Gillian Martin*, Ivan McKee*, David Torrance*, Fulton MacGregor*, Maree Todd*

[S5M-04436](#) Angus MacDonald: Stenhousemuir Local Projects Awarded Asda Foundation Funding (lodged on 06 March 2017)

New Support: Sandra White*, Gillian Martin*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04435](#) Gillian Martin: Jenna Morrice, Raising Awareness of Myasthenia Gravis (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Sandra White*

[S5M-04434](#) Pauline McNeill: One Million Zero-hour Contracts (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, David Torrance*

[S5M-04433](#) Pauline McNeill: The Importance of the Scottish Space Industry (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Sandra White*, Gillian Martin*, David Torrance*, Maree Todd*

[S5M-04432](#) Stuart McMillan: Ardgowan Distillery, Inverkip (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Sandra White*, Fulton MacGregor*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-04430](#) Ross Greer: Better Than Zero Fair Pay For All Workers (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04427](#) Clare Adamson: Football Legend, Tommy Gemmell (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Bob Doris*

[S5M-04424](#) Graeme Dey: Calum Bruce, Scottish Rugby's Volunteer of the Month (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*, Maree Todd*

[S5M-04423](#) Graeme Dey: Pippa's Kitchen (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04422](#) Brian Whittle: World Walking Initiative (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Bill Bowman*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*, John Scott*

[S5M-04421](#) Liz Smith: Water Safety Scotland Response to the UK Drowning Prevention Strategy (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Finlay Carson*, Bill Bowman*, Rachael Hamilton*, John Scott*

[S5M-04417](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa School Wins Sports Accolade (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Bill Bowman*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04410](#) Liam McArthur: Fishermen's Mission Officer Recognised for Service (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04409](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Festival Wins Award (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04408](#) Liam McArthur: Stuart McIvor Honoured with Bravery Award (lodged on 03 March 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Maree Todd*

[S5M-04407](#) John Mason: Asad Shah's Example (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04406](#) Jeremy Balfour: Supreme Court to Sit in Scotland (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Bill Bowman*, Rachael Hamilton*, Edward Mountain*

[S5M-04401](#) Liam McArthur: Papdale School Gives Goldfish a Flaming Viking Send-off (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-04400 Douglas Ross: Technology Bringing Forres History to Life](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04399 Douglas Ross: Karen Betts, New Chief Executive of the SWA](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04398 Maurice Golden: West of Scotland Communities Named in Scotland's Most Desirable Places to Live](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Edward Mountain*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04397 Alexander Stewart: Tribute to Former Dunfermline Teacher](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04396 Alexander Stewart: Sweet Success for Dunfermline Primary Pupils](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04393 Alexander Stewart: Dunfermline Teenager Completes Army Training](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04392 Alexander Stewart: Dunfermline Barbers Shortlisted for the Scotland's Best Barber Title](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04391 Alexander Stewart: Dunfermline Air Cadet to Train with RAF Regiment](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04386 Liam Kerr: Jackie Noble Raises Funds for Fellow Patients](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04385 Brian Whittle: Hansel Foundation](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04384 Ross Thomson: Supporting the Sea of Opportunity Initiative](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04383 Liam Kerr: Community First Project](#) (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-04382](#) Jackson Carlaw: Eastwood, One of Scotland's Most Desirable Areas (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04377](#) Pauline McNeill: Advice to Limit Children's Use of Technology (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst*, Liam Kerr*, Alison Johnstone*, Neil Findlay*

[S5M-04374.1](#) Ross Thomson: Israeli Apartheid Week (lodged on 02 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*, Peter Chapman*

[S5M-04374](#) John Finnie: Israeli Apartheid Week (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04373](#) Alexander Stewart: Community Grant Aids Alloa Musical Players Theatre Group (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04370](#) Alison Johnstone: Damaging New Regulations on Personal Independence Payments (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04369](#) John Finnie: New Electricity Scheme on the Fair Isle (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04368](#) John Finnie: Aquatera Wins Tidal Power Contract in Japan (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04365](#) Alexander Stewart: Lego Exhibition for Perth City of Culture Campaign (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04361](#) John Lamont: Congratulations to Whitriggs Farm and Other New Monitor Farms (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04360](#) Dean Lockhart: Fife's First Arts and Crafts Trail (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04359](#) Ben Macpherson: Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2017 (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04358](#) Clare Haughey: International Workers Memorial Day 2017 (lodged on 01 March 2017)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04357](#) Margaret Mitchell: Uddingston Pride (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04355](#) Alexander Stewart: Perth Grammar School to Host 2017 Sports Awards (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04351](#) Finlay Carson: Lottery Funding Boost for Galloway and West Dumfries (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04350](#) Miles Briggs: Prince's Trust Research into Young People's Mental Health (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04349](#) Edward Mountain: Highland Forestry Student Receives Land Management Prize (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04348](#) Edward Mountain: Dingwall Royal British Legion Branch (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04347](#) Daniel Johnson: Retailers Support Good Causes (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Adam Tomkins*, Margaret Mitchell*, Gordon Lindhurst*

[S5M-04346](#) Alexander Stewart: Refurbished Stroke Facilities at Perth Royal Infirmary (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04344](#) Liam Kerr: Dyce Academy Awarded £2,500 by Big Lottery Fund (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04343](#) Liam Kerr: Northfield Academy's Big Lottery Fund Award (lodged on 01 March 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04338](#) Jeremy Balfour: Dalkeith Town Centre Heritage Regeneration (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-04326](#) Annie Wells: Successful Campaign to Repair the Polmadie Footbridge (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Gordon Lindhurst*

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[S5M-04325](#) Alison Harris: Organisations in Cumbernauld and Croy Benefit from Lottery Funding (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-04323](#) Margaret Mitchell: Brighter Bothwell (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04313](#) Douglas Ross: Orkney Golf Club Secures Funding for Expansion (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04308](#) Douglas Ross: Moray Waste Busters Funding Boost (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04307](#) Alexander Stewart: Fife Fruit and Veg Wholesaler Receives Top Innovation Award (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04303](#) Alexander Stewart: Perth Black Watch Castle and Museum (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04301](#) Kate Forbes: Congratulating Strontian Community School Building Project (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-04299](#) Edward Mountain: High Praise for Seaforth House (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04297](#) Miles Briggs: National Museum of Scotland is Most Popular Visitor Attraction (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04293](#) Maurice Corry: Memorandum of Understanding on the Strategic Delivery and Development Framework (lodged on 28 February 2017)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-04283](#) Maurice Corry: Deposit Return for Drinks Containers (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-04279](#) Sandra White: International Women's Day 2017 (lodged on 27 February 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

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Written Questions

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

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

Inspired questions lodged on 07 March 2017

[S5W-07802](#) Ivan McKee: To ask the Scottish Government when it will provide an update on the arrangements for the fully devolved programme of employment support that will commence from April 2018.

Written questions lodged on 07 March 2017

[S5W-07766](#) Gordon Lindhurst: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-06950 by Humza Yousaf on 22 February 2017, what its position is on the Vehicle Technology and Aviation Bill 2016-17 and imposing prison sentences on people in Scotland who are convicted of shining lasers at aircraft.

[S5W-07788](#) Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that over half of MSPs have signed the Time for Inclusive Education (TIE) campaign's pledge to encourage it to introduce inclusive education.

[S5W-07791](#) Christina McKelvie: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government in relation to Irene Clennell since her deportation on 26 February 2017, following her detention at Dungavel detention centre.

[S5W-07792](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many cases it expects the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service will process through the digital case management process in (a) its first 12 months and (b) subsequent years.

[S5W-07793](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what (a) financial support, (b) expert assistance and (c) guidance it will provide to assist the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service with its expanded use of technology in pre-trial procedures in summary criminal proceedings.

[S5W-07794](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service in relation to how much money it expects to save through the implementation of the digital case management process, and when it expects this to be implemented.

[S5W-07795](#) Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government which members of the curriculum for excellence management board have expertise in additional support needs.

[S5W-07796](#) Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a list of (a) professionals and (b) organisations with a specialism in additional support needs who contributed to the development of the curriculum for excellence.

[S5W-07797](#) Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-07534 by Keith Brown on 6 March 2017, where the two officials were seconded from and what instructions they were given.

[S5W-07798](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-06742 by Keith Brown on 28 February 2017, whether it will provide the information that was requested regarding whether the Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route (AWPR) contractor

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is responsible for contractual penalties or liquidated damages in the event of a failure to complete the project on time and, if so, whether sums recovered by the Scottish Government will be reinvested in the local area.

S5W-07799 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government how the closure of the University of Edinburgh's undergraduate primary school teacher education course will affect teacher recruitment in (a) the central belt and (b) eastern Scotland.

S5W-07800 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government how the University of Edinburgh's new two-year postgraduate teacher education course will attract potential applicants into the teaching profession.

S5W-07801 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government how the University of Edinburgh's new two-year postgraduate teacher education course will improve standards in schools.

S5W-07803 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisons offer opt-out testing for hepatitis C, as recommended in the Sexual Health and Blood Borne Virus updated framework.

S5W-07804 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners have been tested for hepatitis C in (a) 2015-16 and (b) 2016-17, and how many of these tested positive.

S5W-07805 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners who tested positive for hepatitis C in (a) 2015-16 and (b) 2016-17 began treatment while still in prison.

S5W-07806 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisoners who tested positive for hepatitis C in (a) 2015-16 and (b) 2016-17 were referred for treatment on their release from prison.

S5W-07809 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making in developing its Circular Economy and Zero Waste Bill; what issues it has explored; what stakeholders have been engaged, and what the timeline is for its introduction.

S5W-07812 Bob Doris: To ask the Scottish Government how much public spending has been determined by Community Choices budgeting in each year since 2011.

S5W-07813 Bob Doris: To ask the Scottish Government whether all local authorities had at least 1% of their budgets subject to Community Choices budgeting, and what the estimated value of public spending determined by this method will be in the current financial year.

S5W-07814 Peter Chapman: To ask the Scottish Government how many accidental house fires there have been in the North East Scotland region in each of the last five years, also broken down by local authority; how many of these fires were caused by electricity, and what steps it is taking to reduce the number of such fires.

S5W-07815 Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to encourage more (a) school leavers and (b) college students into apprenticeships, in light of the recent survey by Prudential that suggests that half of school leavers in Scotland say they know little about apprenticeships on offer.

S5W-07816 Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to encourage healthier lifestyles for young people not in education, employment or training in light of the recent University of Glasgow study, which suggests that they are at greater risk of developing cancer-related conditions.

S5W-07819 Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to figures that suggest that there was a 40% increase in the number of unsolved sex crimes between 2013 and 2016.

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[S5W-07820 Dean Lockhart:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many accidental house fires there have been in each of the last five years in the Mid Scotland and Fife region; how many were caused by electricity, and what steps it is taking to reduce the number of such fires.

[S5W-07821 Rachael Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it is helping to deliver the tourism industry's key ambition of making Scotland a first choice destination for high quality, value for money and memorable customer experiences, and what ambitions it has for more of Scotland's people to obtain World Host status. **R**

[S5W-07822 Annie Wells:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of (a) claims that a culture of denial exists regarding the extent of problems caused by sectarianism and (b) recommendations that a review of hate crime legislation should consider how sectarianism and sectarian incidents could be integrated into a more general approach.

[S5W-07823 Jeremy Balfour:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many accidental house fires there were in each of the last five years in Lothian; how many of these fires were caused by electricity, and what steps it is taking to reduce the number of such fires.

[S5W-07824 Jamie Greene:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle the link between obesity and cancer, in light of research by Cancer Research UK that highlights that obesity significantly increases the risk of developing cancer.

[S5W-07825 Jamie Greene:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve quality of life for people experiencing hearing loss, including younger people who may experience stigma associated with this.

[S5W-07826 Jamie Greene:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on research by Marie Curie that suggests that one-in-four people do not receive the required palliative care that they need, and what action it is taking to ensure that there is frequent reporting of any progress that is being made regarding the Strategic Framework on Palliative and End of Life Care initiative.

[S5W-07827 Jamie Greene:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support (a) the John Muir Award and (b) other initiatives to encourage engagement with wildlife and nature.

[S5W-07828 Jamie Greene:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to (a) improve opportunities and (b) promote inclusive participation for disabled people in politics.

[S5W-07829 John Lamont:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many accidental house fires there have been in each of the last five years in the (a) Ettrick, Roxburgh and Berwickshire constituency and (b) South Scotland region; how many of these fires were caused by electricity, and what steps it is taking to reduce the number of such fires.

[S5W-07840 David Stewart:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what types of new nuclear technologies it is considering in its Draft Scottish Energy Strategy to replace the current generation of nuclear electricity plants in Scotland.

[S5W-07841 Jackson Carlaw:](#) To ask the Scottish Government when it will respond to the recommendations in the five-year review of the Home Report.

[S5W-07842 Jackson Carlaw:](#) To ask the Scottish Government when it will reconvene the Home Report Implementation Group to consider the findings of the five-year review of the Home Report.

[S5W-07843 Jackson Carlaw:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on home reports mainly being used for valuations and alterations, as opposed to providing energy efficiency information, given they are not as detailed as Scheme 2 surveys.

[S5W-07844 Daniel Johnson:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of school leavers in each year since 2011-12 went on to (a) further education, (b) higher education, (c) employment,

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(d) training, (e) voluntary work, (f) an activity agreement, (g) unemployment and (i) seeking and (ii) not seeking work and (h) another or unknown status, broken down by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) quintile.

S5W-07845 Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government when it will introduce revised guidance on the presumption of mainstreaming.

S5W-07846 David Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government (a) how much it has provided and (b) what initiatives it has introduced since May 2016 to (i) encourage apprenticeships, (ii) attract skilled workers and (iii) close the reported skills gap in plumbing in the Highlands and Islands since May 2016.

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 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform), 28 February 2017
Lead committee - Finance and Constitution

Budget (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed 23 February 2017

Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform), 7 March 2017
Lead committee - Social Security

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 7 March 2017

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

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

Railway Policing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 7 March 2017

Seat Belts on School Transport (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced 28 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>

Children and Social Work Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-7

Agreed by the Parliament on 26 January 2017

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

Agreed by the Parliament on 2 March 2017

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

Agreed by the Parliament on 22 February 2017

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

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee report published on 24 February 2017

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

Agreed by the Parliament on 7 February 2017

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

Agreed by the Parliament on 20 December 2016

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

Affirmative instruments

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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

[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)

Lead committee to report by 23 April 2017

[International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (27 February 2017) (Justice)

Lead committee to report by 25 April 2017

[Local Government Finance \(Scotland\) Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (1 March 2017) (Parliament)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 8 March 2017

Lead committee to report by 6 March 2017

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Non-Domestic Rate \(Scotland\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/8\)](#) (19 January 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

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

Subject to annulment by 12 March 2017

Lead committee to report by 6 March 2017

[Sale of Nicotine Vapour Products \(Prescribed Documents\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/13\)](#) (23 January 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 16 March 2017

Lead committee to report by 13 March 2017

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

Subject to annulment by 23 March 2017

Lead committee to report by 20 March 2017

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

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