

Tuesday 2 May 2017

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean

Revised at 10:40am



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection - Reverend Alison Britchfield, Minister, Tillicoultry Parish Church, Tillicoultry

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee Debate: Deer Management in Scotland: Report to the Scottish Government from Scottish Natural Heritage 2016

followed by Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee Debate: Report on a Review of Priorities for Crofting Law Reform

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-04581 John Finnie: Ship-to-ship Oil Transfers in the Cromarty and Moray Firths

Committee Meetings

9:30am Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

9:45am Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

10:00am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

10:00am Justice Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection - Reverend Alison Britchfield, Minister, Tillicoultry Parish Church, Tillicoultry

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

1. Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to figures showing that the average income of commercial farms decreased by 48% in 2015-16. ([S5T-00532](#))

followed by Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee Debate: Deer Management in Scotland: Report to the Scottish Government from Scottish Natural Heritage 2016

[S5M-05351](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee: Deer Management in Scotland: Report to the Scottish Government from Scottish Natural Heritage 2016—That the Parliament notes the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee's 5th Report, 2017 (Session 5), *Report on Deer Management in Scotland: Report to the Scottish Government from Scottish Natural Heritage 2016* (SP Paper 117).

followed by Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee Debate: Report on a Review of Priorities for Crofting Law Reform

[S5M-05245](#) Edward Mountain on behalf of the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee: Report on a Review of Priorities for Crofting Law Reform—That the Parliament notes the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee's 4th Report, 2017 (Session 5), *Review of Priorities for Crofting Law Reform* (SP Paper 100).

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

[S5M-04581](#) John Finnie: Ship-to-ship Oil Transfers in the Cromarty and Moray Firths—That the Parliament notes the lodging of Public Petition PE01637 regarding at-sea ship-to-ship oil transfers in areas such as the Cromarty and Moray firths; considers the Cromarty and Moray firths to be areas of environmental significance, which are completely unsuitable for operations such as at-sea ship-to-ship oil transfers; further considers that even a minimal spillage would have

catastrophic effects for marine life, including the iconic pod of bottlenose dolphins in the Moray Firth, and for coastal communities, threatening the tourism industry, which it believes is the most important employer in the Highlands and Islands; congratulates Cromarty Rising on reaching over 100,000 signatures from people across the region and the world for its petition to the UK Secretary of State for Transport, Chris Grayling; notes the calls for the devolution of powers over licences for at-sea ship-to-ship oil transfers, and further notes the view that any oil transfers that are considered necessary should continue to take place in the relative safety of the Cromarty Port.

Committee Meetings

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

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee 14th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private. The Committee will also decide whether its consideration of draft Report on the Gender Pay Gap and its approach to the Data Inquiry should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Gender Pay Gap:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Linda Murray, Head of Strategy, Scottish Enterprise;
Carroll Buxton, Director of Regional Development, Highlands and Islands Enterprise;
Lynne Cadenhead, Chairman, Women's Enterprise Scotland;
Elma Murray, Chief Executive of North Ayrshire Council, Member, Scottish Local Authorities Economic Development Group;
and then from—
Jamie Hepburn, Minister for Employability and Training, Lorraine Lee, Senior Policy Executive, Fair Work Directorate, and Emma Congreve, Economic Adviser, Housing and Social Justice Directorate, Scottish Government.
3. **Gender Pay Gap:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 13th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Air quality in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Professor David Newby, Edinburgh Clinical Research Facility, University of Edinburgh;
Fintan Hurley, Scientific Director, Institute of Occupational Medicine;
George Curley, Director of Operations and Facilities, NHS Lothian;
Dr Colin Ramsay, Consultant Epidemiologist, Health Protection Scotland;
Anna Heslop, Lawyer, Clean Air - Strategic Litigation, Client Earth;
Janice Milne, Head of National Regulatory Services, Scottish Environment Protection Agency;
and then from—
Emilia Hanna, Air Pollution Campaigner, Friends of the Earth Scotland;
Vincent McNally, Environmental Health Officer, Sustainable Glasgow, Glasgow City Council;
Will Garrett, Spatial Policy Manager, Planning & Transport, The City of Edinburgh Council;
Tom Rye, Professor of Transport and Director of Transport Research Institute, Napier University;
Professor Bob Rees, Head of the Carbon Management Centre, Scotland's Rural College;

Craig McLaren, Director of Scotland and Ireland, Royal Town Planning Institute.

3. **Air quality in Scotland:** The Committee will consider evidence heard previously in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will review its work programme.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 14th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Public Bodies \(Joint Working\) \(Prescribed Local Authority Functions etc.\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#).
2. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Forestry \(Environmental Impact Assessment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/113\)](#);
[Agriculture, Land Drainage and Irrigation Projects \(Environmental Impact Assessment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/114\)](#);
[Marine Works \(Environmental Impact Assessment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/115\)](#);
[Disabled Persons \(Badges for Motor Vehicles\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/118\)](#).
3. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Air Weapons and Licensing \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Commencement No. 6 and Saving Provisions\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/119 \(C.9\)\)](#);
[Mental Health \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Commencement No. 3\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/126 \(C.10\)\)](#).

Justice Committee 16th Meeting, 2017

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Public petitions:** The Committee will consider the following petitions—
PE1370 by Dr Jim Swire, Professor Robert Black QC, Robert Forrester, Father Patrick Keegans and Iain McKie on Justice for Megrahi;

PE1501 by Stuart Graham on public inquiries into self-inflicted and accidental deaths following suspicious death investigations;

PE1567 by Donna O'Halloran on investigating unascertained deaths, suicides and fatal accidents in Scotland;

PE1510 by Jody Curtis on the closure of police, fire and non-emergency service centres north of Dundee;

PE1511 by Laura Ross on the decision made by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to close Inverness control room.

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

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