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# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



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## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

### Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Meeting of the Parliament

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There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 4 October 2017

### Tuesday 24 October 2017

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Delivering for Scotland's British Sign Language (BSL) Communities: Launch of the BSL National Plan

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Unconventional Oil and Gas

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### Wednesday 25 October 2017

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Communities, Social Security and Equalities

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Common Agricultural Policy Convergence Monies due for Scottish Farming

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Scotland and EU-UK Negotiations on EU Exit

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### Thursday 26 October 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** Ministerial Statement: STEM Strategy for Education and Training

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Scotland: The Hydro Nation, Maximising the Abundant Benefits of our Water Resources

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**Tuesday 31 October 2017**

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

**Wednesday 1 November 2017**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work;

Finance and Constitution

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

**Thursday 2 November 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** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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## Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S5M-08146](#) Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen Aquatics wins Learn to Swim Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Aquatics Aberdeen on winning the Scottish Water Learn to Swim Service Provider of the Year Award at the Scottish Swimming Awards; understands that Aquatics Aberdeen, which is part of Sport Aberdeen, currently provides lessons to 5,500 swimmers of all ages at 10 pools across the city through its Learn to Swim programme; recognises that Aberdeen Aquatics beat competition from across Scotland to take the top prize, and commends all the staff involved in delivering these award-winning swimming lessons.

Supported by: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

**\*[S5M-08145](#) Brian Whittle: Ochiltree Community Hub**—That the Parliament recognises the Ochiltree Community Hub project, which is an initiative to establish a new multipurpose community facility with the aims of improving the community's health and wellbeing, promoting education and highlighting the area's art, culture and heritage through a partnership with the National Library of Scotland; notes that it will collaborate with East Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership to address the area's reported high prevalence of preventable conditions, such as diabetes, cardiovascular disease and smoking-related conditions; understands that the proposed new facility is to be built on land provided by East Ayrshire Council through a community asset transfer and that the final phase of funding is expected to be secured in early 2018; believe that such community hubs are important tools for developing community cohesion and addressing long-term health and education issues; commends everyone involved with the Ochiltree hub for their efforts, and wishes the project success.

**\*[S5M-08144](#) Joan McAlpine: Langholm-based Grimble's Vinegar wins Producer Bursary**—That the Parliament congratulates a new Scottish vinegar brand, Grimble's Vinegar, which is based in Langholm and is a sister brand to a local craft cider business, Waulkmill Cider, on winning a Producer Bursary at the BBC Good Food Show in Birmingham; understands that this the largest consumer food show in the UK and is attended by over 90,000 people over four days and showcases the very best new producers the nation has to offer; believes that the company is one of six businesses awarded a bursary at the show, and is the only winner from Scotland; welcomes that the judges praised the traditional manufacture and the use of real ingredients throughout the Grimble's range; further welcomes that the company seeks to revive the craft of

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vinegar-making in Scotland with the launch of a new traditional Scottish malt vinegar made from craft ale, alongside a range of cask-aged speciality apple cider and balsamic and wine vinegars, and notes that the vinegars are complemented by sweet apple syrups and seasonally-spiced products and that the range will launch at the end of November 2017.

**\*S5M-08142 Annie Wells: Nursery Children Bringing out the Youth in Older People—**That the Parliament acknowledges the joint work of Somerset Nursery and the Glasgow Old People's Welfare Association (GOPWA) in bringing together three to four-year-olds and older people once a week in the Fred Paton Centre in the east end of the city, to help lift the spirits of the older people; notes that, according to GOPWA, older people who might not live in the same city as their own grandchildren, enjoy the interaction that the children bring, and further notes that staff at the nursery took the idea to parents after the great success of a similar scheme used in Bristol, which was also filmed for a Channel 4 documentary.

**\*S5M-08141 Christine Grahame: Golden Gala Academy—**That the Parliament congratulates Galashiels Academy on achieving the sportscotland Gold School Sport Award, which was presented to staff and pupils at the school on 4 October 2017; understands that the award is a national initiative designed to encourage schools to continuously improve physical education and sport and which encourages sporting links between schools and the communities around them, and conveys its best wishes to the staff and pupils of Gala Academy.

Supported by: Michelle Ballantyne\*, Gail Ross\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*, Sandra White\*, Joan McAlpine\*

**\*S5M-08140 Emma Harper: Celebrating Pride in South Ayrshire—**That the Parliament congratulates the administration of South Ayrshire Council, which, on 5 October 2017, unanimously agreed to fly the Pride flag to mark LGBTQI+ events such as pride and LGBT History Month; understands that this is the first time that the council has agreed to fly the flag and celebrate equality in South Ayrshire, and encourages other local authorities that have not yet done so to follow suit and celebrate diversity and progress in Scotland.

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**\*S5M-08139 Kenneth Gibson: West Kilbride Welcomes New Music and Arts Festival, Vertex 2017—**That the Parliament welcomes the launch of the Vertex Festival 2017, which a new music and arts event that will take place in West Kilbride from 20 to 29 October; understands that this community initiative will see over 20 events spread across five venues; notes that it was set up by seven of the area's residents who shared the vision of bringing a dynamic and diverse event to the village that would be owned and run by the people who live there; believes that it includes something for everyone, with events including live music, a comedy night, a traditional tea dance, a pop-up cinema and a selection of talks and workshops for skills such as life drawing and cigar box guitar making; notes that further information and tickets are available at [vertexfestival.co.uk](http://vertexfestival.co.uk), which it hopes will widen the event's reach outside of West Kilbride, and wishes the organisers of Vertex every success in hosting an outstanding festival, which it hopes will prove to be a highlight of West Kilbride's cultural calendar.

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**\*S5M-08138 Lewis Macdonald: The Aye, I see, Integration and Inclusion Centre in Aberdeen—**That the Parliament congratulates all of the staff and volunteers of the Aye, I see,



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Integration and Inclusion Centre in Aberdeen on its opening; understands that this new initiative was launched by the Polish Sunny School to improve social cohesion and integration of ethnic minorities in Aberdeen and is supported by the Big Lottery Fund; recognises that the centre aims to teach children and young people to become bilingual, with activities including language skills initiatives, multicultural days, signing in English, traditional dance classes and pregnancy and family groups; believes that being bilingual can help open up career opportunities for young people, and has an important role to play in encouraging integration, and wishes the organisation all the best of success.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson\*, David Stewart\*, David Torrance\*

**\*S5M-08137 Clare Adamson: Remembering John Swinburne**—That the Parliament sends its condolences to the family of John Swinburne, the former MSP and founder of the Scottish Senior Citizens Unity Party, who passed away recently, aged 87, following a short illness; recognises that John, who represented the Central Scotland parliamentary region between 2003 and 2007, was born in the United States but grew up in Motherwell, attending Dalziel High School; notes that he was commercial manager at Motherwell FC and served on the club's board between 2000 and 2015; understands that John's funeral will take place on 7 October 2017 and that the people attending have been requested to wear claret and amber, the club's colours; recognises his contribution to public life in Motherwell and Scotland, and sends its thoughts to John's family at this difficult time.

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**\*S5M-08136 Mary Fee: Baby Loss Awareness Week 2017**—That the Parliament recognises that 9 October marks the beginning of Baby Loss Awareness Week 2017; understands that the awareness event, which was founded in 2002 as an awareness day by a group of parents inspired by Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day in the United States, will call for better bereavement care for people affected by pregnancy and baby loss; commends all of the charities involved with the week; acknowledges what it sees as their tireless work toward preventing baby and infant deaths, pregnancy loss and maternal deaths, which sadly still affect far too many parents and families, with 15 babies dying each day in the UK, and notes that the week will close on 15 October with the global "Wave of Light", which will invite people from across the world to light a candle in their home or in a public space at 7pm local time for at least one hour in memory of all babies whose lives have ended too soon.

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**\*S5M-08135 John Finnie: Amnesty International Denounces Excessive Use of Force by the National Police and Civil Guard in Catalonia**—That the Parliament notes reports from Amnesty International that it has confirmed that members of the Spanish national police force's intervention unit and civil guard officers used excessive and disproportionate force against demonstrators who were passively resisting in the streets and at the entrances to polling stations in Catalonia during the October 2017 referendum; welcomes Amnesty's call for the Spanish authorities to urgently launch a thorough, immediate and impartial investigation into what it considers an excessive and disproportionate use of force by the police and civil guard; condemns the use of such violence,

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which it believes should never be tolerated in a democratic society, and calls on the European Commission to mediate between the Catalan and the Spanish governments to ensure that democracy, rather than violence, prevails. **R**

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**\*S5M-08134 Michelle Ballantyne: Corporal Kieran Haig from Galashiels Awarded Queen's Commendation—**That the Parliament commends, Corporal Kieran Haig, who is from Galashiels, on the announcement that he is to be awarded The Queen's Commendation for Valuable Service, which recognises meritorious actions; notes that, while on service in Kabul as part of NATO force training Afghan troops, his army vehicle was in a collision that left four of his colleagues injured; understands that Kieran oversaw the casualty evacuation and potentially saved three lives; appreciates that the Army has described him as showing "leadership above and beyond his rank"; notes that 25-year-old Kieran, who is a member of the Royal Highland Fusiliers, 2nd Battalion, the Royal Regiment of Scotland (2SCOTS), enlisted at 17 and previously served with the Royal Scots Borderers (1SCOTS); acknowledges that he has served twice in Afghanistan, and has also been posted to Sierra Leone, Bosnia and Northern Ireland, and congratulates Kieran on his award.

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**\*S5M-08133 Gordon Lindhurst: Edinburgh-based Start-up Attracts Investment—**That the Parliament congratulates the Edinburgh-based start-up firm pixey.io, which was founded by Sarah Stenhouse, on receiving £250,000 in investment through Equity Gap, Gabriel, the Scottish Investment Bank and Robin Knox and Paul Walton of Intelligent Point of Sale; notes that the business provides an alternative to stock photography and allows Instagram users to use a service that lets them sell the rights to their images to large firms; understands that it will use the investment to employ five new staff, develop artificial intelligence technology to help source images and increase its global profile; considers this further evidence that Edinburgh is a successful incubator city for tech start-ups, and wishes the Sarah and the company all the very best.

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**\*S5M-08132 Michelle Ballantyne: Flora Allam from Galashiels Celebrates her 105th Birthday—**That the Parliament congratulates Flora Allam, who is from Galashiels, on recently celebrating her 105th birthday; understands that Flora was treated to a tea party to mark the occasion, complete with champagne and cake, as well as a musical performance from her favourite singers, the Galashiels Golden Girls; notes that her visitors included the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Roxburgh, Ettrick and Lauderdale, Anne Hogarth, who presented her with her second card from The Queen, and a telegram from the UK work and pensions secretary, David Gauke, and wishes Flora a very happy birthday.

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**\*S5M-08131 Michelle Ballantyne: Austrian TV Appearance for Innerleithen Bands—**That the Parliament acknowledges that the St Ronan's Silver Band and the Innerleithen Pipe Band will

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travel to the Austrian Tyrol on 11 October 2017 to take part in the Alpine Brass Music Festival in the village of Ellmau; notes that the musicians have been asked to appear on Guten Morgen Österreich, the flagship breakfast programme on Austrian national TV channel, ORF; understands that the band will travel first to Munich and then to Innsbruck after the festival; notes that they will make an appearance at a farmers' market and at a massed bands parade, and wishes the members of both bands a successful trip.

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**\*S5M-08130 Iain Gray: Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2017—**That the Parliament welcomes the award of the Nobel Prize in Chemistry to Jacques Dubochet, Joachim Frank and Richard Henderson, who was born in Edinburgh, for the development of cryo-electron microscopy, which simplifies and improves the imaging of biomolecules; understands that Richard, who gained his first degree at the University of Edinburgh, contributed to the development by succeeding in using an electron microscope to generate a three-dimensional image of a protein at atomic resolution, proving the technology's potential, and congratulates all three for their contribution to the development of biochemistry and on being awarded this prestigious prize.

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**\*S5M-08129 Neil Findlay: Rodney Bickerstaffe, the Life of a Trade Union Leader—**That the Parliament acknowledges the sad passing of Rodney Bickerstaffe, the former General Secretary of the National Union of Public Employees and UNISON, one of the UK's biggest trade unions; understands that he was recruited into the trade union movement by his activist mother and rose to prominence during the trade union struggles of the 1970s and early 80s when he led many campaigns and offered unwavering support to the National Union of Mineworkers in its year-long dispute and to the cause of the Palestinian people; considers that Rodney was a key player in the campaign to introduce the national minimum wage, which helped address appalling levels of poverty and pay and, on his retiral from UNISON, went on to chair the National Pensioners Convention; notes that, true to his principles and beliefs, he refused a peerage in 1999; considers that Rodney was a socialist, a trade unionist and internationalist and an activist and will be missed by many people across the world, including UNISON members from the Lothian region.

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**\*S5M-08128 Jeremy Balfour: SuperTroop—**That the Parliament commends SuperTroop, a new Scottish charity that provides residential holidays for children and young people with learning disabilities; understands that the charity is raising funds to support the set-up costs for its first holiday, which will take place in July 2018 in Edinburgh, which will be hosted by Fettes College; understands the one of the main roles of the school is to provide a suitable environment to host the holiday, including a boarding house with high-quality and accessible residential facilities, a refectory and facilities such as outdoor spaces, a swimming pool and sports hall; believes that the school is making further, significant in-kind donations by providing all catering, including staff and domestic staff, without charge; understands that the charity is also recruiting a 40-strong voluntary team from the local community, while raising funds to cover the cost of excursions, medical and IT equipment, toys and games; believes that SuperTroop looks forward to welcoming 16 children and

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young people, aged eight to 18 with learning disabilities, to the first holiday next year, and wishes it every success.

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**\*S5M-08127 Miles Briggs: Obesity and Cancer Awareness Week 2017**—That the Parliament notes that 9 to 15 October 2017 marks the first Obesity and Cancer Awareness Week; understands that this is a new initiative launched by Cancer Research UK and Obesity Action Scotland to raise awareness of the link between obesity and cancer and to call for action to tackle obesity; believes that obesity is the single biggest preventable cause of cancer in Scotland after smoking, and that it is linked to 13 types of cancer; recognises however, that, according to figures from Cancer Research UK, only one-in-four adults in Scotland is aware of the link between obesity and cancer; notes the calls on the Scottish Government to take bold action in its new diet and obesity strategy to help tackle the problem and considers that there is significant public and cross-party support for action to restrict price promotions on junk food, with polling by Cancer Research UK demonstrating that 7-in-10 people in Scotland are in favour of such action; believes that multi-buy promotions on junk food should be regulated, and considers that tackling obesity in this way would help to "scale down cancer".

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**\*S5M-08126 Monica Lennon: Glasgow Airport Provision of Free Sanitary Products**—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow Airport on committing to the campaign to end period poverty in Scotland; welcomes that sanitary products including pads and tampons will now be freely available in the airport's main check-in hall and domestic and international arrivals; considers that legislation to create a universal right of access to sanitary products is necessary to improve access for all menstruating individuals across Scotland; commends Glasgow Airport for showing vital leadership on creating equal access to sanitary products, and encourages other businesses and organisations in Scotland to follow suit.

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**\*S5M-08125 Gail Ross: Community in Mansfield Estate in Tain**—That the Parliament acknowledges the community-building efforts made by Mansfield Estate Hub in Tain, Ross-shire, which include hosting a summer-long programme of events and initiatives such as Sort out Saturday, the monthly collection of unwanted household items that are then taken to the local recycling centre; congratulates residents, Rosemary Gibb, Finlay Munro and Christine Morrison, who placed first, second and third respectively in a recent garden competition that was organised as part of these community efforts; congratulates the important efforts made in promoting community spirit, and wishes the Mansfield Estate Hub further success.

**\*S5M-08124 Gail Ross: Sutherland's Riding Club Fundraising Efforts**—That the Parliament commends the Sutherland Riding Club, which held a show in order to raise money for charities such as Macmillan Cancer Care and Chest, Heart and Stroke Scotland; notes that the event raised £700, which will serve to assist the charities in carrying out their valuable work, and congratulates two young riders, Xanthe Mackay and Sandie Macleod who were the respective champions of the in-hand and ridden sections of the show

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**\*[S5M-08123](#) Gail Ross: Caithness-based Horse Producers Head to Horse of the Year**

**Show**—That the Parliament congratulates James Munro and Russell Skelton, a duo of Caithness-based horse producers named Team Skelton, who will soon travel to the prestigious Horse of the Year Show in Birmingham to compete; congratulates the pair on their successful season with their show horses performing well at shows throughout the UK, and acknowledges that, due to his previous success in competing and in his role as a former equine lecturer at North Highland College UHI, James Munro has also been invited to judge at the show.

**\*[S5M-08122](#) Gail Ross: Dornoch Historylinks**—That the Parliament recognises and congratulates Dornoch Historylinks on its success in promoting more visitors to the museum; notes that visits have increased to such an extent that the museum, which usually is only open at the weekend, has decided to remain open for all of October 2017, and congratulates the efforts of the Dornoch Area Interest Company in its active promotion of the town, which it understands has also been credited for this increase of interest in Dornoch and its places of interest.

**\*[S5M-08121](#) Gail Ross: Annual Highland Maths Challenge Competition**—That the Parliament commends the four pupils from Farr High School, Tom Frost, Anna Magee, Alex Mackay and Ben Morrison, who travelled to Millburn Academy in Inverness to partake in the annual Highland Maths Challenge Competition; notes that the students performed well, placing 8th out of 13 schools, and praises initiatives such as this, which are aimed at improving numeracy and garnering an interest in mathematics among young people.

**\*[S5M-08120](#) Gail Ross: Wester Ross and Malawi School Exchange**—That the Parliament wishes pupils and staff of Gairloch High School well in their exchange trip to Mlozi LEA School in Malawi; congratulates the efforts of students and staff that made the trip possible and which comprised of attending weekly meetings and training weekends at the school, as well as fundraising events such as bake sales and community car washes; notes that the purpose of the trip is not only to further the pupils' own understanding of a different culture, but also to carry out projects in Malawi such as mapping endeavours, which will be of great assistance to locals as there are currently no maps of the area; praises the friendship between the two schools, which was formed 10 years ago, and recognises the importance of such an opportunity to experience different cultures first-hand.

**\*[S5M-08119](#) Gail Ross: Birds of Caithness Book**—That the Parliament congratulates the success of the book, *Birds of Caithness*, which provides an in-depth study of the county's bird population and has gone into a second edition print after the rapid sell-out of the first edition; notes that the book was edited by a group of members of the Scottish Ornithologists Club (SOC), which included Sinclair Manson, a veterinarian based in Thurso, and was contributed to by photographer, Karen Munro, who is also from the town; commends the efforts of the book to provide extensive and accessible information on the breeds of birds found in Caithness, which can be overlooked due to its remote location, and notes its potential to highlight the existence of several bird species that are found in Caithness, several of which are experiencing concerning declines.

**\*[S5M-08118](#) Gail Ross: Aird Fundraising Group**—That the Parliament congratulates and thanks the Aird Fundraising Group for raising £14,600 for the Highland Hospice through its art exhibition; understands that the work sold involved contributions from local artists, including members of the Art Society of Inverness and Redcastle Group; appreciates the great dedication that it takes to organise the biennial exhibition; notes that the funds raised will support the important work of the Highland Hospice in providing invaluable support and care to terminally ill patients and their loved

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ones, and wishes the Aird Fundraising Group further success with its next exhibition, which will take place in 2019.

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S5M-08117](#) Graeme Dey: Darren Burnett for Team Scotland 2018** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, Emma Harper\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Alison Johnstone\*

**[S5M-08116](#) Liam Kerr: Aberdeen Airport's Official Opening of Terminal Extension** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron\*, Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S5M-08115](#) Gillian Martin: Haddo Arts Festival 2017 Photography Competition Winners** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, Graeme Dey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08114](#) Ben Macpherson: Edinburgh Named Top European Culture City** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, Monica Lennon\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08113](#) Kezia Dugdale: HIV Scotland, British Medical Association's MEDFASH Prize Winners** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, Monica Lennon\*, Lewis Macdonald\*, Anas Sarwar\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Johann Lamont\*, Tavish Scott\*, John Finnie\*, Maree Todd\*, Patrick Harvie\*, Liam Kerr\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Neil Findlay\*, David Stewart\*, Gillian Martin\*, Colin Beattie\*, Richard Lyle\*, Alison Harris\*, Mary Fee\*, Bob Doris\*, Richard Lochhead\*, Rhoda Grant\*

**[S5M-08112](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Border Change Foundation Charity Dinner Raises £25,000** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S5M-08111](#) Miles Briggs: Edinburgh's Bellfield Brewery Secures National ALDI Listing** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S5M-08110](#) Emma Harper: Tesco Castle Douglas Launches a Relaxed Lane** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, Monica Lennon\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Richard Lyle\*

**[S5M-08109](#) Ruth Maguire: UK Libraries Week** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, Monica Lennon\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08108](#) Alexander Stewart: Breakfast in Alloa for HM Forces Veterans and Serving Personnel** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

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Motions   Gluasadan				

**[S5M-08107](#) Liam McArthur: Stromness-based Gareth Davies, Outstanding Business Ambassador** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S5M-08105](#) Gillian Martin: Global Entrepreneurship Week** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Andy Wightman\*

**[S5M-08103](#) Gillian Martin: National Work Life Week 2017** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth\*, Graeme Dey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08102](#) Neil Findlay: Posties Vote for Strike Action** (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Ross Greer\*

**[S5M-08100](#) Stuart McMillan: Re-Start A Heart Day 2017** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-08095](#) Bob Doris: Lapidus Scotland Awards For All Success in Maryhill and Springburn** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08094](#) Stuart McMillan: Jessica Leggatt, First UHI Graduate in Marine and Tourism** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08092](#) Neil Findlay: HMP Addiewell Art Exhibition for Charity** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Claire Baker\*, Mary Fee\*

**[S5M-08089](#) Richard Lochhead: Moray Business Women's Success at the National Business Awards** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08083](#) Clare Adamson: Retirement of SFRS Assistant Chief Officer, Robert Scott** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Graeme Dey\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08081](#) Rona Mackay: St Lucy's Youth Zone Secures Cash** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, David Torrance\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Ash Denham\*, Sandra White\*, Clare Haughey\*

**[S5M-08080](#) Bill Kidd: Drumchapel United wins Best Community Club Title** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08079](#) Christina McKelvie: Persecution of LGBTI Community in Azerbaijan** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

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Motions   Gluasadan				

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08078](#) Christina McKelvie: Statement from High Commissioner for Human Rights, Prince Zeid bin Ra'ad Zeid al-Hussein** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Bob Doris\*

**[S5M-08077](#) Clare Adamson: Road Safety Week 2017** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Oliver Mundell\*

**[S5M-08076](#) Claudia Beamish: Royal Burgh of Lanark Community Council** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-08075](#) Emma Harper: Dumfries & Galloway LGBT Plus** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08073](#) James Dornan: Mental Health and Use of Language** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08072](#) Angus MacDonald: NHS Forth Valley Staff Awards 2017** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08071](#) Angus MacDonald: TSB Falkirk Backs Cycling Without Age** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08070](#) Angus MacDonald: Carr Gomm Raises Money to Tackle Loneliness and Social Isolation** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08069](#) Angus MacDonald: New Youth Group in Falkirk** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08068](#) Graeme Dey: East Haven Together, Scottish Resources Awards Winner** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08065](#) Elaine Smith: Wales to Keep the Safety Critical Guard on all Trains** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-08064](#) Ruth Maguire: Springside Primary School** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08061](#) Stewart Stevenson: Sophia McDonald Nominated for Scottish Resources Award** (lodged on 03 October 2017)



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Motions   Gluasadan				

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08060](#) Stewart Stevenson: Emmie Main Becomes Communicate18 Participation Leader for Year of Young People** (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08059](#) Christine Grahame: Start Up with WES** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08057](#) Gillian Martin: BrewDog Named Brewery of the Year at Scottish Beer Awards** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08056](#) James Dornan: The Data Lab Helps Fulfil Scotland's Growing Demand for Data Talent** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08048](#) Gillian Martin: Ellon and Meldrum Academies Retain Gold Awards** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08046](#) Christine Grahame: Gold for YouthBorders** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08044](#) Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway Business Week** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08043](#) Christine Grahame: Borders Railway Just the Ticket** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08042](#) Graeme Dey: Blake McMillan Fundraiser** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08041](#) Graeme Dey: Michelle Reynolds Receives Employee of the Year Special Commendation** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08040](#) Emma Harper: Success of Visit South West Scotland** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08039](#) Sandra White: Catalan Referendum** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

**[S5M-08038](#) Ruth Maguire: 2017 Irvine Trades Apprentice of the Year** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

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Motions   Gluasadan				

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08037](#) Ruth Maguire: Jen MacKenzie of Kilwinning, Best Gelato Scooper in Europe**  
(lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08036](#) Ruth Maguire: Vets a-go-go** (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08031](#) Gil Paterson: East Dunbartonshire Ready for First Heritage Awareness Day**  
(lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08030](#) Gil Paterson: Young Clydebank Karateka Set for World Championships** (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Joan McAlpine\*, Bill Kidd\*, Sandra White\*, Richard Lochhead\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Clare Haughey\*, Rona Mackay\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*, Bob Doris\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S5M-08029](#) Gil Paterson: Clydebank Pupils' Soup Kitchen Wins Award** (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Sandra White\*, Richard Lochhead\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Clare Haughey\*, Ash Denham\*, Rona Mackay\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Richard Lyle\*, David Torrance\*, Gail Ross\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S5M-08028](#) Gil Paterson: New Robert the Bruce Film to be set in Milngavie** (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08026](#) Clare Haughey: Congratulating The Core in Rutherglen** (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08025](#) Clare Haughey: Congratulating Blantyre Youth Development Team** (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08016](#) Anas Sarwar: Glasgow Youth Council Election for 2017-18** (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-08015](#) Jenny Gilruth: B&Q Leven's Fundraising Efforts** (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S5M-08014](#) Jenny Gilruth: Clydesdale Bank Employees Raise £100,000 for Hospice UK**  
(lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*

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**[S5M-08003](#) Annie Wells: Raising Awareness of Diabulimia** (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-07985](#) Christina McKelvie: Engender Scotland Report, Gender Matters Roadmap – Towards Women’s Equality in Scotland** (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-07979](#) David Torrance: Fife College, College Development Network Awards** (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*

**[S5M-07960](#) Brian Whittle: £1.2 million Big Lottery Fund Award for Eat Well, Age Well Project** (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07958](#) Ivan McKee: MCR Pathways Wins Prestigious People Make Glasgow Award** (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07953](#) Sandra White: Celebrating 40 Years of Glasgow’s Community Central Hall** (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07945](#) Christina McKelvie: FARE Funding for Nil By Mouth** (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07918](#) Bruce Crawford: Runrig Final Live Performance, Stirling City Park** (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07911](#) Colin Beattie: Bonnyrigg Rose Community FC Positive Mental Health Initiative** (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07904](#) Christina McKelvie: Stonewall Scotland, School Report Scotland** (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07891](#) Jenny Gilruth: Glenrothes Strollers Superstars** (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07889](#) Ruth Maguire: Gemma Gilfillan, Fretex Plate Champion 2017** (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07883](#) Ross Greer: HIV and Education** (lodged on 26 September 2017)

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Motions   Gluasadan				

New Support: James Dornan\*

**[S5M-07874](#) Graeme Dey: Angus South Winners of the Beautiful Angus Pride in Place Awards** (lodged on 25 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07873](#) Graeme Dey: Angus South Firms' Success at the Dundee Civic Trust Awards** (lodged on 25 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07850](#) Jamie Greene: West College Scotland, Living Wage Employer** (lodged on 22 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07845](#) Ruth Maguire: Judo Scotland's Young Volunteer of the Year** (lodged on 22 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07844](#) Ruth Maguire: Irvine Seniors Forum** (lodged on 22 September 2017)

New Support: Gail Ross\*

**[S5M-07735](#) Alexander Stewart: Brain Tumour Awareness in Scotland** (lodged on 18 September 2017)

New Support: Adam Tomkins\*, Elaine Smith\*, Bill Bowman\*

**[S5M-07724](#) Lewis Macdonald: Workforce Concerns Regarding Helicopter Safety in the North Sea** (lodged on 18 September 2017)

New Support: Claudia Beamish\*

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Questions   Ceistean				

## Written Questions

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

### Written questions lodged on 05 October 2017

**S5W-11741 Mary Fee:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that a parent from England or Wales suspected of child abduction could not be prosecuted if it was established that they departed from Scotland; what information it has regarding whether any such departures have been recorded at Scotland's (a) airports and (b) ports in each year since 2007, and what discussions it has had with UK Government regarding this matter.

**S5W-11828 Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government whether waste-to-energy incineration in Shetland is classed as recycling.

**S5W-11829 Tavish Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government when it expects ferry fares to (a) Shetland and (b) Orkney to be reduced.

**S5W-11830 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how many staff Scottish Development International has employed in each of the last three years, broken down by location, and how many were new starts.

**S5W-11831 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how much (a) trade and (b) internal investment has been generated by its (i) London and (ii) Dublin trade hubs.

**S5W-11832 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent on the establishment of its (a) London, (b) Dublin, (c) Brussels and (d) Berlin trade hubs.

**S5W-11833 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-11233 by Keith Brown on 28 September 2017, how many of its staff have been seconded to the secretariat, and what financial support it has provided.

**S5W-11834 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what the (a) budget and (b) outturn was for the Scottish Manufacturing Advisory Service in each year since its establishment.

**S5W-11835 Michelle Ballantyne:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle bullying in schools, and what guidance it issues to teachers who witness incidents.

**S5W-11836 Michelle Ballantyne:** To ask the Scottish Government what action is being taken to mitigate the disruption on the Borders Railway arising from maintenance and improvement works, and what further disruption is expected.

**S5W-11837 Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason Health Protection Scotland publishes data on laboratory reports of norovirus for the latest four weeks only; whether the information for earlier weeks is publically available and, if not, whether it will publish the information for each week since January 2012.

**S5W-11838 Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government, what its position is on the proportion of eligible trade union members required to ensure effective recognition and collective bargaining agreements, and when it last discussed this matter with the UK Government.

**S5W-11839 Elaine Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-11456 by Humza Yousaf on 5 October 2017, what recent assessment it has undertaken of the level of trade union membership at all licensed ferry operators, and how it monitors union membership levels at (a) Serco NorthLink and (b) Caledonian MacBrayne.

**S5W-11848 Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle demand for the purchase of sexual access to women and girls, in light of the recent National

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Questions   Ceistean				

Crime Agency figures suggesting that one-in-three victims are trafficked for the purpose of commercial sexual exploitation.

**[S5W-11849](#) Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports that NHS Grampian and NHS Highland account for 75% of all locum spending, what assessment it has carried out of the extra costs involved in the boards hiring locums; what action it is taking to support them to reduce the number hired, and what impact that the use of locums is having on patient care.

**[S5W-11850](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on trialling a so-called one-sheriff system across civil and criminal proceedings with regard to domestic abuse, and what its position is on whether such a system could lead to survivors being spared unnecessary trauma.

**[S5W-11851](#) Patrick Harvie:** To ask the Scottish Government what the timescale is for the next revision of the National Planning Framework.

**[S5W-11857](#) John Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government what evaluation it has made of the claim made by the University of Queensland that including a certain type of seaweed in the diet of cattle can reduce their methane output by up to 90%. **R**

**[S5W-11858](#) John Scott:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has invited any research institutions to evaluate the work of the University of Queensland with regard to methane reduction in cattle by including seaweed in their diet, and to assess whether a Scottish application might be found for this research. **R**

**[S5W-11859](#) Mary Fee:** To ask the Scottish Government which registered social landlords lease accommodation to SERCO, broken down by the number of properties leased by each.

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

## 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.

#### **Child Poverty (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 29 June 2017

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
*([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

#### **Children and Young People (Information Sharing) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills)), 4 October 2017

#### **Civil Litigation (Expenses and Group Proceedings) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 3 October 2017

*Lead committee - Justice*

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

Passed, 21 September 2017

#### **Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 completed, 28 September 2017

*Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
*([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

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### **Edinburgh Bakers' Widows' Fund Bill (P)**

Consideration Stage, 25 October 2017

*All amendments should be lodged by 2pm on Monday 23 October with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

### **Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 4 October 2017

### **Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 5 October 2017

### **Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 4 September 2017

### **Islands (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 2 October 2017

### **Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Repeal) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 3 October 2017

### **Pow of Inchaffray Drainage Commission (Scotland) Bill (P)**

Preliminary Stage (evidence), 27 September 2017

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

Stage 2 completed, 28 June 2017

*Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

### **Social Security (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Social Security)), 5 October 2017

### **Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 completed, 5 October 2017

*Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

### **Writers to the Signet Dependants' Annuity Fund Amendment (Scotland) Bill (P)**

Preliminary Stage, 4 October 2017

## **Legislative Consent Memorandums**



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**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>

**European Union (Withdrawal) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) LCM-S5-10**

Lodged on 12 September 2017

Evidence, lead committee (Finance and Constitution), 4 October 2017

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

**Affirmative instruments**

**Lead committee to report by 29 October 2017**

[International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (31 August 2017) (Justice)

[Renewables Obligation \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (4 September 2017) (Economy, Jobs and Fair Work)

**Lead committee to report by 8 November 2017**

[Scotland Act 1998 \(Specification of Devolved Tax\) \(Wild Fisheries\) Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (14 September 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Scotland Act 1998 \(Insolvency Functions\) Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (14 September 2017) (Economy, Jobs and Fair Work)

[Private Residential Tenancies \(Statutory Terms\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (14 September 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

[Private Residential Tenancies \(Information for Tenants\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (14 September 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

[Private Housing \(Tenancies\) \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Consequential Provisions\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (14 September 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

**Lead committee to report by 13 November 2017**

[Land Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Supplemental Provision\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (19 September 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Land Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Supplementary, Consequential, Transitory and Saving Provisions\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (19 September 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

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[Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Amendment of Specified Authorities\) Order 2017 \[draft\]](#) (19 September 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

**Lead committee to report by 16 November 2017**

[Legal Aid \(Scotland\) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (22 September 2017) (Justice)

**Lead committee to report by 20 November 2017**

[Telecommunications Restriction Orders \(Custodial Institutions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (26 September 2017) (Justice)

**Lead committee to report by 22 November 2017**

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2017 Amendment Regulations 2017 \[draft\]](#) (28 September 2017) (Finance and Constitution)

### Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment by 27 October 2017**

**Lead committee to report by 23 October 2017**

[Energy Performance of Buildings \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/225\)](#) (29 June 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

[Universal Credit \(Claims and Payments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/227\)](#) (29 June 2017) (Social Security)

**Subject to annulment by 28 October 2017**

**Lead committee to report by 23 October 2017**

[National Health Service \(Free Prescriptions and Charges for Drugs and Appliances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/231\)](#) (30 June 2017) (Health and Sport)

**Subject to annulment by 29 October 2017**

**Lead committee to report by 23 October 2017**

[Homeless Persons \(Unsuitable Accommodation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/273\)](#) (31 August 2017) (Local Government and Communities)

[Scottish Tribunals \(Eligibility for Appointment\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/274\)](#) (1 September 2017) (Justice)

**Subject to annulment by 1 November 2017**

**Lead committee to report by 30 October 2017**

[Railway Closures \(Exclusion\) \(Scotland\) Order 2017 \(SSI 2017/280\)](#) (7 September 2017) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

[Public Water Supplies \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/281\)](#) (7 September 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Water Intended for Human Consumption \(Private Supplies\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2017 \(SSI 2017/282\)](#) (7 September 2017) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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