

Monday 16 October 2017

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

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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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

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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

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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.

Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

***S5M-08218 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Incontinence in Scotland**—That the Parliament understands that incontinence has the potential to affect everyone at some point and that the condition can arise as a symptom of a range of varied medical conditions, such as obesity, traumatic childbirth and muscle weakness; believes that 20% of women between 17 and 30 will experience so-called giggle incontinence, which has the potential to lead to greater complications in later life, in particular the need for surgical interventions, including transvaginal mesh implants; understands that the only country to have calculated the costs associated with this is Australia, which estimates these to be around \$43 billion (£25 billion) per year as they go beyond the provision of sanitary wear, medication and surgery, and include the cost of dealing with the depression and anxiety that can arise; recognises what it sees as the importance of physiotherapy in alleviating the symptoms, and notes that, when provided early, this has reportedly proved effective in 80% of cases; understands that there is no formal training around basic incontinence prevention in Scotland for the midwifery, health visitor or physiotherapist workforce; acknowledges the taboo around the subject, which, it believes, suppresses an open discussion about it and often prevents people experiencing the condition from seeking help, and notes the view that the case for a national incontinence strategy is compelling, as it would be important to improving the life quality of hundreds of thousands of people in Edinburgh and across the country and would be of benefit to the public purse.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liam Kerr*, Edward Mountain*, Rachael Hamilton*

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***S5M-08226 Ben Macpherson: Unfair Police Scotland and Fire Service VAT Charges**—That the Parliament understands that Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue continue to be the only territorial forces in the UK unable to reclaim VAT; believes that this costs £35 million annually, and has totalled £140 million since 2013; notes what it sees as the detrimental impact that paying this VAT has on frontline services in communities in Edinburgh Northern and Leith and across Scotland; acknowledges the view that the UK Government should change its rules to allow this VAT to be reclaimed, similar to the action that it took to enable Highways England and academy

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schools to reclaim VAT, and further notes the argument that the UK Government should fully reimburse the reported £140 million taken away from Scotland's frontline emergency services since 2013.

Supported by: Bob Doris*, Richard Lyle*, Joan McAlpine*, Bill Kidd*, Rona Mackay*, Christine Grahame*, Fulton MacGregor*, Sandra White*, Ash Denham*, Graeme Dey*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stewart Stevenson*, John Mason*, David Torrance*, Ivan McKee*, Bruce Crawford*, Angus MacDonald*, Gillian Martin*, George Adam*, Stuart McMillan*, James Dornan*, Gail Ross*

***S5M-08213 Neil Findlay: NPD Funding, is it Value for Money?**—That the Parliament welcomes the work by *The Guardian* newspaper and *The Ferret* online investigative journalism site, and the news that Audit Scotland and the Accounts Commission are to investigate the Scottish Government's non-profit distribution (NPD) model of financing public infrastructure projects; understands that an error made by the Scottish Government in interpreting EU rules has resulted in £932 million of expenditure that will now have to be found from its own borrowing; considers that NPD projects are very poor value for money with, for example, the new Dumfries Hospital earning investors £100 million in interest on borrowing of £218 million, with loan rates of up to 11.3% being charged by private lenders as opposed to a public works loan board rate of 1.6%; understands that, under some of these contracts, public sector staff are seeing their jobs taken out of, for example, the NHS, and transferred to the private sector with no TUPE protection, and that maintenance services at sites such as the new Royal Edinburgh Hospital will see charges levied by private contractors, which are triple the rate currently paid; believes that these projects are bad for taxpayers and bad for workers; notes the view that the Parliament, through its committees, should hold an inquiry into the NPD model of financing public services, and is concerned at reports that some sub-contractors working on the Scottish Future's Trust-supported NPD projects are experiencing major problems in getting paid the amount that they are owed, having retention money kept from them for extended periods and, where mediation regarding disputes has taken place, finding that the main contractors are still withholding payment, thereby threatening jobs.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, James Kelly*, Iain Gray*, Johann Lamont*

***S5M-08211 Rona Mackay: Condemns Unpaid Trial Shifts**—That the Parliament welcomes the Private Members Bill introduced by Stewart McDonald MP in the House of Commons to ban unpaid trial shifts; considers that this practice infringes workers' rights and notes calls for it to be stopped; understands that young people are the group most likely to face exploitation; notes the view that, whether permanent work is offered or not, they should be paid for their work during a trial period; commends this bill, and considers that it will make a real difference for people throughout Scotland, including in Strathkelvin and Bearsden, seeking employment.

Supported by: Ash Denham*, John Mason*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Joan McAlpine*, Emma Harper*, Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Kenneth Gibson*, Jenny Gilruth*, Stuart McMillan*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Johann Lamont*, Gillian Martin*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-08244 Liam McArthur: Congratulates Orkney Islands Council Chief Executive, Alistair Buchan CBE, on 25 Years of Service**—That the Parliament congratulates Orkney Islands Council's chief executive, Alistair Buchan CBE, on 25 years of service with the council; notes that his career in local government began in 1988 as a personnel officer with Comhairle nan Eilean Siar before joining Orkney Islands Council in 1992, where he was appointed chief executive in

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1997 at the age of 33, which made him Scotland's youngest chief executive of an all-purpose council, a record that it understands has never been broken; further understands that Alistair was seconded between 2010 and 2012 to the role of chief executive of Shetland Islands Council; recognises that Alistair was given a standing ovation by councillors in the council chamber on 10 October 2017 as a tribute to his longstanding service; considers that he has played a pivotal role in Orkney's prosperity and that its council is fortunate to have someone of his calibre; thanks Alistair for his dedicated service, and wishes him further success with the council in the future.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*

***S5M-08243 Stewart Stevenson: Scotland's Railways**—That the Parliament expresses concern at reports that changes due to be introduced by the UK Government in 2019 will lead to a real-terms cut in Scottish Government funding for railway investment; understands that as much as a £600 million gap in funding for Scottish Government projects to meet future increases in demand for rail services could result from the UK Government's decision; acknowledges that current funding levels are based on need relative to the actual realities of the Scottish network and the resources required to sustain it, given its geography and size, and calls on all parties to press the UK Government for a fair deal for Scotland on funding for railway improvements.

Supported by: Fulton MacGregor*, Gail Ross*, Richard Lyle*, Rona Mackay*, Joan McAlpine*

***S5M-08242 Peter Chapman: Ellon Academy, Meldrum Academy and the Gordon School Given School Sport Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Ellon Academy, Meldrum Academy and the Gordon School on each being presented with what it considers the highly-prized School Sport Award by sportscotland; notes that the this national initiative is designed to encourage schools to continuously improve the PE and sport that they offer; understands that it is also part of the Aberdeenshire Council's Sport and Physical Activity Service and is supported by the Active School's Network, which aims to ensure that there are opportunities for all children to participate in sports and reach their full potential; believes that the three schools impressed the judges by highlighting increases in both pupil engagement in sport and the number of extra-curricular activities that they offer, and sends its best wishes to the staff and pupils at the schools.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Tom Mason*, Rachael Hamilton*, Alexander Stewart*, Alison Harris*, Jeremy Balfour*

***S5M-08241 Rhoda Grant: HebCelt Wins Grand Prix Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the organisers and volunteers of the Hebridean Celtic Festival (HebCelt) on its success at the 2017 Scottish Event Awards, which were presented recently in Glasgow and aim to recognise the efforts of the people who work behind the scenes at events throughout the country; acknowledges that HebCelt 2016 won both the Festival of the Year category and the coveted Grand Prix award and was nominated for the Cultural Event of the Year title; recognises the relentless efforts of volunteers, which made the festival a success; understands that it is a major economic driver for the Outer Hebrides, generating a reported £2.2 million in 2016 and helping to safeguard 40 tourism-related jobs, and wishes its organisers continued success.

Supported by: Angus MacDonald*, Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, Claudia Beamish*

***S5M-08240 Annie Wells: Volunteer Centre Glasgow**—That the Parliament congratulates Volunteer Centre Glasgow on its £81,403 award from the Big Lottery Fund, which it will use to support 8- to 18-year-olds in the north east of the city who are experiencing difficulties, and notes that it will aim to do this by matching them up with volunteer befrienders and, through weekly activities, build beneficial relationships, which will be tailored to meet their individual needs.

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Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Peter Chapman*, Liz Smith*, Alison Harris*, Rachael Hamilton*, Bill Kidd*, Tom Mason*

***S5M-08239 Alexander Burnett: Shirley Armstrong from Banchory**—That the Parliament congratulates Shirley Armstrong, who is from Banchory, on raising £750 for Macmillan Cancer Support by holding an open house at her home as part of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning campaign.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Peter Chapman*, Liz Smith*, Alison Harris*, Rachael Hamilton*, Tom Mason*

***S5M-08238 Alexander Burnett: Banchory Primary School Fundraiser**—That the Parliament congratulates the "Helambu Girls" of Banchory Primary School on raising £309 for the charity, the Helambu Project, by undertaking a range of fundraising activities.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Peter Chapman*, Alexander Stewart*, Alison Harris*, Jeremy Balfour*, Liz Smith*, Rachael Hamilton*, Stewart Stevenson*, Tom Mason*

***S5M-08237 Mark Griffin: Keep Bo'ness Road Open**—That the Parliament recognises the campaign by community activists in Bo'ness and Grangemouth who have fought against the closure of the A904 Bo'ness Road; notes that the A904 is the main road connecting Bo'ness and Grangemouth; understands that INEOS is seeking planning permission to establish an integrated site, which would result in the road being closed; further understands that the plans are being considered as a national development and INEOS has submitted an appeal to close the road directly to the Scottish Government; notes what it understands is widespread opposition to the proposals from local residents, including concerns that any closure of the road would have a detrimental impact on existing users, increase journey times and add pressure to the surrounding road network; welcomes that the appeal has been called in by the Scottish Ministers, and calls on ministers to respect the wishes of those local people in the communities of Bo'ness and Grangemouth, who have fought these proposals, and reject the plan.

***S5M-08236 Lewis Macdonald: Polish School St Stanislaw Kostka Celebrates its 10th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates the Polish School St Stanislaw Kostka in Aberdeen on its 10th anniversary; recognises that more than 300 children and young people attend the Saturday school and are supported by almost 80 volunteers and staff; acknowledges that the school is a vibrant part of the community and supports the young people by helping them becoming bilingual not only through language, history and culture classes, but also through other activities such as its youth club, a choir, theatre and football team, and looks forward to many more years of Polish language education, cultural and sporting activities in Aberdeen.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Ivan McKee*, Edward Mountain*, Stewart Stevenson*, Claire Baker*, Ash Denham*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-08235 Lewis Macdonald: Association of Lithuanians in North East Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates the Association of Lithuanians in North East Scotland (ALNES) on its first AGM; notes the election of Evelina Kovnators and Romualdas Raukutis as its Chair and Vice Chair and the adoption of a constitution; acknowledges that ALNES aims to promote the Lithuanian community, to improve integration through celebrating diversity and holding community events and to ensure that all Lithuanians in North East Scotland are informed of their rights in the context of Brexit; recognises what it sees as the important role that it will have in improving social cohesion, and wishes the organisation the best of success in meeting these important objectives.

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Supported by: Bill Kidd*

***S5M-08234 Stuart McMillan: Claire Harper, Nurse of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Claire Harper on being named Nurse of the Year at Meallmore Care Awards 2017; recognises that this is the second year running that the accolade has gone to a nurse from Kincaid Care Home in Greenock, following Heather McGachy's success; notes that these awards are run by Meallmore, which it understands is one of Scotland's leading providers of nursing and residential care; applauds Claire's hard work and dedication, often going above and beyond to provide the best care possible to her residents, and recognises that nominations for the awards are made by residents, families and friends, visiting professionals and fellow staff members.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Ivan McKee*, Edward Mountain*, Stewart Stevenson*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ash Denham*, Joan McAlpine*, Richard Lyle*, Neil Findlay*, Graeme Dey*, Gillian Martin*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Gail Ross*

***S5M-08233 Bill Kidd: Junior Section of the BB Celebrates its Centenary**—That the Parliament congratulates the Junior Section of the Boys' Brigade (BB) on its centenary; notes that the Glasgow-based Juniors100 event, which celebrated the special birthday, was comprised of 100 challenges for the brigaders to participate in; acknowledges that one of these included having their photograph taken with a local politician, to which the First Minister happily obliged; understands that the BB was the first voluntary uniformed youth movement in the world, and believes that, with over 3,000 members in the Glasgow area alone, it remains a highly relevant organisation, which encourages children to develop important life skills and knowledge.

***S5M-08232 Monica Lennon: Befriending Week 2017**—That the Parliament recognises that 1 to 7 November 2017 marks National Befriending Week; congratulates Scotland's befriending services and their volunteers and supports what it sees as their valuable work; believes that volunteer befrienders help to tackle social isolation and loneliness by providing essential support to vulnerable people in communities across the country; appreciates the role of befriending in creating connections and building communities, including organisations in the Central Scotland parliamentary region such as Covey Befriending and the Lightburn Elderly Association Project, and commends the work of befriending networks in providing crucial infrastructure support to befriending services across Scotland.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Iain Gray*, Sandra White*, Graeme Dey*, Ash Denham*, Gail Ross*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-08231 Maurice Corry: Rhiannon Charles**—That the Parliament congratulates Rhiannon Charles, who is from Helensburgh, on winning the 16-years and over category at the Argyle Closed Championship in Highland Dancing; recognises Rhiannon's hard work and contribution to the sport, and wishes her all the best for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alison Harris*, Liam Kerr*, Jeremy Balfour*, Rachael Hamilton*, Tom Mason*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-08230 Maurice Corry: Glasgow Airport**—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at Glasgow Airport, which, it understands, recorded its highest ever passenger numbers in September 2017; believes that increases in investment and the number of travel routes have helped to provide great service and lead to an increase in tourism, and wishes the airport's staff and management all the best.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alison Harris*, Liam Kerr*, Jeremy Balfour*, Rachael Hamilton*, Tom Mason*

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***[S5M-08229](#) Maurice Corry: Fergus Smith**—That the Parliament congratulates Fergus Smith on raising over £5,200 for Parkinson's UK in memory of his mother; recognises Fergus's dedication and hard work, and wishes him all the best in his future endeavours.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alison Harris*, Liam Kerr*, Jeremy Balfour*, Rachael Hamilton*, Tom Mason*, Bill Kidd*

***[S5M-08228](#) Maurice Corry: Cameron and June McCann of Stirling Gin**—That the Parliament congratulates Cameron and June McCann, who own Stirling Gin, on being named the Best Start-Up Business at the Forth Valley Chamber of Commerce Awards; recognises the contribution that Cameron and June have made to the Scottish gin industry, and wishes their business all the best.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Bruce Crawford*, Alison Harris*, Liam Kerr*, Jeremy Balfour*, Rachael Hamilton*, Tom Mason*, Bill Kidd*

***[S5M-08227](#) Lewis Macdonald: SPECTRA wins at Scottish Event Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates SPECTRA 2017, Aberdeen's festival of light, on winning the award for Large Event of the Year and Team of the Year at The Drum Scottish Event Awards 2017; recognises that SPECTRA, which involves the creation of spectacular light installations across the city centre each February, is organised by Aberdeen City Council with support from EventScotland and Creative Scotland; understands that highlights of the 2017 SPECTRA festival included CLOUD, an interactive sculpture featuring 6,000 lightbulbs by the Canadian artists, Caitlind rc Brown and Wayne Garrett in Union Terrace Gardens and Seb Lee-Deslisle's Laser Light Synths installation at Marischal College; acknowledges that the 2017 event saw 65,000 people visit SPECTRA installations and events across Aberdeen, and commends all those involved in the organisation of the event on their success.

Supported by: Ash Denham*

***[S5M-08225](#) Alison Johnstone: Moratorium on Mountain Hare Culls**—That the Parliament acknowledges the concerns of a coalition of 10 conservation and outdoor organisations regarding the poorly-known status of mountain hare in Scotland, which they believe is threatened by heavy culls on intensively-managed grouse moors, and considers that a moratorium on these culls is urgently required.

Supported by: Ross Greer*

***[S5M-08224](#) Tom Mason: Graeme Baird, UK Mechanical and Electrical Apprentice of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Graeme Baird, who is an apprentice with Aberdeen City Council, on being named the UK Mechanical and Electrical Apprentice of the Year for 2017 by the Association for Public Service Excellence; understands that the four-year apprenticeship scheme provides on-the-job training for those looking to gain skills for employment, and hopes that this recognition of Graeme's hard work and dedication inspires others who might be considering applying to the council's apprenticeship scheme.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alison Harris*, Liam Kerr*, Edward Mountain*, Peter Chapman*, Liz Smith*, Rachael Hamilton*, Lewis Macdonald*

***[S5M-08223](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Cyrenians OPAL Service Branches out in West Lothian**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that the charity, Cyrenians, is to expand its Older People, Active Lives service by starting two new nibble and natter groups in Linlithgow and Whitburn; understands that this development follows the success of the group in Royal Scot Court in Bathgate; notes that these groups are designed to be relaxed environments where older people

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can socialise, have light refreshments and make new friends; understands that the OPAL service offers one-to-one befriending support as well as a number of groups for people to get to know each other in comfortable surroundings; recognises the important work that Cyrenians do in supporting people excluded from the family, home, work and community, and wishes the charity all the best in the development of these and future groups.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Alison Harris*, Liam Kerr*, Edward Mountain*, Peter Chapman*, Liz Smith*, Tom Mason*

***S5M-08222 Liam Kerr: Angus Syrian Refugee Appeal**—That the Parliament congratulates Irene Gillies, a former district nurse in Angus, on organising a number of collection appeals for Syrian refugees; understands that Irene ran the aid appeals on behalf of Edinburgh Direct Aid, with the central collection point being at Brechin Cathedral; considers that the quantity and range of goods handed in during the last collection was staggering and acknowledges the huge generosity from members of the public in this regard, and believes that the items collected will help to ease the lives of individuals and families who are victims of the humanitarian crisis in their country.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Tom Mason*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*, Peter Chapman*, Liz Smith*

***S5M-08221 Gordon Lindhurst: St Mary's Primary, Bathgate**—That the Parliament congratulates St Mary's Primary School in Bathgate on being presented with the sportscotland Silver School Sport Award, which recognises innovation and achievement in delivering PE and extra-curricular sport, is supported by the Active Schools network and allows sportscotland to work with all local authorities to encourage them to give pupils the opportunity of engaging in sports activity and reaching their potential, and wishes St Mary's, and its staff and its pupils, all the very best in continuing to achieve through sport.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Tom Mason*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alexander Stewart*, Alison Harris*, Liam Kerr*, Edward Mountain*, Peter Chapman*, Liz Smith*, Rachael Hamilton*

***S5M-08220 Oliver Mundell: Dumfries Named as the Happiest Town in Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates Dumfries on being named as the happiest town in Scotland in the annual Happy at Home survey; recognises what it sees as the strong community spirit in Dumfries, which includes the work of its many groups, its thriving arts scene and the plans to renovate Moat Brae, and hopes that this recognition will encourage more people to consider living and working there.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Liam Kerr*, Edward Mountain*, Rachael Hamilton*

***S5M-08219 Clare Adamson: Success of Strathclyde University Students on University Challenge**—That the Parliament congratulates students from the University of Strathclyde who have recently qualified for the second round of the BBC Two's *University Challenge*: notes that the team captain, Alasdair Logan, who is studying mechanical engineering is from Motherwell, along with team mates Paul Dijkman, James Flannigan and Ian Brown beat a team from Imperial College London; further notes that the team answered questions from a wide range of subjects such as Greek literature, prime numbers, metaphysical poetry and international football; recognises that the team had to undertake a rigorous selection process, which resulted in the university being only one of 28 teams to reach the televised stages in Manchester; understands that this is the fourth time that the university has reached this stage of the quiz, and wishes the students the very best of luck in the next round of the contest.

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Supported by: Joan McAlpine*, Elaine Smith*, Jeremy Balfour*, Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*, Ash Denham*, David Torrance*, Bill Kidd*, Ivan McKee*, Gillian Martin*

***S5M-08217 Tom Mason: Cake Creations by Homewood**—That the Parliament congratulates Jennifer Earp on more than 20 successful years of her Aberdeen baking business, Cake Creations by Homewood; notes that Jennifer opened the business after retiring from teaching and has since baked more than 1,000 cakes; understands that Jennifer plans to sell the business, and wishes her well for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Alison Harris*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Liam Kerr*, Liz Smith*, Rachael Hamilton*

***S5M-08216 Liam McArthur: Swandro-Orkney Coastal Archaeology Trust**—That the Parliament notes that the Swandro-Orkney Coastal Archaeology Trust is a registered Scottish charity, which aims to respond to the threat to the finite resource of Orkney's coastal heritage that is being destroyed by the sea; understands that the coastline of Westness on the Island of Rousay has a number of vulnerable sites; recognises that the Knowe of Swandro, a multi-period site, with a Neolithic chambered tomb and Iron Age, Pictish and Viking period settlements, forms the current focus for the work of the trust due to its immediate vulnerability to coastal erosion; understands that the site poses particular challenges, being low-lying and the archaeology being actively eroded by the sea, but its long-term research is enabling the development of understanding and methodology that may be used more widely; notes that members of the public from Rousay, across Orkney and further afield have an opportunity to participate free of charge in an archaeological excavation and receive free training in archaeological recording and excavation techniques alongside a mixture of students and archaeological professionals; recognises that the trust also runs a series of free workshops for schoolchildren to enable them to participate in an archaeological dig, such as workshops with metals and animal bones specialists; considers that the trust plays a pivotal role in informing the understanding of people living in Rousay during the Iron Age; further considers that the Trust offers a unique archaeological experience as well as encouraging visitors to Rousay and Orkney; notes what it sees as the need for funding to extend the current four-week excavation season for people to visit the Knowe of Swandro; encourages people from far and wide to visit Orkney to participate in the work of the Swandro-Orkney Coastal Archaeology Trust, and wishes all involved in the project the very best for the future.

Supported by: Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Edward Mountain*, Gail Ross*

***S5M-08215 James Dornan: Congratulating Pollokshaws Area Network**—That the Parliament congratulates the Pollokshaws Area Network on receiving £149,930 from the Big Lottery Fund Scotland; understands that the group will use the funding to bring the community together through a variety of activities aimed to help build capacity, develop new skills and improve health and wellbeing; notes that activities will be based in the Pollokshaws Community Hub and Garden, and acknowledges that the network currently runs regular activities including a community choir, exercise classes, yoga, coffee mornings, needlecraft and a fully operational community garden.

Supported by: Sandra White*, Joan McAlpine*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Kenneth Gibson*, Graeme Dey*, Stewart Stevenson*, Ivan McKee*, Gillian Martin*

***S5M-08214 James Dornan: Congratulating Home-Start Glasgow South**—That the Parliament congratulates Home-Start Glasgow South on receiving £99,635 from the Big Lottery Fund Scotland; recognises that this group develops its activities with a focus on supporting families living in the south side of Glasgow; acknowledges that many of these families are living in

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challenging circumstances through, for example, bereavement, another family member's disability, reconnecting from a term of imprisonment or prolonged absence, having poor mental or physical health or experiencing discrimination, and notes that this money will allow Home-Start Glasgow South to help more people across the Glasgow Cathcart constituency to access a range of essential support services.

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***S5M-08212 Sandra White: Volunteer Centre Glasgow**—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow Kelvin-based Volunteer Centre Glasgow on receiving £81,403 from the Big Lottery Fund; understands that the funding will be used to deliver a befriending service to young people aged from eight to 18 who are experiencing difficulties in their lives; further understands that the young people will be matched with a befriender and, through weekly activities, will build a relationship that will benefit both as well as receiving support from paid staff that will be tailored to their individual needs; commends all those involved in the project, and wishes them every success for the future.

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***S5M-08210 Andy Wightman: The Private Rented Sector, "Alienating, insecure and unaffordable"**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the report, *Alienating, insecure and unaffordable*, by Common Weal, which presents original research on the experience of living in the private rented sector in Scotland; understands that this sector has trebled in size since 1999, with those aged between 16 and 34 being increasingly reliant on the sector through no real choice; recognises what it sees as the insecurity of the private rented sector, with 68% of tenants staying less than two years in one flat and 41% staying less than one year; considers that there is a significant demand for private rented sector tenants wishing to move into the social rented sector primarily due to a lack of affordability in housing and a chronic shortage of supply; believes that only one-third of private rented sector homes meet the Scottish Government's band C energy efficiency rating, forcing these households to endure the associated economic, social and health implications of fuel poverty, and calls on the Scottish Government to reverse what it sees as the growing reliance on the private rented housing sector.

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***S5M-08209 Bill Kidd: Drumchapel Foodbank in the Glasgow Community Championship Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Drumchapel Foodbank on being shortlisted in the Evening Times Glasgow Community Champions Award; notes that this is the tenth year that the competition has run, with 350 community enterprises and individuals being recognised by the awards since its inception, and further notes that the foodbank was shortlisted for three categories at the quarter-final stage of the competition, and that the manager, Liz Atkinson, was recipient of the Individual Award for her tireless commitment to ensuring that the foodbank is always able to help those in need.

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***S5M-08208 David Torrance: Equal Voice**—That the Parliament congratulates Equal Voice in Kirkcaldy on securing National Lottery funding of £273,606; understands that the citizen advocacy project provides independent advocacy for vulnerable Fife residents aged between 16 and 65 who have a learning disability, physical disability, mental health difficulty or chronic health issue; commends the public who provide this vital support through volunteering to become citizen advocates and develop long-term partnerships with vulnerable adults; understands that this funding will be used to expand the provision of advocates by allowing Equal Voice to recruit, train and support more advocates and better meet the demand in Fife; thanks everyone involved with the group for their dedication and commitment, and wishes them well for the future.

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***S5M-08207 Emma Harper: Dumfries is the Happiest Place in Scotland**—That the Parliament recognises that the town of Dumfries has been named as the happiest in Scotland in the annual “happy at home” index compiled by Rightmove; notes that factors such as community spirit, feeling safe, the friendliness of locals, amenities and local services were all cited by respondents as reasons why Dumfries is an excellent place to live; further notes the many excellent public services and cultural attractions in Dumfries such as the new Royal Infirmary, the Theatre Royal, the forthcoming Scottish National Centre for Children’s Literature and world-class food and drink, and congratulates the many local groups and organisations that work hard to make Dumfries a happy place to live and raise a family.

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***S5M-08206 Jeremy Balfour: Craig McLean, Craig Benson and Sean Campsie named in Scotland Squad for 2018 Commonwealth Games**—That the Parliament congratulates the Livingston swimmers, Craig McLean, Craig Benson and Sean Campsie, on being named as part of Team Scotland’s swimming squad for the 2018 Commonwealth Games to be held on the Gold Coast in Australia; notes that Craig Benson will be competing in his second games, having competed in Glasgow 2014 and that it will be the first games call-up for butterfly specialist, Sean Campsie, and freestyle swimmer, Craig McLean, and wishes all three the best of luck at the games.

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***S5M-08205 Jeremy Balfour: Gold Award for West Lothian Council at ASSIST Facilities Management Excellence Awards 2017**—That the Parliament congratulates the West Lothian Council facilities management team on receiving a Gold Award in the Innovation category at the recent ASSIST Facilities Management Excellence Awards 2017; notes that the awards were developed to recognise the excellence, commitment and professionalism delivered by Scottish local authorities, and further notes that the award was won for producing a short film in conjunction with Linlithgow Academy entitled, *We are here to help with your education*, with the aim of highlighting the work carried out by catering, cleaning and facilities management teams and to explain how it all works to primary school pupils.

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***S5M-08204 Jeremy Balfour: Eskbank Restaurateur Joins with Mary's Meals to Provide Meals for Children in Ethiopia**—That the Parliament congratulates the Eskbank restaurateur, Virginie Brouard, on working with the Mary's Meals charity to provide school meals for children in northern Ethiopia from October 2017; understands that this collaboration will see free school meals being provided to 9,000 schoolchildren in the area, and wishes Virginie well on her forthcoming trip.

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***S5M-08203 Jeremy Balfour: Five Sisters Zoo Mourns the Passing of Peggy, the Rescued Circus Bear**—That the Parliament joins the Five Sisters Zoo in mourning the loss of Peggy, a rescued circus bear who was recently put to sleep as she was found to have irreversible degeneration of the spine; notes that Peggy has been rehabilitated and cared for by the zoo since 2012 after over 20 years of life in a travelling circus; commends the zoo for its continued work in encouraging the conservation of endangered wildlife for both native and non-native species, and particularly praises it for its work with several lions and bears that have been rescued from travelling circuses.

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***S5M-08202 Jeremy Balfour: Scottish Hospitality Award for Hickory, Musselburgh Catering and Event Company**—That the Parliament congratulates Hickory, a Musselburgh-based catering and events company on being awarded the Best Place to Work for Women at the inaugural Scottish Women in Hospitality Awards, which were held in Glasgow; further congratulates employee, Nicole Sullivan, on being awarded the Rising Star Award; notes that this event was established to celebrate the achievements of women working in the hospitality industry, and commends this local company for bringing women through its ranks in order to achieve their potential.

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***S5M-08201 Jeremy Balfour: Big Lottery Awards £150,000 to Scottish Adoption**—That the Parliament congratulates Scottish Adoption (Edinburgh North and Leith constituency) on receiving a £150,000 grant from the Big Lottery Fund Scotland; understands that the agency provides support for children and adoptive parents who are matched through the agency and a range of activities such as art therapy, music therapy and play-based occupational therapy, and wishes the agency ongoing success.

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***S5M-08200 Mairi Gougeon: Inspiring The Next Generation, Mackie Academy and the RAF**—That the Parliament congratulates Mackie Academy in Stonehaven and the Royal Air Force on winning the Inspiring The Next Generation award at the Northern Star Business Awards; notes

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that this success rewards both for the fantastic work that they have done together since the creation of a flagship partnership in March 2017; acknowledges that the full principles of the Scottish Government's Developing The Young Workforce (DYP) were met by both partners through STEM workshops, supported career events and the promotion of job opportunities and apprenticeships within the RAF, and commends Amanda Barnett, the lead DYW teacher at the school, and the RAF business leads, Clare Stoddart and Oliver Oxley-Handscomb, for their collaborative approach to inspiring the next generation.

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***S5M-08199 Clare Adamson: Windmills Lanarkshire Ltd Awarded Lottery Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates Windmills Lanarkshire Ltd in Motherwell on being awarded £150,000 from the Big Lottery Fund; notes that Windmills provides training and work experience opportunities for young people with learning disabilities; further notes that it operates and delivers its programmes from a contemporary community café; understands that the grant will fund the core work of the organisation, which provides youngsters with independent living and social skills, and wishes Windmills Lanarkshire Ltd all the very best for the future.

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***S5M-08198 Colin Beattie: ARC Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates ARC Scotland, which is based in Eskbank, on receiving £146,828 in National Lottery funding; understands that the group plans to set up Local Involvement Networks (LINs) to challenge discrimination by empowering people with additional support needs; believes that the funding will be used to employ a project manager and two project workers to co-ordinate and support the creation of LINs to improve decision-making and provide better support services and more inclusive communities for those with additional needs from Dundee and all three Ayrshire local authority areas; considers this funding well-deserved, and wishes ARC Scotland success with this project.

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***S5M-08197 Kenneth Gibson: Brexit Provokes Spike in Public Sector Pension Costs**—That the Parliament notes with concern that the cost of UK public sector pensions has soared by 30% during the last year to more than £1.8 trillion, which it believes is almost equal to the annual output of the UK economy; understands that a recent analysis of NHS, teachers' and armed forces' pensions data from the 2016-17 financial year demonstrated that the total liabilities for public sector schemes have risen by £420 billion; believes that this rise has been caused in part by the drop in bond yields since the EU referendum, on which it understands the Treasury has declined to comment despite the swelling pension liabilities putting increased pressure on already strained public finances, and calls on the UK Government to be more upfront and transparent about the challenges posed by public sector pension liabilities and the impact that this will have on this and future generations.

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***S5M-08196 Kate Forbes: 2017 Royal National Mòd in Fort William**—That the Parliament congratulates the organisers of, participants in and visitors to the 2017 Royal National Mòd in Fort William, which begins on 13 October 2017; acknowledges that this is an important national event for the celebration of Gaelic music and culture; notes that this year's event has attracted 3,600 participants, which it understands is the highest number of entries in a decade; further understands that there will be around 10,000 visitors to Fort William during the festival and that independent economic assessments show that the Royal National Mòd contributes millions of pounds to the host area each year, and applauds the work of the organisers, An Comunn Gàidhealach, which continues to play a key role in the development of Gaelic resources at local and national levels to ensure that the language continues to have a strong Scottish presence.

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***S5M-08195 Annie Wells: World Mental Health Day, Power of an Hour Initiative**—That the Parliament acknowledges that bank staff at Lloyds Banking Group in Glasgow are donating an hour of their time on 10 October 2017 to help raise awareness about mental health issues, through taking part in activities such as volunteering, fundraising and learning about mental health as part of World Mental Health Day, Power of an Hour initiative; notes that staff are being encouraged to manage their own mental health and wellbeing by having an open conversation about issues associated with it, and further notes that they will also be collecting donations via Mental Health UK bucket collections.

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***S5M-08194 Annie Wells: Glasgow Chef Gary Maclean Backs Obesity and Cancer Awareness**—That the Parliament acknowledges the work of Celebrity Masterchef, Gary Maclean, and Cancer Research UK in backing a campaign calling on restrictions on junk food and multi-buy offers in order to try and reverse what it understands is the country's growing obesity problem, and notes that Obesity and Cancer Awareness Week will run from 9 to 15 October 2017, which seeks to bring attention to the link between obesity and cancer.

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***S5M-08193 Alexander Burnett: Aberdeen City and Shire Tourism Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Tor-Na-Colie Hotel, Ballater Hostel, Deeside Activity Park, Grampian Transport Museum, Holiday Inn Aberdeen West and Braemar Castle on being shortlisted for accolades at the 2017 Aberdeen City and Shire Tourism Awards, which will take place on 24 November. **R**

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***S5M-08192 Annie Wells: Dunnes Stores Closure on Sauchiehall Street** —That the Parliament acknowledges the proposed closure of Dunnes Stores on Sauchiehall Street in Glasgow on 14 October 2017 with, it understands, an associated loss of 18 staff, most of whom

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are part-time and will not be relocated, and considers that this is a major loss of a big name brand from what it sees as the struggling shopping district.

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***S5M-08191 Miles Briggs: SRUC's New Healthy Learning and Wellbeing Strategy**—That the Parliament welcomes the launch by Scotland's Rural College (SRUC) of a new three-year healthy learning and wellbeing strategy, which aims to support staff and students and improve their productivity and learning; notes that the launch coincided with World Mental Health Awareness Day on 10 October 2017 and that the strategy focuses on prevention of work-related and lifestyle-influenced mental ill-health, with a focus on awareness raising and reducing stigma; understands that the SRUC, and its student association, SRUCSA, will also unveil Shady, a customised black dog statue, as part of SANE's Black Dog Campaign; commends all involved in the development of the strategy, and hopes that it makes a real difference to the health and wellbeing of staff and students at the SRUC's campuses in Edinburgh and Oatridge in Lothian region, and across Scotland.

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***S5M-08190 Ash Denham: Federico Vettese-Crudén**—That the Parliament appreciates Federico Vettese-Crudén, a P3 pupil at Towerbank Primary School, who had the idea to sell some of his toys for charity; notes that he sold them outside his house and made £40; commends his kindness for then going to Asda with his mum and spending all of his earnings on food and donating it to Portobello foodbank, and wishes Federico all the best for the future.

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***S5M-08189 Tom Mason: Storybook Ball in Support of the ARCHIE Foundation**—That the Parliament recognises the success of the Chester Hotel in Aberdeen on hosting the Storybook Ball, which displayed scenes from classic children's literature and raised over £10,000 for the ARCHIE foundation; welcomes the important work done by the foundation in helping to support children's healthcare; thanks everyone who donated, and looks forward to similar successful events in the future.

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***S5M-08188 Alison Johnstone: Mental Health Awareness Week**—That the Parliament welcomes Mental Health Awareness Week 2017 and its focus on mental health in the workplace; appreciates the support and advice that the Scottish Association for Mental Health (SAMH) offers employers to prioritise this issue; understands that occupational stress is a significant cause of poor health and that low-paid, insecure work is particularly damaging; believes that workers in the UK routinely deliver an average of 7.7 hours of unpaid overtime each week, and that long working hours and unsustainable schedules can have a negative impact on their mental wellbeing; considers that raising the minimum wage, tackling zero-hours contracts and protecting the rights of

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workers inappropriately classified as independent contractors are measures that could improve the mental health and security of millions; believes that ensuring that workplaces are free from discrimination and stigma is also essential to workers' mental health; considers that workers who need to use sick leave to prioritise their mental health should be supported in doing so; understands that safeguarding high-quality periods of rest and incorporating appropriate exercise, access to green space and good nutrition into the working day will help to protect mental health for all staff, and hopes that the awareness week is successful in meeting its goals.

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***S5M-08187 Ash Denham: ScotRail to Offer Free Travel for Jobseekers**—That the Parliament commends ScotRail on offering jobseekers free rail journeys in an effort to remove one of the barriers to getting back into the workforce; acknowledges that people seeking employment, who are registered with a jobcentre, will be eligible for two free return journeys each month for travel to and from interviews and that ScotRail will also provide travel tickets for the first month of any new job; understands that the cost of travelling to interviews can be prohibitive for people on benefits, considers that, by removing this barrier and providing this support, ScotRail is carrying out admirable work that will help to support people into work and grow Scotland's economy.

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***S5M-08186 Donald Cameron: UK Government Proposes Ivory Ban**—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement from the UK Government that it will seek to place a ban on the sale of ivory in the UK to help end the poaching of elephants; understands that, in order to satisfy the global demand for ivory, around 20,000 of the animals are being poached each year and that this has led to the population declining by almost a third over the last decade; believes that this decline deprives some of the world's poorest countries of their natural capital, which then impacts on economic growth and sustainable development, and asks Members to promote the UK Government's 12-week consultation on the issue and encourage their constituents to submit their views on the matter.

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***S5M-08185 Emma Harper: Wigtown Library Awarded Dementia Friendly Space**
Status—That the Parliament commends Wigtown Library on being the first in the region to be awarded Dementia Friendly Space status by Alzheimer Scotland; recognises that, along with other Wigtownshire libraries, it will offer a new collection of books for people with or caring for someone with the condition; understands that this will be free to collect from any branch and will include titles such as *Coping with Memory Problems*, *ABC of Dementia* and *Dementia Positive*; commends the Wigtownshire libraries for offering a wide range of titles covering the many issues that relate to dementia and memory loss, and wishes the libraries and readers well.

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***[S5M-08184](#) Emma Harper: Leisler's Bat Found in Galloway Forest Park**—That the Parliament recognises that a colony of the species, Leisler's bat, has been found roosting in Galloway Forest Park; understands that the maternity roost is one of only two in Scotland and was found using sonic lures and specialist nets, which allowed three adult females to be radio-tagged in order to track them; considers that this discovery demonstrates that plantation forests are helping rare species to thrive by providing safe havens, and commends Forest Enterprise Scotland on its work to track the species, which has been ongoing since the discovery of a juvenile bat in 2016.

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***[S5M-08183](#) Emma Harper: Bladnoch Distillery and Baldoon RUNway**—That the Parliament commends Bladnoch Distillery on holding the event, Know Your Blood Pressure; understands that high blood pressure accounts for about half of strokes and that the event saw staff at the distillery having theirs checked; notes that the distillery is also supporting a new charity walking, running and wheelchair event in aid of The Stroke Association, the Baldoon RUNway, which will be held on 14 October 2017 on the old wartime airfield, RAF Wigtown, which is known as Baldoon; recognises that stroke survivors are being encouraged to take part in this and that a jeep from World War Two will be available to pick up anyone struggling to complete the full one kilometer, and wishes the Baldoon RUNway event well for this and future years.

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***[S5M-08182](#) Richard Lochhead: Amy Papiransky from Moray, Young Traditional Musician of the Year Finalist**—That the Parliament congratulates singer Amy Papiransky, who is from Keith in Moray, on reaching the final of the BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician of the Year; understands that Amy has sung in Germany, Canada and the United States as well as on the BBC Scotland's radio show, *Take the Floor*, and *BBC Proms in the Park*; acknowledges that the five other finalists are David Shedden, who is from Glasgow, Hannah Rarity from West Lothian, Rory Matheson from Sutherland, Luc McNally from County Durham and Alexander Levack from Maryburgh; notes that the semi-final was held in Coulter Hall, South Lanarkshire and that the final will be on 28 January 2018 as part of the Celtic Connections festival; praises BBC Radio Scotland and Hands Up for Trad on running this competition, which gives young singers and musicians the opportunity to showcase their talents and promotes Scottish traditional music, and wishes Amy, and the other finalists, all the best at the final.

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***[S5M-08181](#) Monica Lennon: WHO World Mental Health Day**—That the Parliament recognises that 10 October 2017 marks World Mental Health Day, which is organised by the World Health Organization (WHO); understands that poverty increases the risk of people experiencing mental health issues and that a complex set of environmental factors can significantly affect mental health; believes that the Scottish Government's role in supporting the mental health and wellbeing of people requires engaging with this complexity; understands that, in Scotland, 1-in-10 children starting school has social, emotional or behavioural difficulties and that one-fifth of young people referred to child and adolescent mental health services are rejected for treatment; believes that access to school-based counselling for every young person is a vital step toward reducing the

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prevalence and stigma of poor mental health, and appreciates the work of mental health support workers, carers and charities in raising awareness, tackling stigma and promoting good mental health and wellbeing.

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***S5M-08179 Neil Findlay: Midlothian Council Builds Over 1,000 Affordable Homes—**That

the Parliament commends Midlothian Council on, it understands, reaching its target of building 1,000 new and affordable homes; notes that, since its house-building programme began in 2006, the local authority has built 1,020 new modern council properties, which have features such as fitted wardrobes, high levels of insulation and garden space, and considers that this programme has revitalised communities and addressed an ever-increasing housing need.

***S5M-08178 Neil Findlay: West Lothian Council Facilities Management Team Wins Gold—**That the Parliament commends West Lothian Council's Facilities Management Team on winning a Gold at the ASSIST Facilities Management Excellence Awards 2017, which recognise the day-to-day efforts of Scotland's local authorities; notes that the integrated catering, cleaning and facilities management team created a short film, in partnership with Linlithgow Academy, which highlighted how their roles are vital in contributing to children's education, and thoroughly commends the team's dedication to the job.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Gordon Lindhurst*

***S5M-08177 Neil Findlay: Liberta Restaurant, Bathgate—**That the Parliament congratulates all staff at family-owned Liberta restaurant in Bathgate on being nominated for three awards at the Scottish Italian Awards in the Best Pizza, Best Pasta and Best Family-friendly Restaurant categories; notes that 1,500 restaurants entered the competition and over 100,000 votes have been cast, and wishes everyone at Liberta the best of luck for the Gala Final in November 2017.

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***S5M-08176 Neil Findlay: Local Hero, Matthew Stirling—**That the Parliament applauds the enthusiasm and dedication of the River Kids charity volunteer, Matthew Stirling, who has been named as a *West Lothian Courier* Local Hero; notes that the charity has donated toys to thousands of disadvantaged children and built a play area at St John's Hospital, Livingston and that that Matthew's commitment has been invaluable in helping them reach their potential, and wishes him all the best with his endeavours.

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***[S5M-08175](#) Emma Harper: Forgotten Doors, Dumfries**—That the Parliament recognises the project, Forgotten Doors, which will go live in Dumfries town centre from noon to 5.00 pm 14 October 2017 and will marry specially-commissioned poems to stylised doors that will represent buildings in the town that no longer exist or whose function has changed; notes that these doors will contain reminiscences, factual material and poems composed by people living in or near to Dumfries and that a map of the doors and other information will be available from the Stove Network, and understands that the exhibition is the brainchild of Hugh Bryden and Hugh MacMillan, who are recipients of the prestigious Calum MacDonald Prize for poetry, and that they will be joined as curators by BBC Scotland's Poet in Residence, Stuart A Paterson.

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***[S5M-08174](#) Ross Greer: Support for Mental Health at School**—That the Parliament notes the recent research that has been carried out by the Scottish Association for Mental Health (SAMH) into mental health support in schools; expresses grave concern at the findings, which suggest that pupils are being failed by a poor provision of such support; understands that this is in part due to 66% of teachers reporting that they lack the necessary training to provide this; believes that the loss of specialist support staff since 2010 has placed more pressure on teachers, and agrees with calls for a whole-school approach to this issue, including providing training for all members of staff, and for all young people to have access to quality mental health education.

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***[S5M-08173](#) Jackie Baillie: Small Business Confidence Declines**—That the Parliament notes with concern the reports from the Federation of Small Businesses (FSB), which suggest that small business confidence has declined in the third quarter of 2017; notes that the FSB Scottish Small Business Confidence Index fell to -15.2, down from -3.8 points in the previous quarter; understands that the rising cost of raw materials and workers, a decline in profit growth in the last year and an increase in political uncertainty, including the worry of Brexit, have also contributed to these concerns; acknowledges what it sees as the huge contribution that small businesses make to the economy, and urges all parties to do more to support them.

Supported by: Neil Findlay*, Lewis Macdonald*

***[S5M-08172](#) Alex Neil: Catalonia**—That the Parliament expresses its deep disappointment and concern at what it considers the failure of the EU to defend the fundamental civil rights of the people of Catalonia in respect of the violent attacks on pro-independence voters and residents by the Spanish authorities; condemns the reported comments of the European Commission's First Vice-president, Frans Timmermans, when he supported the actions of the Spanish police against Catalan citizens trying to exercise their democratic right to vote in the referendum, which it considers represented unwarranted brutality; expresses deep regret at what it sees as the EU's lack of respect for the rights of national minorities, as expressed in Article 2 of the EU's founding treaty and Article 21 of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights; believes that, while the commission has no specific powers, it and its member states have a general responsibility to ensure that the fundamental rights of groups such as the Catalans are protected in accordance with European and international law; calls on all EU member states to singularly and collectively use every available diplomatic and political tool to persuade the Spanish Government to adhere to the fundamental principles governing the EU and to pursue a negotiated settlement between itself and the Government of Catalonia, and believes that such a settlement must respect civil rights and the right to self-determination, as laid out in the charter of the UN.

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***S5M-08171 Christina McKelvie on behalf of the Equalities and Human Rights Committee: Prejudice-based Bullying and Harassment of Children and Young People in Schools and Review of Personal and Social Education**—That the Parliament notes the findings and recommendations in the Equalities and Human Rights Committee's 5th Report, 2017, (Session 5), *It is not Cool to be Cruel: Prejudice-based bullying and harassment of children and young people in schools* (SP Paper 185) and the Education and Skills Committee's 7th Report, 2017 (Sessions 5), *Let's Talk about Personal and Social Education* (SP Paper 148).

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***S5M-08170 Jackie Baillie: Dumbarton Honours John Brown Hamilton VC, First World War Hero**—That the Parliament welcomes the commemoration of First World War hero, John Brown Hamilton VC; understands that a commemorative stone been laid near the Cenotaph at Levensgrove Park in Dumbarton; notes that John was born in Dumbarton and was awarded the Victoria Cross in 1917 for his actions during the Battle of Passchendaele; notes that the medal is the highest award for gallantry that British or Commonwealth services personnel can receive, and thanks all service personnel, past and present, for the huge commitment that they have made to ensuring the safety of everyone.

Supported by: Maurice Corry*, Richard Lyle*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Graeme Dey*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

***S5M-08169 Alison Johnstone: Irish Government Extends Paid Maternity Leave for Parents of Premature Babies**—That the Parliament recognises that the Irish Government will extend paid maternity leave for women who give birth prematurely with an extended benefit payable between the date of a baby's birth and the date when maternity leave was expected to commence; understands that this change will benefit 4,500 mothers in Ireland each year; considers that premature birth has a considerable impact on families' wellbeing and finances, and welcomes all campaigns to extend paid maternity and paternity leave for parents of premature babies in Scotland and improve financial support for parents whose children are in neonatal care.

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***S5M-08168 Alison Johnstone: The Royal College of Nursing's Report on Safe and Effective Staffing**—That the Parliament notes the publication of the Royal College of Nursing's (RCN) report, *Safe and Effective Staffing: Nursing Against the Odds*, which asked over 30,000 frontline nurses and health care support workers in acute and community settings a series of questions about their last shift; recognises that the report includes feedback from over 3,000 nurses in Scotland; notes with concern that, of the responses from Scotland, 51% said that their last shift was not staffed to the level planned with 53% reporting that care was compromised as a result; considers that nursing teams are under enormous pressure and notes that 47% of those responding to the survey in Scotland said that they feel demoralised, with 54% reporting that they are upset that they cannot provide the level of care that they want to; understands that nurses and health care support workers are working, on average, an additional 46 minutes at the end of their

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shift and yet over a third of respondents to the survey said that they still have to leave necessary care undone; considers that the Scottish Government, NHS boards and integration authorities must examine urgently whether Scotland has enough nursing staff to provide safe care for people; notes the RCN's call for safe and effective staffing legislation in Scotland that does more than put existing workforce and workload planning tools onto a statutory footing; considers that legislation should emphasise the role of professional judgement, give senior charge nurses and team leaders the time and space to plan and manage their teams effectively, and improve public accountability, and believes that any legislation on safe and effective staffing should deliver real improvement for people who need care no matter where they receive it.

Supported by: Ross Greer*, Mark Ruskell*, Neil Findlay*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Miles Briggs*, John Finnie*

***S5M-08167 Rachael Hamilton: Awards for NHS Borders—**That the Parliament congratulates NHS Borders on its recognition in the Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) 2017 results as Top UK Trust for gynaecology training and being highly commended for professional development and overall performance by the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, and thanks all NHS Borders staff for their fantastic hard work and the excellent service that it considers they provide to their patients.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Liz Smith*, Maurice Corry*, Jeremy Balfour*, Richard Lyle*, Tom Mason*, Peter Chapman*, Margaret Mitchell*, Alexander Stewart*, Alison Harris*, Donald Cameron*, Liam Kerr*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Gail Ross*

***S5M-08166 Gil Paterson: Asbestos Campaigners' 25 Years—**That the Parliament commends Clydebank Asbestos Group on 25 years of helping people who have experienced or died from asbestos-related illnesses; recognises the devotion of the members who have built and maintained the organisation, such as the chairman, Bob Dickie, and the secretary, Hope Robertson; notes that the group was originally founded in 1992 by David Colrairie, which he ran with his wife, Jean; welcomes efforts by the group to publicly honour and record the victims of asbestos-related illnesses in Clydebank where, in 2015, large memorial megaliths were erected and inscribed with the names of those who had died; understands that asbestos exposure causes horrific illnesses, including asbestosis, mesothelioma, pleural thickening and more, and deeply sympathises with the victims, many of whom have fought in the courts to be compensated for exposure to the deadly silicate mineral that they unwittingly worked with in heavy industry, which eventually led to their death.

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***S5M-08165 Gil Paterson: 60 Years of Devotion to Boys' Brigade—**That the Parliament recognises the six decades of service that Hugh Hutchison of Hardgate in Clydebank has given to the Boys' Brigade (BB), for which he recently was awarded the British Empire Medal; notes that Hugh was also honoured for his role in Vale of Leven Cricket Club, where he has served for 40 years as treasurer; considers that such service by Hugh pays massive dividends to the community, especially in the BB, where children learn life skills and engage in vital physical activity; thanks him for his service, and wishes him all the best in the future.

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***S5M-08164 Gil Paterson: Bearsden Powerlifter**—That the Parliament congratulates Mark Macqueen on his recent success at the Commonwealth Powerlifting Championships in Johannesburg; notes that the 22-year-old won gold in squats, bench press and deadlift, as well as being best overall junior lifter in the competition; understands that Mark broke his own British personal best deadlift with a lift of 330kg and secured victories in both the World Championships in Belarus and European Championships in Denmark, and considers that Mark, and those like him, serve as an incredible inspiration for young people when it comes to fitness and achievement; wishes him successes in his next competition, the British Juniors at Ravenscraig in Motherwell, where he will finish off his career as a junior.

Supported by: Fulton MacGregor*, Ivan McKee*

***S5M-08163 Gil Paterson: Community Council Elections**—That the Parliament recognises the good work done by community councils in East Dunbartonshire as elections approach on 26 October 2017; considers that community councils are vital in representing the issues of neighbourhoods to bodies such as local authorities, the police and parliamentarians; believes that working with and promoting community councils is essential in terms of the work that they do, including work on local projects, community newsletters and noticeboards, surveys, campaigns and community events such as galas, and commends all those people who take time out of their lives to take up a community councillor role and help bring about a positive change for the people in their area.

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***S5M-08160 Liam McArthur: Record-breaking Summer 2017 for Historic Sites Across Orkney**—That the Parliament recognises that it has been a spectacular summer for Orkney's historic sites as Historic Environment Scotland (HES) announced record-breaking visitor figures for the 2017 summer season; notes that, during the period April to September, Skara Brae, which is part of the Heart of Neolithic Orkney World Heritage Site and one of the top ten paid-for HES heritage attractions, recorded its busiest ever season with 104,224 people visiting the site, which is a 19% increase on the same period last year; further notes that the Broch of Gurness and Bishop's and Earl's Palaces in Kirkwall also broke their existing visitor records, with an increase in footfall of 34% and 17% respectively, while Maeshowe, which is regarded as one of the finest chambered tombs in Europe, also had an impressive showing, showing a 6% rise in visitors; acknowledges the the importance of tourism to Orkney's local economy and believes that these figures demonstrate the intriguing history, impressive cultural heritage and fascinating archaeology Orkney has to offer; congratulates all those involved with Orkney's historic sites, and looks forward to another successful summer in 2018.

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-08162 George Adam: St Mirren Street Stuff wins COSLA Award (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Clare Haughey*, Joan McAlpine*, James Dornan*, Richard Lyle*, Gillian Martin*, Bill Kidd*, Graeme Dey*, Gordon MacDonald*, Maree Todd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Stewart Stevenson*, Alex Rowley*, Sandra White*, Ross Greer*, David Torrance*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

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[S5M-08161](#) Bill Kidd: ICAN winners of Nobel Peace Prize 2017 (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Richard Lochhead*, Gordon MacDonald*, John Mason*, Maree Todd*, Andy Wightman*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Stewart Stevenson*, Alex Rowley*, Sandra White*, Ash Denham*, Ross Greer*, Neil Findlay*, Bob Doris*, David Torrance*, Jenny Gilruth*, Rona Mackay*, Alison Johnstone*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ivan McKee*, Gail Ross*, Ben Macpherson*

[S5M-08159](#) Rachael Hamilton: Small Business Nomination for A Hume Country Clothing (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Alexander Stewart*, Stuart McMillan*, Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*, Liam Kerr*, Margaret Mitchell*, Tom Mason*, Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*

[S5M-08158](#) Peter Chapman: Aberdeenshire Pupils Rescue Oil Industry (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*, Liam Kerr*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08157](#) Graeme Dey: 2017 Young Farmer of the Year (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Richard Lochhead*, Maree Todd*, Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, Ash Denham*, Neil Findlay*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gail Ross*, Ben Macpherson*

[S5M-08156](#) Peter Chapman: Fireworks Against Cancer (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*, Liam Kerr*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*

[S5M-08155](#) Gillian Martin: Booth Scotland Ltd wins Domestic Appliance Showroom of the Year at National Awards (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Stewart Stevenson*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08154](#) Ross Greer: Good Money Week (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Neil Findlay*, Monica Lennon*, Bill Kidd*, Ben Macpherson*, John Finnie*

[S5M-08153](#) Miles Briggs: Commending Historic Environment Scotland Staff after Record-breaking Summer (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Stuart McMillan*, Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Liam Kerr*, Ash Denham*, Tom Mason*, Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Neil Findlay*, Annie Wells*, John Mason*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Ivan McKee*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08152](#) Gillian Martin: Aberdeenshire Council's Education and Learning Team wins Delivering Excellence Award (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Stewart Stevenson*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Mairi Gougeon*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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[S5M-08151 Gillian Martin: James Laing and Sons of Inverurie wins Commitment to People Development Award](#) (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Stewart Stevenson*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Ash Denham*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08150 Bruce Crawford: Stirling Monopoly Board Launched](#) (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Richard Lochhead*, Maree Todd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stewart Stevenson*, Alex Rowley*, Sandra White*, Neil Findlay*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Gail Ross*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08149 Alexander Burnett: Aberdeen & Grampian Chamber of Commerce's Northern Star Business Awards](#) (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Liam Kerr*, Tom Mason*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08148 Linda Fabiani: Bicentenary of the Birth of Bahá'u'lláh, the Prophet Founder of the Bahá'í Faith](#) (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: James Dornan*, Maree Todd*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Ash Denham*, John Mason*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*

[S5M-08147 Gillian Martin: Record Numbers of Visitors to Historic Environment Scotland Sites in Aberdeenshire](#) (lodged on 06 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08145 Brian Whittle: Ochiltree Community Hub](#) (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Tom Mason*, Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08144 Joan McAlpine: Langholm-based Grimble's Vinegar wins Producer Bursary](#) (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Ash Denham*, Jenny Gilruth*, Sandra White*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08142 Annie Wells: Nursery Children Bringing out the Youth in Older People](#) (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Tom Mason*, Miles Briggs*, Maurice Corry*, Alexander Stewart*, Peter Chapman*, Richard Lyle*, Margaret Mitchell*, Jamie Greene*, Alison Harris*, John Scott*, Jeremy Balfour*, Donald Cameron*, Monica Lennon*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08141 Christine Grahame: Golden Gala Academy](#) (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Maree Todd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08140 Emma Harper: Celebrating Pride in South Ayrshire](#) (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*, Jenny Gilruth*, Colin Smyth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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[S5M-08139](#) Kenneth Gibson: West Kilbride Welcomes New Music and Arts Festival, Vertex 2017 (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Maree Todd*, Jenny Gilruth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08138](#) Lewis Macdonald: The Aye, I see, Integration and Inclusion Centre in Aberdeen (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-08137](#) Clare Adamson: Remembering John Swinburne (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, John Mason*, Ben Macpherson*, Johann Lamont*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08136](#) Mary Fee: Baby Loss Awareness Week 2017 (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Christina McKelvie*, Alex Rowley*, Ash Denham*, Neil Findlay*, Jackie Baillie*, Monica Lennon*, Colin Smyth*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08135](#) John Finnie: Amnesty International Denounces Excessive Use of Force by the National Police and Civil Guard in Catalonia (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*, Mark Ruskell*, Neil Findlay*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*

[S5M-08134](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Corporal Kieran Haig from Galashiels Awarded Queen's Commendation (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Jamie Greene*, Maurice Corry*, Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08133](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Edinburgh-based Start-up Attracts Investment (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: John Scott*, Neil Findlay*, Annie Wells*, Ben Macpherson*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Ivan McKee*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08132](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Flora Allam from Galashiels Celebrates her 105th Birthday (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08131](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Austrian TV Appearance for Innerleithen Bands (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Tom Mason*, Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08130](#) Iain Gray: Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2017 (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Monica Lennon*, Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08129](#) Neil Findlay: Rodney Bickerstaffe, the Life of a Trade Union Leader (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Jackie Baillie*

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[S5M-08128](#) Jeremy Balfour: SuperTroop (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Iain Gray*, Neil Findlay*, Donald Cameron*, Andy Wightman*, Jackie Baillie*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Daniel Johnson*, Alison Johnstone*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08127](#) Miles Briggs: Obesity and Cancer Awareness Week 2017 (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Neil Findlay*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Colin Smyth*, Fulton MacGregor*, Alison Johnstone*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08126](#) Monica Lennon: Glasgow Airport Provision of Free Sanitary Products (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Neil Findlay*, Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-08125](#) Gail Ross: Community in Mansfield Estate in Tain (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08124](#) Gail Ross: Sutherland's Riding Club Fundraising Efforts (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-08123](#) Gail Ross: Caithness-based Horse Producers Head to Horse of the Year Show (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-08122](#) Gail Ross: Dornoch Historylinks (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08121](#) Gail Ross: Annual Highland Maths Challenge Competition (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08120](#) Gail Ross: Wester Ross and Malawi School Exchange (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08119](#) Gail Ross: Birds of Caithness Book (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08118](#) Gail Ross: Aird Fundraising Group (lodged on 05 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Fulton MacGregor*, Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

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New Support: Maurice Corry*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08111 Miles Briggs: Edinburgh's Bellfield Brewery Secures National ALDI Listing](#)
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New Support: Donald Cameron*, Annie Wells*, Ben Macpherson*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Colin Smyth*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Donald Cameron*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-08106 Liam McArthur: Danielle O'Hagan Wins University Award](#) (lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*, Donald Cameron*, Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08104 Alexander Stewart: Tillicoultry Couple Celebrate 65th Wedding Anniversary](#)
(lodged on 04 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Jackie Baillie*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Jackie Baillie*, Colin Smyth*

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

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Ben Macpherson*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08093 Neil Findlay: Newbattle High School Pupils Support Garden Project](#) (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-08090 Neil Findlay: The Singing Children of Africa Perform in Livingston](#) (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Ben Macpherson*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08088 Adam Tomkins: First Female President of UK Supreme Court](#) (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Donald Cameron* R, Jackie Baillie*, John Scott*, Annie Wells*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

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New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[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: Maree Todd*, John Finnie*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Colin Smyth*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Colin Smyth*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08074](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Apprentice Named Scotland's Apprentice of the Year (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Ivan McKee*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08067](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Kilt Hire Company and Salvation Army Join Forces to Help Homeless (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Jackie Baillie*, John Scott*, Ash Denham*, Rachael Hamilton*

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[S5M-08066](#) Tavish Scott: Esther Renwick, Postgraduate Student of the Year 2017 (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Jackie Baillie*, Lewis Macdonald*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

[S5M-08063](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Vittoria Group Delivers Pizza for Sleep in the Park (lodged on 03 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Ivan McKee*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*, Ivan McKee*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Jackie Baillie*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-08058](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Haddington School Impresses Education Scotland (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Jackie Baillie*, Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Jackie Baillie*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-08055](#) Alexander Burnett: Charity Cyclist, Doug McIntosh (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Ivan McKee*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08054](#) Maurice Golden: Ferguslie Cricket Club (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Tom Arthur*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08053](#) Alexander Burnett: Bennachie Leisure Centre (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

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[S5M-08052](#) Maurice Golden: Linnvale Community Bus (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Tom Arthur*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08051](#) Maurice Golden: Gavinburn Early Learning and Childcare Centre, Clydebank (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Tom Arthur*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08050](#) Maurice Golden: Whitehill Court Social Club, Kirkintilloch (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Tom Arthur*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08049](#) Dean Lockhart: Fife Sustainable Business Week (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-08047](#) Michelle Ballantyne: St Margaret's RC Primary Celebrates 50th Anniversary (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-08045](#) Peter Chapman: Ythan Singers (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*

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

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New Support: Maree Todd*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Maree Todd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sandra White*, Ash Denham*, Neil Findlay*, Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Maree Todd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sandra White*, Ash Denham*

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

New Support: Gillian Martin*, Maree Todd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sandra White*, Ash Denham*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-08034](#) Rachael Hamilton: Borders Railway Success (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*

[S5M-08032](#) Neil Bibby: Paisley Museum (lodged on 02 October 2017)

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-08027](#) Miles Briggs: Scottish Rugby Brings Economic Boost (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, John Scott*, Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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

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[S5M-08024](#) Peter Chapman: Fire Fighters' Charity Car Wash (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08023](#) Peter Chapman: Friends of ANCHOR Wipeout (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08022](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Vegware Launches Close the Loop Service (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08021](#) Iain Gray: Universal Credit in East Lothian Report (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Colin Smyth*

[S5M-08020](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Sainsbury's Livingston Supports Autism Hour (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08019](#) Edward Mountain: Kingsmill Hotel's Golf Fundraising Event for Highland Hospice (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*, Donald Cameron*

[S5M-08018](#) Alexander Stewart: The Kickstart Initiative to Help Young People in Fife (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*, Donald Cameron*

[S5M-08017](#) Alexander Stewart: Annemarie Tully from Menstrie Raises Money for the Orchard Care Centre (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*

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

New Support: Tom Arthur*

[S5M-08012](#) Alexander Stewart: Over £250,000 Raised for Macmillan by Pupils at Alva Academy (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08011](#) Rhoda Grant: Record-breaking HebCelt 2016 (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-08010](#) Jeremy Balfour: Pupils in West Lothian Train to Support Young People with Autism (lodged on 29 September 2017)

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New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08009](#) Jeremy Balfour: Armadale Academy's 50th Anniversary (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08008](#) Jeremy Balfour: Whitburn Rotary Club (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08007](#) Jeremy Balfour: The New Loanhead Centre (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08006](#) Jeremy Balfour: Keltra Crafts (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08005](#) Jeremy Balfour: Midlothian Science Festival (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08004](#) Miles Briggs: Technology Boost for University of Edinburgh's Genomics Facility (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron* R, John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08002](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Gold Award for Youth Borders (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Colin Smyth*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08001](#) Michelle Ballantyne: 2017 Live Borders Triathlon Series Finale (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-08000](#) Christina McKelvie: Statement from the United Nations Human Rights Office of the High Commissioner on the Catalan Referendum (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07999](#) Tom Mason: The Queen Visits Sue Ryder Centre, Aberdeen (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*, Donald Cameron*

[S5M-07997](#) Jeremy Balfour: Scope, About Disability (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07995](#) Alison Harris: Retirement of Grangemouth GP, Dr Ian Murdoch (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07994](#) Tom Arthur: Brexit's Impact on Working Musicians and Scotland's Music Industries (lodged on 28 September 2017)

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New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07988](#) Liam McArthur: Leslie Merriman Shortlisted for Scottish Heritage Angel Awards 2017 (lodged on 29 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07987](#) Maurice Golden: East Renfrewshire is First Local Authority to Recycle More Than 60% (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Donald Cameron*, John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07986](#) Peter Chapman: Garioch Kettlebells Group Gift Local Community Life-saving Equipment (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07984](#) Rhoda Grant: Inverness Police Control Room (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07983](#) Alexander Stewart: Andrew Michie from Clackmannan Presented with the BEM (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07981](#) David Torrance: Fife Gingerbread (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07976](#) Peter Chapman: Haddo House and Country Estate Celebrates National Climate Change Week (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07975](#) Ross Greer: Iraqi Kurdistan Referendum (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07974](#) Kenneth Gibson: Kurds in Iraq Overwhelmingly Support Independence in Referendum (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07973](#) Edward Mountain: Sporting Facilities in Avoch (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*

[S5M-07970](#) Ivan McKee: The Day of the Imprisoned Writer, 15 November (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

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[S5M-07969](#) Alexander Burnett: H M Sheridan Receives National Recognition at the Scottish Craft Butchers Awards (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07968](#) Emma Harper: Annual Tam O'Shanter Recitation Competition (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07967](#) Liam McArthur: Freedom of Orkney Ceremony Will Honour Dr John Rae (lodged on 28 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07966](#) Alexander Stewart: HeadSmart Campaign Voted UK's Favourite National Lottery-funded Health Project (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07962](#) Liz Smith: Value of College Graduates to the Scottish Economy (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07961](#) Christina McKelvie: St John Ogilvie Awards Ceremony 2017 (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

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

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07959](#) Alexander Burnett: Douneside House Hotel Wins Award (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07957](#) Pauline McNeill: St Angela's (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07956](#) Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Business Owner Donates to Autism Scotland (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07952](#) Liam McArthur: 50th Anniversary of the Orkney Inter-isles Air Service (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

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[S5M-07951](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Welcoming Freedom of Orkney for Dr John Rae (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07950](#) Alexander Burnett: UK Achieves Measles Elimination Status (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07948](#) David Torrance: Pink Saltire (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*, Bruce Crawford*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07944](#) Clare Adamson: Wishaw Family Raises Funds for St Andrew's Hospice (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07942](#) Michelle Ballantyne: 6SCOTS Succeed in Exercise Roman Star (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07941](#) Annie Wells: Parkhead Youth Project (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07940](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Galashiels Academy Pupils Win Major Award (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07936](#) Jeremy Balfour: Midlothian Community Safety and Justice Partnership (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07935](#) Jeremy Balfour: Y2K (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07934](#) Jeremy Balfour: Pilton Central Association (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07932](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Skeld Village Hall (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07931](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Shetland Junior Archery Club (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

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[S5M-07919](#) Willie Rennie: Fife Pedagogy Team (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*, Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07917](#) Adam Tomkins: Vacant Land in Glasgow (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*, Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07916](#) Bill Bowman: Funding for Stand Easy (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07915](#) Bill Bowman: Dundee International Women's Centre Funding (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07908](#) Maurice Corry: Hermitage Academy Receives £5,000 (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

[S5M-07907](#) Maurice Corry: Cardross, Colgrain and Craigendoran Senior Citizens Association Receives £3,070 from the Big Lottery Fund (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*, Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07902](#) Stewart Stevenson: RSCDS Peterhead 70th Anniversary (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: Maree Todd*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*, Alex Rowley*

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

New Support: Maree Todd*

[S5M-07888](#) Annie Wells: Sexual Assault Awareness (lodged on 27 September 2017)

New Support: Rachael Hamilton*

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[S5M-07885](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Central Named One of the Best Stations in Britain (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*

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

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07875](#) Brian Whittle: The EGGER UK Barony Plant, Auchinleck (lodged on 26 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*

[S5M-07870](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Intergenerational Visit Strikes a Chord in Innerleithen (lodged on 25 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*

[S5M-07868](#) Gordon Lindhurst: Whitburn Brass Band Achieves Best Result at British Open Competition (lodged on 25 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07860](#) Brian Whittle: UWS Launches Brodie's Bikes Project (lodged on 25 September 2017)

New Support: John Scott*

[S5M-07856](#) Ruth Maguire: United Nations Security Council Resolution 2397 (lodged on 22 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07855](#) Monica Lennon: North Lanarkshire Council Tackles Period Poverty (lodged on 22 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07848](#) Peter Chapman: Senior Zone (lodged on 22 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07847](#) Jeremy Balfour: SANDS Lothians and Sands (lodged on 22 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07846](#) Peter Chapman: Hazelhead Memory Walk (lodged on 22 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07843](#) Neil Findlay: CAA Halts Edinburgh Airport's Expansion Plan (lodged on 22 September 2017)

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[S5M-07840 Jackie Baillie: Loch Lomond Brewery Sweeps the Board at the SIBA Scotland Awards](#) (lodged on 22 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07839 Adam Tomkins: Insurance Industry in the Glasgow City Region](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07838 Adam Tomkins: Congratulations to the Shettleston Community Growing Project](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07834 Mary Fee: Celebrating Scotland's Gypsy/Traveller Community](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Tom Arthur*

[S5M-07832 Peter Chapman: Peterhead Prison Museum](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07831 Michelle Ballantyne: Princess Royal Visits Lochcarron on 70th Anniversary](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07829 Clare Adamson: Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07828 Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Runner Completes Great North Run in Aid of Play Alloa](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07827 Rachael Hamilton: Congratulations to YouthBorders](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07825 Jeremy Balfour: Scottish Half Marathon and 10k Run](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07824 Miles Briggs: Team Jak Foundation Aims for New Jak's Den](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07822 Willie Rennie: Tayport Community Garden](#) (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

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[S5M-07821](#) Peter Chapman: Turriff's Award-winning Pies (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07818](#) Jeremy Balfour: Jak's Den (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07817](#) Ruth Maguire: International Credit Union Day 2017 (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07816](#) Claudia Beamish: Clyde Valley Orchard Co-operative (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07812](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Strictly Dance Fever Strikes Haddington (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07806](#) Ash Denham: Small Business Saturday 2017 (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07805](#) Richard Lochhead: Report on the Threat that Marine Plastics Pollution Pose to Seabirds (lodged on 21 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-07797](#) Dean Lockhart: Cambusbarron Primary School Celebrates its 50th Anniversary (lodged on 20 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07796](#) Brian Whittle: Recognising the Value of Swimming (lodged on 20 September 2017)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07793](#) Michelle Ballantyne: World Champion Black Ferns Visit Aberlady Primary (lodged on 20 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07790](#) Finlay Carson: European Dark Sky Places Conference (lodged on 20 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07787](#) Mark Ruskell: Plate Up For The Planet Campaign (lodged on 20 September 2017)

New Support: Claudia Beamish*

[S5M-07772](#) Dean Lockhart: Glenrothes, 70 Years On (lodged on 19 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

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[S5M-07765](#) Alexander Stewart: Human Trafficking Highlighted in Dunfermline and Across Scotland (lodged on 19 September 2017)

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[S5M-07752](#) Pauline McNeill: Parkhead Housing Association (lodged on 18 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07751](#) Liz Smith: Mark Beaumont (lodged on 18 September 2017)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07745](#) Emma Harper: Stranraer Oyster Festival (lodged on 18 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07742](#) Christine Grahame: Animals are not Freight (lodged on 18 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

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

New Support: Colin Smyth*, John Mason*

[S5M-07698](#) Bruce Crawford: Sue Ryder Report, Don't Write Me Off (lodged on 14 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07684](#) Jeremy Balfour: Scottish Disability Sport (lodged on 14 September 2017)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Colin Smyth*, Maurice Golden*

[S5M-07659](#) Christine Grahame: Increased Penalties for Serious Animal Abuse (lodged on 13 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07634](#) Joan McAlpine: Mrs Green's Tea Lounge, Dumfries, Best in the UK (lodged on 12 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07614](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Suicide Prevention (lodged on 11 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07598](#) Iain Gray: Recharge (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07589](#) Emma Harper: Roan's Dairy (lodged on 08 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07542](#) Brian Whittle: The Economic Importance of the A77 (lodged on 07 September 2017)

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[S5M-07539](#) Neil Findlay: Big Ben and the Blacklisters (lodged on 07 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07506](#) Sandra White: University of Glasgow in the World's Top 80 Higher Education Institutions (lodged on 05 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07500](#) Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway's Beat the Street Initiative (lodged on 05 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07446](#) Rona Mackay: Childhood Cancer Awareness Month (lodged on 01 September 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07374](#) Christine Grahame: Now You're Talking (lodged on 30 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07373](#) Elaine Smith: Thyroid Patients Deserve Fair Treatment (lodged on 30 August 2017)

New Support: James Kelly*, Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07344](#) Claudia Beamish: Healthy Valleys, South Lanarkshire (lodged on 30 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07334](#) Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway Ice Bowl (lodged on 30 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07262](#) Neil Findlay: Midlothian Council Budget (lodged on 24 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07253](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Birth Trauma Awareness Week (lodged on 24 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07247](#) Neil Findlay: Retain CCTV Jobs on the Railway (lodged on 23 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07215](#) Miles Briggs: New RCN Scotland Report (lodged on 22 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07193](#) Iain Gray: Freedom of Information, Scottish Government and Teach First (lodged on 21 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07154](#) Alison Johnstone: Carers and Loneliness Survey (lodged on 16 August 2017)

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[S5M-07146](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Leuchie House Hops in the Garden (lodged on 15 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07068](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Generations Working Together (lodged on 09 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07052](#) Finlay Carson: Bronze Medal at European Youth Olympic Festival (lodged on 08 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07045](#) Ross Greer: Fair Fringe Campaign (lodged on 07 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-07042](#) Neil Findlay: 1,000 Political Campaign Groups Targeted by Undercover Police (lodged on 07 August 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06916](#) Elaine Smith: World Breastfeeding Week (lodged on 28 July 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06826](#) Rona Mackay: Fair Trade in East Dunbartonshire (lodged on 21 July 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06762](#) Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway Aviation Museum's Spitfire (lodged on 17 July 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06676](#) Neil Findlay: Save Our Scotch Campaign (lodged on 10 July 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06653](#) Joan McAlpine: Welcoming The Toon 2017 to Dumfries (lodged on 07 July 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06582](#) Emma Harper: Lochside in North West Dumfries to Hold First Gala Event in 30 Years (lodged on 04 July 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06446](#) Christina McKelvie: 2nd Anniversary of the Time for Inclusive Education (TIE) Campaign (lodged on 28 June 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06420](#) Jackie Baillie: Energy Advice in Detail (lodged on 27 June 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

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[S5M-06380](#) Finlay Carson: Awards for All in Galloway and West Dumfries (lodged on 27 June 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06350](#) Neil Findlay: St John's Children's Ward to Close Again Over the Summer (lodged on 26 June 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06318](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Royal College of Nursing's Scrap the Cap Campaign (lodged on 22 June 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-06152](#) Mary Fee: Raising Awareness of Child Bereavement (lodged on 16 June 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-05896](#) Emma Harper: River Nith Inshore Rescue Service (lodged on 31 May 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

[S5M-05736](#) Pauline McNeill: Retirement Planning (lodged on 22 May 2017)

New Support: Colin Smyth*

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Written Questions

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

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

Government initiated questions lodged from 09 October 2017 to 13 October 2017

S5W-12017 Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the establishment of the new board in March 2017, whether the Crofting Commission has prepared and submitted to ministers a plan setting out its policy on how it proposes to exercise its functions.

Written questions lodged from 09 October 2017 to 13 October 2017

S5W-11841 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of the contract value of the Fair Start Scotland programme was awarded to (a) the private sector, (b) the voluntary sector, (c) supported businesses and (d) local authorities.

S5W-11842 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it has continued the practice of "paying by results" for the Fair Start Scotland programme.

S5W-11844 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what funding it is allocating to the Fair Start Scotland programme in each of the next six years, also broken down by how many people it expects will be supported by it.

S5W-11846 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how it will monitor the Fair Start Scotland programme and what criteria it will use to determine its effectiveness.

S5W-11847 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment the Fair Start Scotland programme has made of the hardest to reach unemployed.

S5W-11883 Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what steps are in place to ensure that Syrian refugees are receiving the necessary support as set out in its strategy, New Scots: Integrating Refugees in Scotland's Communities, and whether there has been any review or assessment of how support from the assigned integration support teams is meeting their needs.

S5W-11884 Angus MacDonald: To ask the Scottish Government when properties in rural areas that are connected to exchanges via Exchange Only lines, rather than through green roadside cabinets, can expect to have access to superfast broadband.

S5W-11885 Maree Todd: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it will undertake with (a) Kishorn Port Limited and (b) the project developer in light of the reported delays to the development of the Kincardine Offshore Windfarm.

S5W-11887 Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government how much of the 2017-18 Pupil Equity Fund will go directly to head teachers.

S5W-11888 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government what the total weekly (a) car and (b) passenger capacity of the timetabled CalMac ferry services between (i) Oban, (ii) Mallaig, (iii) Uig and (iv) Ullapool and the Western Isles was in summer (A) 2007 and (B) 2017, and what the capacity will be when the ferry under construction is introduced to services from Uig.

S5W-11891 Linda Fabiani: To ask the Scottish Government how many complaints against a sheriff (a) overall and (b) in the Sheriffdom of South Strathclyde, Dumfries and Galloway have been (i) lodged, (ii) concluded and (iii) upheld in each year since 2011, broken down by (A) court

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and (B) the proportion of total caseload that these represent, and how many were judicial complaints lodged by (1) out-of-town solicitors and (2) clients of out-of-town solicitors where decisions went against them.

S5W-11893 Linda Fabiani: To ask the Scottish Government how many judicial recusals there have been (a) overall and (b) in the Sheriffdom of South Strathclyde, Dumfries and Galloway in each year since 2011, broken down by (i) court and (ii) the proportion of total caseload that these represented.

S5W-11894 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government which (a) passenger and (b) freight cargo airlines use Glasgow Prestwick Airport, broken down by the number of flights each day.

S5W-11895 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many passengers have (a) departed from and (b) arrived at Glasgow Prestwick Airport (i) since April 2017 and (ii) in each year since 2015, also broken down by airline.

S5W-11896 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many tonnes of freight cargo have (a) departed from and (b) arrived at Glasgow Prestwick Airport (i) since April 2017 and (ii) in each year since 2015, also broken down by airline.

S5W-11897 Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government whether it considers the car ferry between Hunters Quay, Dunoon and McInroys Point, Gourock to offer a lifeline service.

S5W-11898 Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government what action it has taken in response to the findings of the its reports, *Evidence Assessment of the Impacts of the Criminalisation of the Purchase of Sex: A Review* and *Exploring available knowledge and evidence on prostitution in Scotland via practitioner-based interviews*, and what plans it has to announce updated proposals for addressing prostitution.

S5W-11899 Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Dogs Trust report, *Puppy Smuggling: A Tragedy Ignored*, and what steps are being taken at ports to tackle the smuggling of (a) puppies and (b) other animals.

S5W-11900 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government on what date the initial report of the International Council of Education Advisers was published; who it directly informed about the publication, and when, and what criteria it used to determine who to advise.

S5W-11901 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government whether only members of its communications team were permitted to give media interviews about the meeting of the International Council of Education Advisers on 21 September 2017 and, if so, for what reason.

S5W-11902 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government whether it placed restrictions on members of the International Council of Education Advisers who attended the council on 21 September 2017 interacting with the media and if (a) so, (i) for what reason and (ii) whether it will place a copy of guidance it provided to council members about this in the Scottish Parliament information Centre (SPICe) and (b) not, which members of the council (A) it asked about and (B) informed it regarding their availability for interview; which members of the media it informed about advisers' availability, and how many interviews were conducted.

S5W-11903 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government which members of the media it informed in advance about the meeting of the International Council of Education Advisers on 21 September 2017.

S5W-11905 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government whether there is a range of views among the International Council of Education Advisers regarding (a) the establishment of new regional improvement collaboratives and (b) other Scottish Government proposals and, if so, which members have endorsed each proposal.

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S5W-11906 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government what role it (a) has had and (b) will have in drafting or editing the statements of the International Council of Education Advisers.

S5W-11907 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government on what date it will publish the minutes of the meeting of the International Council of Education Advisers of 21 September 2017.

S5W-11908 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns that the International Council of Education Advisers is being asked to "second-guess" reforms proposed by ministers.

S5W-11909 Tavish Scott: To ask the Scottish Government on what date the final report of the International Council of Education Advisers will be published and what role (a) ministers, (b) special advisers and (c) its officials will have in its drafting and editing.

S5W-11910 Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government whether the proposed £20,000 career-change bursary to attract teachers in STEM subjects will be available only to people in specific industries or jobs and, if so, (a) which and (b) how long a graduate would have to have been employed in that sector to qualify.

S5W-11911 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that pharmacies are adequately stocked with prescription medicines; what discussions it has with NHS boards about this, and what its response to reports from GPs that some pharmacies in the NHS Lothian area are unable to supply commonly-prescribed items, such as epipens, MST tablets and morphine, and are having to offer less effective alternatives.

S5W-11912 Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government which local authorities are meeting their recycling targets.

S5W-11913 Bill Bowman: To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with (a) NHS Tayside and (b) Indigo Park Services UK Ltd regarding parking provision at Ninewells Hospital.

S5W-11914 Bill Bowman: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to using land assets held by NHS Tayside to expand parking provision at Ninewells Hospital.

S5W-11915 Bill Bowman: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on renegotiating the contract between NHS Tayside and Indigo Park Services UK Ltd for the administration of car parking facilities at Ninewells Hospital.

S5W-11916 Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-10938 by Derek Mackay on 5 September 2017, by what date it expects the first business or organisation will receive support from the Scottish Growth Scheme.

S5W-11917 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many community maternity hubs are planned, and where they will be located; how much they will cost to develop; how they will be staffed; how the risk profile of the mothers due to give birth will be assessed, and what action it will take to ensure that the hubs (a) offer consistent high-quality care and (b) maintain safe staffing rotas.

S5W-11922 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government how many hard copies of its Consultation on Free Bus Travel for Older and Disabled People and Modern Apprentices were issued, to whom and when.

S5W-11923 Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason there is no freepost option to respond to the Consultation on Free Bus Travel for Older and Disabled People and Modern Apprentices.

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[S5W-11924 Neil Bibby](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it contacted seniors forums as part of its Consultation on Free Bus Travel for Older and Disabled People and Modern Apprentices and, if so, how many.

[S5W-11925 Neil Bibby](#): To ask the Scottish Government what consultation events it has held as part of its Consultation on Free Bus Travel for Older and Disabled People and Modern Apprentices, and how many of these were (a) with seniors forums (b) held in areas of multiple deprivation.

[S5W-11931 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it would consider making it a requirement for fish farmers, when submitting information about stock escapes, to include details of any pesticide or other chemical or pharmaceutical treatments the fish had been exposed to in the four-week period prior to their escape.

[S5W-11932 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it would consider making it a statutory offence for fish farmers to release their stock into the wild either deliberately or by failing to secure them properly within the boundaries of the farm.

[S5W-11933 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the effectiveness of efforts to inform small businesses of their obligations under current waste regulations and to support mechanisms available to help them meet those obligations. **R**

[S5W-11934 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government what targets and timescales have been set for SEPA to reach positive outcomes with those businesses that have been identified as being non-compliant with waste regulations. **R**

[S5W-11935 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many businesses currently identified by SEPA as being non-compliant with waste regulations have been so for more than (a) six months and (b) a year. **R**

[S5W-11936 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government how much funding has been committed to date via the Circular Economy Investment Fund. **R**

[S5W-11937 Annie Wells](#): To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take in response to new figures published by the Mental Welfare Commission, which show that compulsory mental health treatment is at a 15-year high, with a 8.2% increase in 2016-17 compared with the previous year.

[S5W-11938 Alex Cole-Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the charity, Kindred, is in danger as a result of reductions in its core funding, and whether it would intervene to save the charity.

[S5W-11939 Mark Ruskell](#): To ask the Scottish Government how amendments to, or consolidation of, the Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 would ensure an at least equivalent level of protection as is currently provided by legislation in relation to species and habitats.

[S5W-11940 Mark Ruskell](#): To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has for a review of the Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 and, if so, (a) what the purpose of such a review would be, (b) whether a public consultation would be held on this and (c) what the timescale would be for this.

[S5W-11941 Mark Ruskell](#): To ask the Scottish Government, should the Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 be reviewed, whether a public consultation would be held on this and what the timescales for this would be.

[S5W-11943 Miles Briggs](#): To ask the Scottish Government what action it plans to take to improve the completion rates of pulmonary rehabilitation courses.

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[S5W-11944 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to increase the availability and capacity of pulmonary rehabilitation services in (a) NHS Lothian and (b) the rest of Scotland.

[S5W-11945 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of Chest, Heart & Stroke Scotland's 2017 Pulmonary Rehabilitation Survey, and what its response is.

[S5W-11946 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it encourages health professionals to refer patients for pulmonary rehabilitation.

[S5W-11947 Finlay Carson:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it has powers to veto any changes proposed to the Fisheries Management Agreement 2012 between the UK and Isle of Man fisheries.

[S5W-11948 Finlay Carson:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it is aware of any regulation changes being proposed by the Isle of Man Government that would have a detrimental effect on Scotland's scallop fishing industry.

[S5W-11949 Finlay Carson:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the importance of landing scallop catches in Kirkcudbright and of local processing factories and associated shoreside infrastructure to the economy of Dumfries and Galloway.

[S5W-11950 Finlay Carson:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it recognises the Fisheries Management Agreement 2012 and if so, in what capacity.

[S5W-11951 Finlay Carson:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it supports the retention of cottage hospitals in Dumfries and Galloway.

[S5W-11952 Finlay Carson:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the importance of cottage hospitals in the transitional period from acute hospital to home.

[S5W-11953 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government when it last met COSLA to discuss the National Care Home Contract and what the outcome was.

[S5W-11955 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the National Care Home Contract.

[S5W-11956 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the clinical care needs of people in care homes.

[S5W-11957 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the future workforce requirements of (a) registered nurses and (b) health care support workers in care homes.

[S5W-11958 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the number of places required in care homes over the next (a) 5, (b) 10 and (c) 15 years.

[S5W-11959 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with independent care home providers about workforce issues.

[S5W-11960 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of international evidence that it understands demonstrates that access to stable, registered nurse staffing in care homes delivers positive care outcomes for residents as well as improved quality of life.

[S5W-11961 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government when it expects the National Care Home Contract for 2018 to be finalised.

[S5W-11962 Liam McArthur:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that the National Care Home Contract recognises the complex clinical needs of residents.

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S5W-11963 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what contingency measures it has in place should the 2018 National Care Home Contract negotiations are unsuccessful.

S5W-11964 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the UK Climate Change Committee recommendation in its report, *Reducing emissions in Scotland - 2017 Report to Parliament*, that the final version of the plan relies on low-carbon sources providing no more than 50% of heat by 2032.

S5W-11965 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to proposals in the RAC Foundation report, *Ultra-Low-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure – What Can Be Done*, and what steps it is taking to implement them, including raising the report with the UK Government and relevant stakeholders.

S5W-11966 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government when it will respond in full to the UK Climate Change Committee report, *Reducing emissions in Scotland 2017 Progress Report to Parliament*, and, in particular, to the claims that (a) the draft Climate Change Plan (CCP) “as it stands lacks credibility in meeting the emissions targets to 2032 and fails to prepare properly for deeper decarbonisation in the longer term”, and (b) “the balance of sectoral emissions reduction in the draft CCP should be revised”.

S5W-11967 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of comments made in *The Sunday Post* on 10 September 2017, what its response is to (a) the concerns raised by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service’s assistant chief officer that, without an increase in government funding, the service will have a £23.3 million shortfall in its budget by 2025-26, (b) the proposed reforms mentioned in Mr Scott’s report, and (c) the confirmation provided by the executive council member for the Fire Brigades Union Scotland that it will oppose any reductions.

S5W-11968 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-11582 by Derek Mackay on 5 October 2017, what plans it has to phase-out fossil fuel vehicles used in (a) the ministerial car pool, (b) Transport Scotland, and (c) other areas of the Government Car Service.

S5W-11969 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-11582 by Derek Mackay on 5 October 2017, how many vehicles are allocated to Transport Scotland’s officials, broken down by how many are electric.

S5W-11970 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many trips Transport Scotland officials made claims for in respect of personal mileage in the last year, broken down by how many (a) are electric, and (b) petrol or diesel vehicles were used.

S5W-11971 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many times Transport Scotland’s (a) electric and (b) petrol vehicles have been used by officials in each of the last six months.

S5W-11972 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how it plans to ensure parity of funding between childrens and adult hospices.

S5W-11973 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has invested in (a) adult and (b) childrens hospices in each of the last four years, and how much it projects it will spend in each of the next five.

S5W-11974 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government how many people were cared for in (a) adult and (b) childrens hospices in each of the last four years, and how many it projects will be cared for in each of the next five.

S5W-11975 Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what impact the introduction of the road equivalent tariff fares structure on Clyde and Hebrides ferry services has had on Caledonian

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MacBrayne's annual fares revenue, compared with the figures for the last two years prior to roll-out.

S5W-11976 Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government, what the average annual savings for (a) foot passengers, (b) passengers with vehicles and (c) road hauliers has been on each route on the Clyde and Hebrides ferry network since the roll-out of the road equivalent tariff on the network in October 2015.

S5W-11977 Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government what impact the introduction of the road equivalent tariff fares structure on Clyde and Hebrides ferry services has had on the number of (a) passengers, (b) cars and (c) commercial vehicles on each route, compared with the figures for the last two years prior to roll-out.

S5W-11978 Elaine Smith: To ask the Scottish Government, what impact the introduction of the Road Equivalent Tariff fares structure on Clyde and Hebrides ferry services (CHFS) has had on (a) passenger, (b) cars and (c) commercial vehicle carrying capacity on each CHFS vessel, compared with the figures for the last two years prior to roll-out.

S5W-11980 David Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what progress is being made with Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd's order of hybrid-fuel ferries from Ferguson Marine Engineering Ltd for service on the (a) Arran and Uig triangle and on (b) Clyde and Hebrides service, and by what date the ferries will be operational.

S5W-11981 David Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) passengers and (b) (i) commercial and (ii) non-commercial vehicles were carried on each ferry route in 2016.

S5W-11982 David Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government by what date the performance monitoring report for year five of its current contract with Serco NorthLink Ferries will be published.

S5W-11983 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether compulsory mental health treatment can begin prior to the facts concerning the patient being established, and whether it considers that doing so would be consistent with the legislation, which suggests that such treatment should only be allowed in very strict circumstances.

S5W-11984 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to concerns that proper enquiries are not always made prior to a mental health officer consenting to the grant of a short-term detention certificate by an approved medical practitioner.

S5W-11985 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the requirement under the Human Rights Act 1998 that public authorities must take account of the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR), what action it has taken to ensure that the NHS is aware of the ECHR case law suggesting that courts should take account of a person raising an action concerning being given non-consensual treatment before having an opportunity to appeal and, in light of this, what its response is to concerns that its mental health legislation permits such treatment to be made in these circumstances.

S5W-11986 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the requirement under the Human Rights Act 1998 that public authorities must take account of the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR), what action it has taken to ensure that the NHS is aware of the 2012 ECHR judgement in the case of (a) X v Finland, which found that the forced medical intervention had interfered with X's physical integrity and (b) Gorobet v Moldova, which found that forced treatment that had not been shown to be a medical necessity could amount to degrading treatment.

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S5W-11988 Miles Briggs: To ask the Scottish Government what action can be taken if an approved medical practitioner grants a short-term detention certificate after erroneously considering that the requisite conditions to do so have been met.

S5W-11992 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it takes to ensure that the trade unions representing (a) seafarers and (b) port workers are represented on the Scottish Maritime Cluster.

S5W-11993 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what support (a) it and (b) its agencies provided to the Scottish Maritime Cluster event, which was held as part of London International Shipping Week in September 2017.

S5W-11994 Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what support (a) it and (b) its agencies provide to the Scottish Maritime Cluster.

S5W-11995 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how it measures the effectiveness of individual prisons in reducing reoffending.

S5W-11996 Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of blockchain technology on policing.

S5W-11997 Bill Bowman: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to (a) collect and (b) analyse data on the local administration of non-domestic rates.

S5W-11998 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Royal College of Radiologists paper, *Clinical radiology UK workforce census 2016 report*, which suggests that, in Scotland, a shortage of radiologists has led to scans not being read for weeks, and that some of these scans reported the presence of cancer cells.

S5W-11999 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the report in *The Times* on 12 October 2017, which states that Cancer Research UK has claimed that, in Scotland, people are sometimes having to wait longer to find out if they have cancer because of shortages of radiologists.

S5W-12000 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what the vacancy rate is for radiologists, also broken down by NHS board, and what information it has regarding how this compares with the rest of the UK.

S5W-12001 Alison Johnstone: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the 2007 assessment recording an “unfavourable/inadequate” status, for what reason its 2013 article 17 habitats regulations report to the EU Commission assessed the mountain hare population as “favourable”, and whether it will provide a breakdown of the (a) criteria it used and (b) evidence it received.

S5W-12003 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-08267 by Maureen Watt on 7 April 2017, which trades unions the minister has subsequently met; when these meetings were held, and what issues were discussed.

S5W-12004 Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what meetings it has held with the Scottish Council of Independent Schools in the last 12 months and what was discussed.

S5W-12005 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the finding in the report by the Auditor General, *The 2016/17 audit of the Scottish Government Consolidated Accounts*, that a £31 million liability has arisen as result of the 2007-13 European Structural Funds programme, what monitoring of the programme it carried out and at what frequency; when the error was first noticed, and for what reason this was not noticed earlier.

S5W-12006 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the finding in the report by the Auditor General, *The 2016/17 audit of the Scottish Government Consolidated Accounts*, that a

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£31 million liability has arisen as result of the 2007-13 European Structural Funds programme, whether it plans to repay this and, if so, (a) by what method, (b) on what dates and (c) by what date it will have been repaid in full.

S5W-12007 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the finding in the report by the Auditor General, *The 2016/17 audit of the Scottish Government Consolidated Accounts*, that a £31 million liability has arisen as result of the 2007-13 European Structural Funds programme, whether it will provide a breakdown of which project sponsors were overpaid, and by how much, and what plans it has to recoup this money.

S5W-12009 Dean Lockhart: To

ask the Scottish Government, further to the recent announcement by the First Minister, what discussions it has had with Scottish Power and SSE regarding the impact that the establishment of a publicly-owned national energy company could have on their (a) operations and (b) employees. **R**

S5W-12011 Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the recent announcement by the First Minister, what the relationship will be between Our Power Energy and the proposed publicly-owned national energy company. **R**

S5W-12012 Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the recent announcement by the First Minister, how much the proposed publicly-owned national energy company will cost to establish. **R**

S5W-12013 Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the recent announcement by the First Minister, what subsidies it will provide to ensure that the proposed publicly-owned energy company will provide energy at a below-market rate. **R**

S5W-12014 Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the recent announcement by the First Minister, whether the proposed publicly-owned energy company will be set up as a retail business, including with its own billing system and call centre. **R**

S5W-12015 Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the recent announcement by the First Minister, whether the proposed publicly-owned energy company will contract services from existing energy firms in a similar way to other energy retailers. **R**

S5W-12016 Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the recent announcement by the First Minister, whether the proposed publicly-owned energy company will generate energy as well as supply it. **R**

S5W-12019 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of concerns regarding children's health, what its position is on a ban being introduced on junk food marketing on television prior to 9pm, and what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding this.

S5W-12020 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Cancer Research UK-commissioned poll on junk food, which was published in June 2017 by Survation.

S5W-12021 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the STV News-commissioned poll on diet and health, which was published on 10 October 2017 by ScotPulse.

S5W-12022 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on using the Barnett consequentials arising from the Soft Drinks Industry Levy to fund increasing participation in sport and physical activity.

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[S5W-12023](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government on what date it will consult on a new diet and obesity strategy and what the consultation will involve.

[S5W-12024](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to engage with the Health and Sport Committee to allow it to (a) influence and (b) approve its new diet and obesity strategy.

[S5W-12025](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of additional taxes on foods high in fat and sugar on (a) shops, (b) restaurants, (c) takeaways and fast food outlets, (d) cinemas, and (e) other businesses.

[S5W-12026](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what (a) legal and (b) other advice it has received regarding policies it is considering or has considered that aim to reduce the consumption of junk food.

[S5W-12027](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has received from stakeholders regarding its plans to reduce the consumption of junk food, and whether it will place details of these in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

[S5W-12028](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government how it will monitor diagnostic waiting times for children and adults with autism to ensure that they are being reduced.

[S5W-12029](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to collect information about diagnostic waiting times for children and adults with autism, either locally or centrally, to ensure that these are reduced and improvements are maintained.

[S5W-12030](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made by NHS boards in implementing the interventions suggested in the report, *Autism Spectrum Disorders – Waiting for Assessment*, by the Autism ACHIEVE Alliance in 2014, in order to reduce waiting times.

[S5W-12031](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made by NHS boards to implement an improvement programme to improve diagnostic services and increase diagnostic capacity, as stated in the Scottish Strategy for Autism paper, *Outcomes Approach – Priorities 2015-2017*.

[S5W-12032](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has received from NHS Fife about its work on reducing waiting times, and how effective it has been.

[S5W-12033](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it expects its new diet and obesity strategy to require legislation to be implemented and, if so, what form of legislation this will be.

[S5W-12034](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what business impact assessment it has carried on the plans for the proposed national deposit return scheme for plastic and glass bottles.

[S5W-12035](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what research it has carried out on the potential impact on the wholesale sector of the proposed national deposit return scheme for plastic and glass bottles.

[S5W-12036](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with (a) Police Scotland and (b) other law enforcement agencies regarding the potential for illicit trade in single-use bottles following the introduction of the proposed national deposit return scheme for plastic and glass bottles.

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[S5W-12037 Jackie Baillie:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what research it plans on the potential disaggregated income impact on each local authority of the proposed national deposit return scheme for plastic and glass bottles.

[S5W-12038 Alex Cole-Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how much the NHS spends annually on sending out letters to people over 65 reminding them of their entitlement to the flu vaccine, and, light of reports of increased public awareness, whether it plans to review this.

[S5W-12044 Rachael Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to ensure that rural tourist areas will not be adversely impacted by the closure of VisitScotland hubs. **R**

[S5W-12045 Rachael Hamilton:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it will increase funding to Creative Scotland in response to the reduced funding that it is reported it will receive from the National Lottery.

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Laid only instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 13 October 2017 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Act of Sederunt (Civil Legal Aid Rules Amendment) 2017 (SSI 2017/332)
laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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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)

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

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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)

Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 27 September 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)

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)

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

Preliminary Stage, 4 October 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>

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

Lodged on 12 September 2017

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

Petitions

The following petition was lodged with the Parliament on 10 October 2017

PE1672 by Hugh Paterson on Scottish Law Commission Report on Prescription

A full list of petitions can be viewed on the Scottish Parliament website at:

<http://www.parliament.scot/gettinginvolved/petitions/ViewPetitions.aspx>

New Documents

Committee Reports

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on the 9th October 2017 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Ayrshire and Arran Health Board Annual Report and Accounts for the year to 31 March 2017 SG/2017/174 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

Borders Health Board Annual Report and Accounts 2016/17 SG/2017/175 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

Dumfries and Galloway NHS Board Annual Report and Accounts for Year Ended 31 March 2017 SG/2017/176 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

Scottish Ambulance Service Annual Report and Accounts for year ended 31 March 2017 SG/2017/177 under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

NHS Education for Scotland Annual Report and Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2017 SG/2017/178 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on the 10th October 2017 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland Annual Report and Accounts for year ended 31 March 2017 SG/2017/181 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

The 2016/17 audit of NHS Tayside: Financial sustainability SG/2017/180 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

Tayside Health Board Annual Report and Accounts For Year Ended 31 March 2017 SG/2017/179 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on the 11th October 2017 and are not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Annual Report and Accounts Year ended 31 March 2017 SG/2017/207 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

NHS Fife Annual Report and Consolidated Accounts for the Year Ended 31 March 2017 SG/2017/182 under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

Grampian Health Board Annual Report and Accounts 2016/2017 SG/2017/183 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

NHS National Services Scotland Annual Report & Accounts for the Year to 31 March 2017 SG/2017/185 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

Highland Health Board Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017 SG/2017/184 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000.

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