

Tuesday 22 May 2018

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean

Revised at 1:10pm



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Chamber Desk deadlines for forthcoming bank holidays

Motions

and amendments The deadline for lodging a motion for debate on Tuesday 29 May would be at 4.00pm on Wednesday 23 May and for lodging amendments to these motions would be 4.00pm on Thursday 24 May. The deadline for lodging a motion for debate on Wednesday 30 May would be 4.00pm on Thursday 24 May and for lodging amendments to these motions would be 4.00pm on Tuesday 29 May.

Topical

Questions The deadline for lodging a topical question for answer on 29 May would be 9.30am on Tuesday 29 May.

First Minister's

Questions The deadline for lodging a question for answer on 31 May would be 9.30am on Tuesday 29 May.

Ballot

for Portfolio Questions and General Questions The deadline for lodging names for the ballot for general and

portfolio questions would be 12 noon on Thursday 24 May (questions would be lodged on Wednesday 30 May for answer on Wednesday 6 and Thursday 7 June).

Other

motions, amendments and written questions The deadline for lodging other motions, amendments and written

questions would be 4.00pm on Thursday 24 May.

Today's Business

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S5M-12379, today's business will be as follows:

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Reverend Neil MacMillan, Minister, Cornerstone Free Church, Morningside, Edinburgh

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Ministerial Statement: Police call handling

followed by Scottish Government Debate: A Fairer Scotland for Disabled People: Tackling the Employment Gap

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-11174 Liam Kerr: Increasing Awareness of Restorative Justice within the Criminal Justice System

Committee Meetings

9:30am Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee

10:00am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

10:00am Health and Sport Committee

10:00am Justice Committee

10:15am Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S5M-12379, today's business will be as follows:

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Reverend Neil MacMillan, Minister, Cornerstone Free Church, Morningside, Edinburgh

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S5M-12379](#) Joe FitzPatrick on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revised Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for:

(a) Tuesday 22 May 2018—

after

followed by Topical Questions

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Police call handling

(b) Thursday 24 May 2018—

delete

2.30 pm Local Government and Communities Committee Debate: Consultation on the Draft National Outcomes

and insert

2.30 pm Ministerial Statement: Northern Isles Ferry Procurement

followed by Local Government and Communities Committee Debate: Consultation on the Draft National Outcomes

followed by Topical Questions

1. Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government whether its new drugs strategy will seek to support, rather than penalise, people in possession and intending to personally use small amounts of drugs. ([S5T-01093](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: Police call handling

followed by Scottish Government Debate: A Fairer Scotland for Disabled People: Tackling the Employment Gap

[S5M-12344](#) Jamie Hepburn: A Fairer Scotland for Disabled People: Tackling the Employment Gap—That the Parliament believes that the disability employment gap in Scotland of 37.4% is unacceptable; supports the ambition to at least halve that gap; recognises that increasing disability employment rates is a social and economic imperative; welcomes the Scottish Government's Congress on Disability, Employment and the Workplace held in Glasgow on 30 April 2018, bringing together government, employers, disabled people and campaigning organisations; acknowledges that making progress will require a cross-societal effort, and calls on

employers to better diversify their workplaces to ensure that more disabled people are in employment.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

[S5M-12344.1](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: A Fairer Scotland for Disabled People: Tackling the Employment Gap—As an amendment to motion S5M-12344 in the name of Jamie Hepburn (A Fairer Scotland for Disabled People: Tackling the Employment Gap), insert at end “; acknowledges the particular barriers for people with mental health issues and learning disabilities entering the workplace, and welcomes the Scottish Government’s recent consultation aimed at improving the public sector’s performance on the employment of disabled people.”

[S5M-12344.2](#) Rhoda Grant: A Fairer Scotland for Disabled People: Tackling the Employment Gap—As an amendment to motion S5M-12344 in the name of Jamie Hepburn (A Fairer Scotland for Disabled People: Tackling the Employment Gap), insert at end “; agrees with the view of the UN that the UK Government has systematically violated the rights of disabled people, and supports calls for ambitious, yet realistic, targets in Scotland with specific deadlines for reducing the gap to be set and regularly and transparently reported on.”

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

**followed by Members' Business
Debate on the subject of—**

[S5M-11174](#) Liam Kerr: Increasing Awareness of Restorative Justice within the Criminal Justice System—That the Parliament recognises what it considers the importance of restorative justice in complementing the traditional criminal justice system in Scotland; understands that the process of restorative justice aims to bring those harmed by crime, including in the North East Scotland region, together with those responsible for the harm to participate actively in addressing or repairing the harm that was caused, with the help of trained facilitators; notes that this can involve direct and indirect initiatives, such as face-to-face meetings, shuttle dialogue or police restorative warnings; understands that this enables everyone affected by a particular incident to find a positive and tailored way forward, often including a chance for an apology to be offered in response to a crime committed; recognises what it sees as the benefits of restorative justice, such as empowering the victim by supporting them through their recovery and, it understands, a proven reduction in reoffending rates; commends the Restorative Justice Forum (Scotland) for the work that it has done to develop and raise awareness of restorative practices in Scotland; notes that restorative justice is not an alternative to a criminal trial but an approach that operates alongside the traditional justice system; understands that, during three pilot schemes in England, 83% of victims offered restorative justice wanted to take part; is aware of concerns that Scotland has been relatively slow to embrace a similar approach, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to further champion the process of restorative justice, with the hope that Scotland can embrace a similar system of criminal justice.

Committee Meetings

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

Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Committee 18th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Scotland's Economic Performance:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Keith Brown, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work, Mary McAllan, Director for Economic Development, Gary Gillespie, Chief Economist, Sam Anson, Deputy Director, Economic Policy, and Hugh McAloon, Head of Fair Work and Skills, Scottish Government.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
The Bankruptcy Fees (Scotland) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/127)
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider its response to the following negative instrument—
The Bankruptcy Fees (Scotland) Regulations 2018 (SSI 2018/127)
5. **Scotland's Economic Performance:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting and its approach to a draft report.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 18th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6, 7 and 8 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Environmental Authorisations \(Scotland\) Regulations 2018 \[draft\];](#)
[Equality Act 2010 \(Specific Duties\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2018 \[draft\];](#)
[ILF Scotland \(Miscellaneous Listings\) Order 2018 \[draft\].](#)
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2000 \(ILF Scotland\) Order 2018 \(SSI 2018/148\);](#)
[National Health Service \(Free Prescriptions and Charges for Drugs and Appliances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2018 \(SSI 2018/151\);](#)
[Housing \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Commencement No. 8, Savings, Transitional and Supplemental Provisions\) Order 2018 \(SSI 2018/153 \(C.14\)\);](#)
[Short Scottish Secure Tenancies \(Notice\) Regulations 2018 \(SSI 2018/154\);](#)
[Short Scottish Secure Tenancies \(Proceedings for Possession\) Regulations 2018 \(SSI 2018/155\);](#)
[Scottish Secure Tenancies \(Proceedings for Possession\) \(Form of Notice\) Amendment Regulations 2018 \(SSI 2018/156\).](#)

4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Wild Animals in Travelling Circuses \(Scotland\) Act 2018 \(Commencement\) Regulations 2018 \(SSI 2018/149 \(C.13\)\)](#);
[Act of Adjournal \(Criminal Procedure Rules 1996 Amendment\) \(European Investigation Orders\) 2018 \(SSI 2018/150\)](#);
[Burial and Cremation \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Commencement No. 2\) Regulations 2018 \(SSI 2018/157 \(C.15\)\)](#).
5. **Planning (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Scottish Government's response to its Stage 1 report.
6. **Management of Offenders (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the contents of a report to the Justice Committee.
7. **Housing (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
8. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2017 to 11 May 2018.

Health and Sport Committee 17th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Pre-budget scrutiny 2019-20** : The Committee will take evidence from—

Judith Proctor, Chief Officer, Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership;
Eddie Fraser, Director of Health and Social Care, East Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership;
Pam Gowans, Chief Officer, Health and Social Care, Moray Health and Social Care Partnership;
Janice Hewitt, Chief Accountable Officer, North Lanarkshire Health and Social Care Partnership;
Robert McCulloch-Graham, Chief Officer, Health and Social Care, Scottish Borders Health and Social Care Partnership.
2. **Pre-budget scrutiny 2019-20 (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the session.
3. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards - NHS Lothian (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft follow-up letter to NHS Lothian.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Justice Committee 16th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Management of Offenders (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

David Strang, HM Chief Inspector, HM Inspectorate of Prisons for Scotland;
Chief Superintendent Garry McEwan, Divisional Commander, Criminal Justice Services Division, Police Scotland;

Ruth Inglis, Director of Development and Innovation, and Roddy Flinn, Legal Secretary to the Lord President, Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service;
and then from—
John Watt, Chair, and Colin Spivey, Chief Executive, Parole Board for Scotland.

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 17th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 10:15 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Annual report 2017-18:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 12 May 2017 to 11 May 2018.
3. **EU Environmental Principles inquiry:** The Committee will consider draft correspondence to the Finance and Constitution Committee.
4. **Impacts of Salmon Farming on the Environment (in private):** The Committee will consider a reporters' report and correspondence on the inquiry.
5. **Scottish Crown Estate Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider correspondence as part of its scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Scottish Crown Estate Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

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