

Tuesday 30 October 2018

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*

Revised at 12:50pm



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S5M-14532, today's business will be as follows:

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Pastor Michael Veitch, Wooler Evangelical Church, Northumberland, former councillor in East Lothian

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: NHS Financial Overview

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: A Digital Society For All: Working Together to Maximise the Benefits of Digital Inclusion

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-13785 Colin Smyth: Ban on the Export of Live Animals for Slaughter and Fattening

### Committee Meetings

**9:00am** Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

**9:45am** Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

**10:00am** Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

**10:00am** Health and Sport Committee

**10:00am** Justice Committee

**12:15pm** Hutchesons' Hospital Transfer and Dissolution (Scotland) Bill Committee

## Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Pastor Michael Veitch, Wooler Evangelical Church, Northumberland, former councillor in East Lothian**

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**[S5M-14532](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion**—That the Parliament agrees to the following revision to the programme of business for Tuesday 30 October 2018—

after

*followed by* Topical Questions

insert

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: NHS Financial Overview

**followed by Topical Questions**

**1. Bruce Crawford:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the UK Budget. ([S5T-01279](#))

**followed by Ministerial Statement: NHS Financial Overview**

**followed by Scottish Government Debate: A Digital Society For All: Working Together to Maximise the Benefits of Digital Inclusion**

**[S5M-14509](#) Kate Forbes: A Digital Society for All: Working Together to Maximise the Benefits of Digital Inclusion**—That the Parliament recognises the benefits that digital inclusion can bring to everyone in Scotland; welcomes the findings, published on 29 October 2018, of the two-year research project, Living Digitally, commissioned by Carnegie UK, on the impact of digital technologies on people with a range of disabilities; acknowledges the strong evidence of the positive impact of digital inclusion on their wellbeing; recognises that a combined focus by government, the wider public sector and private and voluntary sectors is the most effective way of increasing digital participation, which in turn will increase educational attainment, provide better access to fair work and higher-wage jobs, and supports effective, person-centred public services, such as the health and social care sector, to develop innovative solutions and enable Scotland to be a digital society for all.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**[S5M-14509.3](#) Donald Cameron: A Digital Society for All: Working Together to Maximise the Benefits of Digital Inclusion**—As an amendment to motion S5M-14509 in the name of Kate Forbes (A Digital Society for All: Working Together to Maximise the Benefits of Digital Inclusion), insert at end "; recognises that a lack of quality broadband connection can prevent digital inclusion, especially in remote and rural areas; notes the negative effects of the removal of high street banking services from local communities, regrettably leading to circumstances of digital exclusion, and calls for a comprehensive and sympathetic approach by the Scottish Government

that acknowledges the huge advantages that digital technology brings to Scottish society, but also recognises the risks of excluding those who are currently unable to access such technology in their daily lives."

**[S5M-14509.2](#) Colin Smyth: A Digital Society for All: Working Together to Maximise the Benefits of Digital Inclusion**—As an amendment to motion S5M-14509 in the name of Kate Forbes (A Digital Society for All: Working Together to Maximise the Benefits of Digital Inclusion), insert at end "; notes that rural communities, those on the lowest income, people with physical or mental health conditions and older people are particularly affected by digital exclusion; recognises that digital exclusion exacerbates wider social and economic inequalities; believes that the Scottish Government has failed to adequately tackle digital exclusion, and calls for a more comprehensive approach by the Scottish Government to end Scotland's digital divide."

**followed by Business Motions**

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**followed by Committee Announcements**

**5:00 pm Decision Time**

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

**[S5M-13785](#) Colin Smyth: Ban on the Export of Live Animals for Slaughter and Fattening**—That the Parliament notes the Farm Animal Welfare Committee's review into the transportation of live animals exports from the UK; understands that in 2017 3,073 sheep, 5,595 calves and 661 cattle were exported from Scotland for either slaughter or fattening; considers that Scotland's reputation for high animal welfare standards is of huge value to the sector; is particularly concerned about the export of young male dairy calves on long journeys to Spain and Italy where they are fattened for beef or veal; recognises what it understands is widespread support for a ban on the exporting of animals for slaughter and for fattening, including in the South Scotland region, and the serious concerns raised by the export of live animals in relation to animal welfare, and notes calls on the Scottish Government to bring forward a ban on the export of live animals for slaughter or fattening.

## Committee Meetings

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

### Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 30th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda item 3 in private.
2. **Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 via video conference from—  
Stefan Nyström, Director of Department for Climate Change and Air Quality, Swedish Environment Protection Agency;  
Anders Wijkman, Chair, Climate-KIC.
3. **Consideration of Correspondence- UK Ivory Bill:** The Committee will consider correspondence received in respect of the UK Ivory Bill.
4. **Climate Change (Emissions Reduction Targets) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Subordinate legislation (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report on the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 (Register of Persons Holding a Controlled Interest in Land) (Scotland) Regulations 2021 [draft].

### Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee 29th Meeting, 2018

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Damages (Investment Returns and Periodical Payments) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Alan Rogerson, Forum of Scottish Claims Managers;  
Kate Donachie, Forum of Insurance Lawyers;  
Norma Shippin, Director and Legal Advisor, and Joy Atterbury, Head of Litigation, NHS National Services Scotland;  
James Dalton, Director of General Insurance Policy, Association of British Insurers.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the [Common Financial Tool \(Scotland\) Regulations 2018 \[draft\]](#) from—  
David Hilferty, Deputy Chief Executive, Money Advice Scotland;  
Eileen Maclean, National Council Member for R3 in Scotland, R3 Scottish Technical Committee;  
David Menzies, Director of Practice, ICAS;  
Craig Simmons, Sector Co-ordination Manager, Money Advice Service.
4. **Damages (Investment Returns and Periodical Payments) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider evidence heard at today's meeting.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

*Not before 12.30 pm*

6. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Renewables Obligation (Scotland) Amendment Order 2018 [draft] from—  
Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Energy, Connectivity and the Islands, and Stewart Matheson, Senior Policy Adviser, Electricity Networks and Regulation, Scottish Government.
7. **Subordinate legislation:** Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Energy, Connectivity and the Islands to move—S5M-14103 —That the Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee recommends that the Renewables Obligation (Scotland) Amendment Order 2018 [draft] be approved.

### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 31st 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 item 3 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) Regulations 2018 \(SSI 2018/295\)](#).
3. **Census (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

### Health and Sport Committee 27th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards - NHS Dumfries and Galloway:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
  
Philip Jones, Chairman, Jeff Ace, Chief Executive, Julie White, Chief Officer, Dumfries and Galloway Integration Joint Board and Chief Operating Officer, and Dr Kenneth Donaldson, Medical Director, NHS Dumfries and Galloway.
2. **Preventative Agenda (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

### Justice Committee 27th Meeting, 2018

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

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Post-legislative scrutiny of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Chief Constable Iain Livingstone, Police Scotland;  
Susan Deacon, Chair, Scottish Police Authority;

and then from—

Alasdair Hay, Chief Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service;

Dr Kirsty Darwent, Chair, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Board.

3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposal—  
The Criminal Justice (Arrangements for Compensation) (Revocation) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019.
4. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meeting held on 25 October 2018.
5. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider a draft letter as part of its Pre-Budget Scrutiny.
6. **Vulnerable Witnesses (Criminal Evidence) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach and potential witnesses for the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

### **Hutchesons' Hospital Transfer and Dissolution (Scotland) Bill Committee 1st Meeting, 2018**

The Committee will meet at 12.15 pm in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Declaration of interests:** Members of the Committee will be invited to declare any relevant interests and to make declarations of impartiality.
2. **Choice of Convener:** The Committee will choose its Convener.
3. **Choice of Deputy Convener:** The Committee will choose its Deputy Convener.
4. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Preliminary Stage.

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