

Wednesday 18 December 2019

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

1:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:30 pm Portfolio Questions: The Presiding Officer has decided to group the following questions:

Education and Skills: Questions 4 and 6
Communities and Local Government: Questions 2 and 4

followed by Ministerial Statement: Rail Update

followed by Ministerial Statement: Ferguson Marine Update

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

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followed by Members' Business — S5M-18859 James Dornan: Financial Abuse to be Recognised Fully as Coercive and Controlling Behaviour

Committee Meetings

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- Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is responding to reports that knowledge of changes in pupil performance is at a 70-year low. ([S5O-03917](#))
- Ross Greer:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the review of coordinated support plans for children with additional needs will be conducted as part of or subsequent to the Morgan review of additional support needs. ([S5O-03918](#))
- Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government when the root cause analysis report on the North West Community Campus in Dumfries will be published. ([S5O-03919](#))
- Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the latest teacher number statistics, and what steps it is taking to retain teachers at all levels of education. ([S5O-03920](#))
- Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support it will provide to North Ayrshire Council to support the construction of a new Ardrossan Academy. ([S5O-03921](#))
- Gil Paterson:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve teacher recruitment. ([S5O-03922](#))
- Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the performance of Scotland in maths and science that was recorded in the recent PISA results is its poorest. ([S5O-03923](#))
- Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support pupil learning in the Highlands and Islands region. ([S5O-03924](#))

Health and Sport

- Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government what the impact has been of the Scottish Ambulance Service's response times policy. ([S5O-03925](#))
- Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that, since 2009, the number of GP practices in NHS Tayside has fallen from 69 to 63, while the average practice list size has increased. ([S5O-03926](#))
- Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in response to reports of worsening delays in the waiting times for children and young people to receive mental health treatment. ([S5O-03927](#))
- Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to extend access to palliative care services for homeless people. ([S5O-03928](#))
- Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to assist NHS Highland to reduce its reliance on locum staff. ([S5O-03929](#))
- Stewart Stevenson:** [Not Lodged] ([S5O-03930](#))

7. Peter Chapman: To ask the Scottish Government what measures it plans to take in response to statistics showing that 65.4% of patients referred to NHS Grampian were treated within 18 weeks. ([S5O-03931](#))

8. Willie Coffey: To ask the Scottish Government how many people in East Ayrshire receive free personal or nursing care; what the qualifying age groups are to receive this, and what the annual cost is. ([S5O-03932](#))

Communities and Local Government

1. Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government what funding streams and other support are available for alternative mechanisms to the business improvement district model. ([S5O-03933](#))

2. Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government how it is tackling social inequalities within communities. ([S5O-03934](#))

3. Fulton MacGregor: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to encourage more housebuilding in heavily populated urban towns and areas, such as Coatbridge. ([S5O-03935](#))

4. Tom Arthur: To ask the Scottish Government how it supports communities in tackling inequality. ([S5O-03936](#))

5. Colin Beattie: To ask the Scottish Government how its planning policy and guidance to local authorities on takeaway food outlets take account of its policies on healthy eating. ([S5O-03937](#))

6. Jeremy Balfour: [Not Lodged] ([S5O-03938](#))

7. Mike Rumbles: To ask the Scottish Government, further to its answer to question S5O-03821, what plans it has to require privately owned flats in tower blocks over 11 meters high to have fire safety certification. ([S5O-03939](#))

8. John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government when the planning decision on the proposed development of a golf course at Coul Links will be announced. ([S5O-03940](#))

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[S5M-20223](#) Christina McKelvie: Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill.

followed by Business Motions

[S5M-20241](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 7 January 2020

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

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followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

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(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 6 January 2020, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

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[S5M-18859](#) James Dornan: Financial Abuse to be Recognised Fully as Coercive and Controlling Behaviour—That the Parliament recognises that the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018, which covers coercive and controlling behaviour, makes not just physical abuse, but psychological abuse, emotional trauma and controlling behaviour a crime; welcomes this new law and the benefits that it will have for people who have been subject to domestic abuse, including those in the Glasgow Cathcart constituency; however, understands that independent researchers, along with several anti-abuse campaigners and third sector organisations, are calling for financial abuse to be fully recognised as controlling and coercive behaviour; notes calls for financial institutions to use best practice rules when it comes to their dealings with particularly vulnerable

women who have suffered financial abuse, and for others to review their handling procedures of financial matters when it comes to domestic abuse, and further notes calls for Police Scotland to take account of financial abuse when investigating crimes committed under the Act.

Committee Meetings

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

Local Government and Communities Committee 32nd Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Nicola Bristow, Community and Grants Co-Ordinator, Plan International UK;
Eilidh Dickson, Policy and Parliamentary Manager, Engender;
Erin Campbell, MSYP for Midlothian North and Musselburgh and the Deputy Convener of SYP's Equalities and Human Rights Committee, Scottish Youth Parliament;
Siobhan McCready, Equalities Stand Down Officer, Unite the Union Scotland;
Erin Slaven, Co-founder, On the Ball;
and then from—
Sheena Stewart, University Secretary at Abertay University, Universities Scotland;
Councillor Alison Evison, President, COSLA;
Celia Hodson, Chief Executive, Hey Girls;
Gail Anderson, Chief Executive, The Orkney Partnership (by video link);
Carolyn Hope, Acting Senior Manager, Facilities Management, North Ayrshire Council.
3. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee 35th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Jonnie Hall, Director of Policy, NFU Scotland;
Lizzy Baxter, NFU Scotland Next Generation Representative, NFUS Next Generation Committee;
Yvonne White, Chair, Scottish Crofting Federation;
Christopher Nicholson, Chairman, Scottish Tenant Farmers Association;
Eleanor Kay, Policy Adviser (Agriculture & Forestry), Scottish Land & Estates.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—the Official Controls (Agriculture) (Scotland) Regulations 2019.
3. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard at agenda item 1.

Finance and Constitution Committee 29th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 11:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Budget Submission 2020/2021:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body's Budget Submission 2020/2021 from—
Liam McArthur, MSP, Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body;
David McGill, Clerk/Chief Executive, Derek Croll, Group Head of Finance Resources, and Michelle Hegarty, Assistant Chief Executive, Scottish Parliament.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to developing its work programme.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 11 December 2019

Thursday 19 December 2019

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

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1:45 pm Stage 3 Proceedings: Referendums (Scotland) Bill

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Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

Public Petitions Committee

19 December 2019

22nd Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—

PE1690 on Review treatment of people with ME in Scotland and will take evidence from Jeane Freeman, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Anita Stewart, Team Leader, Clinical Priorities and Dr Catherine Calderwood, Chief Medical Officer, Scottish Government;

PE1711 on First Aid Training for All Primary School Children in Scotland and will take evidence from John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and Laura Meikle, Head of Support and Wellbeing Unit, Scottish Government;

PE1548 on National Guidance on Restraint and Seclusion in Schools and will take evidence from John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and Melanie Lowe, Supporting Learners Team Leader, Scottish Government; and

PE1596 on In Care Survivors Service Scotland and will take evidence from John Swinney, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and Jamie MacDougall, Deputy Director Social Care Support, Scottish Government.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the clerk to the Committee, Lynn Russell, on 0131 348 5254 or petitions@parliament.scot

Social Security Committee

19 December 2019

27th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Social Security Assistance (Investigation of Offences) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] from—
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People, Scottish Government;
Meg Fowler, Head of Fraud and Error Resolution Division, Social Security Scotland;
Paul Curtis, Team Leader, Fraud, Overpayments and Uprating Policy, and Colin Brown, Senior Principal Legal Officer, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** Shirley-Anne Somerville (Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People) to move—
S5M-20206—That the Social Security Committee recommends that the Social Security Assistance (Investigation of Offences) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
The Scottish Tribunals (Eligibility for Appointment) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/384)
4. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take work programme discussions in private.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 16 January, the Committee expects to consider its work programme in private. For further information contact Anne Peat, Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5182 or at SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot

Equalities and Human Rights Committee

19 December 2019

30th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Race equality in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Christina McKelvie, Minister for Older People and Equalities, Hilary Third, Race Equality Team Leader, and Paul Johnston, Director-General of Education, Communities and Justice, Scottish Government.
2. **Race equality in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

The Committee's next meeting will take place on 16 January 2020. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 6040 or by emailing equalities.humanrights@parliament.scot

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee

19 December 2019

29th Meeting, 2019

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 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether its consideration of draft reports on post-legislative scrutiny of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, the 2018/19 audit of the Scottish Prison Service, and the Scottish Public Pensions Agency: Update on management of PS project, should be taken in private at future meetings.
3. **Post-legislative Scrutiny - The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Graeme Dey, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans, Gerry Hendricks, Head of the FOI Unit, and Graham Crombie, Head of Policy and Casework, Scottish Government.
4. **Post-legislative Scrutiny - The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3.

5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme, including its future scrutiny of the Auditor General for Scotland's reports on Social Security: Implementing the devolved powers; the 2018/19 audit of Social Security Scotland; Superfast broadband for Scotland: Further progress update; and Transport Scotland's ferry services.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lucy Scharbert at papls.committee@parliament.scot

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 19 December 2019 24th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 on revisions to the Code of Conduct in private at this meeting and at future meetings.
2. **Cross-Party Groups - annual report:** The Committee will consider an annual update on Cross-Party Groups' compliance with the Code of Conduct.
3. **Sexual harassment and sexist behaviour:** The Committee will consider revisions to the Guidance on the Code of Conduct.
4. **Sexual harassment and sexist behaviour:** The Committee will consider revisions to the Direction to the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
[Representation of the People Act 1983 Remedial \(Scotland\) Revocation Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/408\)](#)
6. **Code of Conduct:** The Committee will consider potential revisions to the Code of Conduct.

Proposed future business

The Committee will next meet on 9 January 2020. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katy Orr, on 0131 348 6924 or at SPPACcommittee@parliament.scot.

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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.

Motions for Debate

***[S5M-20237](#) Michael Russell: Referendums (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the Referendums (Scotland) Bill be passed.

Supported by: Graeme Dey*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S5M-20251](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Doddie Weir Wins the Helen Rollason Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Borders rugby legend, Doddie Weir, on winning the Helen Rollason Award at BBC Sport's Sports Personality of the Year; recognises that the award is named after Helen Rollason, a BBC Sport presenter, who died from breast cancer in 1999, and is presented for "outstanding achievement in the face of adversity"; understands that Doddie, who played for Melrose and the Newcastle Falcons and won 61 caps for Scotland, was presented with the award for his hard work in launching the My Name's Doddie Foundation, which funds research into motor neurone disease (MND) and seeks to improve the lives of those who have the condition; notes that Doddie, who was diagnosed with MND in 2016, has raised nearly £5 million since he founded the charity in 2017; acknowledges that the award was presented by the Princess Royal who noted that she was grateful for the work that the My Name's Doddie Foundation has done in broadening the understanding of MND and its impact; commends Doddie for his indefatigable campaigning and money-raising efforts, and wishes him and the My Name's Doddie Foundation all the best for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Finlay Carson*, Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Liam McArthur*, Jeremy Balfour*

***[S5M-20250](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Referendums (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Referendums (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limits indicated, those time limits being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended (other than a suspension following the first division in the stage being called) or

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otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 4: 1 hour

Groups 5 to 7: 1 hour 35 minutes

Groups 8 to 11: 2 hours 15 minutes.

***[S5M-20249](#) Emma Harper: Galloway Community Hospital**—That the Parliament congratulates Galloway Community Hospital (GCH) in Stranraer on the positive recognition of its care of older people; celebrates the work of its friendly and approachable staff, who it considers treat older people with dignity and respect; acknowledges that GCH received an unannounced inspection by Healthcare Improvement Scotland and received a very positive report on its conduct; believes that this builds on its great reputation, as well as a positive inspection report by Healthcare Environment Inspectorate earlier in 2019 regarding infection control and cleanliness; acknowledges previous bronze awards for Dalrymple Ward and Garrick Ward, as well as a Mentor of the Year award from the University of the West of Scotland, and commends the excellent work carried out by all staff, who it considers are a credit to NHS Dumfries and Galloway.

***[S5M-20248](#) Neil Findlay: Law Society of Scotland's Generous Donation to West Lothian Foodbank**—That the Parliament commends the Law Society of Scotland for donating over £7,000 to West Lothian Foodbank in 2019; notes that the Society's staff have worked tirelessly to raise this, including by taking part in the Kiltwalk and the Edinburgh half-marathon, holding bake sales and pub quizzes, and organising an appeal, which led to 167kg of food being donated; believes that these efforts have greatly assisted the food bank by enabling it to lease a van and refurbish its charity shop; considers however that the existence of food banks is a disgraceful indictment of the stark poverty and inequality that exists across Scotland, and thanks everyone at the Law Society of Scotland and West Lothian Foodbank on their efforts to ensure that nobody goes without food both at Christmas and throughout the year.

***[S5M-20247](#) Neil Findlay: Herald Family Business Awards Double Success for Brewster Bros**—That the Parliament congratulates Brewster Bros, which is a family-run Livingston-based recycling business, for winning the Business Innovation Award at the Herald Family Business Awards; notes also that Malcolm Livingstone, who has dedicated years of service to the firm, won the Scottish Family Business Recognition Award in recognition of his commitment to the business; believes that the company, which aims to recycle construction and demolition waste ensuring zero-waste to landfill, will continue to lead the way in waste management with its hi-tech facility; understands that the business retained all staff from the previous family owner and that it continues to grow; commends the company on its success, and wishes its staff well.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*

***[S5M-20246](#) Neil Findlay: Mirhan Wins Local Hero Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Mirhan Smith on winning the West Lothian Local Hero award for her outstanding achievements; notes that Mirhan has secured a position of kitchen assistant in a city-centre hotel following the completion of her trainee chef apprenticeship at the Larder Cook School; recognises that Mirhan's achievements are testament to her hard-work and dedication, and wishes her well for her future career.

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

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***S5M-20245 Neil Findlay: Memorial Fund for Paul**—That the Parliament recognises the tremendous efforts made by the friends and family of Paul Lynas to raise funds for the British Heart Foundation (BHF); understands that Paul sadly passed away following a sudden cardiac arrest in 2017 at the age of 37; notes that the Paul Lynas Memorial Group has so far raised a staggering £35,000 for the BHF by organising golf days, bowling days and race nights, and commends the group for keeping Paul's memory alive and raising awareness and funds for a very good cause.

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

***S5M-20244 Liam Kerr: Malcolm's Way Christmas Lights, Stonehaven**—That the Parliament acknowledges that 7 December 2019 saw the switching on of the Christmas lights in Malcolm's Way, Stonehaven; understands that, for eight years, the Malcolm's Way team have used the lights to raise over £65,000 for charities in the north east; appreciates that this is the group's final year of organising the lights; congratulates all in the team for their hard work, and wishes them all the best with their future endeavours.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Miles Briggs*, Margaret Mitchell*, Edward Mountain*, Jamie Greene*, Jackson Carlaw*, Alison Harris*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-20243 Kevin Stewart: Relevant Adjustment to Common Parts (Disabled Persons) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft]**—That the Local Government and Communities Committee recommends that the Relevant Adjustment to Common Parts (Disabled Persons) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Aileen Campbell*

***S5M-20242 Alexander Stewart: Alva Academy Artwork Selected for Holocaust Memorial Day Event**—That the Parliament commends Alva Academy, which has been selected to feature in a national art exhibition as part of the commemorations to mark the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau; notes that a memorial flame, which has been created by a personal support group from the school, Arty Stuff, has been selected by a panel of distinguished judges to feature in an exhibition as one of 75 memorial flames, representing each year since the liberation; acknowledges that this will be launched as part of the UK Holocaust Memorial Day ceremony in London on 27 January 2020; understands that more than 300 groups from across the country registered to take part in the competition, which was launched by the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust to encourage more people to remember the six million Jewish people who were murdered; notes that the 75 Memorial Flames competition was launched with the creation of a sculpture by the artist and Holocaust survivor, Maurice Blik, who was liberated from the Bergen-Belsen camp as a child, and commends everyone at Alva Academy involved with this for their diligence and sterling work.

Supported by: Margaret Mitchell*, Jamie Greene*, Alison Harris*, Miles Briggs*, Annie Wells*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Emma Harper*, Jeremy Balfour*

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(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 6 January 2020, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

***S5M-20240 Rona Mackay: 100 Years of Bishopbriggs Boys' Brigade**—That the Parliament congratulates Bishopbriggs Boys' Brigade on celebrating its centenary recently; notes that celebrations were held at Kenmure Church and were attended by former members from all over the world, including from Germany and Dubai, as well as a Malaysian Boys' Brigade, which was on a tour of Scotland; understands that the 182 Glasgow Boys' Brigade Company held a second event, a Centenary Dinner, which was attended by over 100 members both past and present; acknowledges that these events provided an opportunity to reminisce on the invaluable life skills that members gained through their participation in the unit, and commends the Brigade on the enduring and invaluable community that it has fostered.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Sandra White*, Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-20238 Shona Robison: Principal of Dundee and Angus College to Retire**—That the Parliament recognises the excellent work of Grant Ritchie, who has served for five years as the Principal at Dundee and Angus College, and who has announced his retirement from the position in summer 2020; further recognises that he has worked with the College for 30 years prior to his time as Principal; welcomes the successes that it believes his leadership has helped create, including the development of creative industries provision in the College, the building of The Space Dance centre and the £50 million redevelopment of the Gardyne Campus; notes that he led the Good to Great strategy that won the Campbell Christie Prize for Public Sector Reform in 2018, and was awarded the SQA Fellowship in 2017; praises Dundee and Angus College on delivering

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high-quality educational services to one of the largest enrolments in Scotland, and wishes Grant all the best of success in his future endeavours.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-20236 Beatrice Wishart: Queen's Nurse Award for Steve Mullay**—That the Parliament congratulates Steve Mullay from Sandwick on being awarded the prestigious title of Queen's Nurse; notes that Steve, who is a dementia clinical nurse specialist, took part in the nine-month development programme run by the Queen's Nursing Institute Scotland after being nominated by his employers; recognises that Steve is part of an innovative nurse-led service that assesses, diagnoses and treats people with dementia and aims to keep people with the condition out of hospital; considers the award to be thoroughly deserved, and wishes Steve all the best for the future.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-20235 Colin Beattie: Scottish Thistle Awards Success for Rosslyn Chapel**—That the Parliament congratulates Rosslyn Chapel on winning the Best Heritage Tourism Experience category at the Lothians and Borders Regional Final of the Scottish Thistle Awards, which are organised by VisitScotland to celebrate innovation, excellence and success in the hospitality and tourism industry; acknowledges that, since its construction in 1446, the Chapel has served as an important gathering place and cultural landmark for the people of Roslin, and wishes everyone involved with it the very best at the National Final.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Sandra White*, Stewart Stevenson*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-20234 Colin Beattie: Jack Calder's Legacy Continues with Posthumous Volunteer Award**—That the Parliament notes the posthumous recognition of Jack Calder through a sportscotland Lifetime Achievement in Volunteering Award for his dedicated service to the Musselburgh Amateur Swimming Club; acknowledges that the award was collected by Jack's son, Chris, and wife, Barbara; appreciates Jack's lifetime of dedication to his pupils, and for his work in making swimming available and accessible to all, and sends its best wishes to Jack's family as they persevere through this difficult time.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson*, Miles Briggs*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Jeremy Balfour*

***S5M-20233 Angela Constance: Green Future for West Lothian Council**—That the Parliament congratulates West Lothian Council, which has been named as the second best local authority area in Scotland for recycling, with 65.2% of all waste recycled during 2018 and its overall carbon emissions being reduced by 30% since 2013-14; acknowledges that over £1 million has been invested in 2019 by the council to improve the energy efficiency of its buildings, and notes its commitment to introduce further climate-friendly measures to address the climate emergency.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*

***S5M-20232 Angela Constance: Law Society Boost for West Lothian Foodbank**—That the Parliament commends the Law Society of Scotland for donating over £7,000 to West Lothian Foodbank; understands that staff at the Society vote for a new charity partner each year and subsequently take part in events such as the Kiltwalk and the Edinburgh Marathon to help raise fantastic amounts such as this; acknowledges that the money will be used to refurbish a new

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charity shop, lease a van and help with general operational costs, and believes that this will undoubtedly help the families and communities of West Lothian.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson*, Neil Findlay*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*

***S5M-20231 Angela Constance: Double Success for Brewster Bros—**That the Parliament congratulates the Livingston-based recycling plant, Brewster Bros, on winning the Business Innovation Award at the Herald Family Business Awards 2019, and Malcolm Livingstone, who is the Plant Manager at the firm, who won the inaugural Scottish Family Business Recognition Award; believes that, since opening in 2018, the company has led the way in shaping the future of the recycling industry across Scotland, with it having the largest plant of its type in the UK; acknowledges its aim to treat and recycle construction and demolition waste as a resource to help ensure zero waste goes to landfill; commends it on being shortlisted for a number of awards in 2019, and wishes it continued success.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*

***S5M-20230 Beatrice Wishart: Chris Walks the UK—**That the Parliament recognises the achievements of Christian Lewis and his dog, Jet, who are walking the UK coastline to raise money for SSAFA, the Armed Forces charity; notes that Chris started his journey in Swansea in August 2017 with no money, and relies on donations from the public to support his trek; further notes that SSAFA provides lifelong support to people like Chris who have served in the armed forces and have at times struggled to cope in civilian life, including some in Shetland; congratulates Chris on reaching Unst, the most northerly part of the UK, on 15 December 2019, and for raising more than £85,000 on the way, and wishes him well on his return journey south.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson*, Liam McArthur*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-20224 Richard Lyle: World's Big Sleep Out 2019—**That the Parliament acknowledges that the World's Big Sleep Out took place on 9 December 2019; notes the work of the World's Big Sleep Out Trust, which has been established by the co-founder of Social Bite, Josh Littlejohn, to bring the "Sleep in the Park" concept worldwide; acknowledges that 300 people took part in the 2016 CEO sleepout, 8,000 participated in 2017's Sleep in the Park, and 10,000 were involved in 2018; recognises that this concept, which started in Scotland, has now been taken to the global stage and that, this year, for one night, in gardens, hometowns and iconic locations around the globe, including Edinburgh, more than 50,000 people were estimated to have slept out to create the world's largest display of solidarity and support for others experiencing homelessness and displacement; congratulates everyone involved in organising the event and all who participated, including people and businesses from the Uddingston and Bellshill constituency, such as William Grant & Sons, and believes that events such as this are important in raising funds and increasing awareness of the issues that people facing homelessness experience.

Supported by: Sandra White*, Emma Harper*, Stewart Stevenson*, Colin Beattie*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-20229 John Mason: Child Obesity and Deprivation (lodged on 16 December 2019)

New Support: Richard Lyle*

S5M-20228 David Stewart: Mental Healthcare for Diabetes (lodged on 16 December 2019)

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New Support: Iain Gray*, Rona Mackay*, Alexander Stewart*, Stewart Stevenson*, Mark McDonald*

[S5M-20227](#) Jenny Gilruth: Jennifer Grant from Fife, Queen's Nurse (lodged on 16 December 2019)

New Support: Sandra White*, Stewart Stevenson*

[S5M-20226](#) Jenny Gilruth: Kingdom Centre Wins Environmental Best Practice Scotland Award (lodged on 16 December 2019)

New Support: Sandra White*, Stewart Stevenson*

[S5M-20225](#) Jenny Gilruth: Bravery Awards for Fife Police Officers (lodged on 16 December 2019)

New Support: Sandra White*

[S5M-20220](#) Emma Harper: Leading Lights in Dumfries and Galloway (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Stewart Stevenson*

[S5M-20215](#) Brian Whittle: Ochiltree Community Hub Wins 2019 SURF Award (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Alison Harris*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20214](#) Sandra White: 225th Anniversary of the Glasgow Royal Infirmary (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*

[S5M-20212](#) Monica Lennon: Anniversary of the Findlay Family Tragedy, and the Need for the Reform of Culpable Homicide Law (lodged on 12 December 2019)

New Support: Neil Findlay*

[S5M-20209](#) Miles Briggs: Research Projections into Place of Death in 2040 (lodged on 11 December 2019)

New Support: Alison Harris*, Brian Whittle*, Michelle Ballantyne* R, Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20205](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney's Shannon Leslie Bags a Badminton Treble (lodged on 10 December 2019)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson*

[S5M-20204](#) Maurice Corry: Bagpiping Stunt Raises Funds for CHAS (lodged on 10 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20197](#) Alex Rowley: A Menu for Change's Report, Found Wanting (lodged on 10 December 2019)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*

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[S5M-20194](#) Christine Grahame: The Trussell Trust (lodged on 09 December 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

[S5M-20193](#) Angus MacDonald: Westquarter & Redding Cricket Club's Scottish Sport Awards Success (lodged on 09 December 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

[S5M-20191](#) Rona Mackay: Lenzie Academy Recognised for Holocaust Education (lodged on 09 December 2019)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson*

[S5M-20189](#) Alexander Stewart: Cycling Award for Clackmannan Development Trust (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Finlay Carson*, Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20188](#) Alexander Stewart: The Welcome Café Initiative Comes to Alloa (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20186](#) Gil Paterson: Morrison Community Care Group Named the World's Best (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

[S5M-20184](#) Monica Lennon: World Cancer Day 2020 (lodged on 06 December 2019)

New Support: Alexander Burnett*, Neil Findlay*, Annie Wells*, Sarah Boyack*, Richard Lyle*, James Kelly*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-20182](#) Brian Whittle: Asda Kilmarnock Supports Local Charities (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Finlay Carson*, Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20180](#) John Mason: Falling Alcohol Death Rate (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Joan McAlpine*

[S5M-20174](#) Miles Briggs: Braille Rugby Programme (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20172](#) Peter Chapman: Animal Sanctuary (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20171](#) Peter Chapman: Volunteer Award (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20168](#) Bill Bowman: Dundee's Former Executive Director of City Development, Mike Galloway (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Finlay Carson*, Liam Kerr*

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[S5M-20159](#) Alexander Burnett: Aberdeen City and Shire Tourism Awards (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20158](#) Alexander Burnett: Green Token Giving Award Winners (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20153](#) Brian Whittle: Kieran McMaster is Sportscotland Young Coach of the Year (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20152](#) Alexander Stewart: The Bottle Genies and O-I Glass, Reducing Clackmannanshire's Carbon Footprint (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20150](#) Bill Bowman: Dundee Mixed Martial Arts Group Supports Duchenne UK (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20148](#) Bill Bowman: David Mackenzie from Arbroath Recognised at Apprenticeship Awards (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20147](#) Peter Chapman: Asda Foundation Community Project in Fraserburgh (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20146](#) Peter Chapman: Asda Foundation Community Project in Peterhead (lodged on 04 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20133](#) Maurice Corry: Most Hospitable B&B/Guest House Award Winner for West Scotland (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Finlay Carson*, Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20132](#) Stewart Stevenson: Very Good Rating for the Jarvis Court Sheltered Housing Complex, Fraserburgh (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Bruce Crawford*

[S5M-20131](#) Alexander Stewart: Asda Dunfermline (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20117](#) Maurice Corry: Scottish Submarine Centre Wins Innovation in Tourism Award (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

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[S5M-20116](#) Peter Chapman: North East Woman Donates Pet Equipment to Inverurie Firefighters (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20115](#) Peter Chapman: Buchan Community Farm Expanding Care Services (lodged on 03 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20100](#) Richard Lyle: Taiwan Overseas Youth Engagement in Public, Social and Political Affairs (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Bruce Crawford*

[S5M-20096](#) Alexander Burnett: Jamie Liversidge, Retail Delivery of the Year Award Winner (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20095](#) Alexander Burnett: Royal Northern Agricultural Society Awards (lodged on 05 December 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20094](#) Sandra White: University of Strathclyde, University of the Year 2019 (lodged on 02 December 2019)

New Support: Bruce Crawford*

[S5M-20091](#) Bill Bowman: University of Dundee Rowing Success (lodged on 28 November 2019)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S5M-20089](#) Peter Chapman: Ellon Ice Skater Invited to International Competition in Budapest (lodged on 28 November 2019)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

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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 on 17 December 2019

[S5W-26740 Gillian Martin](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the consultation arrangements for the draft Sectoral Marine Plan for Offshore Wind Energy and draft Offshore Wind Policy Statement.

[S5W-26742 James Dornan](#): To ask the Scottish Government when the new first-time buyer scheme will be launched.

Written questions lodged on 17 December 2019

[S5W-26680 Alex Cole-Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what measures it is taking to help homeowners obtain fire safety certificates for cladding to high-rise buildings, in light of reports that lenders have started refusing to approve mortgages for properties without these.

[S5W-26681 Alex Cole-Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with pharmaceutical companies regarding the shape and colour of tablets to make it easier for vulnerable people to avoid confusion if they receive a different brand of the same drug.

[S5W-26738 Neil Findlay](#): To ask the Scottish Government how much has been paid back to (a) it and (b) each of its agencies each year from fines levied on the operators of private prisons for breach of contract.

[S5W-26743 Colin Smyth](#): To ask the Scottish Government what impact it expects the Neart na Gaoithe offshore wind farm will have over the next 10 years on (a) employment and (b) investment in (i) the Port of Dundee and (ii) Eyemouth Harbour.

[S5W-26744 Colin Smyth](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many seafarer jobs will be required for (a) installing, (b) operating and (c) maintaining the Neart na Gaoithe offshore wind farm.

[S5W-26745 Colin Smyth](#): To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the regulation of crewing practices of companies contracted to work from ports in Scotland on the Neart na Gaoithe offshore wind farm project.

[S5W-26746 Lewis Macdonald](#): To ask the Scottish Government what steps it will take to ensure that Tier 1 contractors for the Neart na Gaoithe offshore wind farm carry out these contracts in a way that results in jobs in Scotland.

[S5W-26747 Lewis Macdonald](#): To ask the Scottish Government, what discussions it has had with (a) EDF Renewables and (b) ESB regarding the number of jobs that will be (i) directly and (ii) indirectly created in Scotland during the construction, installation and operational life of the Neart na Gaoithe offshore wind farm.

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New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New Bills introduced or reprinted on 17 December 2019

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 54B) (Government Bill).

New Subordinate Legislation

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Affirmative Instruments

The following instrument was laid on 17 December 2019 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Fuel Poverty (Enhanced Heating) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/draft)
Laid under section 17(1)(a) of the Fuel Poverty (Targets, Definition and Strategy) (Scotland) Act 2019.

Fuel Poverty (Additional Amount in respect of Remote Rural Area, Remote Small Town and Island Area) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/draft)
Laid under section 17(1)(a) of the Fuel Poverty (Targets, Definition and Strategy) (Scotland) Act 2019.

Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid on 17 December 2019 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Restriction of Liberty Order etc. (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/423)
Laid Under section 245C(4) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995.

Progress of Legislation

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the Scottish Parliament website at:

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/576.aspx>

For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 18 December 2019

Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 10 December 2019

Children (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (briefing, lead committee (Justice)), 17 December 2019

Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 31 October 2019

Consumer Scotland Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)), 26 November 2019

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 2 December 2019

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Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills Committee)), 20 November 2019
Stage 1 Report (Education and Skills Committee) published, 17 December 2019

Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 18 December 2019

Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Health and Sport Committee), 3 December 2019

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 4 December 2019

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

Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities), 18 December 2019

Protection of Workers (Retail and Age-restricted Goods and Services) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 10 October 2019

Lead committee – Economy, Energy and Fair Work

Referendums (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 19 December 2019

Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 9 January 2020

Stage 1 Report (Justice Committee) published, 9 December 2019

Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee), 16 January 2020
All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 10 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team
[\(\[LegislationTeam@parliament.scot\]\(mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot\)\)](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities Committee)), 5 December 2019

Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 19 November 2019

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

Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill (P)

Preliminary Stage (Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee), 17 December 2019

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 17 December 2019

UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Legal Continuity) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 21 March 2018

Following a reference under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland, the Supreme Court has ruled that some provisions of the Bill are outwith the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its unamended form.

Legislative Consent Memorandums

The UK Parliament dissolved on 6 November 2019. There are currently no Legislative Consent Memorandums being considered by the Scottish Parliament.

A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:

<http://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/31313.aspx>

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

Affirmative instruments

Lead Committee report due by 20 January 2019

[Social Security Assistance \(Investigation of Offences\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (26 November 2019) (Social Security Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 29 January 2019

[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (05 December 2019) (Justice Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 30 January 2019

[Relevant Adjustments to Common Parts \(Disabled Persons\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (06 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 10 February 2020

Fuel Poverty (Enhanced Heating) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/Draft) (17 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Fuel Poverty (Additional Amount in respect of Remote Rural Area, Remote Small Town and Island Area) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/draft) (17 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

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Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020
Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020

[Police Pensions Amendment \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/380\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

Plant Health (Official Controls and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/421) (11 December 2019)

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme Amendment \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/381\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

[Firefighters' Pension and Compensation Schemes \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/382\)](#) (11 November 2019) (Justice)

Sea Fish (Prohibited Methods of Fishing) (Firth of Clyde) Order 2019 (SSI 2019/419) (12 December 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

[Scottish Tribunals \(Eligibility for Appointment\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/384\)](#) (14 November 2019) (Social Security)

Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020
Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020

[Charities Accounts \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/393\)](#) (18 November 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

Subject to annulment by 22 January 2020
Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020

Official Feed and Food Controls (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/407) (28 November 2019) (Health and Sport)

Subject to annulment by 26 January 2020
Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020

[Representation of the People Act 1983 Remedial \(Scotland\) Revocation Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/408\)](#) (02 December 2019) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment by 27 January 2020
Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020

[Official Controls \(Agriculture etc.\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/412\)](#) (03 December 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 29 January 2020

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Lead committee to report by 27 January 2020

[Public Procurement etc. \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/414\)](#) (05 December 2019) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

[Environmental Impact Assessment \(Transport\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/415\)](#) (05 December 2019) (Rural economy and Connectivity)

Restriction of Liberty Order etc. (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/423) (17 December 2019) (Justice)

Instruments/documents laid for consultation

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The following instruments/documents were laid before the Parliament on 15 November 2019 for approval—

Proposed Draft Order – The Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 (SG/2019/248) (15 November 2019) (Finance and Constitution)

Proposed Explanatory Document – The Public Services Reform (Registers of Scotland) Order 2020 ((S/2019/249) (15 November 2019) (Finance and Constitution)

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 17 December 2019:

Education and Skills Committee, 9th Report, 2019 (Session 5): Stage 1 report on the Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (SP Paper 643)

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Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 17 December 2019 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Futures Trust Investments Limited Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2019 SG/2019/263 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Futures Trust Limited Annual Report and Group Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2019 SG/2019/262 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Police Authority: Annual Review of Policing 2018-19 SPA/2019/01 laid under Section 39 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

Scottish Police Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2018/19 SG/2019/206 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The 2018/19 audit of the Scottish Police Authority SG/2019/207 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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