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Business Bulletin

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Announcement

CHAMBER DESK NOTICE

May Bank Holiday

The Chamber Desk will be closed on Monday 6 May 2019.

Topical, Portfolio, General and First Minister's Questions

The deadline for lodging a Topical Question for answer on Tuesday 7 May is 9.30am on Tuesday 7 May.

The deadline for submitting names for Portfolio and General Questions on Wednesday 15 May and Thursday 16 May is 9.30am on Tuesday 7 May.

The deadline for lodging a First Minister's Question for answer on Thursday 9 May is 9.30am on Tuesday 7 May.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

5:30 pm Decision Time

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-16380

Iain Gray: 25th Anniversary Commemoration of the Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Business Motions

Committee Meetings

9:00am Culture, Tourism, Europe and
External Affairs Committee

9:00am Social Security Committee

9:30am Standards, Procedures and Public
Appointments Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Water Safety Scotland regarding its work with local authorities to promote water safety and drowning prevention. ([S5O-03178](#))
- 2. Sandra White:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Electoral Commission regarding encouraging EU citizens living in Scotland to register to vote in the forthcoming European Parliament elections. ([S5O-03179](#))
- 3. Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will assess the impact of fishing protection orders on trout and salmon stocks in rivers and lochs. ([S5O-03180](#))
- 4. Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the performance of ScotRail services using Stirling station. ([S5O-03181](#))
- 5. Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to tackle violent crime. ([S5O-03182](#))
- 6. Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle the issue of roadside litter. ([S5O-03183](#))
- 7. Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has made to Ofgem regarding its consultation on the proposed Western Isles interconnector. ([S5O-03184](#))
- 8. Margaret Mitchell:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to tackle the use of new psychoactive substances in prisons. ([S5O-03185](#))
- 9. Tom Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason ScotRail's annual average figures record that one in five trains arriving or terminating at Aberdeen station are more than five minutes late. ([S5O-03186](#))
- 10. Neil Bibby:** To ask the Scottish Government under what circumstances it believes that a fatal accident inquiry should be mandatory into a murder committed by a prisoner subject to a curfew condition. ([S5O-03187](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Jackson Carlaw:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03277](#))
- 2. Richard Leonard:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03278](#))
- 3. Alison Johnstone:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03279](#))
- 4. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the First Minister what the social and economic impacts are of immigration. ([S5F-03299](#))
- 5. Jamie Greene:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the long-term infrastructure recommendations of the Glasgow Connectivity Commission. ([S5F-03298](#))
- 6. Neil Findlay:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to address climate change. ([S5F-03294](#))

7. David Stewart: To ask the First Minister what assessment the Scottish Government has made regarding the level of opiate addiction. ([S5F-03284](#))

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-16380 Iain Gray: 25th Anniversary Commemoration of the Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda

S5M-16380 Iain Gray: 25th Anniversary Commemoration of the Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda—That the Parliament notes the 25th anniversary commemoration of the genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda, in which the lives of approximately one million people were lost in 100 days; notes the links that have developed between Rwanda and East Lothian, as well as other parts of Scotland, since then; remembers with the Rwandan people as they reflect on those dark days; commends Rwanda on its remarkable progress to reconciliation within the nation; notes its considerable development in social and economic terms since 1994; acknowledges the privilege of walking with Rwanda along its path of recovery as one of Scotland's key partners in international development, and trusts that the nation will continue to flourish in peace and hope in the decades ahead.

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Communities and Local Government

- 1. Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the impact on local authorities' autonomy of increases in ring-fenced funding. ([S5O-03170](#))
- 2. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been invested in social housing in the Greenock and Inverclyde constituency since May 2011. ([S5O-03171](#))
- 3. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on introducing five-yearly electrical safety checks for homes in the social rented sector. ([S5O-03172](#))
- 4. Bill Bowman:** To ask the Scottish Government what policies have been put in place to tackle the reported rise in relative poverty in Scotland's communities. ([S5O-03173](#))
- 5. Angela Constance:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its response to the report on food poverty, *Dignity: Ending Hunger Together in Scotland*. ([S5O-03174](#))
- 6. Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will initiate cross-party discussions regarding Agent of Change in advance of stage 3 of the Planning (Scotland) Bill. ([S5O-03175](#))
- 7. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government when it next expects to publish a local government finance circular. ([S5O-03176](#))
- 8. Patrick Harvie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its commitment in its response to the Equalities and Human Rights Committee report, *Hidden Lives: New Beginnings*, by what date it will publish its anti-destitution strategy. ([S5O-03177](#))

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Bill

[S5M-17146](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limit 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 otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 5: 55 minutes

Groups 6 to 10: 1 hour 45 minutes

Groups 11 to 13: 2 hours 25 minutes.

[S5M-17127](#) Jeane Freeman: Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Business Motions

[S5M-17152](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for Wednesday 8 May 2019—

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followed by Stage 3 Debate: Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Bill

6.00 pm Decision Time

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5.00 pm Decision Time

5:30 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee 13th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Census (Amendment)(Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.
2. **Creative Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Iain Munro, Acting Chief Executive, Creative Scotland;
Isabel Davis, Executive Director, Screen Scotland.

3. **Consideration of evidence heard (in private):** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Social Security Committee 12th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Social Security Support for Housing:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People, Kevin Stewart, Minister for Local Government, Housing and Planning, Pauline Torley, DHP and Housing Related Social Security Policy Manager, Kyle Murray, Universal Credit Flexibilities Policy Manager, and Julija Harrasova, Assistant Economist Social Security, Scottish Government.

3. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Finance and Constitution Committee.
4. **Social Security Support for Housing:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard and its approach to a draft report.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 7th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **Complaint (in private):** The Committee will continue its consideration of a report from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.
2. **Complaint:** The Committee will announce its decision at Stage 3 on a report from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.
3. **Complaint (in private):** The Committee will consider its draft report.

4. **Sexual harassment and sexist behaviour (in private):** The Committee will consider the recommendations in the report from the Joint Working Group on sexual harassment and sexist behaviour.

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