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Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

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Tom Arthur: St Andrew's Day 2019

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Report of the Women in Agriculture Taskforce

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish
Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill

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Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill

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9:00am Culture, Tourism, Europe and
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9:00am Equalities and Human Rights
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9:30am Standards, Procedures and Public
Appointments Committee

10:00am Social Security Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to tackle fly-tipping. ([S5O-03839](#))
- 2. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to improve the safety of young drivers. ([S5O-03840](#))
- 3. Ross Greer:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it takes to support the training of pupil support assistants on working with pupils with additional needs. ([S5O-03841](#))
- 4. Alex Rowley:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of public authorities not taking the necessary action to clear waste from the M90 Commerce Park at Lathalmond near Dunfermline, what action it can take to address local residents' environmental concerns. ([S5O-03842](#))
- 5. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what it can do to tackle the issue of "split ticketing" for train fares, whereby it can be cheaper to purchase tickets for component parts of a journey rather than one straight-through ticket. ([S5O-03843](#))
- 6. Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Fife and Lothian councils since January 2019 regarding traffic flows on the Queensferry Crossing. ([S5O-03844](#))
- 7. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Abellio ScotRail regarding revenue protection. ([S5O-03845](#))
- 8. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports people living with dementia. ([S5O-03846](#))
- 9. Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government when the health secretary last met the chief executive of NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde and what was discussed. ([S5O-03847](#))
- 10. Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to increase investment in the Autism Training Framework. ([S5O-03848](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Jackson Carlaw:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03746](#))
- 2. Richard Leonard:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03747](#))
- 3. Willie Rennie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03748](#))
- 4. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the First Minister what actions the Scottish Government is taking to eliminate violence against women and girls. ([S5F-03755](#))
- 5. Jamie Greene:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to address the reported £3 billion backlog in road maintenance repairs. ([S5F-03754](#))
- 6. Monica Lennon:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to reassure patients and families of the safety of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital and Royal Hospital for Children. ([S5F-03756](#))

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-19741 Tom Arthur: St Andrew's Day 2019

S5M-19741 Tom Arthur: St Andrew's Day 2019—That the Parliament welcomes the celebration of St Andrew's Day on 30 November 2019; notes that this will also mark the start of Scotland's winter festivals; recognises that the national day is an opportunity to celebrate Scotland's culture, heritage and national identity both at home and worldwide in an inclusive, compassionate and outward-looking manner; celebrates St Andrew's Fair Saturday, which this year falls on the national day itself; notes that this is a global movement that encourages communities to follow the consumerism of "Black Friday" with a response through cultural activity in support of social causes in a spirit of social empathy; understands that the All About Barrhead Business Improvement District is hosting an event, the Awfy Scottish Winter Wonderland, as part of the initiative; notes that this will be a festive fair featuring Scottish entertainment in aid of Barrhead Christmas Dinner packs; acknowledges that the Johnstone's Christmas Lights Switch On, which is being organised by Renfrewshire Council and is also part of the Fair Saturday initiative, will support St Vincent's Hospice and Active Communities; believes that a diverse programme of events will be taking place across the country, and commends the efforts of all communities the length and breadth of Scotland in getting involved in the Fair Saturday movement on St Andrew's Day.

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Finance, Economy and Fair Work

- 1. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the establishment of a Scottish stock exchange. ([S5O-03831](#))
- 2. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting small businesses in the Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley constituency to prepare for a potentially damaging Brexit and develop economic links with Ireland and the rest of the EU. ([S5O-03832](#))
- 3. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will retract its statements on youth employment, in light of the UK Statistics Authority's recent comments on its use of the Labour Force Survey. ([S5O-03833](#))
- 4. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what the impact will be on Dumfries and Galloway Council of the delay to the Scottish Budget because of the General Election. ([S5O-03834](#))
- 5. Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to prevent assaults on retail workers. ([S5O-03835](#))
- 6. Alasdair Allan:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it can take to better enhance the consumer protection for vulnerable people facing aggressive sales at the doorstep. ([S5O-03836](#))
- 7. Peter Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what the level of investment in the north east has been as part of the Scottish Growth Scheme. ([S5O-03837](#))
- 8. Mary Fee:** [Not Lodged] ([S5O-03838](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: Final Report of the Women in Agriculture Taskforce

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill

[S5M-20049](#) Michael Russell: Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill.

followed by Financial Resolution: Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill

[S5M-19966](#) Derek Mackay: Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee 29th Meeting, 2019

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

1. **UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Equalities and Human Rights Committee 29th 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 3, and all future consideration of evidence relating to race equality in Scotland, in private.
2. **Race equality in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Dr Gina Netto, Associate Professor, School of Energy, Geoscience, Infrastructure and Society, Heriot Watt University;

Prof. Nasar Meer, Professor of Race, Identity and Citizenship, Prof. Raj Bhopal, Emeritus Professor of Public Health, and Prof. Rowena Arshad, Chair in Multicultural and Anti-Racist Education and Co-Director of the Centre for Education for Racial Equality in Scotland, University of Edinburgh.

3. **Race equality in Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard.
4. **Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 22nd Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Malcolm Burr, Chief Executive of Comhairle nan Eilean Siar, Society of Local Authority Chief Executives and Senior Managers (SOLACE) Scotland and Convener of the Electoral Management Board for Scotland;
Pete Wildman, Chair, Electoral Registration Committee, Scottish Assessors Association.
2. **Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
3. **Sexual harassment and sexist behaviour (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report and draft rule changes.

Social Security Committee 26th Meeting, 2019

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on The Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2020 [draft] from—
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People, Colin Brown, Senior Principal Legal Officer, and Chris Graham, Unit Head, Low Income Benefits Policy Unit, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Shirley-Anne Somerville (Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People) to move—S5M-19843—That the Social Security Committee recommends that the Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2020 [draft] be approved.
4. **Assessing the Feasibility of Citizen's Basic Income Pilots in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Wendy Hearty, Basic Income Project Manager, Improvement Service;
Gerry McCartney, Consultant Public Health Medicine, NHS Health Scotland;
Julie McLachlan, Senior Manager – Economic Policy, North Ayrshire Council;
Andy White, Tackling Poverty Manager, Glasgow City Council.
5. **Assessing the Feasibility of Citizen's Basic Income Pilots in Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 27 November 2019

Tuesday 3 December 2019

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Auditor General Report into Prisons

followed by Members' Business — S5M-18826 Jenny Gilruth: Making Glenrothes a Living Wage Town

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Government Support for Veterans and the Armed Forces Community in Scotland

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-18901 Jeremy Balfour: #PurpleLightUp, a Global Movement for Change

Wednesday 4 December 2019

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform
Rural Economy

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Achieving a Fairer Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business — S5M-20029 Gail Ross: Unfair Delivery Charges

Thursday 5 December 2019

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-19957 Claire Baker: SCAN Art in Action Campaign

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions
Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Disability Sport and Participation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 10 December 2019

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 11 December 2019

1:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Justice and the Law Officers; Government Business and Constitutional Relations; Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

followed by General Questions

followed by First Minister's Questions

3:05 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

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Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***[S5M-20055](#) Gil Paterson: The Cochno Stone and the Social Value of Scotland's Prehistoric Rock Art**—That the Parliament congratulates Dr Kenny Brophy of the University of Glasgow Archaeology Department on the extensive work on prehistoric rock art throughout a wide expanse of West Dunbartonshire; notes that this includes numerous excavations in the Faifley area of Clydebank, including, in particular, the Cochno Stone; understands that this is one of Europe's most important examples of rock carvings, and that this was entirely uncovered and intricately documented, including a full digital scan and recording; notes that this important work by Dr Brophy and his university team was assisted over many months by volunteers from far and wide, including local people and school pupils, and considers that this project is a model for collaboration between experts, well-practised helpers and a very supportive, well-informed community that wants to bring to the wider world the iconic art that is there to be exposed, enjoyed and celebrated by all.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S5M-20078](#) Annabelle Ewing: Sheila Stewart and Isabel Murray, Dalgety Bay's Black Belt Grannies**—That the Parliament congratulates Sheila Stewart and Isabel Murray, who are grandmothers from Dalgety Bay, on earning their black belts in karate; notes that Sheila and Isabel, who are 72 and 77 respectively, received their belts in November 2019 after four years of arduous training, during which they rarely missed a practice; highlights the dedication necessary to accomplish such an impressive accomplishment in this sport at any age; acknowledges the inspiration that Sheila and Isabel are to their grandchildren and to those looking to get active later on in life, and wishes both continued success in bringing pride to Dalgety Bay and the Japan Karate Shoto club.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*

***[S5M-20077](#) Annabelle Ewing: John Irvine's 150k in 30 Days Challenge to Tackle Marfan Syndrome**—That the Parliament congratulates John Irvine, who is from Inverkeithing, on completing his 150k in 30 days running challenge to support a friend with, and raise awareness of, Marfan Syndrome (MFS), which is a rare genetic disorder that affects the body's connective

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tissues; understands that John, who is 23-stone, challenged himself to run 5k every day to help his friend, Kate Stevenson, raising £1,550; believes that this will also be used towards trying to find a cure for the condition; commends John for pushing his body to its limits for such a worthy cause; sends its best wishes to John and Kate, and wishes them continued and future success in helping with the fight against MFS.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*

***S5M-20076 David Torrance: Success for Fife College at CDN Awards—**That the Parliament congratulates Fife College on receiving both the Employer Connections and the Inclusive College awards at the 2019 College Development Network (CDN) College Awards, which were presented on 21 November in Glasgow and celebrated the talent, skills and achievements of colleges, their staff and learners, and commends Fife College on its success.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*

***S5M-20075 Gil Paterson: Clydebank Dental Practice Teams Up with Local Firefighters to Raise Funds for Charity—**That the Parliament acknowledges the workers from Clyde Dental Practice and Clydebank-based firefighters who teamed up to raise funds for a cancer charity; understands that the team washed around 220 local cars raising £1,569 for Mouth Cancer Awareness Month as well as for the UK Firefighters Charity, which supports firefighters who have been injured or are in need of psychological support; notes the importance of early diagnosis of mouth cancer in saving lives, and thanks everyone who gave their time and effort to raise funds for these worthwhile causes.

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

***S5M-20074 Gil Paterson: Sports Development's Event for Primary Pupils from Clydebank—**That the Parliament recognises the success of the event organised by Sports Development, which allowed 103 primary school pupils from Clydebank to take part in a full day of sporting activities, including athletic events such as balancing, aiming, throwing and catching; believes that taking part in the day will help the young people in leading active and healthy lives, and congratulates the Sports Development team on this enjoyable and successful day of sport and fun.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*

***S5M-20073 Gil Paterson: FireCloud at Holy Redeemer Church House—**That the Parliament commends the Clydebank-based charity, FireCloud, on its annual Christmas fundraising craft fair, which was held at Holy Redeemer Church House; believes that the event, which was led by Margaret Keenan, was a great success, with many handmade and upcycled festive items sold; understands that the FireCloud's mission is to help people across the community develop their crafting talents through the fair and a host of other activities, and wishes it continued success in its endeavours.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*

***S5M-20072 Lewis Macdonald: Azuma Trains Make Maiden Aberdeen Journey—**That the Parliament notes the maiden voyage of LNER's Azuma train from Aberdeen to London King's Cross on 26 November 2019, stopping at Stonehaven, Montrose, Arbroath, Dundee, Leuchars, Kirkcaldy and Inverkeithing for the first time; understands that the bi-mode Azuma trains, which will eventually replace LNER's diesel trains, will run between Aberdeen and London King's Cross three times a day, with a fourth service between Aberdeen and Leeds on weekdays;

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acknowledges that the Azuma trains have extra legroom and extra luggage space to make the seven-hour journey to London more comfortable; recognises the importance of the direct LNER rail link between Aberdeen and London and other destinations in England, and welcomes the commitment that LNER has displayed to this route by running its flagship Azuma trains to and from north east Scotland.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-20071 Gil Paterson: Awards for West College Scotland**—That the Parliament highly commends the achievements of West College Scotland for receiving two awards at 2019 College Development Network Awards for its PROSPER initiative, engaging students in a variety of cross campus activities, including free mental health awareness training, workshops on healthy eating and exercise, and lunchtime yoga classes; notes its achievements in hair and beauty, working with SCVLPTVR Skills Academy in Glasgow's west end, which takes teaching into the salon, helps students gain work experience in setting prices, make contacts and experience marketing, and congratulates the staff and pupils at West College Scotland on their work and achievements.

Supported by: Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-20070 Mark McDonald: Celebrating 140 Years of Helping Blind and Deaf People in the North East**—That the Parliament congratulates North East Sensory Services (NESS) on reaching its 140th anniversary; recognises that, since it was formed in 1879, it has promoted independence for blind and deaf people; acknowledges that NESS has made every effort throughout its history to help those in need; notes that, after the First World War, when many soldiers were blinded in battle, the previously-named Aberdeen Town and County Association for Teaching the Blind at their Homes worked with local authorities to deliver a range of services; further notes that, during the 1960s, the charity employed home teachers for blind people, many of whom were themselves visually impaired, and commends NESS's continued commitment to support those in need throughout the north east.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-20069 James Kelly: LEAP is Herald Society's Older People's Project of the Year 2019**—That the Parliament congratulates the LEAP Project on receiving the Older People's Project of the Year award on behalf of the Herald Society; recognises the valuable service and support that the project offers older people in the community, including leisure, learning and arts opportunities, acknowledges the hard work of both staff and volunteers who are involved in the project; recognises that the Chair of LEAP, Gilbert Feron, who was a runner-up for the Unsung Hero award, and wishes the project and its workers all the best in their future endeavours in the Cambuslang and Rutherglen community.

Supported by: Pauline McNeill*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Kenneth Gibson*

***S5M-20068 Alexander Stewart: Closure of Dollar Golf Club**—That the Parliament is saddened at the imminent closure of Dollar Golf Club on 31 December 2019 after 129 years; understands that, as a result of dwindling membership numbers and rising maintenance costs, and following discussions with club's council, it was decided at the November AGM that there was no alternative but for the historic club to cease operations; is saddened at the resulting redundancy of its two full-time ground staff, and sends its very best wishes to everyone involved with the club.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Peter Chapman*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Liz Smith*, Murdo Fraser*

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***[S5M-20067](#) Stewart Stevenson: Successful Renovation of Barclay Park Community Pavilion in Peterhead**—That the Parliament congratulates Peterhead Area Community Trust (PACT) on its successful renovation of Barclay Park Community Pavilion in Peterhead; recognises the substantial effort of PACT, which spent the last 18 months planning and fundraising for the refurbishment; notes that the new building has many important new features, including new entrance ramp, a community area with Wi-Fi throughout, two fully-accessible changing rooms with toilets and showers and an online booking system; welcomes the specific improvements to accessibility, and applauds PACT's mission to improve sporting and recreational facilities for community use to promote community inclusion, health, and happiness; recognises the important role that such facilities have in promoting health, wellness and stronger community ties through sport; commends the members of PACT for their successful first project and all those who made this possible, and looks forward to the public open day at the pavilion on 14 December 2019. **R**
Supported by: Richard Lyle*

***[S5M-20066](#) Stuart McMillan: Care Inspectorate Praises Inverclyde Nursery and Early Learning Services**—That the Parliament commends the findings from a Care Inspectorate report that nursery and early learning services in Inverclyde it believes are among the best in Scotland; notes that inspected childcare centres all achieved a rating of either "Good" or higher, and included centres that scored above the Scottish average in the "Very Good" category; applauds the efforts made by the six council centres at Binnie St. Children's Centre, Bluebird Family Centre, King's Oak Nursery Class, Larkfield Family Centre, Moorfoot Nursery Class and Wellpark Children's Centre, and the two partnership nurseries Enchanted Forest Nursery in Inverkip and West College Scotland Nursery to obtain these high standards; considers that these findings demonstrate effective partnership working between the Scottish Government and Inverclyde Council in providing young people with the best start in life; believes that this report reaffirms Inverclyde as one of the best places in Scotland to raise a family; thanks the committed staff for delivering high-quality care to the children who attend these nurseries, and wishes them well for the future.

***[S5M-20065](#) Stuart McMillan: Whinhill Primary School's Success at the Royal National Mod**—That the Parliament congratulates Whinhill Primary School pupils on receiving a string of awards at the Royal National Mod in Glasgow, which is a celebration of Gaelic music and song; recognises that P6 pupil, Tiarnan Doherty, performed a song and poem in Gaelic and won a silver award for her efforts; considers that this medal is all the more impressive as Tiarnan is not in formal Gaelic education and only learns the language once a week; notes that P3 pupil, Tamzin Watterott, was also successful in the poetry category, receiving a bronze medal; understands that this was the first time in 29 years that the event was held in Glasgow, offering the Greenock-based pupils and staff the chance to take part, and is pleased to note that all 11 pupils who attended coped well with the daunting process of performing in front of judges; commends Mr MacPhee, who teaches Gaelic at the school, for also taking part in two competitions, finishing a close second in the traditional singing category, despite having never competed before; appreciates that 2019 is the 20th year of Gaelic education in Inverclyde and believes that the success of the Whinhill Primary School pupils and Mr MacPhee shows that Gaelic education is still going from strength to strength in the community, and wishes everyone at the school every success for the future.

***[S5M-20064](#) Angela Constance: St Margaret's Academy Celebrates 25th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates St Margaret's Academy in Livingston, which celebrated its 25th anniversary on 21 November 2019; understands that the school has been celebrating the anniversary throughout 2019 and will continue to host events over the next few months, which

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will include staff, parents and the wider community; acknowledges that the school has a proud record of improving attainment and increasing opportunities for young people; commends the excellent work the school does around the catchment area to promote positive links with all parts of the local community, reaching out to, and working with, its neighbours in a strong spirit of mutual respect, and wishes the staff and pupils every success for the future.

Supported by: Neil Findlay*, Miles Briggs*, Stewart Stevenson*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kenneth Gibson*

***S5M-20063 Stuart McMillan: John McMenamin Named Scottish Apprentice of the Year—**

That the Parliament congratulates John McMenamin, a plasterer from Greenock, on being named Scottish Apprentice of the Year; notes that the 21-year-old received the prize at the 2019 Construction Industry Training Board (CITB) Apprenticeship Awards in London, which celebrated the achievements of apprentices and employers across the UK; understands that John works alongside his dad and grandad at their family business, John McMenamin Plastering Services Ltd; recognises that John also won gold in plastering at the UK final of CITB's Skillboard competition; acknowledges that John will go on to mentor future graduates at the City of Glasgow College, where he studied, having completed construction ambassador training through WorldSkills; believes that these awards highlight John's commitment to his job and determination to improve his skills and pass on his knowledge to future graduates, and wishes him well for the future.

Supported by: Sandra White*, Alison Johnstone*, Maureen Watt*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Alexander Burnett* R

***S5M-20061 Alison Johnstone: Deductions from Universal Credit—**That the Parliament understands that Freedom of Information requests published by *The Observer* newspaper show that, in May 2019, 1,048,000 UK universal credit claimants did not receive their full entitlements due to repayment of advances and other debts; notes with regret that a third of all universal credit recipients are experiencing deductions of 20% or more; understands that reasons for deductions include repaying historical tax credit debt and universal credit advances often used by recipients to cover the five-week waiting time; shares concerns expressed by Citizens Advice that "many people on universal credit are struggling to make ends meet, and that deductions are contributing to this"; believes that the five-week waiting time should be removed, and calls on the UK Government to halt all deductions from social security payments, pending an urgent review.

Supported by: Bob Doris*, Rona Mackay*, Stuart McMillan*, Mark Griffin*, Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*, Pauline McNeill*, Bill Kidd*, Andy Wightman*, Mark McDonald*, Patrick Harvie*, Kenneth Gibson*

***S5M-20060 Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Sports Council Awards 2020—**That the Parliament welcomes the news that the nominations are now open for the Clackmannanshire Sports Council annual awards, which will take place during March 2020; acknowledges that this event is regularly well supported across the Wee County and that a record number of entries were received in 2019; understands that both individuals and teams who have displayed a significant commitment to sport over the last 12 months are set to be recognised across 13 categories; notes also that an inspirational speaker is being sought to attend and provide an insight into their individual sporting journey, and wishes all the potential nominees, as well as everyone involved, all the very best in the competition.

Supported by: Gordon Lindhurst*, Liz Smith*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*, Peter Chapman*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Murdo Fraser*

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***[S5M-20059](#) Linda Fabiani: Duncanrig Secondary School Achieves Silver LGBT Charter Mark**—That the Parliament congratulates Duncanrig Secondary School in East Kilbride on achieving the Silver Level of the LGBT Charter Mark; recognises the hard work and dedication of pupils and staff in achieving this prestigious award from LGBT Youth Scotland; notes that the school undertook pupil-led workshops for local agencies on mental health and wellbeing, and welcomes the training and the review of policies, practice and resources that aim to ensure that Duncanrig Secondary School goes beyond meeting legislative needs and is as inclusive as it can be for pupils, staff, parents and the wider community.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Rona Mackay*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*

***[S5M-20057](#) Peter Chapman: Peterhead Club Tackles Hunger**—That the Parliament recognises the Peterhead amateur football team, Buchanhaven FC, for its efforts to help eradicate hunger; notes its partnership with Peterhead Food Bank and commitment to match any food donation; understands that the manager, Aaron Ritchie, aims to “raise awareness and give back at the same time”, and wishes everyone involved the best of success.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*

***[S5M-20056](#) Peter Chapman: Jarvis Court Sheltered Housing Complex Praised by Inspectors**—That the Parliament congratulates Jarvis Court, which is an Aberdeenshire Council-run facility in Fraserburgh, on recently being given high ratings by the Care Inspectorate; notes that the complex, which opened in 2013, has 21 tenants receiving care and support; recognise that the inspectors concluded that the tenants enjoyed a “very good quality experience”, with some mentioning to them that the other residents are like a new family, and wishes the facility continued success.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Edward Mountain*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S5M-20058](#) Gil Paterson: Laura Gray School of Dance Fundraising for Children's Cancer Ward (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Alasdair Allan*, Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Jenny Gilruth*, Kenneth Gibson*

[S5M-20050](#) Alex Rowley: Cuts to Public Swimming Services in Fife (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Elaine Smith*, Monica Lennon*

[S5M-20048](#) Jenny Gilruth: Glenrothes & Area Heritage Centre Awarded Visitor Attraction Status (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson*, Gil Paterson*

[S5M-20047](#) Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde Groups Recognised by Keep Scotland Beautiful (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Alexander Burnett*, Neil Bibby*, Maureen Watt*, Gil Paterson*, Kenneth Gibson*

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S5M-20045 Gil Paterson: 25th Anniversary of Hill View Care Home, Clydebank (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson*, Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-20044 Stuart McMillan: Craigmarloch School to Visit Castle Semple Outdoor Centre (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson*

S5M-20042 Neil Findlay: Universities on Strike (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*

S5M-20041 Gillian Martin: Katie Low, Award-winning Film Maker (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-20040 Dean Lockhart: Burntisland High Street (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Peter Chapman*

S5M-20038 Clare Adamson: Success for New College Lanarkshire Students at WorldSkills 2019 (lodged on 25 November 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Iain Gray*, Bill Kidd*, Jenny Gilruth*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sandra White*

S5M-20037 Clare Adamson: Fair Trade Recognition for Carol Clarke (lodged on 25 November 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Jenny Gilruth*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sandra White*

S5M-20036 Clare Adamson: Success for University Hospital Wishaw's Student-led Styles and Smiles (lodged on 25 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-20035.4 Jeane Freeman: Mental Health (lodged on 26 November 2019)

New Support: Joe FitzPatrick*, Clare Haughey*

S5M-20034 Jenny Gilruth: The Big Climate Fightback (lodged on 25 November 2019)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

S5M-20032 Neil Findlay: Establish a Mesh-injured Women's Fund (lodged on 25 November 2019)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*

S5M-20029 Gail Ross: Unfair Delivery Charges (lodged on 25 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

S5M-20025 Liam McArthur: Alistair Buchan's Retirement as Chief Executive of Orkney Islands Council (lodged on 22 November 2019)

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New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S5M-20018](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa Shortlisted in the 2019 FutureTown Design Competition (lodged on 22 November 2019)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Peter Chapman*

[S5M-20015](#) Annabelle Ewing: Cowdenbeath Leisure Centre Pedal Power (lodged on 22 November 2019)

New Support: Jenny Gilruth*

[S5M-20014](#) Iain Gray: East Lothian Home to Scotland's Best Home Baker (lodged on 22 November 2019)

New Support: Maureen Watt*

[S5M-20004](#) Rona Mackay: Kirkintilloch Pub Named Scotland's Most Dog-friendly (lodged on 21 November 2019)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S5M-19999](#) Gail Ross: NHS Near Me Success (lodged on 21 November 2019)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S5M-19991](#) Lewis Macdonald: Aberdeen Schools Receive UNICEF Award on World Children's Day (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S5M-19988](#) John Mason: Environmental Impact of Black Friday (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S5M-19986](#) Stewart Stevenson: AbilityNet Increases Technology Accessibility (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S5M-19985](#) Joan McAlpine: Eggs, Imports and Tariffs (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S5M-19974](#) Shona Robison: Hullo! Bonjour! Ola! Ciao! (lodged on 20 November 2019)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S5M-19896](#) Claire Baker: Workshops Week 2019 (lodged on 15 November 2019)

New Support: Sarah Boyack*

[S5M-19667](#) John Mason: Review of the Scottish Fiscal Commission by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (lodged on 31 October 2019)

New Support: Richard Lyle*

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[**S5M-19662**](#) **Fulton MacGregor: Tackling Racial Harassment: Universities Challenged** (lodged on 30 October 2019)

New Support: Richard Lyle*

[**S5M-19131**](#) **Mark Ruskell: Tackling Single-use Packaging** (lodged on 26 September 2019)

New Support: Willie Rennie*, Monica Lennon*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 04 December 2019

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

- 1. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to introduce a deposit return scheme for drinks containers. ([S50-03849](#))
- 2. Sarah Boyack:** [Not Lodged]
- 3. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to Oil & Gas UK's *Environment Report 2018*, which highlights a commitment to "playing its part in building a sustainable industry that is progressively lowering its emission intensity". ([S50-03851](#))
- 4. Mike Rumbles:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with stakeholders, including the Scottish SPCA, regarding reforming its animal welfare legislation. ([S50-03852](#))
- 5. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding levels of puppy trafficking through the port of Cairnryan and how much revenue has been recovered by HMRC from this. ([S50-03853](#))
- 6. Anas Sarwar:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in the Glasgow area to tackle climate change. ([S50-03854](#))
- 7. Keith Brown:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that schemes to help improve the environment are given long-term certainty over their future. ([S50-03855](#))
- 8. Jenny Marra:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recommendations in the Scottish Environment Link report, *Environmental Governance: effective approaches for Scotland post-Brexit*. ([S50-03856](#))

Rural Economy

- 1. Colin Beattie:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making with plant passporting. ([S50-03857](#))
- 2. Adam Tomkins:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the support it is providing to the food and drink industry. ([S50-03858](#))
- 3. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure the welfare of farmed animals. ([S50-03859](#))
- 4. Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government how it encourages food production in urban areas, including through the development of derelict spaces. ([S50-03860](#))
- 5. Alison Johnstone:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it will take to reduce gear conflict in Scotland's fisheries. ([S50-03861](#))
- 6. Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the rural economy secretary's offer to lead the end year fisheries negotiations in Brussels has been accepted by the UK Government. ([S50-03862](#))
- 7. Michelle Ballantyne:** To ask the Scottish Government how many applications from rural areas to the Community Asset Transfer Scheme have been refused following an appeal in the last three years. ([S50-03863](#))

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8. Brian Whittle: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure farmers are supported to operate in an environmentally sustainable way. ([S50-03864](#))

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 05 December 2019

Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

- 1. Bruce Crawford:** To ask the Scottish Government how it can help improve safety on the trunk road network. ([S50-03865](#))
- 2. Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish guidance on the provision of bus services by local authorities. ([S50-03866](#))
- 3. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the proposed upgrades at Motherwell railway station. ([S50-03867](#))
- 4. Peter Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government when it expects to announce the preferred bidder to deliver the R100 scheme in the North area. ([S50-03868](#))
- 5. Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what action ScotRail is taking to prepare for the festive season. ([S50-03869](#))
- 6. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to consult on penalty charge levels as part of parking enforcements set out in the Transport (Scotland) Act 2019. ([S50-03870](#))
- 7. Shona Robison:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to improve cycle provision in Dundee. ([S50-03871](#))
- 8. Bill Kidd:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to develop a transport infrastructure suitable for a net-zero economy. ([S50-03872](#))

General Questions selected for answer on 05 December 2019

- 1. Maureen Watt:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in response to concerns regarding the number of hoax calls to the emergency services in Aberdeen. ([S50-03873](#))
- 2. Gail Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports exports of renewable energy technology. ([S50-03874](#))
- 3. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making in developing the draft statutory code of practice for funeral directors. ([S50-03875](#))
- 4. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reduce the amount of time that the police spend assisting people with mental health issues on matters that should not require their presence. ([S50-03876](#))
- 5. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to concerns that the out-of-hours services at the Vale of Leven, Inverclyde Royal and Royal Alexandra hospitals are not functioning effectively. ([S50-03877](#))
- 6. Alison Harris:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met NHS Forth Valley to discuss the board's performance. ([S50-03878](#))
- 7. Mark McDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve access to NHS gender identity services. ([S50-03879](#))
- 8. Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to alleviate underage drinking. ([S50-03880](#))

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9. Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support businesses in the Mull of Kintyre. ([S50-03881](#))

10. Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that public funding does not support the manufacture of munitions. ([S50-03882](#))

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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 27 November 2019

[S5W-26559](#) Bill Kidd: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress with establishing the public inquiry into the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital Campus, Glasgow, and the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People, Edinburgh.

Written questions lodged on 27 November 2019

[S5W-26539](#) John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-26373 by Aileen Campbell on 25 November 2019, on what dates and by what methods the (a) Community Security Trust and (b) Scottish Council of Jewish Communities requested that it adopt the IHRA definition of antisemitism.

[S5W-26540](#) John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-26373 by Aileen Campbell on 25 November 2019, whether it will provide the information requested regarding the names of all of the organisations that made informal requests for it to adopt the IHRA definition of antisemitism.

[S5W-26541](#) John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government on how many occasions in each of the last five years it has met the Community Security Trust, and what issues were discussed.

[S5W-26542](#) John Finnie: To ask the Scottish Government on how many occasions in each of the last five years it has met the Scottish Council of Jewish Communities, and what issues were discussed.

[S5W-26543](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government when it will introduce 12 weeks maternity leave for all (a) its employees and (b) workers in devolved public bodies.

[S5W-26544](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how many prisons officers are trained in the administration of naloxone.

[S5W-26545](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what the waiting times for access to mental health services for prisoners have been in each of the last four quarters.

[S5W-26546](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how many nurses work in prison healthcare, broken down by NHS board.

[S5W-26547](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what the vacancy level is for nurses working in prison healthcare, broken down by NHS board.

[S5W-26548](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what funding it has provided to the National Network for Health and Social Care in Prisons.

[S5W-26549](#) Murdo Fraser: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has plans to use translabial ultrasound scans to locate implanted mesh in a woman's body.

[S5W-26550](#) Tom Mason: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-23390 by Roseanna Cunningham on 6 June 2019, what method it uses to provide assistance to Aberdeen City Council in undertaking air quality assessment, and how much funding (a) has been allocated for this purpose in each of the last three and (b) is expected to be allocated in the next two years. **R**

[S5W-26551](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what stroke guidelines are followed by NHS boards, including which boards follow the latest Royal College of Physicians (RCP) guidelines, and what its position is on rolling out the RCP guidelines to all boards.

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[S5W-26552](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what collaboration there is between stroke professionals in Scotland and their international partners, and how this has been used to (a) improve the design and work of NHS stroke units and (b) help ensure that patients receive evidenced-based care of a world class standard.

[S5W-26555](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government how many strokes have been recorded in each of the last 10 years, broken down by NHS board, and what targets it has set to reduce incidence.

[S5W-26556](#) Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government how Scotland contributes to the European Stroke Organisation strategy 2018-2030, including the target to reduce incidence across Europe by 10%.

[S5W-26557](#) Jenny Marra: To ask the Scottish Government how much of the additional £20 million in funding that was announced by the Minister for Public Health, Sport and Wellbeing in summer 2019 has been allocated to NHS Tayside.

[S5W-26558](#) Brian Whittle: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the proposed sale of Glasgow Prestwick Airport, and what the latest timetable is for completion of the process.

[S5W-26560](#) Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government what action it takes to ensure that the website of its Energy Consents Unit records all information in a timeous manner, which is fit for purpose, transparent and audited, and how it monitors the effectiveness of this.

[S5W-26561](#) Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government whether all documentation received during an S36 planning application consultation is made public on its Energy Consents Unit website.

[S5W-26562](#) Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that, during a consultation process, the website of its Energy Consents Unit provides (a) transparent information regarding timescales and (b) updates.

[S5W-26563](#) Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government by what date it will publish the results of the A9 HGV speed limit trial, and what plans it has to carry out a similar exercise on the A75.

[S5W-26565](#) Finlay Carson: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on introducing hard engineering traffic calming measures, such as traffic islands, on the A75 at Springholm village.

Members' Bills Proposals

Proposals for Members' Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no statement is made that the Scottish Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at Proposals for Members' Bills/Session 5 Proposals:

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/12419.aspx>

Final Proposals for Member's Bills

Claire Baker: Proposed Culpable Homicide (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to amend the law of culpable homicide to ensure that where loss of life is caused by the recklessness or gross negligence of individuals, companies or organisations that, where proved, the wrongdoer can be convicted of the offence that reflects the appropriate seriousness and moral opprobrium of what occurred.

(lodged 12 November 2019)

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

Supported by: **Jenny Marra, *Richard Leonard, *Neil Findlay, *Rhoda Grant, *Daniel Johnson, *Johann Lamont, *Colin Smyth, *Alex Rowley, *Iain Gray, *John Finnie, * Mark Ruskell, *Jackie Baillie, *Claudia Beamish, *Lewis Macdonald, *Bill Kidd, *Monica Lennon, *Pauline McNeill, * Sarah Boyack, *James Kelly, *Mark MacDonald, *Alison Johnstone**

Margaret Mitchell: Proposed Mediation (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to increase the use and consistency of mediation services for certain civil cases by establishing a new standardised process for mediation in Scottish courts which includes provision of a mandatory information process (lodged 12 November 2019)

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

Supported by:

Pauline McNeill MSP: Proposed Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to protect private sector tenants by introducing measures to limit rent increases and to increase the availability of information about rent levels (lodged 14 November 2019).

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The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

Supported by: *Jackie Baillie, *Iain Gray, *Monica Lennon

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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)), 20 November 2019

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 29 October 2019

Children (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (briefing, lead committee (Justice)), 26 November 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

Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education and Skills Committee)), 20 November 2019

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 14 November 2019

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

Introduced, 26 November 2019

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 2) (Local Government and Communities Committee), 4 December 2019

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 20 November 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 2 (Day 2) (Finance and Constitution Committee), 4 December 2019

Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice Committee)), 26 November 2019

Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 28 November 2019

Stage 1 Report – Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee (14th Report, 2019)

Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities Committee)), 21 November 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)

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

Preliminary Stage (Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee), 26 November 2019

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2, 28 November 2019

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

Passed, 21 March 2018

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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 06 December 2019

[Official Statistics \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#)
(25 October 2019) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work)

Lead Committee report due by 06 December 2019

[Public Services Reform \(The Scottish Public Services Ombudsman\) \(Healthcare Whistleblowing\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (28 October 2019) (Health and Sport)

Lead Committee report due by 09 December 2019

[Scotland Act 1998 \(Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (31 October 2019) (Social Security)

Lead Committee report due by 10 December 2019

[Criminal Justice \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Support for Vulnerable Persons\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (01 November 2019) (Justice)

Lead Committee report due by 10 December 2019

[Planning \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Ancillary Provision\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#)
(08 November 2019) (Local Government and Communities)

[Environment \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#)

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(08 November 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 28 November 2019
Lead committee to report by 25 November 2019

[M8 Motorway \(Junction 29A Off Slip Road\) \(40mph Speed Limit\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/312\)](#)
(04 October 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity)

Subject to annulment by 05 December 2019
Lead committee to report by 02 December 2019

[Conservation \(Natural Habitats, &c.\) Amendment \(No. 2\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/320\)](#)
(11 October 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

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Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 27 November 2019 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Young Start Annual Report 2018-2019 SG/2019/245 laid under Schedule 3, Part 3, Paragraph 9 of the Dormant Bank and Building Society Accounts Act 2008

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