

Thursday 30 April 2020

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Announcement - Members' Virtual Question Time

The Presiding Officer wishes to remind Members that Members' Virtual Question Time (Local Government and Communities) will take place today (Thursday 30 April 2020) from 2.00-2.45pm. It can be viewed on the Scottish Parliament TV webpage: [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv)

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

### Committee Meetings

**10:00am** Social Security Committee

Today's Business  
*Gnothaichean an-diugh*

Future Business  
*Gnothaichean ri teachd*

Motions & Questions  
*Gluasadan agus Ceistean*

Legislation  
*Reachdas*

Other  
*Eile*

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## Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

## Committee Meetings

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

### Social Security Committee 9th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Scottish Government social security programme:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People, Ann McVie, Deputy Director Social Security Policy and Reserved Benefits, and Alison Byrne, Deputy Director, Social Security Programme Management and Delivery Division, Scottish Government;

David Wallace, Chief Executive, Social Security Scotland.

3. **Scottish Government social security programme:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 29 April 2020

### Tuesday 5 May 2020

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Economy (COVID-19)

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

### Wednesday 6 May 2020

**2:45 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:45 pm** First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Consumer Scotland Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**5:30 pm** Decision Time

### Tuesday 12 May 2020

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Suppressing COVID: Next Phase

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

### Wednesday 13 May 2020

**2:45 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:45 pm** First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**5:15 pm** Decision Time

## 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>

### Education and Skills Committee

1 May 2020

9th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on [www.scottishparliament.tv](http://www.scottishparliament.tv)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Scottish Qualifications Authority - Covid-19:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Fiona Robertson, Chief Executive, and Robert Quinn, Head of English, Languages & Business, Scottish Qualifications Authority.

3. **Review of evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier.

### Proposed future business

For further information on the Committees future work please contact Roz Thomson the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are [es.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:es.committee@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.

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S5M-21607](#) Liam McArthur: Welcoming Funding for Age Scotland Orkney**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Age Scotland Orkney has secured funding to continue its range of essential services delivered through the Dementia Orkney Project; notes that the organisation has received £120,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund, £51,000 from the Robertson Trust and £10,000 from Dementia Friendly Orkney; understands that the funding will support initiatives delivered by the project to support people living with dementia and their carers across the islands; considers that the project has delivered exceptional work since it was established in 2017 to help Orkney to become more dementia-friendly and address the low diagnosis rate of dementia across the islands; welcomes in particular the establishment of a Dementia Hub to provide information and advice to those affected by the condition; pays tribute to Age Scotland Orkney Chief Executive, Gillian Skuse, and Dementia Coordinator, Stephanie Stanger, as well as the outstanding staff and volunteers who have worked tirelessly to make the project a success by providing a comprehensive range of essential services that improve the quality of life for people living with dementia and their carers across Orkney, and wishes the team at Age Scotland Orkney the very best in their work to further enhance their existing services and develop new ones going forward.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*[S5M-21606](#) Alexander Stewart: Clackmannan Development Trust's Bike Loans for Key Workers**—That the Parliament applauds the Clackmannan Development Trust, which is supporting frontline staff across the community by offering a free bicycle loan service to allow them to travel to and from work; understands that, with the area's bus operator suspending its services during the COVID-19 outbreak and car-sharing being difficult or impossible because of social distancing, the Trust identified that there were very few transport options for the workers to commute; acknowledges that the bike scheme is possible thanks to funding from Cycling Scotland, from which the Trust purchase a small fleet of cycles earlier in 2020; notes that the bikes are available in a range of sizes to meet everyone's needs; acknowledges that the key workers who already own a bike that might require some service work can receive this from Scott Bamford, who is the Trust's active travel co-ordinator; recognises that a number of workers have benefitted from the scheme, and commends everyone involved with this highly magnanimous gesture.

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Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Margaret Mitchell\*

**\*[S5M-21605](#) Mark McDonald: The Event Complex Aberdeen Recognised at RICS Social Impact Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates The Event Complex Aberdeen (TECA) on winning the award for Best Commercial Project at the Royal Institution for Chartered Surveyors (RICS) Social Impact Awards; acknowledges that the venue, which has been open for one year, was described by RICS as “a world-class events and leisure complex”; understands that this project demonstrates how buildings can make towns and cities more inclusive, and can deliver communities that people can be proud of; notes that the design of TECA includes an energy centre; further notes that food and garden waste collected throughout Aberdeen is digested at an anaerobic plant, resulting in hydrogen gas, which powers the energy centre, supplying the entire Events Complex, including on-site hotels, and looks forward to the reopening of this fabulous new facility when the COVID-19 crisis is under control.

Supported by: Richard Lyle\*, Maureen Watt\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*[S5M-21604](#) Sarah Boyack: North Edinburgh Community Support**—That the Parliament recognises the key role that North Edinburgh Arts is playing in supporting its community throughout the COVID-19 pandemic; commends its innovative Scran Academy, which is providing hot meals in Muirhouse and Pilton; applauds Muirhouse Low Income Families Together, Granton Community Gardeners, Spartans Community Football Academy and the Drylaw Neighbourhood Centre which are all delivering packed lunches; notes that Fresh Start, Muirhouse Low Income Families Together, Bethany Gateway, Forthview Primary School, and the Drylaw Rainbow Club Centre are also providing food, cleaning and toiletry packs across the north of the capital; welcomes the work of the Cyrenians in supporting homeless people and refugees, and acknowledges the vital role that community-run organisations are playing and, it believes, will continue to play as the country emerges from the pandemic.

Supported by: Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Richard Lyle\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*[S5M-21603](#) Mark McDonald: Aberdeen Girl Goes the Extra Mile for the Scottish Ambulance Service**—That the Parliament applauds the fundraising efforts of the Bridge of Don resident, Frankie Tuckwell; acknowledges that the eight-year-old will run 100km over 21 days to raise funds for the Scottish Ambulance Service; understands that she will run just under 5km each day to meet her goal; highlights that she has already raised over £1,200, which far exceeds her initial target of £200; commends her kindhearted initiative to help key workers during her time spent in lock-down, and wishes her every success in her challenge.

Supported by: Richard Lyle\*, Maureen Watt\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*[S5M-21602](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Recognised at the EU RESponsible Island Prizes**—That the Parliament congratulates Orkney on being recognised at the first EU RESponsible Island Prizes; understands that the contest rewards achievements by islands for innovative renewable energy solutions and achievements in energy production, electricity, heating, cooling and transport; acknowledges that Orkney was awarded the third-place prize of €100,000, which was funded by the EU Research and Innovation programme, Horizon 2020, in recognition of its efforts to overcome energy challenges and become one of the European leaders in the use of novel green technologies for decarbonisation; pays tribute to the many groups and people that have contributed to this success by developing projects and technology, such as the Marinus Tidal Energy Platform and the ReFLEX project, which use renewable energy sources and allow Orkney to realise its green energy potential; thanks the Orkney Renewable Energy Forum in particular for its hard work and dedication in driving forward the islands' successful renewable

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energy sector; believes that its outstanding efforts have contributed significantly to this prestigious recognition, and hopes that it will inspire other islands and communities across Scotland to the make the most of their renewable energy opportunities.

Supported by: Bruce Crawford\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*[S5M-21601](#) Rachael Hamilton: Marks and Spencer Launches New Campaign Backing British Farmers**—That the Parliament congratulates Marks and Spencer on championing and supporting British farmers during the COVID-19 pandemic; notes that it has launched a six-week TV, digital and in-store campaign to encourage support for British farmers; understands that new sales initiatives will support British farmers, including a 100% British meat food box and new bedding plants; recognises that Marks and Spencer is committed to supporting farmers facing issues due to interruptions to the supply chain as a result of the current lock-down; recognises that the retailer supports the Milk Pledge price promise, and thanks all farmers for continuing to produce excellent produce to feed the nation during a time of national crisis.

Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Edward Mountain\* **R**, Margaret Mitchell\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Finlay Carson\* **R**, Murdo Fraser\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S5M-21598](#) Sandra White: Sikhs in Scotland Supporting Communities** (lodged on 28 April 2020)

New Support: Anas Sarwar\*, Neil Bibby\*

**[S5M-21597](#) Neil Findlay: West Lothian Foodbank Continues Service Throughout COVID-19 Outbreak** (lodged on 28 April 2020)

New Support: Sarah Boyack\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**[S5M-21594](#) Neil Findlay: Reverend James Liddle Keeps Spirits High in Harthill and Greenrigg** (lodged on 28 April 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-21590](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Craig Jackson's 12x12 Challenge** (lodged on 28 April 2020)

New Support: Alexander Stewart\*, Miles Briggs\*, Richard Lyle\*, Finlay Carson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-21587](#) Bruce Crawford: 1,000 Frontline Staff and Students Help the Forth Valley COVID-19 Response** (lodged on 28 April 2020)

New Support: Sandra White\*, Rona Mackay\*, Emma Harper\*, Richard Lyle\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-21583](#) Neil Findlay: International Workers' Memorial Day** (lodged on 28 April 2020)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*, Elaine Smith\*

**[S5M-21582](#) Fulton MacGregor: International Workers' Memorial Day 2020** (lodged on 28 April 2020)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*, Monica Lennon\*, Elaine Smith\*

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**[S5M-21581](#) Emma Harper: Thanks to Dumfries and Galloway Fire and Rescue Service**  
(lodged on 28 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21580](#) Sandra White: Partick Community Growing Project Supporting Communities During Coronavirus Lockdown** (lodged on 27 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21575](#) Jeremy Balfour: Burpees Challenge Raising Funds for NHS** (lodged on 27 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21574](#) Jeremy Balfour: Scrان Academy Response to COVID-19** (lodged on 27 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21571](#) Gail Ross: Wick Lifeboat Station Raises Funds for the Pulteney Centre** (lodged on 27 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21570](#) Jackie Baillie: Social Distancing, a Guide for Retailers** (lodged on 27 April 2020)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Neil Bibby\*, James Kelly\*

**[S5M-21569](#) Alison Johnstone: Hibs Thank the NHS** (lodged on 27 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21568](#) Maurice Golden: Pulling Together Supporting the East Renfrewshire Jewish Community** (lodged on 27 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21567](#) Angus MacDonald: 20,000 Litres of Sanitiser Produced at CalaChem, Grangemouth** (lodged on 27 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21565](#) Rona Mackay: Young People's Wellbeing During COVID-19** (lodged on 27 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21564](#) Angela Constance: Stoneyburn and Bents Future Vision Group** (lodged on 24 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21563](#) Angela Constance: NHS Lothian Opens COVID-19 Testing Centre at West Lothian College** (lodged on 24 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

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**[S5M-21562](#) Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Couple Making Face Shields for Key Workers**  
(lodged on 24 April 2020)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Brian Whittle\*, Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Edward Mountain\*, Sarah Boyack\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-21560](#) Jeremy Balfour: Edinburgh Young Scot Award Finalists** (lodged on 24 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21559](#) Richard Lyle: Community Spirit in Newarthill** (lodged on 24 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21556](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Amnesty International Death Penalty Report** (lodged on 24 April 2020)

New Support: Willie Rennie\*

**[S5M-21555](#) George Adam: St Mirren FC Charitable Foundation, Tackling COVID-19 Challenges** (lodged on 24 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21554](#) David Torrance: Fife Free Press, Weekly Newspaper of the Year** (lodged on 24 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21553](#) Dean Lockhart: University of Stirling Loans Beds to the NHS Louisa Jordan Facility** (lodged on 24 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21551](#) Margaret Mitchell: Larkhall and District Volunteer Group** (lodged on 23 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21548](#) Annabelle Ewing: Thumbs Up for Your Postie Campaign** (lodged on 23 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21547](#) Alasdair Allan: Thumbs Up for Your Postie** (lodged on 23 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21546](#) Mark McDonald: Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week 2020** (lodged on 23 April 2020)

New Support: Donald Cameron\*

**[S5M-21544](#) Annabelle Ewing: Cowdenbeath FC's Birthday Wishes** (lodged on 23 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21540](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Belhaven Bursary for Innovation in Scottish Music** (lodged on 23 April 2020)

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New Support: Alexander Stewart\*, Miles Briggs\*, Richard Lyle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Finlay Carson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-21539](#) Michelle Ballantyne: Cairnsie Music Recording** (lodged on 23 April 2020)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Edward Mountain\*, Richard Lyle\*, Finlay Carson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-21538](#) Jeremy Balfour: Resilient Musselburgh** (lodged on 23 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21530](#) Gillian Martin: Sandy Brown, Landlord of the Blue Lamp** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21527](#) Bill Kidd: International Workers' Memorial Day 2020** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bob Doris\*, Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21526](#) Peter Chapman: The Generosity of the Klondyke Fishing Company** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21525](#) Ruth Maguire: NHS Virtual Band Spreads Joy** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21524](#) Ruth Maguire: Kilwinning's Scott Renton Completes Lockdown Half-marathon** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21523](#) Ruth Maguire: Ayrshire Children's Gift to Care Homes** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21521](#) Kenneth Gibson: Recognising the Generosity of TR Bonnyman Son & Co Ltd** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21520](#) Donald Cameron: Kinlochleven Power Station** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21518](#) Annabelle Ewing: Maci's Rainbows Raise £1,000 for Foodbank** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

**[S5M-21517](#) Annabelle Ewing: NHS Fife Connecting Families During the COVID-19 Outbreak** (lodged on 22 April 2020)

New Support: Bruce Crawford\*

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## Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

### Written questions lodged on 29 April 2020

**[S5W-28762 Gil Paterson](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the COVID-19 outbreak, whether it (a) plans to use or (b) has used the powers it has to designate any airports and, if so, which.

**[S5W-28764 Rachael Hamilton](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding the decision to temporarily relax UK competition law to support the dairy industry during the COVID-19 outbreak.

**[S5W-28765 Rachael Hamilton](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with (a) Dairy UK, (b) the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (AHDB) and (c) other rural stakeholders in Scotland regarding assisting the dairy industry during the COVID-19 outbreak.

**[S5W-28767 Rachael Hamilton](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of current milk prices, and whether it will adjust relevant funding to respond to the needs of the industry.

**[S5W-28768 Rachael Hamilton](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) foundation, (b) modern and (c) graduate apprenticeships are administered by Skills Development Scotland through (i) contracted learning providers and (ii) direct employer contracts in (A) tourism and (B) agriculture.

**[S5W-28769 Rachael Hamilton](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what support is provided to Skills Development Scotland for (a) foundation, (b) modern and (c) graduate apprenticeships in (i) tourism and (ii) agriculture.

**[S5W-28770 Rachael Hamilton](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment has been undertaken regarding (a) apprenticeship and (b) graduate workforce planning for the (i) tourism and (ii) agriculture sector.

**[S5W-28771 Rachael Hamilton](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what future funding it has planned to support the expansion of (a) tourism and (b) agriculture courses at further education institutions.

**[S5W-28772 Jeremy Balfour](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to add people who have undergone a splenectomy to the COVID-19 shielding list, in line with the position in England.

**[S5W-28773 Miles Briggs](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns regarding the accuracy of some of the COVID-19 testing kits that it has procured from overseas, and how it ensures that all such kits fully comply with safety standards.

**[S5W-28775 Monica Lennon](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the comments by the Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, Europe and External Affairs regarding social care assessments during the ministerial statement on 28 April 2020 (*Official Report*, c. 14), how many care packages have been (a) withdrawn or (b) reduced since the commencement of emergency legislation in response to COVID-19; how many new care assessments have been carried out during the same period, and how this compares with the average number of assessments carried out prior to the COVID-19 outbreak.

**[S5W-28776 Monica Lennon](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) anaesthetists and (b) other NHS staff have been redeployed since the start of the COVID-19 outbreak.

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**[S5W-28777](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government (a) how many and (b) what proportion of anaesthetists in each NHS board have been absent from work due to suspected or confirmed COVID-19.

**[S5W-28778](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government how many anaesthetists have been tested for COVID-19, and how many have tested positive.

**[S5W-28779](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address potential shortages of anaesthetic drugs.

**[S5W-28780](#) Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what assurances it can provide that colleges will not be financially penalised through Skills Development Scotland if they are not able to meet all of their outcome targets on apprentices and the Flexible Workforce Development Fund.

**[S5W-28781](#) Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial guarantees it will provide to colleges, in light of the sector expecting to lose approximately £40 million in the current academic year and between £70 and £80 million in the next academic year as a result of COVID-19.

**[S5W-28782](#) Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government whether Barnett consequentials from the UK Department for Education's investment in colleges will be passed onto colleges in Scotland.

**[S5W-28783](#) Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the college sector will receive any funding from Barnett consequentials intended for Higher Education in Scotland, in light of colleges delivering 26% of this.

**[S5W-28784](#) Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what assurances it can provide that the Scottish Funding Council will take a flexible approach regarding financing for colleges in relation to the sector's activity and its 116,000 FTE target.

**[S5W-28785](#) Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the downturn in the oil and gas industry and the COVID-19 crisis, what discussions it has had with Oil and Gas UK regarding support for the sector.

**[S5W-28786](#) Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the downturn in the oil and gas industry and the COVID-19 crisis, what discussions it has had with trade unions regarding support for the sector.

**[S5W-28787](#) Lewis Macdonald:** To ask the Scottish Government whether companies in the oil and gas industry can use staff furlough schemes for employees who might face redundancy as a result of the (a) downturn in the oil and gas industry and/or (b) COVID-19 crisis.

**[S5W-28788](#) Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide details of all contracts awarded by Ferguson Marine since it was taken into public control in August 2019, and indicate whether each contract was put out to tender, and what the total cost was of each contract.

**[S5W-28789](#) Dean Lockhart:** To ask the Scottish Government how much the contract Caledonian Maritime Assets Limited (CMAL) announced on 2 April 2020 to KC LNG to design and install Scotland's first liquefied natural gas bunkering facilities at Uig and Ardrossan will cost, and whether the contract was put out to tender.

**[S5W-28790](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-28227 by Clare Haughey on 28 April 2020, what action it is taking in response to the reported concerns that the safeguards in mental health law are not effective.

**[S5W-28791](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to reduce false fire alarm signals from premises owned or occupied by public sector organisations.

**[S5W-28792](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on how many fire engineering training courses are provided annually, broken down by the providing institution.

**[S5W-28793](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government how many Scottish Fire and Rescue Service personnel have attended fire engineering courses in each of the last five calendar years.

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**[S5W-28794](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's external training budget has been in each of the last five financial years, and what the corresponding expenditure out-turn for external training has been in the same period.

## New Bills and Accompanying Documents

### New Bills introduced or reprinted on 29 April 2020

**Travelling Funfairs (Licensing) (Scotland) Bill**—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to provide anew for the licensing of travelling funfairs.

Introduced by: Richard Lyle

Supported by: Clare Adamson, Jackson Carlaw, Maurice Corry, Mary Fee, Christine Grahame, Bill Kidd, Richard Leonard, Fulton MacGregor, Ruth Maguire, Gillian Martin, Stuart McMillan, Alex Neil, Gil Paterson, David Torrance, Maureen Watt, Annie Wells

Explanatory Notes (SP Bill 69-EN), a Financial Memorandum (SP Bill 69-FM), a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 69-PM), and statements on legislative competence (SP Bill 69-LC) were printed to accompany the Bill.

## New Subordinate Legislation

### New Subordinate Legislation

#### Affirmative Instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 29 April 2020 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Direct Payments (Crop Diversification Derogation) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/135)  
Laid under Article 71B(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013

## 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.

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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 debate, 5 May 2020

*Stage 1 Report - Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee (3rd Report, 2020)*

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

Stage 1 completed, 12 March 2020

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### **Children (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 25 February 2020

### **Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 debate, 13 May 2020

Stage 1 Report – Equalities and Human Rights Committee (1<sup>st</sup> report, March 2020)

### **Consumer Scotland Bill (G)**

Stage 3 debate, 6 May 2020

### **Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice Committee)), 17 March 2020

### **Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 11 March 2020

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health and Sport Committee)), 24 March 2020

### **Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 23 April 2020

### **Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Introduced, 2 March 2020

Lead committee – Economy, Energy and Fair Work

### **Liability for NHS Charges (Treatment of Industrial Disease) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 9 March 2020

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

Stage 1 completed, 25 February 2020

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy, Energy and Fair Work)), 3 March 2020

### **Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 12 March 2020

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### **Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (Social Security Committee), 30 April 2020

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

Preliminary Stage Report, 15 January 2020

### **Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 3 February 2020

*Lead committee – Economy, Energy and Fair Work*

### **Travelling Funfairs (Licensing) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 29 April 2020

### **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**

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### **Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill-LCM-S5-34**

Lodged on 26 February 2020

Lead committee – Justice

Meeting of the Parliament, 24 March 2020

### **Birmingham Commonwealth Games Bill LCM-S5-31**

Lodged on 30 January 2020

Lead committee – Health and Sport

Meeting of the Parliament, 4 March 2020

### **Domestic Abuse Bill LCM-S5-35**

Lodged on 16 March 2020

### **Private International Law (Implementation of Agreements) Bill LCM-S5-37**

Lodged on 30 March 2020

### **Sentencing (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Bill LCM-S5-32**

Lodged on 5 February 2020

Lead committee – Justice

Meeting of the Parliament, 17 March 2020

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### Affirmative instruments

**Lead Committee report due 10 May 2020**

[Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (*16 March 2020*)  
(Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

[Environmental Regulation \(Enforcement Measures\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (*16 March 2020*) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

**Lead Committee report due 20 May 2020**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/126\)](#) (*21 April 2020*) (COVID-19 Committee)

**Lead Committee report due 7 June 2020**

[Direct Payments \(Crop Diversification Derogation\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/135\)](#) (*29 April 2020*) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

### Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment by 30 March 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 30 March 2020**

[Local Government Pension Scheme \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/31\)](#) (*20 February 2020*) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 10 May 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 4 May 2020**

[UEFA European Championship \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Compensation for Enforcement Action\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/79\)](#) (*16 March 2020*) (Culture, Tourism and External Affairs Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 20 May 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 18 May 2020**

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Coronavirus Reliefs\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/1010\)](#) (*26 March 2020*) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 26 May 2020**  
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[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) \(Coronavirus\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/108\)](#) (*1 April 2020*) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

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**Subject to annulment by 27 May 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 25 May 2020**

[Carer's Allowance \(Coronavirus\) \(Breaks in Care\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/117\)](#)  
*(2 April 2020)* (Social Security Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 28 May 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 25 May 2020**

[Gender Representation on Public Boards \(Scotland\) Act 2018 \(Reports\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/120\)](#)  
*(3 April 2020)* (Equalities and Human Rights Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 29 May 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 25 May 2020**

[Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions \(Scotland\) Amendment Rules 2020 \(SSI 2020/122\)](#)  
*(7 April 2020)* (Justice Committee)

[Electricity Works \(Miscellaneous Temporary Modifications\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/123\)](#)  
*(14 April 2020)* (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

[Town and Country Planning \(Miscellaneous Temporary Modifications\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/124\)](#)  
*(14 April 2020)* (Local Government and Communities Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 31 May 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 25 May 2020**

[Education \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/128\)](#)  
*(22 April 2020)* (Education and Skills Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 1 June 2020**  
**Lead Committee report due by 1 June 2020**

[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/129\)](#)  
*(23 April 2020)* (Local Government and Communities Committee)

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