

Thursday 10 December 2020

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

12:20 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

12:20 pm First Minister's Questions

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish
General Election (Coronavirus) Bill

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Forensic
Medical Services (Victims of Sexual
Offences) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Scottish
General Election (Coronavirus) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6:35 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

9:00am COVID-19 Committee

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

9:00am Equalities and Human Rights
Committee

9:00am Social Security Committee

9:30am Standards, Procedures and Public
Appointments Committee

10:00am Public Audit and Post-legislative
Scrutiny Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

12:20 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

12:20 pm First Minister's Questions

1. **Ruth Davidson:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04636](#))
2. **Richard Leonard:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04637](#))
3. **Patrick Harvie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04638](#))
4. **Willie Rennie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-04639](#))
5. **Emma Harper:** To ask the First Minister what support is being offered to food and drink businesses in Scotland to prepare for Brexit. ([S5F-04649](#))
6. **Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the First Minister how many staff are employed to answer calls to book COVID-19 tests in Scotland. ([S5F-04653](#))
7. **Jenny Marra:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's position is on whether puberty-blocking drugs should continue to be administered to children in Scotland. ([S5F-04641](#))

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

1. **Richard Lyle:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with North Lanarkshire Council and the Glasgow City Region City Deal regarding dualling the A723 Carfin bypass. ([S5O-04841](#))
2. **Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is regarding free bus travel for all. ([S5O-04842](#))
3. **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to upgrade the Edinburgh City Bypass. ([S5O-04843](#))
4. **Gordon Lindhurst:** To ask the Scottish Government what provision it has made to ensure that both publicly- and privately-owned public transport continues to operate viably, in light of reduced passenger numbers and changing working patterns following COVID-19. ([S5O-04844](#))
5. **Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government what investment it is making in travel infrastructure to help reduce the carbon footprint of the people of the north east. ([S5O-04845](#))
6. **Beatrice Wishart:** To ask the Scottish Government how it has supported Shetland's internal ferry services. ([S5O-04846](#))
7. **Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its winter preparedness for the road and rail network. ([S5O-04847](#))
8. **Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its plans to improve the A83 at Rest and Be Thankful and A82 at Fort William. ([S5O-04848](#))

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish General Election (Coronavirus) Bill

[S5M-23648](#) Graeme Dey: Scottish General Election (Coronavirus) Bill—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Scottish General Election (Coronavirus) Bill.

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill

[S5M-23647](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Stage 3 Timetable—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limits indicated, those time limits being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended (other than a suspension following the first division in the Stage being called) or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 to 4: 40 minutes

Groups 5 to 7: 1 hour 10 minutes.

[S5M-23646](#) Jeane Freeman: Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Financial Resolution: Scottish General Election (Coronavirus) Bill

[S5M-23466](#) Kate Forbes: Scottish General Election (Coronavirus) Bill: Financial Resolution—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Scottish General Election (Coronavirus) 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

[S5M-23667](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees to the following revision to the programme of business on Wednesday 16 December 2020—

delete

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

and insert

1.40 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1.40 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Economy and Tourism

[S5M-23668](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees, for the purposes of its consideration of the Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill, under Rule 9.6.3A of the Standing Orders, that the Parliament shall consider the general principles of the Bill on the third sitting day after publication of the lead committee report.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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6:35 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

COVID-19 Committee 24th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a virtual meeting and broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **Declaration of interests:** John Mason will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Covid-19: The social and economic Impact of restrictions over winter:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Gordon Dewar, Chief Executive, Edinburgh Airport;
Robbie Drummond, Managing Director, CalMac Ferries Ltd;
Alex Hynes, Managing Director, Scotland's Railway;
Alastair Wilson, Director, Wilson's of Rhu Ltd.
3. **Ministerial statement: Covid-19; and Subordinate legislation** The Committee will take evidence on the latest Ministerial Statement on Covid-19; the Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Restrictions and Requirements) (Local Levels) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 7) Regulations 2020 [draft] and The Health Protection (Coronavirus) (Protection from Eviction) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] from—
Michael Russell, Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, Europe and External Affairs, and Professor Jason Leitch, National Clinical Director, Scottish Government.

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee 31st Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a virtual meeting and will be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **Declaration of interests:** Christine Grahame will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Immigration:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Kevin Foster, Minister for Public Borders and Immigration, Stuart Ison, Director, Transition, and Philippa Rouse, Director, Future Border and Immigration System Directorate, Home Office, UK Government.
3. **Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Negotiation of the future relationship between the European Union and the UK Government (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Equalities and Human Rights Committee 27th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Social Security Committee 26th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in a virtual meeting and will be broadcast on scottishparliament.tv

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3, and future briefings on the impact of Brexit on Scottish social security, in private.
2. **The Social Security Response to Covid:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People, Scottish Government;

David Wallace, Chief Executive, Social Security Scotland;

Dawn Abell, Head of the Scottish Child Payment and Reserved Benefits Unit, and Callum Smith, Reserved and Working Age Benefits Team Leader, Scottish Government.

3. **The Social Security Response to Covid:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 24th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland:** The Committee will take oral evidence from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland on her annual report—
Caroline Anderson, Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland;
Ian Bruce, Public Appointments Manager, Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland.
3. **Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Resilience of the Scottish Parliament's practices and procedures (in private):** The Committee will consider a note by the clerk.

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 29th Meeting, 2020

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Gail Ross will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
3. **Section 22 report - The 2019/20 audit of NHS Tayside:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Fiona Mitchell-Knight, Audit Director, Audit Services, and Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland.

4. **Section 22 report - The 2019/20 audit of Social Security Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark Taylor, Audit Director, and Carole Grant, Senior Audit Manager, Audit Services, Audit Scotland.

5. **Section 22 report - The 2019/20 audit of Social Security Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 4 and take further evidence from—

Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark Taylor, Audit Director, and Carole Grant, Senior Audit Manager, Audit Services, Audit Scotland.

6. **Section 22 report - The 2019/20 audit of NHS Tayside:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—

Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Fiona Mitchell-Knight, Audit Director, Audit Services, and Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland.

7. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 9 December 2020

Tuesday 15 December 2020

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Ministerial Statement: COVID-19

followed by Ministerial Statement: Managing Scotland's Fisheries in the Future

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business — S5M-22945 Kenneth Gibson: Establishing New No Take Zones

Wednesday 16 December 2020

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Justice and the Law Officers; Constitution, Europe and External Affairs

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Parliamentary Standards (Sexual Harassment and Complaints Process) Bill

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-23592 Sarah Boyack: Interlinked Fire and Smoke Alarm Systems

Thursday 17 December 2020

12:20 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

12:20 pm First Minister's Questions

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Economy, Fair Work and Culture

Economy, Fair Work and Culture

followed by Ministerial Statement: Supporting EU, EEA and Swiss citizens to Stay in Scotland

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6:05 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 22 December 2020

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: COVID-19

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 23 December 2020

12:20 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business

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.

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-23661](#) Gil Paterson: Local Poet Becomes the New “Bankie Bard”**—That the Parliament congratulates the Clydebank poet, Hamish MacDonald, the new “Bankie Bard, on becoming the official bard of Clydebank FC after writing a new book about the club; understands that Hamish launched his book, *Kilbowie Dreams*, recently, which takes its name from the famous ground that was previously Clydebank’s home until 1996; commends Hamish for his work, and recognises his achievement in being given this honorary role, and wishes Hamish and Clydebank FC continuing success for the future in their collaboration.

***[S5M-23660](#) Gil Paterson: Clydebank District Heating System Switched on for First Time**—That the Parliament recognises the now operational high-tech heating system that it considers will make Clydebank one of the greenest areas in the country; commends the district heating network as the first large-scale water source heat pump scheme of its kind in Scotland and believes that it will transform the way that homes, businesses and public buildings in the centre of the town are heated; notes that the system works by extracting water from the River Clyde to generate heat for buildings on the site of the former John Brown Shipyard, which is now known as Queens Quay; understands that the project has just been completed on behalf of West Dunbartonshire Council; acknowledges the hard work that has gone into making this project happen, and wishes continuing success for the future of the project.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Annabelle Ewing*, Stuart McMillan*, John Finnie*, Fulton MacGregor*, Jackie Baillie*, David Torrance*

***[S5M-23659](#) Gail Ross: UHI and Ross County FC Announce Latest Collaboration.** —That the Parliament welcomes the announcement of the latest collaboration between the UHI and the SPFL club, Ross County FC, which seeks to develop educational prospects for students, staff and the wider community; understands that this continues a longstanding history of co-operation between the university and the club which has included digital-based projects and nutritional-focused schemes, and wishes the initiative all the very best over the coming years.

Supported by: Donald Cameron*, Richard Lyle*, Rona Mackay*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, David Torrance*

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***[S5M-23658](#) John Mason: International Anti-Corruption Day 2020**—That the Parliament acknowledges that 9 December 2020 is International Anti-Corruption Day; recognises that the day emphasises the societal damage that results from corruption; supports the sentiments of the UN Secretary-General, António Guterres, that corruption is "criminal, immoral and the ultimate betrayal of public trust"; understands that the COVID-19 pandemic has, due to the nature of the crisis and the demand for a speedy response, led to a weakening of oversight and transparency; believes however that the weakening of oversight and transparency creates public distrust at a time when public trust is paramount, and regards the challenging and rooting out of corruption as central to the recovery from COVID-19.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Mark McDonald*, David Torrance*

***[S5M-23657](#) Emma Harper: Asthma UK Online Tool**—That the Parliament welcomes the creation of an online severe asthma tool by Asthma UK; understand that the online tool will provide patients with ways to improve their condition and let them know whether to ask their GP about a severe asthma referral; recognises that the tool will inform patients if they could benefit from talking to their specialist about whether they are receiving the correct and tailored treatment for their condition, such as biological medicines; understands that one in 14 people are currently receiving treatment for asthma in Scotland; further understands that, between 2014 and 2018, more than 500 people have died from an asthma attack in Scotland; praises the efforts of charities, such as Asthma UK, to raise awareness of severe asthma and good asthma management in Scotland, and encourages everyone affected by the condition, and parents and carers, to access Asthma UK's website for further information and education.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*, Mark McDonald*, Annabelle Ewing*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, David Torrance*

***[S5M-23656](#) Annabelle Ewing: Dunfermline Press Backing SHIELD Charity Toy Donation Drive**—That the Parliament notes the work being done by the West Fife charity, SHIELD, to collect toys for disadvantaged children at Christmas, and also work by the *Dunfermline Press* to help to promote the SHIELD toy drive this year; understands that a donation bag will be included with each *Dunfermline Press* published on 17 December; believes that this is a big-hearted move by the local newspaper and that the communities served by it will respond positively; appreciates the work of everyone involved, and wishes the toy drive every success.

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

***[S5M-23655](#) Angela Constance: Knightsridge Primary School Wins Scottish Book Trust Reading Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the pupils and staff at Knightsridge Primary School on being awarded Scottish Book Trust's Gold Reading Accreditation; acknowledges that it is the first primary school in West Lothian to be awarded this accolade and one of only two primary schools in Scotland; understands that the school has been on its reading journey for several years and worked in partnership with the Scottish Book Trust initially, through the First Minister's Reading Challenge, in which it won an award for promoting a reading culture, in addition to winning the Education Scotland National Literacy Award for excellence in literacy, and acknowledges the efforts of the teaching staff and pupils, particularly Pat Fisher from Carmondean Library Services who worked tirelessly to provide support and encouragement to the children and their parents.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Iain Gray*, Annabelle Ewing*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*

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***[S5M-23654](#) Alison Johnstone: Pharmacists' Mental Health and Wellbeing**—That the Parliament notes the publication of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society's second annual survey on pharmacists' mental health and wellbeing, demonstrating the impact of COVID-19 and workplace pressures on pharmacists; expresses its concern that 89% of pharmacists surveyed scored as being at high risk of burnout; expresses further concern that 72% of respondents said their work had negatively affected their mental health and wellbeing, with reasons given including increased demand, inadequate staffing, long hours and a lack of breaks and time off; acknowledges that the 2019 survey shows that these issues pre-existed the pandemic; understands that, while over half of employers provide mental health and wellbeing support, 44% of pharmacists reported feeling uncomfortable accessing it due to issues around confidentiality and trust, including fear of stigma; agrees that support must be made available for those who need it, while problems should be prevented from developing by tackling some of the root causes of poor mental health and wellbeing in the workplace; further agrees that having well-staffed and properly resourced pharmacy services will be essential in tackling these root causes, and calls for support that has been made available to pharmacists during the pandemic, such as flexible opening hours and access to NHS wellbeing services, to be offered on a permanent basis.

***[S5M-23653](#) Johann Lamont: Maria Fyfe**—That the Parliament expresses its sadness at the death of Maria Fyfe; sends its sincere condolences to Maria's family, in particular her two sons, Stephen and Chris, and four grandchildren; pays tribute to her exceptional service as an educator, campaigner and MP for her home city of Glasgow; understands that Maria graduated from University of Strathclyde with a degree in economic history and lectured in trade union studies at the Central College of Commerce; further understands that Maria was elected to Glasgow City Council in 1980 and, at the 1987 General Election, was elected as the only female Labour MP in a 50-strong group becoming, at the time, only the tenth-ever female Labour MP from Scotland; acknowledges Maria's commitment to devolution and the establishment of a Scottish Parliament through her significant work in the Scottish Constitutional Convention and working groups; highlights her tireless work to improve women's representation and rights, noting in particular her work around the 50-50 campaign to ensure that the Scottish Parliament had equal representation at its core; notes that, following her retirement from elected office in 2001, Maria continued to champion the causes of fairness and equality and served as Chair of the Remember Mary Barbour Association, successfully spearheading the campaign and fundraising to have a statue of the pioneer and fair rents campaigner, Mary Barbour, in Govan, and believes that Maria will be fondly remembered for her fairness, tenacity, kindness and unswerving commitment to a better world.

***[S5M-23652](#) Dean Lockhart: Stirling Station Wins Rail Heritage Award 2020**—That the Parliament congratulates Stirling rail station on winning the National Railway Heritage Award for Operational Enhancement for the restoration work to the platform canopies and footbridge; understands that this particular award is for "the restoration, refurbishment or other improvements to an historic station or other building or structure that incorporate operational modifications, including improvements in accessibility for mobility or other impaired customers, which respect and enhance its heritage character"; further understands that the historic lattice footbridge at Stirling station had to be raised to provide clearance for the electrified wires below; notes that the original 28-tonne heritage structure was removed and underwent significant refurbishment before being reinstalled along with a new lift to create step-free access to all platforms, and congratulates everyone involved on winning this award.

***[S5M-23651](#) Clare Adamson: Motherwell FC's Christmas Lights Efforts in Motherwell and Wishaw** —That the Parliament commends Motherwell FC and Phoenix Specialist Solutions on their efforts to make sure that communities across Motherwell and Wishaw will enjoy some festive

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cheer by pledging to install Christmas lights in the two towns; notes the ongoing community efforts of the football club during these challenging times and believes that the beauty Christmas lights will elevate the community and bring a sense of togetherness and joy to people in the area, and thanks the club and its partners at Phoenix Specialist Solutions for their commitment and compassion for the people of Motherwell and Wishaw.

Supported by: Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*, Stewart Stevenson*, Monica Lennon*, Annabelle Ewing*

***[S5M-23650](#) Clare Adamson: New College Lanarkshire Architectural Technology Graduate Wins UK-wide Autodesk Competition—**That the Parliament recognises that Pawel Kudosz, an Architectural Technology graduate representing New College Lanarkshire, has won a national competition for digital construction; notes that Pawel finished in first place in the Autodesk Digital Construction Challenge 2020, an online competition that involved 25 students representing nine institutions across the UK; understands that Pawel, who studied HNC and HND Computer Aided Architectural Design and Technology (CAADT) at New College Lanarkshire's Motherwell Campus, is now employed as a trainee BIM (Building Information Modelling) Technician with BIMTech Engineering in Bellshill, and wishes Pawel all the best for the future.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Stewart Stevenson*, Annabelle Ewing*

***[S5M-23649](#) Clare Adamson: CDN Virtual College Awards 2020—**That the Parliament notes that the CDN Virtual College Awards took place on 3 December 2020 with 250 invitees virtually celebrating the gifts and skills of staff and learners; considers that the awards truly showcased an area that can innovate and succeed in the toughest of times; recognises that New College Lanarkshire BA Musical Theatre students performed a solo of the song, *Always Remember Us This Way*, and a group performance from the musical, *Chicago*, followed by performances from the Viana Dance Company and the piper, Gordon Fisher, who is a Forth Valley College graduate; congratulates all winners on their awards, and wishes them all the best for the future.

Supported by: Sandra White*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Stewart Stevenson*, Annabelle Ewing*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S5M-23645](#) Angela Constance: EnvironMentalHealth CIC (lodged on 08 December 2020)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-23644](#) Angela Constance: Carers of West Lothian (lodged on 08 December 2020)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-23637](#) Maureen Watt: C Fine's Electric Cargo Bike (lodged on 08 December 2020)

New Support: Richard Lyle*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*, Stewart Stevenson*, Emma Harper*, Annabelle Ewing*

[S5M-23636](#) Alexander Stewart: UK National Workplace Day of Remembrance (lodged on 08 December 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*

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[S5M-23621](#) Donald Cameron: Annie Maclean, Queen's Nurse (lodged on 07 December 2020)

New Support: Maurice Corry*

[S5M-23618](#) Jeremy Balfour: Stories of Hope Report, Scottish Churches Provide Support in Lockdown (lodged on 07 December 2020)

New Support: Maurice Corry*, Jamie Greene*

[S5M-23613](#) Monica Lennon: Scotland's Drug Deaths Crisis (lodged on 07 December 2020)

New Support: Iain Gray*, Liam McArthur*

[S5M-23612](#) Joan McAlpine: Reductions to Day Services and Support Packages for Learning Disabled Adults (lodged on 07 December 2020)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Liam McArthur*, Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*

[S5M-23596](#) Christine Grahame: Regulate Dog Walkers (lodged on 03 December 2020)

New Support: Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*, Emma Harper*, David Torrance*, Iain Gray*

[S5M-23586](#) Murdo Fraser: A Family-friendly Parliament (lodged on 03 December 2020)

New Support: Willie Coffey*

[S5M-23363](#) James Kelly: Care Home Relatives Scotland Survey (lodged on 13 November 2020)

New Support: Monica Lennon*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 16 December 2020

Justice and the Law Officers

- Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the decision to hold jury trials for Dumfries and Stranraer sheriff courts in Ayr. ([S50-04849](#))
- Maurice Corry:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is responding to the issue of offenders having no home to return to when they are released from prison. ([S50-04850](#))
- Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the report, *The Picture of Anti-Social Behaviour in Scotland*. ([S50-04851](#))
- Richard Lyle:** To ask the Scottish Government what support is being provided to local authorities, Police Scotland and the Crown Office to help implement the Children (Equal Protection from Assault) (Scotland) Act 2019. ([S50-04852](#))
- Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government what the level is of children's and young people's participation in the civil courts, and how it monitors the quality of the support that they are given. ([S50-04853](#))
- Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to the courts system to allow criminal jury trials to proceed during the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S50-04854](#))
- Alex Rowley:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent action it has taken to address any staff shortages in prisons. ([S50-04855](#))
- Bill Bowman:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the claim by Victim Support Scotland that spending on offender services is more than double the amount spent on victims. ([S50-04856](#))

Constitution, Europe and External Affairs

- Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made on promoting Fair Trade awareness across the public sector. ([S50-04857](#))
- Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to increase democratic engagement. ([S50-04858](#))
- David Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its preparations for the end of the Brexit transition period. ([S50-04859](#))
- Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it anticipates the UK Internal Market Bill will affect Scotland's education system. ([S50-04860](#))
- Michelle Ballantyne:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on which post-Brexit trading arrangements between the UK and EU would be best for Scotland. ([S50-04861](#))
- Iain Gray:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of how leaving the EU will impact on East Lothian. ([S50-04862](#))
- David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact it considers the UK Internal Market Bill will have in Scotland on food standards, environmental standards and public health policies such as minimum unit pricing. ([S50-04863](#))
- Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact it anticipates the end of the Brexit transition period could have on delays to the delivery of vaccines. ([S50-04864](#))

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Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 17 December 2020

Economy, Fair Work and Culture

1. **Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to accelerate projects that will support the economy in Dumfriesshire. ([S5O-04865](#))
2. **Alasdair Allan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on BiFab. ([S5O-04866](#))
3. **Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support is available for newly self-employed people who have not been able to access other forms of support during the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S5O-04867](#))
4. **Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to engage with business stakeholders to inform its response to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S5O-04868](#))
5. **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the GMB Scotland campaign, Give Key Workers a Break. ([S5O-04869](#)) R
6. **James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support businesses that are struggling to operate during the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S5O-04870](#))
7. **Johann Lamont:** [Not Lodged]
8. **Keith Brown:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the supermarket sector regarding the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. ([S5O-04872](#))

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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 09 December 2020

[S5W-33943](#) Bruce Crawford: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the restrictions on spectator numbers to prevent the spread of COVID-19, how it is supporting sporting organisations this winter that rely on spectator income.

Written questions lodged on 09 December 2020

[S5W-33920](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-33328 by Roseanna Cunningham on 2 December 2020, whether it considers its decision to take no action regarding the unregulated release of non-native gamebirds is consistent with the precautionary principle and the principle that preventative action should be taken to avert environmental damage, and what the reasons are for its position on this matter.

[S5W-33921](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-33328 by Roseanna Cunningham on 2 December 2020, how many Habitats Regulations Appraisals have been completed regarding applications for the release of non-native gamebirds in each of the last 10 years; whether Scottish Natural Heritage will publish the environmental reports that informed these appraisals, and how many consents have been (a) issued and (b) denied in response to these.

[S5W-33922](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-33328 by Roseanna Cunningham on 2 December 2020, whether NatureScot will publish its monitoring programme that led it to conclude that "there is little evidence to show that gamebirds are causing damage to European sites in Scotland".

[S5W-33923](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the First Minister on 8 December 2020 (*Official Report*, c. 11), what the political rationale was behind the decision to keep Edinburgh under Level 3 of the COVID-19 restrictions; what discussions were held with public health officials regarding the most appropriate Level for the area and whether any of the officials recommended moving the city into Level 2, and whether it will publish the full public health data on which the final decision was based.

[S5W-33926](#) Neil Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government how many hospital patients have been discharged to hospices (a) untested and (b) after testing positive for COVID-19.

[S5W-33928](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how many people have used the interim social security advocacy service, and how many requests to use, or referrals to, the service have been made.

[S5W-33929](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how many advocacy providers have fulfilled requests to use, or referrals to, the interim social security advocacy service, and who these providers were.

[S5W-33930](#) Keith Brown: To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of people in each local authority area have received a COVID-19 test.

[S5W-33931](#) Dean Lockhart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the First Minister on 8 December 2020 (*Official Report*, c. 11), whether it will publish the public health data that was used to inform the decision to place the Stirling Council area under Level 3 COVID-19

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restrictions, and what its response is to reports that public health officials had advised that a move to Level 2 would have been more appropriate.

[S5W-33932 Liz Smith:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills on 8 December 2020 (*Official Report*, c. 46), from which budget stream the exceptional, one-off payment to teachers assessing and marking National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher courses in 2021 will be sourced, and whether it will apply to (a) college lecturers and (b) staff at independent schools carrying out the same task.

[S5W-33934 Rhoda Grant:](#) To ask the Scottish Government for what reason there has been a delay with the statutory consultation on the merger of Shetland College with Train Shetland and the North Atlantic Fisheries College Marine Centre; by what date the consultation will begin, and how long it will last.

[S5W-33935 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, further to the statement by the First Minister on 8 December 2020 (*Official Report*, c. 11), , whether it will provide further details and the scientific advice for its reasons to keep Edinburgh subject to Level 3 restrictions, and what its response is to reports of confusion among residents in Edinburgh regarding restrictions not being reduced to Level 2, in light of the city reportedly meeting the published criteria for this.

[S5W-33936 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government when it made the decision to add the imminence of Christmas as a factor in determining COVID-19 restriction levels for local authorities; what modelling it did regarding the imminence of Christmas in each area, and whether it will publish this.

[S5W-33937 Miles Briggs:](#) To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the First Minister referred to the imminence of Christmas as a factor only in relation to Edinburgh's COVID-19 restriction level during her statement on 8 December 2020 (*Official Report*, c. 11).

[S5W-33938 Jackie Baillie:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether the unpaid family care givers of vulnerable individuals, including cancer patients, will receive the COVID-19 vaccine and, if so, when.

[S5W-33939 Jackie Baillie:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what advice it is giving to cancer patients and other people with immunosuppressed conditions in relation to receiving the COVID-19 vaccine.

[S5W-33940 Jackie Baillie:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether personal assistants in the social care sector who have worked during the COVID-19 pandemic will be eligible for the £500 "thank you" payment for NHS and social care staff.

[S5W-33941 Kenneth Gibson:](#) To ask the Scottish Government which local authorities will have delivered the required spaces to ensure 1,140 hours of funded childcare by December 2020, and which it expects will have (a) done so by April 2021 and (b) not done so by August 2021.

[S5W-33942 Mark Ruskell:](#) To ask the Scottish Government, in the light of Scotland being declared an Avian Influenza Prevention Zone, what measures are in place to ensure that gamebird breeders (a) register captive flocks and (b) comply with all relevant aspects of the legislation.

[S5W-33944 Jeremy Balfour:](#) To ask the Scottish Government for what reason participants in the Fair Start Scotland programme have to work 16 hours or more for at least 13 consecutive weeks to be considered as having achieved a successful short-job outcome, and what research was conducted to conclude that a 16 hours per week minimum was fair to disabled people who might not be able to physically or mentally be in a position to meet this target.

[S5W-33945 Jeremy Balfour:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to figures suggesting that, in the first two years of the Fair Start Scotland programme, only 6,621 of the 34,785 people who were referred to it started in employment.

[S5W-33946 Jeremy Balfour:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to figures suggesting that 51% of the people who joined the Fair Start Scotland Scheme in Year 2 left it early.

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[S5W-33947](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve the promotion of the Fair Start Scotland programme, in light of its 2020 evaluation report, which found that, of a social security experience panel that had a membership made up of 83% disabled people, 74% said that they had not heard of it.

[S5W-33948](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to figures suggesting that the number of disabled people joining the Fair Start Scotland programme has been declining annually, from 55% participation in Year 1 to 27% in Year 3.

[S5W-33949](#) Emma Harper: To ask the Scottish Government what recent engagement it has had with Dumfries and Galloway Council regarding progressing the Waterfront, East Pier and Town Centre redevelopments in Stranraer.

[S5W-33950](#) Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the legislation guaranteeing an extra year of funded childcare for parents who defer their child's entry to P1 will reportedly not come into effect until 2023.

[S5W-33951](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how it calculates the test positivity rate for COVID-19, in light of the variance between the data available on the daily dashboard and the reported positivity rate.

[S5W-33953](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether individuals or families who choose not to form a festive bubble can meet another individual or family for a meal in a hospitality venue in Edinburgh and other Level 3 areas on Christmas day.

[S5W-33954](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government when care-dependent people who live at home will receive the COVID-19 vaccine. **R**

[S5W-33955](#) Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-30890 by Clare Haughey on 17 August 2020, whether the data regarding the number of people with learning disabilities who have died from COVID-19 has now been collated and, if so, whether it will publish this.

[S5W-33956](#) Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how many home owners there have been in each financial year since 2016-17 who own an additional residential property valued at £40,000 or more, broken down by local authority area.

[S5W-33957](#) Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government how many Additional Dwelling Supplement payments have been paid in each year since 2016, broken down by local authority area.

[S5W-33958](#) Lewis Macdonald: To ask the Scottish Government how much it allocated to public bodies for the development and maintenance of track, trace and contact systems in each year since the H1N1 pandemic in 2010.

New Subordinate Legislation

New Subordinate Legislation

Made affirmative instruments

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 9 December 2020 and are subject to the made affirmative procedure—

Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 (Meetings of Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations) (Coronavirus) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (SSI 2020/421)
Laid under paragraph 8(2) of schedule 14 of the Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020.

Progress of Legislation

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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.

Culpable Homicide (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 report (Justice Committee), 13 November 2020

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Justice Committee), 26 January 2021

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 20 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 30 September 2020

Lead committee - Education and Skills

Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 9 December 2020

Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice)), 3 November 2020

European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities)), 9 December 2020

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Fair Rents (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 1 June 2020

Lead Committee – Local Government and Communities

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

Stage 3 debate, 10 December 2020

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

Stage 1 debate, 15 December 2020

Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 3 December 2020

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
[*\(LegislationTeam@parliament.scot\)*](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health and Sport)), 10 November 2020

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

Passed, 24 November 2020

Post-mortem Examinations (Defence Time Limit) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 report (Justice Committee), 13 November 2020

Pre-release Access to Official Statistics (Scotland) Bill (C)

Stage 1 completed, 12 November 2020

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
[*\(LegislationTeam@parliament.scot\)*](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

Stage 2 completed, 17 November 2020

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

Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 debate, 17 December 2020

Stage 1 Report (Education and Skills Committee) published, 9 December 2020

Scottish General Election (Coronavirus) Bill (G)

Stage 1 debate 10 December 2020

Subject to the Parliament agreeing the general principles of the Bill:

Stage 2 amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Monday 14 December 2020 with the clerks in the Legislation Team

Stage 2 proceedings (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee), 17 December 2020

Stage 3 amendments cannot be lodged until Stage 2 proceedings is complete

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Stage 3 amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Monday 21 December 2020 with the clerks in the Legislation Team

Stage 3 proceedings (meeting of the whole Parliament), 23 December 2020

Amendments should be lodged with the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Scottish Parliament (Assistance for Political Parties) Bill (C)

Stage 2 completed, 3 December 2020

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team

(LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Scottish Parliamentary Standards (Sexual Harassment and Complaints Process) Bill (C)

Stage 1 debate 16 December 2020

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

Passed, 3 December 2020

Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 completed, 26 November 2020

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team

(LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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

Introduced, 29 April 2020

Lead committee – Local Government and Communities

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

Stage 3 Proceedings, 22 December 2020

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Tuesday 15 December with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

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.

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 10 December 2020

University of St. Andrews (Degrees in Medicine and Dentistry) (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health and Sport)), 8 December 2020

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 1 June 2020

Lead committee – Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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>

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

Covert Human Intelligence Sources (Criminal Conduct) Bill LCM-S5-48

Lodged on 4 December 2020

Domestic Abuse Bill LCM-S5-35

Lodged on 16 March 2020
Justice Committee, 2 June 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 17 June 2020

Environment Bill LCM-S5-39

Lodged on 27 May 2020
Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee, 29 September 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 12 November 2020

Fisheries Bill LCM-S5-41

Lodged on 15 June 2020
Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee Report, 24 August 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 9 September 2020

Medicines and Medical Devices Bill LCM-S5-43

Lodged on 18 August 2020
Health and Sport Committee report published, 29 October 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 12 November 2020

Medicines and Medical Devices Bill Supplementary LCM-S5-43a

Lodged on 19 October 2020
Health and Sport Committee report published, 29 October 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 12 November 2020

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

Lodged on 30 March 2020
Justice Committee, 2 June 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 17 June 2020

Sentencing Bill LCM-S5-45

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Lodged on 22 September 2020
Justice Committee, 29 September 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 29 September 2020

Social Security (Up-rating of Benefits) Bill LCM-S5-46

Lodged on 24 September 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 30 September 2020

Trade Bill LCM-S5-44

Lodged on 18 August 2020
Finance and Constitution Committee, 6 and 7 October 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 8 October 2020

United Kingdom Internal Market Bill LCM-S5-47

Lodged on 28 September 2020
Finance and Constitution Committee, 6 and 7 October 2020
Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 6 October 2020
Meeting of the Parliament, 7 October 2020

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

Made affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 17 December 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/389\)](#) (*20 November 2020*) (COVID-19 Committee)

Subject to approval by 21 December 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 4\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/392\)](#) (*24 November 2020*) (COVID-19 Committee)

Subject to approval by 23 December 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 5\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/400\)](#) (*24 November 2020*) (COVID-19 Committee)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 24\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/404\)](#) (*30 November 2020*) (Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to approval by 15 January 2020

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 6\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/415\)](#) (*3 December 2020*) (COVID-19 Committee)

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Subject to approval by 02 February 2021

[Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act 2020 \(Meetings of Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations\) \(Coronavirus\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/421\) \(9 December 2020\)](#) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Affirmative instruments

Lead committee approval by 6 December 2020

[Civil and Family Justice \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\) \(28 October 2020\)](#) (Justice Committee)

Lead committee approval by 12 December 2020

[Island Communities Impact Assessments \(Publication and Review of Decisions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\) \(3 November 2020\)](#) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

Lead committee approval by 13 December 2020

[Public Procurement etc. \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\) \(4 November 2020 re-laid 18 November 2020\)](#) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

Lead committee approval by 14 December 2020

[Common Agricultural Policy \(Less Favoured Area Support\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\) \(5 November 2020 re-laid 18 November 2020\)](#) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

[Direct Payments to Farmers \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\) \(5 November 2020\)](#) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

Lead committee approval by 18 December 2020

[Feed \(Transfer of Functions\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\) \(9 November 2020 re-laid 18 November\)](#) (Health and Sport Committee)

Lead committee approval by 20 December 2020

[Plant Health \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\) \(11 November 2020\)](#) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

Lead committee approval by 21 December 2020

[Trade in Animals and Related Products \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\) \(12 November 2020\)](#) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

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[Carer's Allowance Supplement and Young Carer Grants \(Residence Requirements and Procedural Provisions\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (26 November 2020) (Social Security Committee) [Please note: this instrument was originally laid before the Parliament on 12 November 2020 but were subsequently withdrawn on 26 November 2020]

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Social Security Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Allocation of Functions, Procedure and Composition\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (12 November 2020) (Social Security Committee)

Lead committee approval by 22 December 2020

[Cross-border Health Care \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (13 November 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Lead committee approval by 23 December 2020

[Carer's Allowance Supplement and Young Carer Grants \(Residence Requirements and Procedural Provisions\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (30 November 2020) (Social Security Committee) [Please note: this instrument was originally laid before the Parliament on 12 November 2020 but were subsequently withdrawn on 26 November 2020]

Lead committee approval by 13 January 2021

[Invasive Non-native Species \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (19 November 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

Lead committee approval by 14 January 2021

[Housing \(Scotland\) Act 1987 \(Tolerable Standard\) \(Extension of Criteria\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (20 November 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

[Housing \(Scotland\) Act 2006 \(Modification of the Repairing Standard\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (20 November 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Lead committee approval by 18 January 2021

[Trade in Animals and Related Products \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\) re-laid](#) (24 November 2020) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

Lead committee approval by 20 January 2021

[Scottish Child Payment Amendment Regulations 2021](#) (SSI 2020/draft) (26 November 2020) (Social Security Committee)

Lead committee approval by 24 January 2021

[Criminal Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance \(Counter-Terrorism and Border Security\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (30 November 2020) (Justice Committee)

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Lead committee approval by 26 January 2021

[Restitution Fund \(Scotland\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (2 December 2020) (Justice Committee)

[Victims and Witnesses \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Supplementary Provisions\) Order 2021 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (2 December 2020) (Justice Committee)

Lead committee approval by 31 January 2021

[Provision of Early Learning and Childcare \(Specified Children\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (7 December 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 2 December 2020

Lead Committee report due by 30 November 2020

[Waste \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/314\)](#) (9 October 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

[Insolvency \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/337\)](#) (28 October 2020) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

Subject to annulment 7 December 2020

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[Carer's Allowance \(Coronavirus\) \(Breaks in Care\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/350\)](#) (4 November 2020) (Social Security Committee)

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[Regulation of Investigatory Powers \(Prescription of Offices, etc. and Specification of Public Authorities\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/361\)](#) (10 November 2020) (Justice Committee)

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[Fisheries \(Technical Conservation Measures\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment etc.\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/367\)](#) (11 November 2020) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

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[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/366\)](#) (12 November 2020) (Social Security Committee)

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[Food and Feed \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/372\)](#) (13 November 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Police Act 1997 and the Protection of Vulnerable Groups \(Scotland\) Act 2007 \(Fees\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/376\)](#) (13 November 2020) (Education and Skills Committee)

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[Animal Health and Welfare and Official Controls \(Agriculture\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/380\)](#) (10 November 2020) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

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[Criminal Justice and Data Protection \(Protocol No. 36\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/386\)](#) (20 November 2020) (Justice Committee)

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[Official Feed and Food Controls \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/398\)](#) (25 November 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

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[Social Security Co-ordination \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendments etc.\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/399\)](#) (26 November 2020) (Social Security Committee)

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[Enforcement of Fines \(Relevant Penalty\) \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/406\)](#) (2 December 2020) (Justice Committee)

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[Public Health etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2008 \(Notifiable Organisms\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/408\)](#) (3 December 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Financial Assistance for Environmental Purposes \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/409\)](#) (3 December 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

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Subject to annulment 28 January 2021
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[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 4\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/413\)](#) (4 December 2020) (Social Security Committee)

[Civil Partnership \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Commencement No. 1 and Interim Recognition of Different Sex Relationships\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/414 \(C. 38\)\)](#) (4 December 2020) (Equalities and Human Rights Committee)

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Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 9 December 2020—

Education and Skills Committee, 5th Report, 2020 (Session 5): Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1 Report (SP Paper 874)

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 73rd Report, 2020 (Session 5): The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill: Stage 1 (SP Paper 882)

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 74th Report, 2020 (Session 5): Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill: Stage 2 (SP Paper 883)

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee, 14th Report, 2020 (Session 5): The Invasive Non-native Species (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2020 [draft] (SP Paper 884)

The following report will be published on 10 December 2020—

Justice Committee, 22nd Report, 2020 (Session 5): Stage 1 Report on the Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Bill (SP Paper 878)

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Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 9 December 2020 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 6 December 2020 SG/2020/291 laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Care Inspectorate: Fortnightly report to the Scottish Parliament on Care Inspectorate inspections SG/2020/290 laid under Section 53A of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh Annual Report and Consolidated Accounts For the year ended 31 March 2020 SG/2020/285 laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Coronavirus Acts: fourth report to Scottish Parliament SG/2020/248 laid under section 15 of the Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020

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