

Tuesday 14 January 2020

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Pastor Geoff Findlay, Lifegate Church Dundee and Work Place Chaplaincy Scotland

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Improving the Lives of Gypsy/Travellers

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-20270 Richard Lyle: The Showmen's Guild of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

### Committee Meetings

**10:00am** Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

**10:00am** Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

**10:00am** Justice Committee

**10:30am** Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee

**11:00am** Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

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**1. Beatrice Wishart:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the number of primary schools exceeding their capacity has increased by a third since 2009. ([S5T-01947](#))

**2. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that complaints about Caledonian Sleeper services have increased by 221%. ([S5T-01953](#))

**followed by Scottish Government Debate: Improving the Lives of Gypsy/Travellers**

[S5M-20404](#) **Christina McKelvie: Improving the Lives of Gypsy/Travellers**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the joint Scottish Government and COSLA action plan, Improving the Lives of Scotland's Gypsy/Travellers, which aims to deliver better outcomes in the key areas of accommodation, health and education, and incomes; recognises the vital role of local government to transform the life chances of Gypsy/Travellers across the country; commends the Gypsy/Traveller community for the role that it has played in developing the plan, and supports its continued involvement to shape and deliver the actions at the national and local level; welcomes the contribution that Gypsy/Traveller communities have made to Scottish history and continue to make to its culture and heritage, and agrees to actively challenge any form of prejudice or discrimination towards Gypsy/Travellers and work together within a human rights framework to accelerate improvements for this community.

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**5:00 pm Decision Time**

**followed by Members' Business — S5M-20270 Richard Lyle: The Showmen's Guild of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**

[S5M-20270](#) **Richard Lyle: The Showmen's Guild of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**—That the Parliament joins the Showmen's Guild of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in celebrating its 130th anniversary; understands that the Guild was founded as the United Kingdom Van Dwellers Protection Association in 1889 in Salford; believes that its formation was a key moment in the

recognition of showmen having a lifestyle that is a culture rather than an occupation, leading to the idea of travelling showmen being recognised as a cultural group; understands that the principal objective of the Guild has remained the same since its inception, which is to protect the interests of its members, travelling showmen who gain their livelihoods by attending funfairs; notes that it does so both through its code of rules for members and by using the legal and constitutional processes that exist; congratulates Philip Paris, who has become the first Scot to be named as the President of the Guild since Jack Cullis in the 1950s, and thanks showmen across Scotland, including in the Uddingston and Bellshill constituency, and the rest of the UK, on their contribution to, and the significant and important part that they play, in public life. **R**

## Committee Meetings

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

### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 2nd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
  
[Fuel Poverty \(Additional Amount in respect of Remote Rural Area, Remote Small Town and Island Area\)\(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(2020/draft\)](#)
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
  
[Sea Fish \(Prohibited Methods of Fishing\) \(Firth of Clyde\) Order 2019 \(2019/419\);](#)  
[Restriction of Liberty Order etc. \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(2019/423\);](#)  
[Plant Health \(Import Inspection Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(2019/425\);](#)  
[Conservation of Salmon\(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(2019/426\);](#)  
[Electricity Works\(Environmental Impact Assessment\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(2019/427\)](#)
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
  
[Transport \(Scotland\) Act2019 \(Commencement No. 1\) Regulations 2019 \(2019/428 \(C.25\)\)](#)
5. **Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill :** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
7. **Scottish National Investment Bank Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.

### Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee 1st Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Protected Trust Deeds:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Richard Dennis, the Accountant in Bankruptcy and Agency Chief Executive, Kelly Donohoe, Head of Debt Arrangement Scheme and Trust Deeds, and Stacey Dunn, Trust Deed Team Leader, Accountant in Bankruptcy.
3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider whether the following instrument has been laid under the appropriate procedure—  
Public Procurement etc. (Scotland) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/414)
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—

Public Procurement etc. (Scotland) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/414)

5. **Protected Trust Deeds:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at today's meeting.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

## Justice Committee 2nd Meeting, 2020

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
June Loudoun, Grandparents Apart UK;  
Ian Maxwell, National Manager, Shared Parenting Scotland;  
Dr Sue Whitcombe, Chartered Psychologist;  
and then from—  
Stuart Valentine, Chief Executive, Relationships Scotland;  
Isobel Bilsland, Manager, Relationships Scotland Borders.
3. **Children (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Defamation and Malicious Publications (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

## Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee 1st Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Preliminary Stage report.

## Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 1st Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 11:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **EU exit and the environment:** The Committee will take evidence, in a roundtable discussion, on environmental principles and governance from—  
Professor James Harrison, University of Edinburgh;  
Vicki Swales, head of land use policy, RSPB Scotland;  
Hatti Owens, lawyer in UK environment team, Client Earth;  
Professor Campbell Gemmill, author of 'Environmental governance: effective approaches for Scotland post-Brexit';

Dr Sheila George, food and environment policy manager, WWF Scotland;  
Nick Halfhide, director of sustainable growth, Scottish Natural Heritage;  
Annalisa Savaresi, senior lecturer in environmental law, University of Stirling;  
Joanna Waddell, senior associate at CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP  
and representative, UK Environmental Law Association;  
Lloyd Austin, convener of governance group, Scottish Environment LINK;  
Bridget Marshall, head of regulatory strategy and government relations, SEPA.

2. **EU exit and the environment (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 8 January 2020

### Wednesday 15 January 2020

**1:15 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**1:15 pm** Members' Business — S5M-19364 Alexander Stewart: The Valuable Role of Independent Prison Monitors

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

Rural Economy

Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

**followed by** Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Education

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S5M-20295 John Finnie: Celebrating Scotland's Wetlands on World Wetlands Day 2020

### Thursday 16 January 2020

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**12:45 pm** Members' Business — S5M-20261 Lewis Macdonald: Sustainable Development Goals in Scotland, On Target for 2030?

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions

Justice and the Law Officers

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Disclosure (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Financial Resolution: Disclosure (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

### Tuesday 21 January 2020

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Scottish National Investment Bank Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### **Wednesday 22 January 2020**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Government Business and Constitutional Relations; Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

### **Thursday 23 January 2020**

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**12:45 pm** Members' Business

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Consumer Scotland Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 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>

### Local Government and Communities Committee

15 January 2020

2nd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Monica Lennon, MSP, Member in charge of the Bill;  
Kirsty-Louise Hunt, Researcher, MSP staff, Scottish Labour Party;  
Claudia Bennett, Solicitor, Office of the Solicitor to the Scottish Parliament, Mary Dinsdale, Senior Assistant Clerk, and Andrew Mylne, Head of Non-Government Bills Unit, Scottish Parliament.
3. **Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting and on the 8 January 2020.

### Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 22 January, the Committee will take evidence from the Minister for Local Government, Housing and Planning on Building Regulations and Fire Safety. The Committee will also consider affirmative SSI's on Fuel Poverty and Adjustments to Common Areas. **For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5232 or [LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot](mailto:LocalGovernmentandCommunities@parliament.scot)**

### Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee

15 January 2020

2nd Meeting, 2020

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

1. **UK Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM(S5)30 from—  
Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy, Alan Fraser, CAP Scheme Manager, Agriculture and Rural Economy, and David MacLennan, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
2. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy, John Kerr, Head of Agricultural Policy Division, George Burgess, Deputy Director of Food and Drink, Ally McAlpine, Senior Statistician, Rural and Environment Science and Analytical Services

(RESAS), Vicky Dunlop, Bill Team Leader, and David MacIannan, Scottish Government Legal Directorate (SGLD), Scottish Government.

3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider whether the following instrument has been laid under the appropriate procedure—  
The Environmental Impact Assessment Transport (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2019.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—  
The Environmental Impact Assessment Transport (EU Exit) (Scotland) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2019

The Plant Health (Official Controls and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2019.

5. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review the evidence heard at agenda item 2.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 22 January, the Committee expects to consider oral evidence on its inquiry into construction and procurement of ferry vessels in Scotland. For further information, contact the clerk at: [rec.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:rec.committee@parliament.scot)

## **Education and Skills Committee**

**15 January 2020**

**1st Meeting, 2020**

The Committee will meet at 11:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 2 in private.
2. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 22 January, the Committee expects to consider petition PE1548 National Guidance on Restraint and Seclusion in Schools and the response from the Scottish Government to the Committees STEM in early years education report. For further information, contact Roz Thomson the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are [es.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:es.committee@parliament.scot) or 0131 348 5222.

## **Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee**

**16 January 2020**

**2nd Meeting, 2020**

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

1. **Article 50 Inquiry - the Northern Ireland Protocol:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Professor David Phinnemore, Professor of European Politics, Queen's University Belfast;

Mairi Spowage, Deputy Director, Fraser of Allander Institute;

Aodhán Connolly, Director, Northern Ireland Retail Consortium.

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

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 23 January, the Committee expects to continue its Article 50 inquiry.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Herbert, on 0131-348-6226 or [europa@parliament.scot](mailto:europa@parliament.scot).

### **Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee**

**16 January 2020**

**2nd Meeting, 2020**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Section 22 report - The 2018/19 audit of Bórd na Gáidhlig: Governance and transparency:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Michael Oliphant, Senior Audit Manager, Audit Services, Audit Scotland;  
Pat Kenny, Director, and Karlyn Watt, Senior Manager, Deloitte LLP.

3. **Section 22 report - The 2018/19 audit of NHS Lothian: Delay to the opening of the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland;  
Chris Brown, Partner, Scott-Moncrieff.

4. **Section 22 report - The 2018/19 audit of NHS Lothian: Delay to the opening of the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland;  
Chris Brown, Partner, Scott-Moncrieff.

5. **Section 22 report - The 2018/19 audit of Bórd na Gáidhlig: Governance and transparency:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Michael Oliphant, Senior Audit Manager, Audit Services, Audit Scotland;  
Pat Kenny, Director, and Karlyn Watt, Senior Manager, Deloitte LLP.

6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its future scrutiny of the Auditor General for Scotland's reports on the 2018/19 audit of the Scottish Police Authority, Finances of Scottish

universities, NHS in Scotland 2019, the 2018/19 audit of NHS Highland and the 2018/19 audit of NHS Tayside.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lucy Scharbert at [papls.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:papls.committee@parliament.scot)

## **Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee**

**16 January 2020**

**2nd Meeting, 2020**

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether its consideration of a Standing Order rule change should be taken in private at a future meeting.
2. **Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 1).

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 23 January, the Committee expects to consider a draft proposal report on a Committee Bill on financial assistance for opposition parties.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katy Orr, on 0131 348 6924 or at [SPPACcommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:SPPACcommittee@parliament.scot).

## **Public Petitions Committee**

**16 January 2020**

**1st Meeting, 2020**

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—  
PE1767 on Scottish fire and rescue legislation and human rights;  
PE1770 on Improving Water Safety;  
PE1771 on Potential abuse within Scottish local authorities;  
PE1774 on Formally record vaping-related illnesses and deaths; and  
PE1775 on Introduce statutory allergy care legislation in nurseries and schools.
2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—  
PE1577 on Adult Cerebral Palsy Services;  
PE1629 on MRI scans for Ocular Melanoma sufferers in Scotland;  
PE1683 on Support for families with multiple births;  
PE1699 on Release of murder victim bodies for funeral arrangements;  
PE1722 on Parking charges at island lifeline ferry ports;  
PE1723 on Essential tremor treatment in Scotland;  
PE1724 on Equal rights for Commercial Attorneys and Party Litigants in the legal system;  
PE1725 on Suicide awareness and support for young people; and  
PE1731 on Permit audio recording of local government public meetings.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the clerk to the Committee, Lynn Russell, on 0131 348 5254 or [petitions@parliament.scot](mailto:petitions@parliament.scot)

## **Social Security Committee**

### **16 January 2020**

### **1st Meeting, 2020**

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

1. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

At its next meeting, on 23 January, the Committee will continue to take evidence on its Benefit Take-up inquiry. For further information, contact Anne Peat, Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5182 or at [SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot).

## **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing**

### **16 January 2020**

### **1st Meeting, 2020**

The Committee will meet at 1.00 pm in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Sub-Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private. The Sub-Committee will also decide whether consideration of its Facial Recognition inquiry draft report should be taken in private at future meetings.
2. **Facial recognition: how policing in Scotland makes use of this technology:** The Sub-Committee will take evidence from—  
Duncan Sloan, Temporary Assistant Chief Constable, Police Scotland;  
Lynn Brown, Interim Chief Executive, and Tom Nelson, Director of Forensic Services, Scottish Police Authority.
3. **Facial recognition: how policing in Scotland makes use of this technology:** The Sub-Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Sub-Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Sub-Committee by emailing [justicecommittee@parliament.scot](mailto:justicecommittee@parliament.scot) or on 0131 348 5220.

## **Scottish Commission for Public Audit**

### **15 January 2020**

### **1st Meeting, 2020**

The Commission will meet at 11:45 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Commission will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Audit Scotland's Spring Budget Revision 2019-20:** The Commission will take evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Ian Leitch, Chair of the Board, Diane McGiffen, Chief Operating Officer, and Stuart  
Dennis, Corporate Finance Manager, Audit Scotland.

3. **Audit Scotland's Budget Proposal for 2020-21:** The Commission will take evidence from—

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;  
Ian Leitch, Chair of the Board, Diane McGiffen, Chief Operating Officer, and Stuart  
Dennis, Corporate Finance Manager, Audit Scotland.

4. **Consideration of evidence:** The Commission will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3.
5. **Work programme:** The Commission will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

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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:

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The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

## Motions for Debate

**\*[S5M-20415](#) Liz Smith: Education**—That the Parliament welcomes the acceptance by the Scottish Government that, following the unanimous conclusions reached by the Education and Skills Committee in its report, *Subject choices in schools*, which highlighted significant concerns regarding subject choice in many schools and their impact on hardworking teachers and young people, there should be a full review of the senior phase of the curriculum for excellence; calls for a full review of broad general education and how it articulates with the senior phase, but believes however that this review can only succeed if there is an accompanying acceptance from the Scottish Government that there are some key weaknesses in some key aspects of Scotland's school education and the qualifications structure that challenge its claim that Scotland's schools are producing “a strong set of results”.

**\*[S5M-20404](#) Christina McKelvie: Improving the Lives of Gypsy/Travellers**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the joint Scottish Government and COSLA action plan, *Improving the Lives of Scotland's Gypsy/Travellers*, which aims to deliver better outcomes in the key areas of accommodation, health and education, and incomes; recognises the vital role of local government to transform the life chances of Gypsy/Travellers across the country; commends the Gypsy/Traveller community for the role that it has played in developing the plan, and supports its continued involvement to shape and deliver the actions at the national and local level; welcomes the contribution that Gypsy/Traveller communities have made to Scottish history and continue to make to its culture and heritage, and agrees to actively challenge any form of prejudice or discrimination towards Gypsy/Travellers and work together within a human rights framework to accelerate improvements for this community.

Supported by: Shirley-Anne Somerville\*

## Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

**\*[S5M-20403](#) Joan McAlpine: Robert Burns in the Scottish Economy**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the findings of the year-long research study by University of Glasgow, *Robert Burns in the Scottish Economy*, which has been led by Professor Murray Pittock of the Centre for Robert Burns Studies; notes that it found that Burns generates over £200 million a year

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for the economy and that his brand is worth nearly £140 million; believes that this news is timely, coming just ahead of the annual birthday celebrations for the Bard on 25 January 2020, when people recognise what is considered to be his genius as a poet, his passion for Scots language and culture and his commitment to humanitarian values; understands that the research, which was funded by the Scottish Government's Economic Development Directorate, is the most comprehensive such analysis to date and was commissioned after a parliamentary debate in January 2018 that discussed the economic potential of Burns; notes that the economic sectors reported to benefit from Burns include food and drink, retail, hospitality and tourism, while his international brand helps develop business and trade relationships, but acknowledges that the study argues that much more can be done and notes its recommendations, which include the need for further plans to promote Burns at home and abroad, recognition of the Robert Burns World Federation, supporting teaching about the Bard in schools, in light of the view that current pupils will be the next generation to sell him to the world, improving signage and infrastructure to enhance access to Burns' sites across the South Scotland region, profiling his core appeal to visitors to Dumfries and Galloway and updating the approach for Ayrshire, encouraging regional economic partnerships, for the South of Scotland Enterprise Agency to work together with local government to improve data on Burns-motivated tourism, for greater alignment between food and drink and cultural tourism, improving the connectivity of Burns-related sites, using his potential to reinforce community wealth building, developing initiatives such as joint marketing and ticketing, embedding the story of Burns in the 2020 Year of Scotland's Coasts and Waters and the UNESCO biosphere and learning from Austria's investment in Mozart-related cultural tourism; believes that there is no contradiction in valuing Burns as a great poet and using his legacy to support the economy, and considers that Burns, who it believes knew about the hardship of poverty, would welcome what it sees as such respectful initiatives to add to the prosperity of the people and places that he loved.

Supported by: James Dornan\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Richard Lyle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Emma Harper\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, John Mason\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Colin Smyth\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Stewart Stevenson\*

**\*S5M-20401 Jeremy Balfour: Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh 350th Anniversary**—That the Parliament acknowledges the 350th anniversary of the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh and the announcement of a year-long programme of events; understands that many events will focus on the climate crisis and global loss of biodiversity; notes that highlights include an expedition to Papua New Guinea, a Big Botanic's Birthday Party, a gala concert, and the opening of a Garden of Tranquillity, which will provide a safe, peaceful and sensory space for visitors with dementia and their carers; further notes that the Botanic will also exhibit in the RHS Chelsea Flower Show Discovery Zone in May 2020, showing how its work will help secure the future of the world's plants, and understands that, in the last of its events, scientists will discuss the biodiversity crisis from a botanical perspective at a Halting Plant Extinction debate in November.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, Finlay Carson\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Liam McArthur\*, Margaret Mitchell\*, Bill Bowman\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Brian Whittle\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Jamie Greene\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Graham Simpson\*, Richard Lyle\*

### Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

**\*S5M-20400 Linda Fabiani: Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2020**—That the Parliament welcomes Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2020, which runs throughout March; understands

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that donations are given and daffodil pins worn in memory of someone who has died, or to show support for Marie Curie services; recognises the dedication, hard work and contribution of volunteers across Scotland, including in East Kilbride, who raise funds and awareness during the appeal every year to support Marie Curie's services; commends the vital care and support that the charity provides in Scotland to over 7,500 people and their families every year, in their own homes across 31 local authorities, in Marie Curie hospices in Edinburgh and Glasgow and through the West Lothian Community Service; praises its information and support services, which are available for everyone affected by a terminal illness and its volunteer helper services, which provide emotional support, companionship and information to people, carers and families; notes the view that, as everyone is affected by dying, death and bereavement, all people deserve the best possible experience to deal with this, reflecting what is most important to them, and welcomes Marie Curie's ambition to enable this; recognises that it works to improve the lives of all people living with a terminal illness, their carers and families; believes that wearing the daffodil pin unites millions of people who believe that dying people should get the care and support that they need and desire, and notes the calls encouraging as many people as possible to support the Marie Curie campaign in March.

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S5M-20430](#) Gil Paterson: Golden Friendships Community Halls' Successful 2019**—That the Parliament congratulates Golden Friendships Community Halls on a very successful 2019; notes that, last year the founder, Jim McLaren, spearheaded a positive fundraising campaign to raise more than £80,000 to buy a premises, the former 543 Club in Dalmuir; understands that work is now being carried out on the building, with different halls being named after members of the club; notes that the club now has more than 250 members and that dozens of others attend different events; further notes that the club, which was founded in January 2017, runs more than 10 different sessions and activities each week and is understood to be instrumental in helping create friendships and tackle loneliness in the community, and recognises the efforts of Jim and the other volunteers who have grown the group to be so successful in its first three years.

**\*[S5M-20429](#) Gil Paterson: Golden Jubilee Hospital Pharmacist Gives Up Six Christmases to Help Homeless and Vulnerable People**—That the Parliament recognises Gordon Adamson, a specialist clinical pharmacist at the Golden Jubilee National Hospital in Clydebank, who spent his sixth Christmas Day in a row helping to feed homeless and vulnerable people across West Dunbartonshire; understands that Gordon, who is 32, and his parents collect and give out donated toys and serve food to people using the Food For Thought service, while also acting as volunteer drivers, which means they do not sit down for their own Christmas dinner until Boxing Day, and commends the commitment of Gordon, who is from Erskine, to helping others, as well as his consistent voluntary efforts to help disadvantaged members of the public at an important time of the year.

**\*[S5M-20428](#) Alexander Stewart: Sarah Robertson, Fundraising for MND Scotland**—That the Parliament commends Sarah Robertson, who is retired and from Alva, on raising over £3,000 for MND Scotland in the last year in memory of her close friend, Anne Shearer; notes that Sarah scaled the Nebit hill in Alva 100 times, which is equivalent to climbing the height of Mount Everest more than four times, and that, along with her husband, David, she completed the 214-mile Southern Upland Way in just over 17 days, hiking and camping in the wild; appreciates that, in taking up these challenges to test her health and fitness, Sarah set a fundraising target of £1,000; congratulates her on exceeding this by over £2,000; acknowledges that she has thanked the

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people of Alva, the RSVP walking group, which she is a member of, and her friends and family who have provided much encouragement and made donations, and congratulates Sarah, and David, on their stalwart efforts and tireless resolve.

Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Bill Kidd\*, Finlay Carson\*, Brian Whittle\*, Margaret Mitchell\*

**\*S5M-20427 Jeremy Balfour: Lord Reed Appointed as Supreme Court President**—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Judge, Lord Reed, on his appointment as President of the Supreme Court replacing Lady Hale who has retired; notes that Lord Reed previously served as the Court's deputy president under Lady Hale and has been one of its 12 justices since 2012; understands that, prior to his appointment to the Supreme Court, Lord Reed became Scotland's youngest ever judge in 1998, aged 42, serving in the Outer House of the Court of Session as principal commercial and companies judge for 10 years; recognises that he qualified as an advocate in Scotland and as a barrister in England and Wales and practised at the Scottish Bar in a wide range of civil cases, as well as prosecuting serious crime; acknowledges that Lord Reed is also a member of the panel of ad hoc judges of the European Court of Human Rights, and a non-permanent judge of the Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal, and wishes him well on his new appointment.

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**\*S5M-20426 Peter Chapman: Alexander May MBE**—That the Parliament congratulates Alexander May on being appointed an MBE for celebrating and encouraging the spread of the Doric language throughout the north east; notes that Alexander spent 16 years at the helm of the Buchan Heritage Society, and nine years and counting in charge of the historic Buchan Field Club, which has been promoting local archaeology and folklore since 1887; recognises that he has been instrumental in the planning of the Annual Festival in Strichen, which promotes culture through concerts and talks, as well as workshops for hundreds of schoolchildren, and wishes him further success in keeping Doric alive.

**\*S5M-20425 Peter Chapman: Barratt Homes Donation to Inverurie and District Men's Shed**—That the Parliament congratulates the housebuilder, Barratt Homes, on donating £1,000 to Inverurie and District Men's Shed; notes that the donation will be used towards the regeneration of a field through adding a new polytunnel to extend the growing season, and recognises that this is one of many charities that has benefitted from the firm's North Scotland Community Fund, which gives £1,000 to a charity on a monthly basis.

**\*S5M-20424 Bill Bowman: £85,000 Raised Towards Breast Cancer Research**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Fiona Edwards has raised more than £85,000 toward breast cancer research through making tablet; understands that Fiona has been fundraising this way since 2003 to help support researchers at the University of Dundee; acknowledges that in 2019 she raised £9,500, which was given to the Clinical Research Centre at Ninewells, and thanks Fiona for all her hard work over the years.

**\*S5M-20423 Peter Chapman: Ellon And District Dog Care and Obedience Club**—That the Parliament recognises the efforts of all involved with Ellon and District Dog Care and Obedience Club's annual doggy Christmas party, which raised £300 for the charity, Until Every Dog has a Home, and saw each dog at the party given a gift by Santa, and wishes the club continued success.

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**\*S5M-20419 Peter Chapman: Old Firm Friendly**—That the Parliament congratulates the organisers of the Old Firm friendly on raising £20,000 for charity over the last five years; understands that this is a football game organised in memory of James “suds” Sutherland, who died of a brain tumour in March 2015; notes that the fixture raised £3,000 in 2019, and wishes everyone involved further success in 2020.

Supported by: Rachael Hamilton\*

**\*S5M-20418 Peter Chapman: Ian Anderson Raises Funds for Diabetes UK**—That the Parliament recognises the efforts of Ian Anderson from Keith in raising awareness and funds for Diabetes UK; understands that he has set himself the ambitious target of running two marathons and two half-marathons in 2020, and wishes him the best of luck.

Supported by: Rachael Hamilton\*

**\*S5M-20417 Bill Bowman: Dundee Pupil Wins National Award for Maths Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates Ed York, a pupil at the High School of Dundee, on being recognised as the top scoring pupil in a national maths competition; understands that Ed answered all 1,000 questions correctly in the Maths Week Scotland competition, marking the third time that he has topped the leaderboard with a perfect score in the competition, and wishes Ed continued success with his studies in the future.

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**\*S5M-20416 Peter Chapman: Nite Oot Talent Show**—That the Parliament congratulates Nite Oot, the annual talent showcase, on raising £1,500; understands that this will be split between Friends of Anchor and Turriff United Youth FC; considers that the Nite Oot event is a very popular date in Turriff’s calendar and has raised great amounts of money over the years, and wishes the event further success.

Supported by: Rachael Hamilton\*

**\*S5M-20410 Christine Grahame: Royal Botanical Garden Edinburgh 350 Years Young**—That the Parliament recognises that 2020 will see the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh celebrate its 350th anniversary, making it the second oldest botanic garden in the UK after Oxford; notes that the garden has taken many forms over the years, with the Physic Garden originally located near the Palace of Holyroodhouse, then moved to where Waverley Station is now located, before moving to a site near Leith Walk and then finally to the current Inverleith location between 1820 and 1823; understands that the garden’s reach is beyond Edinburgh, taking responsibility for care of three regional gardens, with Benmore in Argyll and Bute acceding in 1929, Logan in Dumfries and Galloway in 1969 and, finally, Dawyck in the Scottish Borders in 1979; congratulates all who have been involved with the garden throughout its storied history on their achievements and hard work, which have made this anniversary possible, and looks forward to welcoming representatives of the garden to the Parliament for its 350th Anniversary Reception in the Garden Lobby on 15 January 2020.

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**\*S5M-20409 Alasdair Allan: New Bilingual Customer Service by CalMac Ferries**—That the Parliament welcomes CalMac Ferries' announcement to offer a bilingual customer care service in English and Gaelic; notes that this has been accomplished through the establishment of a new customer care centre in Stornoway; understands that this has brought six essential jobs to the town and helped to grow the Gaelic economy in Na h-Eileanan an Iar, where a majority of the population are Gaelic speakers; recognises that this will contribute to the aims of the National Gaelic Language Plan and improve the public service regarding the language used with its users, and commends the company for its commitment to the language.

The Member has provided the following translation:

### **Seirbheis Ùr Dhà-Chànanach do Chustomairean aig CalMac Ferries**

Gu bheil a' Phàrlamaid a' cur fàilte air brath CalMac Ferries gun toir iad seirbheis dhà-chànanach Beurla is Gàidhlig do chustomairean; a' toirt fa-near gur ann tro ionad ùr cùram chustomairean ann an Steòrnabhagh a thèid seo a dhèanamh; a' tuigsinn gu bheil seo air sia obraichean ùra a thoirt dhan bhaile a bheir fàs ri eaconamaidh na Gàidhlig anns Na h-Eileanan an Iar, far a bheil mòr-chuid nan luchd-bruidhinn na Gàidhlig; ag aithneachadh gun cuir seo ri amasan a' Phlana Cànanain Nàiseanta Ghàidhlig agus ri seirbheisean poblach sa Ghàidhlig don luchd-chleachdaidh, agus a' moladh na companaidh airson an dealais dhan chànan.

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**\*S5M-20408 Liam McArthur: Davie Flett Embarks on the North West Passage**—That the Parliament acknowledges that Davie Flett, who is from Orkney, will attempt one of the world's "last great firsts" when he rows the North West Passage in 2021; understands that Davie is part of a team of rowers, led by the renowned ocean rowing skipper, Leven Brown, that will attempt to row 2,000 miles between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, of which the last navigable link was found by the Orcadian explorer, John Rae, in the 19th century; notes that the team will use the expedition to discover, document and publicise the effects of climate change on the Arctic, and that Davie will also be raising funds for charities in Orkney at the same time; recognises that this is an incredibly demanding and challenging expedition involving some of the most experienced rowers in the country, and that they will face treacherous conditions during their journey, including freezing temperatures and high winds; wishes all of the team the very best as they begin preparations for this historic mission; commends them on their determination, hard work and bravery, and hopes that Davie will receive considerable support for his fundraising efforts as he aims to become the next Orcadian to complete the infamous North West Passage.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*S5M-20407 Kenneth Gibson: Curing Childhood Brain Cancer**—That the Parliament notes that Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG), also known as brainstem cancer, is a type of brain tumour that forms in part of the brainstem known as the pons, a crucial part of the brain that controls vital functions such as breathing, which cannot be operated on due to its location within the brainstem and cannot be treated with chemotherapy; acknowledges that DIPG affects between 20 and 30 children in the UK each year, with a typical life expectancy of only nine to 12 months after diagnosis, yet no significant developments have been made in treatment since the 1960s and no new drugs have been licensed to treat brain cancer in adults or children for 20 years; applauds the work of Cancer Research UK, the Brain Tumor Charity and Abbie's Army; recognises that the Institute of Cancer Research has recently made some progress with its research but considers that much more funding is needed to help speed up the pace of developments leading to improved

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prospects for patients; highlights Public Petition PE1783, which "calls on the Scottish Parliament to urge the Scottish Government to raise public awareness of harder to treat childhood cancers and to provide additional funding to finding cures", which can be accessed via the Parliament's website and signed until 19 February 2020, and urges all Members to sign the petition and raise awareness of the petition and DIPG within their respective communities.

Supported by: Emma Harper\*, Rona Mackay\*, Sandra White\*, Mark McDonald\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Pauline McNeill\*

**\*[S5M-20406](#) Bill Bowman: Arbroath's Ryan Grant's Raises Money for Cancer Research**

**UK**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that Ryan Grant, who is from Arbroath, has raised £954 for Cancer Research UK, which it believes is the world's largest charity dedicated to saving lives through research; understands that Ryan raised the money by taking a charity bungee jump off the Killiecrankie Bridge; acknowledges that he presented the funds to the manager of the charity's shop in Arbroath, and thanks Ryan for his efforts.

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**\*[S5M-20405](#) Liam McArthur: Bill Spence's Retirement as Lord-Lieutenant of Orkney**

—That the Parliament acknowledges the retirement of Bill Spence as Lord-Lieutenant of Orkney; notes that Bill was appointed to the role in February 2014, when he became the eighth Lord-Lieutenant to serve The Queen in Orkney and the 20th holder of the office after its establishment by King George I in 1715; acknowledges that Bill previously served as Deputy Lieutenant in 1978 and as Vice Lord-Lieutenant in 2011, where he ably supported four of his predecessors in the Orkney Lieutenancy; understands that Bill has also generously supported the work of many local charities, organisations and causes during this time, serving as Chairman of The Society of the Friends of St Magnus Cathedral, the Riding the Marches Committee, Kirkwall Lifeboat Station, The Pier Arts Centre Trust and the Association of Honorary Norwegian Consuls in the UK and Ireland; believes that Bill has served all of his roles and duties with great distinction, building on the legacies left to him by his predecessors, of which he can be very proud; recognises Bill's hard work and dedication over the years, where he has made a significant contribution to communities across Orkney; thanks him for his remarkable service, and wishes Bill, and his wife, Sue, a long, enjoyable and well-earned retirement.

**\*[S5M-20402](#) Neil Findlay: Victory for French Trade Unions**—That the Parliament commends the French trade unions that inspired the people to take to the streets in their tens of thousands for anti-government protests against plans by President Macron to increase the full benefits retirement age from 62 to 64; understands that actions across the country, including six weeks of transport strikes, have forced the French Government to back down and withdraw the new age limit, and believes that this is an excellent example of direct action and activism securing results.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*

**\*[S5M-20399](#) Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde Celebrated at Scottish Public Service Awards**

—That the Parliament congratulates Derek Flood, a welfare rights development officer with Inverclyde Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP), on winning the Leadership Award at the Scottish Public Service Awards; understands that Derek's award recognised how he brought together teams to improve the lives of some of Inverclyde's most vulnerable citizens; notes that staff and volunteers from Ardgowan Hospice's Compassionate Inverclyde project also celebrated success in winning the Colin Mair Award for Policy in Practice for transforming attitudes and everyday practices around loneliness, social isolation, death and bereavement; understands that

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Home 1st, the Inverclyde HSCP team that works with adults and older people, was nominated for the Campbell Christie Public Service Reform Award but was runner-up to NHS 24's Mental Health Hub; believes that it is a credit to the work going on in Inverclyde to be nominated for three prestigious Scottish Public Service Awards, and thanks all the staff and volunteers involved in these projects for their efforts.

**\*[S5M-20398](#) Stuart McMillan: Golden Casket Completes Asda's Scottish Supplier Development Academy 2019**—That the Parliament applauds Golden Casket on completing Asda's Scottish Supplier Development Academy 2019; understands that the programme is run in partnership with Scotland Food & Drink, is supported by the Scottish Government and aims to help Scottish food and drink businesses to grow by providing expert advice and insight into supermarket trading disciplines; notes that the Greenock-based confectionery company has been nominated for numerous awards in the last year, with its products being enjoyed as far away as Iraq, and wishes the company all the best for 2020.

**\*[S5M-20397](#) Lewis Macdonald: Kaimhill Community Stalwart Recognised in New Year's Honours**—That the Parliament congratulates Sheila Jones from Garthdee on being awarded the British Empire Medal in the 2020 New Year's Honours; notes that she has received this award for more than 30 years of service to the community of Kaimhill in Aberdeen; understands that 91-year-old Sheila, who served in the Women's Royal Naval Service during the Second World War, has led many community groups in the Kaimhill community, including chairing the original Kaimhill Management Committee, which managed to help 500 people with just two volunteers and almost no budget; recognises Sheila's contribution to education in the local community over the years as the lifeblood of the Kaimhill Learning Centre, and wishes her the very best with her activism and her day out to receive the medal that she has so well earned.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Beatrice Wishart\*

**\*[S5M-20396](#) Sandra White: The Dear Green Place Welcomes Electric Buses**—That the Parliament congratulates Scottish Power and First Glasgow on the launch of two all-electric buses following full funding from SP Energy Networks; understands that First Glasgow is the "Dear Green Place's" first commercial bus operator to introduce electric vehicles on a commercial route since the 1960s; notes that the launch of the buses has included a tour of the city and saw one of the vehicles on display at the Riverside Museum before going into service on 13 January 2020; welcomes that the buses are being funded as part of SP Energy Networks' £20 million Green Economy Fund, with SP Energy Networks providing over £1 million for the vehicles and chargers; notes that they will run on the M3 route connecting Milton and Springburn with Stobhill Hospital and the city centre; understands that First Glasgow will introduce 22 electric vehicle charging points at its Glasgow Caledonian Depot, allowing more electric buses to be introduced; recognises that, as well as providing the funding for these charging points, SP Energy Networks will also provide the electricity required, and believes that the new buses are a statement of intent of the transport capabilities of the city, joining the electric revolution to help meet what it sees as Glasgow City Council's ambitious target of net zero emissions by 2030.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Richard Lyle\*, Emma Harper\*, Rona Mackay\*

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S5M-20431](#) Fulton MacGregor: Partnership Schools Scotland** (lodged on 13 January 2020)

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New Support: Stuart McMillan\*

**S5M-20395 Edward Mountain: Highland One Stop Shop** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Stuart McMillan\*, Mark McDonald\*, Alison Harris\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Donald Cameron\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Jamie Halcro Johnston\*, Gil Paterson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Alasdair Allan\*

**S5M-20394 Neil Findlay: Mesh Fund** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Iain Gray\*, Elaine Smith\*, Johann Lamont\*

**S5M-20393 Miles Briggs: Mollie Hughes, the Youngest Woman to Ski Solo to the South Pole** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Stuart McMillan\*, Alison Harris\*, Gordon Lindhurst\*, Bill Kidd\*, Donald Cameron\*, Gil Paterson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**S5M-20392 Emma Harper: Older People Given a Voice in Dumfries and Galloway Council** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Sandra White\*, Willie Coffey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Gil Paterson\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**S5M-20391 Jenny Gilruth: Amy Awarded BEM for Services to Community** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Richard Lyle\*, Sandra White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Willie Coffey\*, Gil Paterson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*

**S5M-20390 Jenny Gilruth: Award for Active Schools Fife** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Sandra White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Willie Coffey\*, Gil Paterson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*

**S5M-20389 Jenny Gilruth: Kingdom Housing Association Wins Two National Awards** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Sandra White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Willie Coffey\*, Gil Paterson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*

**S5M-20388 Jenny Gilruth: Leven's Sophia Hamilton Celebrates her 100th Birthday** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Sandra White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Willie Coffey\*, Gil Paterson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*

**S5M-20387 Jenny Gilruth: Windygates Teen, Layla Cooke, Helps Others Learn Sign Language** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Sandra White\*, Rona Mackay\*, Bill Kidd\*, Willie Coffey\*, Gil Paterson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*

**S5M-20384 Maureen Watt: Recognising the Impact of VSA on Young People** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Liam Kerr\*, Sandra White\*, Gil Paterson\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

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**[S5M-20383](#) Colin Beattie: The Radhuni Restaurant in Loanhead Helps Homeless People** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Rona Mackay\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Sandra White\*, Willie Coffey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Gil Paterson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-20382](#) Beatrice Wishart: The Proposed Centralisation of Air Traffic Control in the Highlands and Islands** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*, Rhoda Grant\*, Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

**[S5M-20380](#) Emma Harper: 20th Anniversary of the Loss of the Solway Harvester** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Rona Mackay\*, John Mason\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Sandra White\*, Willie Coffey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Gil Paterson\*, Jenny Gilruth\*

**[S5M-20379](#) Monica Lennon: The International Year of the Nurse and the Midwife** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Johann Lamont\*

**[S5M-20378](#) Fulton MacGregor: Australia's Wildfires** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Rona Mackay\*, James Kelly\*, John Mason\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Beatrice Wishart\*, Sandra White\*, Neil Bibby\*, Christine Grahame\*, Bill Kidd\*, Gil Paterson\*

**[S5M-20377](#) Neil Findlay: Six West Lothian Primary Schools Win Gold** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

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

**[S5M-20376](#) Neil Findlay: Scotmid Staff are Lifesavers** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*, Bill Kidd\*, Gil Paterson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**[S5M-20375](#) Neil Findlay: Russell Galbraith, West Lothian's New Year Baby** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

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

**[S5M-20373](#) Annabelle Ewing: Family Raises £11,477 in Memory of Joyce Greig** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Sandra White\*, Willie Coffey\*, Gil Paterson\*

**[S5M-20372](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Cruse Bereavement Care Scotland** (lodged on 10 January 2020)

New Support: John Mason\*, Bill Kidd\*

**[S5M-20371](#) Bob Doris: Maryhill's Celtic Connections, Music is our Language** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Willie Coffey\*, Gil Paterson\*

**[S5M-20370](#) Mark McDonald: Aberdeen Researchers in Global Clinical Trial into Huntington's Disease** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

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New Support: Gil Paterson\*

**[S5M-20369](#) Claire Baker: Kirkcaldy High, a Gold-standard Rights Respecting School** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Gil Paterson\*, Iain Gray\*

**[S5M-20368](#) Jackson Carlaw: Holocaust Survivor, Ingrid Wuga, Awarded the British Empire Medal** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Sandra White\*, Johann Lamont\*, Gil Paterson\*

**[S5M-20367](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Standard Life Aberdeen Parental Leave** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**[S5M-20366](#) Keith Brown: Andrew Hughes Hallett** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Willie Coffey\*, Gil Paterson\*

**[S5M-20365](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Success at Highland Area Texel Flock Competition** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S5M-20363](#) James Dornan: Illegal Sharing of Intimate Images Without Consent** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Johann Lamont\*

**[S5M-20361](#) Edward Mountain: Isobel Harling BEM** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S5M-20360](#) Edward Mountain: Capt Iain Christopher Dunderdale MBE** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S5M-20359](#) Edward Mountain: Willie Gill OBE** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S5M-20358](#) Edward Mountain: Robert Fowler MBE** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S5M-20356](#) Colin Beattie: MBE for Anne Elliot of Bonnyrigg After School Club** (lodged on 09 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20352](#) Claire Baker: Lizzy Halstead, TPAS Tenant Participation Champion 2019** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Stuart McMillan\*

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**[S5M-20351](#) Clare Adamson: Kerrs Bakery, Motherwell, Completes the Scottish Supplier Development Academy** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20349](#) Clare Adamson: Awards for St Andrew's First Aid Volunteers** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20348](#) Clare Adamson: New Year Honour for Elizabeth Seaton** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20346](#) John Mason: Growing Tensions in the Middle East** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Sandra White\*

**[S5M-20345](#) Gail Ross: Strathnaver Museum** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20344](#) Gail Ross: Caithness General Hospital Awarded the Alliance of Water Stewardship Standard** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20342](#) Jenny Gilruth: Glenrothes Teen to Play in World Championship** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20341](#) Jenny Gilruth: Gillytree Studio Florist in Glenrothes Nominated for Business Award** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20340](#) Jenny Gilruth: Lewis Baker Signs Deal with East Fife Football Club** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20339](#) Jenny Gilruth: Glenrothes Students Benefit from Adam Smith Foundation Scholarships** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20337](#) Alasdair Allan: Keep the EU Flag Flying** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor\*, Tom Arthur\*, Sandra White\*

**[S5M-20336](#) Stuart McMillan: Becky Munley Named Inverclyde's Young Person of the Year** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

**[S5M-20335](#) Stuart McMillan: David Stevens Hailed at Duke of Edinburgh Awards Ceremony** (lodged on 08 January 2020)

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Motions   Glusadan				

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

[\*\*S5M-20333\*\*](#) **Bill Kidd: Shabir Beg OBE** (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

[\*\*S5M-20330\*\*](#) **Colin Beattie: Midlothian Bowlers Selected for the World Championships** (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

[\*\*S5M-20323\*\*](#) **Angus MacDonald: Grangemouth's Zetland Park** (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20321\*\*](#) **Shona Robison: Brian Cox Wins Gold** (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

[\*\*S5M-20320\*\*](#) **Liam McArthur: Record-breaking Erica Clarkson** (lodged on 07 January 2020)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*, Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20314\*\*](#) **James Dornan: Congratulating Dr Tara Quasim MBE** (lodged on 06 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20313\*\*](#) **Liam McArthur: Congratulating John Copland and Jean Leonard on their New Year Honours** (lodged on 06 January 2020)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*, Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20312\*\*](#) **Maureen Watt: Norwood Hall Hotel, Wedding Venue of the Year 2019** (lodged on 06 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20311\*\*](#) **Colin Beattie: Stoats Completes Asda Scottish Supplier Development Academy** (lodged on 06 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

[\*\*S5M-20306\*\*](#) **Sandra White: Alasdair Gray, a Creative Force** (lodged on 03 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20304\*\*](#) **Anas Sarwar: Recognising the Life and Achievements of Bashir Maan CBE** (lodged on 24 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20301\*\*](#) **Colin Beattie: Macsween of Edinburgh Completes Scottish Supplier Development Academy** (lodged on 23 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20300\*\*](#) **Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway College Taking Mental Health Seriously** (lodged on 23 December 2019)

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Motions   Glusadan				

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20299\*\*](#) **Gordon MacDonald: Scotland Captain Retires from International Career** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20297\*\*](#) **Liam McArthur: Orkney Gymnastics Club Hosts Inaugural Junior Competition** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20296\*\*](#) **Colin Beattie: Musselburgh Eatery, East Coast, Receives Multiple Awards** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20295\*\*](#) **John Finnie: Celebrating Scotland's Wetlands on World Wetlands Day 2020** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Emma Harper\*, Stewart Stevenson\*, Rachael Hamilton\*, Finlay Carson\*

[\*\*S5M-20294\*\*](#) **Gil Paterson: Creatovators Christmas Playscheme** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20293\*\*](#) **Gil Paterson: St Peter the Apostle High School Christmas Community Event** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20292\*\*](#) **Gil Paterson: Free Food at The Cabin on Christmas Day** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20291\*\*](#) **Clare Adamson: New College Lanarkshire Shortlisted for Building Information Modelling (BIM) Awards** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20290\*\*](#) **Ross Greer: Retirement of Annette Mackay** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20289\*\*](#) **Gil Paterson: Martin Fallone** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20288\*\*](#) **Gil Paterson: Edinbarnet Nursing Home** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20287\*\*](#) **Gil Paterson: Recycling over the Holiday Period** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*

[\*\*S5M-20285\*\*](#) **Emma Harper: We Hae Meat Agrees Asda Contract** (lodged on 20 December 2019)

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Motions   Glusadan				

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Sandra White\*

**[S5M-20276](#) Alison Johnstone: New Future for Community Farm Site** (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Sandra White\*

**[S5M-20268](#) Fulton MacGregor: BEMIS Scotland, the SFA and the St Andrew's Multi-Cultural Cup** (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Sandra White\*

**[S5M-20267](#) Fulton MacGregor: BEMIS Scotland and St Andrew's Fair Saturday** (lodged on 19 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Sandra White\*

**[S5M-20261](#) Lewis Macdonald: Sustainable Development Goals in Scotland, On Target for 2030?** (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson\*

**[S5M-20260](#) Clare Adamson: NHS Lanarkshire's Coorie-In Project Wins at 2019 Quality Improvement Services Awards** (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Sandra White\*

**[S5M-20259](#) Clare Adamson: Asda Foundation Supports Seven Local Community Projects in Motherwell and Wishaw** (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Sandra White\*

**[S5M-20258](#) Clare Adamson: 600 Students Attend New College Lanarkshire Awards Ceremonies at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall** (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Sandra White\*

**[S5M-20255](#) Alexander Stewart: 180th Anniversary of the Scottish SPCA** (lodged on 18 December 2019)

New Support: Christine Grahame\*

**[S5M-20213](#) Gail Ross: Gordon Ross Humanist of the Year** (lodged on 06 January 2020)

New Support: Tom Arthur\*, Willie Coffey\*

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Questions   Ceistean				

## Oral Questions

### Topical Questions selected for answer on 14 January 2020

- 1. Beatrice Wishart:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the number of primary schools exceeding their capacity has increased by a third since 2009. ([S5T-01947](#))
- 2. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that complaints about Caledonian Sleeper services have increased by 221%. ([S5T-01953](#))

### First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 16 January 2020

- 1. Jackson Carlaw:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03845](#))
- 2. Richard Leonard:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03846](#))
- 3. Alison Johnstone:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S5F-03847](#))
- 4. Clare Adamson:** To ask the First Minister what impact ending the Erasmus scheme would have on Scottish universities. ([S5F-03860](#))
- 5. Peter Chapman:** To ask the First Minister what measures the Scottish Government is taking to address the reported crisis in wild salmon stocks. ([S5F-03858](#))
- 6. James Kelly:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that Police Scotland has spent £11.6 million in compensation over the last five years. ([S5F-03853](#))

### Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 22 January 2020

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 15 January 2020. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 16 January 2020.

### Government Business and Constitutional Relations

1. Iain Gray
2. Donald Cameron
3. Daniel Johnson
4. James Kelly
5. Liam Kerr
6. Brian Whittle
7. Gil Paterson
8. Pauline McNeill

### Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

1. Margaret Mitchell
2. Ruth Maguire
3. Alison Johnstone

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Questions   Ceistean				

4. Jeremy Balfour
5. Peter Chapman
6. Tom Arthur
7. David Stewart
8. Liz Smith

### Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 23 January 2020

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 15 January 2020. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 16 January 2020.

### Education and Skills

1. Murdo Fraser
2. Maurice Corry
3. Mary Fee
4. Jamie Halcro Johnston
5. Richard Lyle
6. Bob Doris
7. Adam Tomkins
8. Dean Lockhart

### Members selected for General Questions on 23 January 2020

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 15 January 2020. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 16 January 2020.

1. David Torrance
2. Sarah Boyack
3. James Dornan
4. Colin Smyth
5. Maureen Watt
6. Alexander Burnett
7. Stewart Stevenson
8. Michelle Ballantyne
9. Gordon MacDonald
10. Monica Lennon

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Questions   Ceistean				

## Written Questions

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

### Written questions lodged on 13 January 2020

**[S5W-26934](#) Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to prevent so-called ghost gear from damaging marine wildlife.

**[S5W-26935](#) Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the abolition of the uniform business rate would allow local authorities to introduce rate supplements and additional levies.

**[S5W-26936](#) Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government what impact the abolition of the uniform business rate might have on support in future ballots for Business Improvement Districts, which may be funded by a levy related to business rates.

**[S5W-26937](#) Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has received regarding the abolition of the uniform business rate and the handing of control over business rates to local authorities.

**[S5W-26940](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-26324 by Jeane Freeman on 20 November 2019, how much of this additional funding has been claimed by optometrists through the General Ophthalmic Services contract under code 3 in relation to supplementary eye examinations.

**[S5W-26941](#) Neil Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what the associated costs are of recruiting the new Chief Executive of the Scottish National Investment Bank.

**[S5W-26942](#) Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government how many Scotland-domiciled students have taken part in the Erasmus+ programme in the last five years.

**[S5W-26943](#) Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government how many EU students are studying in Scottish universities through the Erasmus+ programme.

**[S5W-26944](#) Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government how many EU students have come to study in Scotland as part of the Erasmus+ programme since its inception.

**[S5W-26945](#) Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government how many Scotland-domiciled students are studying abroad through the Erasmus+ programme, broken down by institution.

**[S5W-26946](#) Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding Scottish universities have received through the Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme in the last five years.

## Amendments

### New amendments to Bills lodged on 13 January 2020

#### Scottish National Investment Bank Bill – Stage 3

##### Section 1A

##### Derek Mackay

4 In section 1A, page 1, line 18, leave out <low carbon> and insert <net-zero emissions>

##### After section 2

##### Derek Mackay

5 After section 2, insert—

##### <Ethical investment standards

The articles of association must provide that the Bank’s board is responsible for the Bank—

- (a) having ethical investment standards which align with the Bank’s main object and ancillary objects as set out in its articles of association and its strategic missions, and
- (b) having in place processes to ensure that the Bank’s investment decisions are taken in accordance with those standards.>

##### Section 2A

##### Derek Mackay

6 In section 2A, page 2, line 20, leave out <to be known as a “balanced> and insert <“the balanced>

##### Derek Mackay

7 In section 2A, page 2, line 22, leave out <a document under subsection (1)> and insert <the balanced scorecard>

##### Section 3

##### Neil Findlay

8 In section 3, page 2, line 35, at end insert—

- <( ) However, the articles of association must provide that the Bank may not give financial assistance to a company which—
- (a) enters into a tax avoidance arrangement or series of arrangements (construed in accordance with section 63 of the Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act 2014), or
  - (b) carries out tax evasion.>

##### Neil Findlay

9 In section 3, page 2, line 35, at end insert—

<( ) However, the articles of association must provide that the Bank may not give financial assistance to a company which does not pay its employees a living wage (construed in accordance with section 15(7) of the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014).>

**Neil Findlay**

10 In section 3, page 2, line 35, at end insert—

<( ) However, the articles of association must provide that the Bank may not give financial assistance to a company which employs a worker on a zero hours contract (within the meaning of section 27A of the Employment Rights Act 1996).>

**Neil Findlay**

11 In section 3, page 2, line 35, at end insert—

<( ) However, the articles of association must provide that the Bank may not give financial assistance to a company which enters into a contract with an umbrella company (within the meaning of section 615 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010).>

**Neil Findlay**

12 In section 3, page 2, line 35, at end insert—

<( ) However, the articles of association must provide that the Bank may not give financial assistance to a company which does not recognise trade unions in accordance with section 70A of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.>

**Section 6**

**Rhoda Grant**

13 In section 6, page 3, line 29, leave out subsections (4) and (5)

**Section 8**

**Neil Findlay**

14 In section 8, page 4, line 31, after second <to> insert <—

( )>

**Neil Findlay**

15 In section 8, page 4, line 32, at end insert <, and

( ) subsection (2).

(2) The articles of association must provide that remuneration is to—

- (a) offer a defined benefit pension scheme,
- (b) conform to fair work principles (construed in accordance with section 18 of the South of Scotland Enterprise Act 2019),
- (c) be consistent with any guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers about levels of pay for individuals in the employ of Scottish public authorities listed in schedule 5 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.>

## Section 9A

### Derek Mackay

- 16 In section 9A, page 5, line 9, leave out <appoint> and insert <establish and maintain>

### Derek Mackay

- 17 In section 9A, page 5, line 10, leave out <objectives> and insert <objects>

### Derek Mackay

- 18 In section 9A, page 5, line 15, leave out from <(within> to <1992)> in line 16

### Derek Mackay

- 19 Move section 9A to after section 19

## Section 11

### Derek Mackay

- 20 In section 11, page 5, line 26, leave out subsections (2) to (7) and insert—
- <( ) The Scottish Ministers set the Bank strategic missions by sending it a document—
    - (a) describing the socio-economic or environmental challenges that the Bank is to seek to address, and
    - (b) explaining how, in the Ministers' opinion, addressing those challenges relates to the Bank's main object and ancillary objects as set out in its articles of association.
  - ( ) The latest document sent to the Bank under this section supersedes the previous one and so, by sending the Bank a new document under this section, the Scottish Ministers can—
    - (a) set a new strategic mission for the Bank,
    - (b) modify a strategic mission, or
    - (c) bring a strategic mission to an end.
  - ( ) After sending the Bank a document under this section, the Scottish Ministers must—
    - (a) lay before the Scottish Parliament—
      - (i) a copy of the document, and
      - (ii) a statement setting out how the terms of the document sent to the Bank were affected by the responses to the public consultation carried out in accordance with section (*Requirement to consult in relation to missions*), and
    - (b) make a copy of both the document and the statement publicly available.>

## After section 11

### Derek Mackay

- 21 After section 11, insert—
- <Requirement to consult in relation to missions**
- (1) Before sending the Bank a document under section 11 which would set, modify or bring to an end a strategic mission, the Scottish Ministers must consult publicly about it.

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Amendments   Atharrachaidhean				

- (2) A public consultation under subsection (1) must be carried out over a period of at least 40 days beginning on the day that the Scottish Ministers lay before the Scottish Parliament a statement describing their proposal.
- (3) In calculating the period of 40 days mentioned in subsection (2), no account is to be taken of any time during which the Parliament is—
  - (a) dissolved, or
  - (b) in recess for more than 4 days.
- (4) For the purpose of this section, it is immaterial that anything done by way of public consultation was done before the Bill for this Act was passed or after that but before this section comes into force.>

**Derek Mackay**

22 After section 11, insert—

**<Proposals from the Bank about its missions**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies when the Scottish Ministers receive from the Bank a valid proposal that they should change the Bank's strategic missions.
- (2) Within 28 days of receiving the proposal, the Scottish Ministers must write to the chair of the Bank's board stating—
  - (a) whether the Scottish Ministers will consult under section (*Requirement to consult in relation to missions*) about making the proposed change, and
  - (b) the reasons for that decision.
- (3) A proposal is valid for the purpose of subsection (1) if it is—
  - (a) in writing, and
  - (b) explains—
    - (i) why the proposal is being made, and
    - (ii) in the case of a proposal to set a new mission or modify one, how that proposed change relates to the Bank's main object and ancillary objects as set out in its articles of association.>

**Section 12**

**Derek Mackay**

23 In section 12, page 6, line 37, leave out <11(3)> and insert <11>

**Section 14**

**Derek Mackay**

24 In section 14, page 7, line 38, leave out <mission statement> and insert <strategic missions>

**Derek Mackay**

25 In section 14, page 8, line 1, leave out <framework the Scottish Ministers prepare and publish> and insert <indicators specified by the Scottish Ministers when appointing a person to carry out the review in question>

## Section 19

### Derek Mackay

26 In section 19, page 9, line 26, leave out from <(subject> to <2018)> in line 27

### Derek Mackay

27 In section 19, page 9, line 29, at end insert—

<as they form part of the law of Scotland and as modified by the law of Scotland from time to time.>

## After section 19

### Rhoda Grant

28 After section 19, insert—

#### <Exercise of power to appoint non-executive directors

- (1) In appointing the Bank's non-executive directors, the Scottish Ministers must have regard to the desirability of ensuring that the non-executive directors (as a whole) have experience or knowledge of the issues facing workers and businesses in Scotland.
- (2) In considering, for the purpose of subsection (1), the particular knowledge or experience that the non-executive directors (as a whole) should have, the Scottish Ministers must consult—
  - (a) persons appearing to them to represent trade unions operating in Scotland, and
  - (b) persons appearing to them to represent businesses operating in Scotland.>

## Schedule

### Derek Mackay

29 In the schedule, page 11, line 19, leave out from <Scottish> to end of line 20 and insert <the Convener of the School Closure Review Panels insert—

“a non-executive director of the Scottish National Investment Bank p.l.c.”>

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## Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 15 January 2020

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 17 December 2019

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 14 January 2020

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

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

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

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 23 January 2020

*Stage 1 Report (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee) published, 28 December 2019*

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

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Stage 1 (Justice Committee), 14 January 2020

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

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 16 January 2020

*Stage 1 Report (Education and Skills Committee) published, 17 December 2019*

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

Stage 2 (Equalities and Human Rights Committee), 23 January 2020

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 17 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

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

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

**Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 4 December 2019

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government and Communities), 15 January 2020

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

Introduced, 10 October 2019

*Lead committee – Economy, Energy and Fair Work*

**Referendums (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 19 December 2019

**Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)**

Stage 1 completed, 9 January 2020

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

**Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee), 16 January 2020

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

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

**Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)**

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 21 January 2020

*Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Tuesday 14 January 2020 with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([LegislationTeam@parliament.scot](mailto:LegislationTeam@parliament.scot))*

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

Preliminary Stage (Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee), 14 January 2020

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## UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 17 December 2019

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

Passed, 21 March 2018

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

## Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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## Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) Bill LCM-S5-30

Lodged on 13 January 2020

## European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill LCM-S5-29

Lodged on 20 December 2019

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 7 January 2020

Evidence (Finance and Constitution Committee), 8 January 2020

Debate, meeting of the Parliament, 8 January 2020

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

### Affirmative instruments

#### Lead Committee report due by 20 January 2019

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

#### Lead Committee report due by 30 January 2019

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

#### Lead Committee report due by 10 February 2020

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

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

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

**Lead Committee report due by 11 February 2020**

Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exclusions and Exceptions) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2020 (SSI 2019/draft) (18 December 2019) Justice Committee)

**Negative instruments**

**Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020**

**Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Subject to annulment by 17 January 2020**

**Lead committee to report by 13 January 2020**

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

**Subject to annulment by 22 January 2020**

**Lead committee to report by 20 January 2020**

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

**Subject to annulment by 26 January 2020**

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

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

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

**Subject to annulment by 29 January 2020**  
**Lead committee to report by 27 January 2020**

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

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

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

**Lead Committee report due by 17 February 2020**

Conservation of Salmon (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/426) (19 December 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Electricity Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/427) (19 December 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/425) (19 December 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

Local Government Pension Scheme (Increased Pension Entitlement) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 (SSI 2019/438) (20 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

Royal Conservatoire of Scotland Amendment Order of Council 2020 (SSI 2020/3) (09 January 2020) (Education and Skills)

Water and Sewerage Services to Dwellings (Collection of Unmetered Charges by Local Authority) (Scotland) Order 2020 (SSI 2020/4) (09 January 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)

**Instruments/documents laid for consultation**

**Lead committee report due 06 February 2020**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

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

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

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

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### Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 13 January 2020—

Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy: Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S5-30)

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