

Tuesday 29 September 2020

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean

Revised at 1:35pm



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S5M-22871, today's business will be as follows:

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Rev Dr Nanda Groenewald, Minister, Polbeth Harwood & West Kirk of Calder

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scottish Budget Update

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Complaints Against MSPs, Amendment of the Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner Act 2002

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Sentencing Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S5M-22764 Mark Ruskell: A Just Transition for Mossmorran

Committee Meetings

9:30am Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

9:30am Health and Sport Committee

10:00am Justice Committee

10:15am Committee on the Scottish Government Handling of Harassment Complaints

10:30am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

12:30pm Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

3:30pm Finance and Constitution Committee

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2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Rev Dr Nanda Groenewald, Minister, Polbeth Harwood & West Kirk of Calder

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S5M-22871](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) to the following revisions to the programme of business for—

(i) Tuesday 29 September 2020—

after

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scottish Budget Update

and after

followed by Stage 3: Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill

insert

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Sentencing Bill

(ii) Wednesday 30 September 2020—

after

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Security and Older People; Finance

insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Supporting students through the global pandemic

and after

followed by Labour Party Business: Recognising the Importance of Family Caregivers

insert

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Agriculture Bill

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Social Security (Up-rating of Benefits) Bill

delete

5.10 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.45 pm Decision Time

(iii) Thursday 1 October 2020—

delete

5.05 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purpose of consideration of the LCM on the Social Security (Up-rating of Benefits) Bill, Rules 9B3.5 and 9B3.6 of Standing Orders be suspended;

(c) that, for the purpose of consideration of the Supplementary LCM on the Agriculture Bill, Rule 9B3.6 of Standing Orders be suspended.

[S5M-22841](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Meeting

Times—That the Parliament agrees that, under Rule 12.3.3B of Standing Orders, the Finance and Constitution Committee can meet, if necessary, at the same time as a meeting of the Parliament from 3.30 pm on Tuesday 29 September 2020 to take evidence on the UK Internal Market Bill.

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scottish Budget Update

followed by Topical Questions

1. Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it is having with the university sector regarding students isolating because of COVID-19. ([S5T-02420](#))

2. Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the backlog of court cases could take up to a decade to clear. ([S5T-02423](#))

3. Beatrice Wishart: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in response to reports that over 900 childminding settings are still to reopen, and the recent Scottish Childminding Association survey that suggests that the sector is "on the edge of financial viability". ([S5T-02432](#))

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee Debate: Complaints Against MSPs, Amendment of the Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner Act 2002

[S5M-22213](#) Bill Kidd on behalf of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee: Proposal for a Committee Bill—That the Parliament agrees to the proposal for a Committee Bill, under Rule 9.15, contained in the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee's 7th Report, 2020 (Session 5), *Proposal for a Committee Bill – Complaints against MSPs – amendment of the Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner Act 2002* (SP Paper 766).

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill

[S5M-22845](#) Shirley-Anne Somerville: The Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Sentencing Bill

[S5M-22868](#) Humza Yousaf: Sentencing Bill - UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Sentencing Bill, introduced in the House of Lords on 3 March 2020, relating to transfer of community orders to Scotland or Northern Ireland, transfer to Scotland or Northern Ireland of suspended sentence orders which impose community requirements, making of sexual harm prevention order: effect on other orders and offences, effect of derogatory assertion orders, effect of order for absolute discharge and order for conditional discharge, execution of process between England and Wales and Scotland and consequential, repeal and revocations so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S5M-22874](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Finance and Constitution Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the legislative consent memorandum in relation to the Internal Market Bill (UK Legislation).

[S5M-22875](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the supplementary legislative consent memorandum in relation to the Agriculture Bill (UK Legislation).

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — **S5M-22764 Mark Ruskell: A Just Transition for Mossmorran**

[S5M-22764 Mark Ruskell: A Just Transition for Mossmorran](#)—That the Parliament notes the calls for the creation of a Just Transition board for the gas processing complex at Mossmorran in Fife; understands that the combined plants at the site are among the biggest industrial emitters of CO2 in Scotland; notes the view that reducing the emissions from the plant will be central to meeting Scotland's target of net-zero emissions by 2045; welcomes the announcement that a Future Industries Board is to be created for the Grangemouth complex to support a Just Transition for workers and the local community there; understands that the future of the Mossmorran facility is similarly tied in with the North Sea Oil network, and notes the view that a detailed plan will be needed to support workers and the local community to transition to new green industries; recognises the work of the local Mossmorran Action Group and campaigners from Climate Camp Scotland and Friends of the Earth Scotland in highlighting the environmental and social impacts of the plant, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to meet with all stakeholders to discuss the creation of a Just Transition board for Mossmorran.

Committee Meetings

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

Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee 30th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:30 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, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
James Lambert, Director, Competition and Markets Authority;
Charles Wood, Head of New Energy Services and Heat, Energy UK;
Marcus Hunt, Director, Commercial Services and Investments, SGN Commercial Services;
Donald MacBrayne, Business Development Manager, Scottish Water Horizons.
3. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposals—
Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020
4. **Heat Networks (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at today's meeting.
5. **Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider evidence received and issues for its draft Stage 1 report.
6. **BiFab, the offshore wind sector and Scottish supply chain:** The Committee will consider correspondence received.
7. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Health and Sport Committee 25th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in a virtual meeting to be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards - NHS 24:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Dr Martin Cheyne, Chair, Angiolina Foster, Chief Executive, Stephanie Phillips, Director of Service Delivery, and Dr Laura Ryan, Medical Director, NHS 24.
2. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will take evidence as part of its Pre-Budget Scrutiny from—
Jeane Freeman, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, and Richard McCallum, Interim Director of Health Finance and Governance, Scottish Government.
3. **Scrutiny of NHS Boards - NHS 24 (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Social Care Inquiry (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.

6. **Supply and demand for medicines inquiry (in private):** Consideration of “response” by Scottish Government to report on the Supply and Demand for Medicines.

Justice Committee 23rd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **Post-mortem Examinations (Defence Time Limit) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Gil Paterson MSP;
Liz Anderson, Assistant Clerk, Non-Government Bills Unit, Claudia Bennett, Solicitor, and Andrew Mylne, Clerk Team Leader, Non-Government Bills Unit, Scottish Parliament.
2. **Sentencing Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider the legislative consent memorandum lodged by Humza Yousaf (Cabinet Secretary for Justice) (LCM(S5)45).
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
The Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Rules 2020 (SSI 2020/264)
4. **Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider key issues for a draft Stage 1 report.

Committee on the Scottish Government Handling of Harassment Complaints 9th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:15 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

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

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 30th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Consideration of the work of the Committee in 2019-20:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Graeme Dey, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans, Susan Herbert, Head of SSI Team, Parliament and Legislation Unit, Steven Macgregor, Head of Parliament and Legislation Unit, Jenny Brough, Coronavirus Legislation Co-ordination Team, Rachel Rayner, Scottish Government Legal Directorate Deputy Legislation Co-ordinator and Brian Peddie, Head of EU Exit Legislation Team, Parliament and Legislation Unit.

3. **Instruments subject to the made affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/279\);](#)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 15\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/288\)](#)

4. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Census \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\);](#)
[Human Tissue \(Excepted Body Parts\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#)

5. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

[Act of Sederunt \(Simple Procedure Amendment\) \(Civil Online\) 2020 \(SSI 2020/293\)](#)

6. **Consideration of the work of the Committee in 2019-20:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier.

7. **Social Security Administration and Tribunal Membership (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee 25th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 12.30 pm in a virtual meeting and be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposals—
Environment (Miscellaneous Amendments Etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020;
The Persistent Organic Pollutants (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.
2. **Environment Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to legislative consent memorandum LCM-S5-39.

Finance and Constitution Committee 22nd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 3.30 pm in a virtual meeting and will be broadcast on www.scottishparliament.tv

1. **UK Internal Market Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill from—
The RT. Hon Michael Gove MP, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, UK Government.

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