

Tuesday 21 June 2022

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S6M-05127, today's business will be as follows:

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Angela Johnson, Celebrant of the Humanist Society Scotland

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: World Refugee Day – Welcoming and Supporting Refugees in Scotland's Communities

followed by Urgent Question: Russell Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports from the Scottish Police Authority that 386 cases of potential drug driving cannot be prosecuted because of major delays in forensic testing.

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Non-Domestic Rates (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:15 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-03777 Bob Doris: MND Scotland Report, No Time to Lose: Addressing the Housing Needs of People with MND

Committee Meetings

9:00am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

9:30am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

9:30am Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

9:30am Finance and Public Administration Committee

9:30am Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

9:30am Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

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2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Angela Johnson, Celebrant of the Humanist Society Scotland

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S6M-05127](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees to the following revision to the programme of business for Tuesday 21 June 2022—

delete

6.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.05 pm Decision Time

followed by Topical Questions

1. Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how avian flu is affecting bird populations. ([S6T-00803](#))

2. Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported warnings from a leading scientist that its opposition to gene-edited crops goes against the scientific consensus. ([S6T-00818](#))

followed by Scottish Government Debate: World Refugee Day – Welcoming and Supporting Refugees in Scotland's Communities

[S6M-05098](#) Neil Gray: World Refugee Day – Welcoming and Supporting Refugees in Scotland's Communities—That the Parliament uses the opportunity of World Refugee Day to welcome people who have sought refuge in Scotland from war and persecution, including refugees, people seeking asylum, people relocated from Afghanistan and displaced people from Ukraine; recognises the contribution that refugees, people seeking asylum, people who have arrived under refugee resettlement and relocation schemes, people granted discretionary leave or humanitarian protection and displaced people arriving under specific visa routes have made to Scotland over many years; thanks local authorities, communities, individuals, the third sector and faith organisations that have supported, and are supporting, refugees, people seeking asylum and displaced people to settle in the country; commends the key principle of the New Scots refugee integration strategy that integration begins from day one of arrival, and celebrates the opportunity to connect and share stories through Refugee Festival Scotland.

followed by Urgent Question: Russell Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports from the Scottish Police Authority that 386 cases of potential drug driving cannot be prosecuted because of major delays in forensic testing.

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Non-Domestic Rates (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Bill

[S6M-05095](#) Tom Arthur: Non-Domestic Rates (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Non-Domestic Rates (Coronavirus) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:15 pm Decision Time

**followed by Members' Business
Debate on the subject of—**

[S6M-03777](#) Bob Doris: MND Scotland Report, No Time to Lose: Addressing the Housing Needs of People with MND—That the Parliament welcomes the MND Scotland report, *No time to lose: Addressing the housing needs of people with MND*, which outlines the challenges that people with MND, including those in the Glasgow Maryhill and Springburn constituency, face when trying to obtain the accessible home that they need through adaptations or an alternative accessible property; understands that MND is a rapidly progressing terminal neurological disease, which can cause those with the illness to lose the ability to walk, talk, eat, drink or breathe unaided, with the average life expectancy being just 18 months from diagnosis; acknowledges that many waiting lists for adaptations and alternative accessible homes are reportedly too long for people with MND with, it understands, some longer than the average life expectancy with the illness; believes that this can leave people with MND unable to spend the precious time that they have left safely and with the dignity that everyone is entitled to, and that, for some, support never comes in time; understands that speed in service provision is critical for people with MND, and notes the expectation that the Scottish Government and local authorities will give meaningful and early consideration to implementing the report's various recommendations, which include fast-tracking people with MND for adaptations and accessible homes, a proactive, not reactive, approach to adaptations, establishing a national definition of accessible housing, and building more wheelchair accessible housing across Scotland.

Committee Meetings

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

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 21st Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **The role of local government and its cross-sectoral partners in financing and delivering a net-zero Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Jeremy Gorelick, Strategic Advisor, and Emma Harvey, Programme Director for the Coalition for the Energy Efficiency of Buildings, Green Finance Institute;
Ben Howarth, Manager, Climate Change and Open Data Policy, Association of British Insurers;
and then from—
John Cunningham, Strategy Manager, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar;
Nick Halfhide, Director of Nature and Climate Change, NatureScot;
David Harley, Chief Officer Circular Economy, Scottish Environment Protection Agency;
Professor Simon Parsons, Director of Strategic Customer Service Planning, Scottish Water;
Julie Waldron, Senior Planning Officer (Landscape and Water), City of Edinburgh Council.
3. **The role of local government and its cross-sectoral partners in financing and delivering a net-zero Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Energy price rises:** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 20th Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Declaration of interests:** Stephen Kerr will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 7, 8 and 9 in private.
3. **Evidence session with the Minister for Parliamentary Business:** The Committee will take evidence from—
George Adam, Minister for Parliamentary Business, Karen Auchincloss, Head of Parliament and Legislation Unit, Gordon Johnstone, Parliament and Legislation Unit, Brexit Legislation Manager, and Rachel Rayner, SGLD Deputy Legislation Co-ordinator, Scottish Government.
4. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Health \(Tobacco, Nicotine etc. and Care\) \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Supplementary Provision\) Regulations 2022](#) (SSI 2022/Draft)
[Age of Criminal Responsibility \(Reports on Use of Places of Safety\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2022](#) (SSI 2022/Draft)
5. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Gender Recognition \(Marriage and Civil Partnership Registration\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2022](#) (SSI 2022/201)

[Gender Recognition \(Marriage and Civil Partnership Registration\) \(Modification\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2022](#) (SSI 2022/202)

[Vegetable Plant Material and Fruit Plant and Propagating Material \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2022](#) (SSI 2022/203)

6. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Transport \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 5\) Regulations 2022](#) (SSI 2022/204 (C.11))
7. **Evidence session with the Minister for Parliamentary Business:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 3.
8. **Coronavirus (Recovery and Reform) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
9. **Moveable Transactions (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 19th Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Professor Alice Sullivan, Head of Research, UCL Social Research Institute;
Robin White, Barrister, Old Square Chambers;
and then from—
Victor Madrigal-Borloz, United Nations Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR);
Ian Duddy, Chair, Barbara Bolton, Head of Legal and Policy, and Cathy Asante, Legal Officer, Scottish Human Rights Commission;
and then from—
Dr Sandra Duffy, Lecturer in Law, and Dr Peter Dunne, Senior Lecturer, University of Bristol School of Law;
Dr Chris Dietz, Lecturer in Law and Social Justice, University of Leeds.
2. **Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.

Finance and Public Administration Committee 20th Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Post-legislative scrutiny of the Financial Memorandum for the Children and Young People (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Sarah Watters, and Matthew Sweeney, Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA);
David Robertson, Chief Financial Officer, Scottish Borders Council;
and then from—
Jonathan Broadbery, Director of Policy and External Communications, National Day Nurseries Association;
Graeme McAlister, Chief Executive, Scottish Childminding Association;

Jane Brumpton, Chief Executive, Early Years Scotland.

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

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 23rd Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Health Inequalities:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Dr Peter Cawston, GP Principal, GPs at the Deep End;
Professor Sir Michael Marmot, Professor of Epidemiology, University College London;
Dr Shari McDaid, Head of Evidence and Impact (Scotland and Northern Ireland), Mental Health Foundation;
Professor Petra Meier, Director, UKPRP-funded SIPHER Consortium.
3. **Health Inequalities:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 20th Meeting, 2022

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Accounts Commission Local Government and Financial Overview:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Bill Moyes, Chair, Accounts Commission;
Antony Clark, Director of Performance Audit and Best Value and Interim Controller of Audit, Carol Calder, Interim Audit Director, Blyth Deans, Interim Senior Manager, and Lucy Jones, Senior Auditor, Audit Scotland.
3. **Accounts Commission Local Government and Financial Overview:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

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