

Tuesday 12 December 2023

Business Bulletin

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Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Chibuzor Tina Amadi, UK Parliamentary Liaison for CSW

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Literacy and Numeracy

followed by Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee Debate: Asylum Seekers in Scotland

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-10961 Kaukab Stewart: 75th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

Committee Meetings

9:00am Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

9:15am Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

9:15am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

9:30am Finance and Public Administration Committee

10:00am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

10:30am Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

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1. Meghan Gallacher: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to appeal the decision of the Court of Session that the UK Government acted lawfully when enacting a section 35 order in relation to the Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill. ([S6T-01686](#))

2. Alasdair Allan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the letter from the UK foreign secretary to the constitution secretary, what its response is to reports that the UK Government may withdraw Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office support for Scottish Government overseas meetings. ([S6T-01699](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: Literacy and Numeracy

followed by Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee Debate: Asylum Seekers in Scotland

[S6M-11608](#) Kaukab Stewart on behalf of the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee: Asylum Seekers in Scotland—That the Parliament notes the conclusions set out in the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee's 8th Report, 2023 (Session 6), *The Human Rights of Asylum Seekers in Scotland* (SP Paper 455).

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

[S6M-10961](#) Kaukab Stewart: 75th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights—That the Parliament notes that 10 December 2023 is annual Human Rights Day, and marks the 75th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights being proclaimed by the United Nations (UN) General Assembly in Paris on 10 December 1948; recognises what it sees as the vital role of human rights frameworks in expanding, promoting, and defending human rights across the globe; understands that the Declaration has been translated into over 500 different

languages, and has paved the way for more than 70 human rights treaties to date; notes the belief that politicians of all parties must work together to ensure that human rights are championed and have a maximum effect in practice; recognises Amnesty International's campaign "Human Rights: Now Available in Human", which, it understands, aims to engage as many people as possible in the legislative process for Scotland's proposed new Human Rights Bill; further recognises the work of civil society organisations, including the Human Rights Consortium Scotland, JustRight Scotland and Making Rights Real, in helping to protect and advance human rights in Scotland; notes that 2023 also marks 25 years since the UN General Assembly adopted the Declaration on Human Rights Defenders; affirms its support for human rights defenders working on the front line of what it sees as rights abuses and injustice, and notes the belief that their voices should be integral to law and policy development in Scotland and across the world.

Committee Meetings

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

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 30th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Annual Report of the Ethical Standards Commissioner 2022-23:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Lorna Johnston, Executive Director, and Richard Wilson, Case Manager, Standards Commission for Scotland.
3. **Annual Report of the Standards Commission 2022-23:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Ian Bruce, Ethical Standards Commissioner, and Sarah Pollock, Hearings and Investigations Officer, Ethical Standards Commissioner.
4. **Housing (Cladding Remediation) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Kate Hall, Director, Cladding Remediation Division, Rachel Sunderland, Deputy Director, Cladding Remediation Division, and Micheila West, Solicitor, Housing Branch, Scottish Government.
5. **Annual Report of the Ethical Standards Commissioner 2022-23:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
6. **Annual Report of the Standards Commission 2022-23:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
7. **Housing (Cladding Remediation) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
8. **Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 38th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Healthcare in remote and rural areas:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Michael Dickson, Chief Executive, Scottish Ambulance Service;
Nicola Gordon, Policy Manager, Royal College of Nursing Scotland;
Jaki Lambert, Director, Royal College of Midwives Scotland;
Dawn MacDonald, NHS Highland Branch Secretary, UNISON.
3. **Healthcare in remote and rural areas (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the [Scottish Government's response](#) to its letter of 7 November 2023.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its future work programme.

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

36th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:15 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, 4 and 5 in private.
The Committee will also decide whether to consider its work programme in private at its next meeting.
2. **Scottish Biodiversity Strategy (draft Delivery Plan):** The Committee will take evidence from—
Dr Clare Cavers, Senior Projects Manager, Fidra;
Calum Duncan, Head of Conservation, Scotland, Marine Conservation Society;
Elspeth Macdonald, Chief Executive, Scottish Fishermen's Federation;
Vicki Paxton, Partnership Manager, Moray Firth Coastal Partnership;
Tavish Scott, Chief Executive, Salmon Scotland;
Phil Taylor, Head of Policy and Operations, The Open Seas Trust.
3. **Scottish Biodiversity Strategy (draft Delivery Plan):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Adviser:** The Committee will consider a list of candidates for the post of adviser on climate change and net zero targets.
5. **Appointments to the Board of the Scottish Land Commission:** The Committee will consider a list of recommended candidates for appointment to the Board of the Scottish Land Commission.

Finance and Public Administration Committee 33rd Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Budget Scrutiny 2024-25: UK context:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Richard Hughes, Chair, Professor David Miles CBE, Member, Budget Responsibility Committee, and Tom Josephs, Member, Budget Responsibility Committee, Office for Budget Responsibility;
and then from—
Carl Emmerson, Deputy Director, and David Phillips, Associate Director, Institute for Fiscal Studies.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 34th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Welfare of Farmed Animals \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024](#) (SSI 2024/Draft)
3. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2023](#) (SSI 2023/361)
[Good Food Nation \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Commencement No. 1\) Amendment Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/362 (C. 24))

4. **Documents subject to parliamentary control:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Code of Practice for the Welfare of Pigs \(Revocation\) \(Scotland\) Notice 2023](#) (SG 2023/304)
5. **Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
6. **Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
7. **Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 27th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 10:30 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Gender Representation on Public Boards (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will receive a briefing from the Scottish Government's Bill Team.
2. **Gender Representation on Public Boards (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.
3. **Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a key issues paper.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 6 December 2023

Wednesday 13 December 2023

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy

Finance and Parliamentary Business

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Debate: Improving the Performance of the Scottish Education System

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-11225 Keith Brown: Fighting With Pride and Advocacy for LGBT+ Veterans

Thursday 14 December 2023

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-11294 Graham Simpson: Antisocial Behaviour on Buses

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Application of the Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Act 2023 in Scotland

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 19 December 2023

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 20 December 2023

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands; NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 21 December 2023

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice

1:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

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>

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

13 December 2023

33rd Meeting, 2023

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

- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Wine (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 from—
Mairi Gougeon, Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands, Kevin Matheson, Policy Manager, Food and Drink Industry Growth Team, and Judith Brown, Solicitor, Scottish Government.
- Subordinate legislation:** Mairi Gougeon, Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands to move—S6M-11343—That the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee recommends that the Wine (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 be approved.
- Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Tim Bailey, Chief Executive, Scottish Agricultural Organisation Society;
Jonnie Hall, Director of Policy, National Farmers Union Scotland;
Joe Hind, Policy Manager, Scotland Food & Drink;
Professor Jennie Macdiarmid, Director, Interdisciplinary Centre for Health, Wellbeing and Nutrition, Rowett Institute;
Sarah Millar, Chief Executive, Quality Meat Scotland;
Lesley Mitchell, Policy Director, Sustainable Food Trust;
Pete Ritchie, Director, Nourish Scotland;
David Thomson, Chief Executive, Food and Drink Federation Scotland.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Emma Johnston on 85225 or at emma.johnston@parliament.scot

Economy and Fair Work Committee

13 December 2023

32nd Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
- Petroineos Grangemouth:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Iain Hardie, Head of Legal and External Affairs, Petroineos Manufacturing Scotland Limited;
Colin Pritchard, Sustainability Director, INEOS Grangemouth;
and then from—

Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy, Kenneth MacDermid, Head of Critical Energy Infrastructure and Commercial Projects, Energy Industries Division, and Susie Townend, Interim Deputy Director Energy Industries Division, Scottish Government.

3. **Petroineos Grangemouth:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Post-legislative scrutiny of the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (in private):** The Committee will consider next steps.
5. **Data Protection and Digital Information Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
6. **Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.
7. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Anne Peat on 85182 or at anne.peat@parliament.scot

Education, Children and Young People Committee 13 December 2023 31st Meeting, 2023

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

1. **AI and education:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Ollie Bray, Strategic Director, Education Scotland;
Helena Good, Director, Daydream Believers;
Chris Ranson, Physics Teacher and Lead for AI Integration, Dunblane High School;
Professor Judy Robertson, Chair in Digital Learning, University of Edinburgh.
2. **Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Pauline McIntyre on 85252 or at Pauline.McIntyre@parliament.scot

Criminal Justice Committee 13 December 2023 34th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

1. **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on part 4 of the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Michael Meehan KC, Faculty of Advocates;
Stuart Munro, Law Society of Scotland;
Stuart Murray, President, Scottish Solicitors Bar Association;
and then from—
Laura Buchan, Procurator Fiscal Policy and Engagement, and Alisdair Macleod, Principal Procurator Fiscal Depute, Policy Division, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.

2. **Victims, Witnesses and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie on 85931 or at Stephen.Imrie@scottish.parliament.uk

Public Audit Committee

14 December 2023

33rd Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 3, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Adult mental health:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Caroline Lamb, Chief Executive of NHS Scotland and Director-General for Health and Social Care, Gavin Gray, Deputy Director Improving Mental Health Services, and Dr Alastair Cook, Principal Medical Officer, Mental Health Division, Scottish Government.
3. **Adult mental health:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, and Eva Thomas-Tudo, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
4. **Adult mental health:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Russell at Lynn.Russell@parliament.scot

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

14 December 2023

35th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Ukraine:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Emma Roddick, Minister for Equalities, Migration and Refugees, Kirstin McPhee, Head of Ministerial Support, and Fraser Dick, Head of Ukraine Resettlement Finance, Scottish Government.
3. **National Outcomes:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Catriona Radcliffe, Head of Beijing Office, Katrine Feldinger, Head of Copenhagen Office, and Christopher Thomson, Head of Washington DC Office, Scottish Government.
4. **Evidence Sessions:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda items 2 and 3.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, James Johnston on 85215 or at james.johnston@parliament.scot

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

14 December 2023

21st Meeting, 2023

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 4 in private.
2. **Cross-Party Group:** The Committee will consider an application for recognition from the proposed Cross-Party Group on Civil Nuclear Industry, and take evidence from—
Oliver Mundell, MSP, Scottish Parliament.
3. **Cross-Party Group - approval:** The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to the proposed Cross-Party Group on Civil Nuclear Industry.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Catherine Fergusson on 85176 or at catherine.fergusson@parliament.scot

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Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

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

Motions for Debate

***[S6M-11635](#) Liam Kerr: Improving the Performance of the Scottish Education System**—That the Parliament recognises the significance of the challenges facing the Scottish education system, as highlighted by the recent Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) report; notes that, despite the efforts of teachers and school staff, Scotland's positions in mathematics and science have dropped below the OECD average to an all-time low, while standards in reading are at a their joint lowest level since PISA reporting began; acknowledges that the OECD report also found that bullying in Scottish schools is more frequent than the OECD average, and that one in three of Scotland's pupils don't feel like they belong at their school, with pupils in Scotland twice as likely to observe violence in school as the OECD average; notes that Scotland was removed from a number of international statistical studies; recognises that education was devolved in the Scotland Act 1998; demands that the Scottish Government use its powers to address the many wide-ranging problems facing Scotland's pupils, teachers, school staff and parents, beginning in and including early years; recognises that the implementation of Curriculum for Excellence has failed; calls for a fundamental rethink about schooling to raise standards, and considers that solutions should be explored, such as re-entering all statistical comparisons and benchmarks, addressing issues surrounding class sizes, teacher and support staff numbers, as well as the use of probationers and temporary contracts and urgently tackling the violence and discipline problems in Scotland's schools.

***[S6M-11608](#) Kaukab Stewart: Asylum Seekers in Scotland**—That the Parliament notes the conclusions set out in the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee's 8th Report, 2023 (Session 6), *The Human Rights of Asylum Seekers in Scotland* (SP Paper 455).

Supported by: Maggie Chapman

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***[S6M-11629](#) Ash Regan: Halting Any Further Legal Action and Disposing of Any Intention to Implement the Provisions in the Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament notes the outcome of the Court of Session's decision that the Secretary of State for Scotland's use of the provision set out in section 35 of the Scotland Act 1998 was lawful; regrets

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that the Scottish Government brought forward legislation that, it considers, was so fundamentally flawed that it allowed the UK Government the opportunity to challenge the legislation; notes the reported views of women across Scotland, including in the Edinburgh Eastern constituency, that the Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill is a risk to the safety, privacy and dignity of women and girls; further notes that the Scottish Government has reportedly spent a considerable amount of public funds to date on legal costs in its attempt to implement this legislation, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to now halt any further legal action and to dispose of any intention to implement the provisions in the Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill.

***[S6M-11613](#) Katy Clark: Ongoing Dispute at the MoD DES Site in Beith**—That the Parliament notes with concern reports that the dispute involving non-craft workers at the Ministry of Defence (MoD) Defence Equipment and Support (DES) site in Beith remains unresolved by the MoD; understands that non-craft workers have been denied bonus payments, which were awarded to other staff working on the site; believes that this decision runs the risk of creating a "two-tier" workforce at the site, with reported estimates from the GMB Scotland trade union suggesting that the pay gap between non-craft and craft workers at the site has tripled to £18,000; understands that the Beith site is currently involved in providing munitions to Ukraine for its ongoing war effort, and that non-craft workers play a vital role in transporting sensitive materials around the site and preparing these materials for shipment; notes reports of health and safety concerns at Beith, after near misses with machinery occurred during industrial action, which, it considers, also highlights the importance and skills of non-craft workers; further notes the view that all workers at the MoD DES site in Beith play a vital role that deserves proper and fair pay, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to engage with the UK Government in support of the workers and to urge the MoD to resolve the dispute.

Supported by: Paul O'Kane*, Carol Mochan*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-11620](#) Christine Grahame: Queen's Nurse Title Returns to NHS Borders for Seventh Consecutive Year**—That the Parliament congratulates NHS Borders health visitor, Rhona McLeman, from Galashiels, on being awarded the Queen's Nurse title; understands that, as one of 24 community nurses selected by the Queen's Nursing Institute Scotland in 2023, Rhona was nominated to join the programme for "nurturing connections and realising potential" in her role; further understands that, until six years ago, the Queen's Nurse title had not been awarded since 1969, and that, since its reintroduction, NHS Borders has had a member of its staff awarded the title every year, and pays credit to the Queen's Nurse programme for providing opportunities for development in the sector and recognising what it sees as outstanding nursing practice.

Supported by: Jackie Dunbar*, Alexander Stewart*, Annabelle Ewing*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*

***[S6M-11619](#) Ariane Burgess: Celebrating Roy Dennis Winning the Species Champion Award for his Lifetime Work on Osprey Conservation**—That the Parliament congratulates Roy Dennis MBE on winning the Species Champion award at the Nature of Scotland Awards 2023; acknowledges Roy's lifelong commitment to osprey conservation, which, it understands, began in 1960 when he helped protect the UK's only breeding osprey at Loch Garten; understands that he is now in his seventh decade of osprey conservation; recognises that Roy worked to ensure the successful recolonisation of many osprey breeding grounds across the UK; thanks him for the work that he is doing to conserve these stunning birds in the context of the nature emergency, and

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understands that Roy has worked in the Highlands and Islands since 1959, most notably on the conservation of rare birds and the reintroduction of lost species, such as the white-tailed eagle and red kite, and that he continues to provide inspiration and encouragement for numerous initiatives focused on restoring habitats for various species, such as beavers and capercaillie.

***S6M-11618 Stuart McMillan: Riverside Youth Band Members are History Makers—**That the Parliament congratulates Riverside Youth Band and its members on being crowned double Scottish champions at the recent Scottish Youth Brass Band championships; understands that the band from Inverclyde was crowned Scottish Youth Champion in the competition's senior section, while its training band took home the title in the novice section; understands that this is the first time since 2018 that Riverside Youth Band had entered the event, and the first time in the organisation's history that it had entered two bands in one year for the prestigious competition, which took place in Perth Concert Hall; recognises that both bands also received a Gold Award and, in a further boost, Riverside Youth Band will now receive an invite to compete in the European Youth Brass Band Championships, to be held in Norway in 2025; believes that these awards are testament to the work of Riverside Youth Band's musical director, Mark Good, and its members, and the time that they put into practising and rehearsing, and wishes the band all the best as it prepares to represent Scotland in Europe.

***S6M-11617 Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde Groups Recognised by Keep Scotland Beautiful—**That the Parliament congratulates Blooming Inverkip, Wellington Allotment Gardens Association, Belville Community Garden Trust and Branchton Gardening Club for the recognition that they received from Keep Scotland Beautiful for their work to improve their communities for the climate, nature and people; understands that, of the quartet, Blooming Inverkip and Wellington Allotment Gardens Association received a Certificate of Distinction, which is presented to groups displaying continuous improvements over a four-year period as part of the It's Your Neighbourhood initiative; understands that Belville Community Garden Trust, Blooming Inverkip, and Wellington Allotment Gardens Association all received an Outstanding certificate for 2023, while Branchton Gardening Club was noted as Advancing; believes that this recognition by a leading Scottish environmental charity is tribute to the efforts of those involved in the groups to improve the local environment, and wishes them all the best as they continue their work across Inverclyde.

***S6M-11615 Sharon Dowey: Parkinson's Excellence Network Awards 2023—**That the Parliament congratulates Nick Bryden, Parkinson's nurse specialist, Richard Cottrell, senior pharmacist in Electronic Prescribing, and Michelle McLuckie, Digital Services, from NHS Ayrshire and Arran, on being awarded the Innovation in Practice and overall Excellence Award at the biannual Parkinson's Excellence Network Awards; notes that the awards final was hosted at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens by Parkinson's UK president, Jane Asher; understands that the Parkinson's Excellence Network Awards celebrate outstanding health and social care services; applauds Nick, Richard and Michelle for their development of new, innovative systems, improving time-critical administration of Parkinson's disease medications within NHS Ayrshire and Arran's hospitals; understands that their efforts have contributed significantly to the sustained improvement of Parkinson's patients at no ongoing cost to the NHS; considers this to be an outstanding achievement, demonstrating commitment to their roles and collaboration with NHS teams; congratulates everyone involved, and wishes them continued success for the future.

Supported by: Pam Gosal*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, Ash Regan*, Alexander Stewart*, Brian Whittle*, Annie Wells*, Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Ross*

***[S6M-11614](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Uddingston's Anderson Aromatics Wins Best Green Sunscreen for a Toddler Gold Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the Uddingston-based small business, Anderson Aromatics, on winning the 2023 Bambini Baby Awards Gold Award in the Best Green Sunscreen for a Toddler category; understands that its winning product, Ander Sun SPF50, is 100% natural, 95% organic and contains no plastic in the packaging, and wishes Anderson Aromatics the best of luck in its future endeavours.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Monica Lennon*, Colin Beattie*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Annabelle Ewing*

***[S6M-11612](#) Michelle Thomson: Bo'ness's Isla France Fundraises for Bo'ness Foodbanks**—That the Parliament congratulates Bo'ness's Isla France on her fundraising efforts, raising a total of £270 to benefit a fantastic local cause tackling food poverty in the Bo'ness area; understands that Isla, a local primary school pupil, created a range of gifts to sell at a stall outside her home earlier in 2023, with her first stall in Easter selling slime, lip gloss and sand jars to raise a fantastic £50 for the Bo'ness Food Pantry; notes that, following her success, Isla organised another stall on Fair E'en to capitalise on the passing traffic there to view the creative arches, raising £100 for the Bo'ness Storehouse; understands that, further to this, Isla raised an additional £50 for the Food Pantry during the October holidays, and a fantastic £70 for the Storehouse during Halloween; congratulates Isla once more on her fundraising success; thanks her for her efforts to benefit the local community by tackling food poverty, and wishes her all the best in the future.

***[S6M-11611](#) Michelle Thomson: Grangemouth's RSM Supports the Scott Martin Foundation with Generous £27,000 Donation**—That the Parliament congratulates the Grangemouth branch of RSM, which donated a total of £27,000 to support the work of a fantastic local cause; understands that RSM is an audit, tax and consulting firm with offices around the world, including its base in Grangemouth; further understands that, in 2023, RSM established the RSM Together Challenge, the aim of which was to galvanise local office teams to support great local causes close to their hearts; notes that the Grangemouth branch of RSM chose the Scott Martin Foundation as its worthwhile cause to provide support; recognises that, although the local RSM offices were originally tasked with raising £1,000, the team smashed this target within one month, going on to raise a superb £7,000; understands that, due to the Grangemouth team being the best performing office within the challenge, RSM contributed an additional £20,000 from its own charitable foundation; congratulates all the staff from the Grangemouth branch of RSM on their successful fundraising efforts to support a great cause, and wishes all those involved the best for the future.

***[S6M-11610](#) Mark Ruskell: Plant Atlas 2020**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of *Plant Atlas 2020* by the Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland (BSBI), which it understands is the most powerful statement ever produced on the state of wild and naturalised plants and an extraordinary achievement for biodiversity mapping and change detection; celebrates the remarkable work of thousands of volunteer recorders who spent 20 years collecting data on changes in the British and Irish flora, completing a staggering 178,000 recording days and submitting over 26 million plant records towards this project; expresses deep concern at the findings in *Plant Atlas 2020* relating to Scotland, where, it understands, nearly half of all native plant species have declined in distribution since 1960, and two thirds of ancient arable wildflowers have also declined; understands that the drivers of these declines include climate change, which poses a particular risk to the survival of some of Scotland's rare arctic-alpine plants, habitat loss, agricultural intensification, overgrazing, pollution and the impacts of invasive non-native species; further understands that the key role played by plants in ecosystems means that everyone needs

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to place plant species recovery at the heart of nature conservation in order to tackle the biodiversity crisis, and considers that *Plant Atlas 2020* can play an important role in supporting the delivery of Scotland's ambition to become Nature Positive by 2030 and to have restored and regenerated biodiversity by 2045, delivering, it believes, lasting outcomes for the natural environment to benefit the people of Scotland for generations to come.

Supported by: Ariane Burgess*, Ross Greer*, Monica Lennon*, Maggie Chapman*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Gillian Mackay*, Colin Beattie*

***S6M-11609 Fiona Hyslop: Bus Services Improvement Partnerships (Objections) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 [draft]**—That the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee recommends that the Bus Services Improvement Partnerships (Objections) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Richard Lochhead, Patrick Harvie, Màiri McAllan, Lorna Slater

***S6M-11596 Ariane Burgess: Nature of Scotland Awards 2023 – Highlands and Islands Winners**—That the Parliament recognises that the Nature of Scotland Awards 2023 ceremony took place on 22 November 2023 in Edinburgh; congratulates the 10 winners and finalists in the 10 categories; understands that award winners included Highlands and Islands organisations and projects, such as Orcadian Wildlife, for the Business for Nature Award, Saving the Pine Hoverfly from Extinction, for the Innovation Award, Cairngorms Connect, for the Landscape Restoration Award, Roy Dennis MBE, for the Species Champion Award, and the One Million Trees Campaign, for the Nature and Climate Action Award, and acknowledges what it sees as the importance of this annual awards ceremony in bringing many people from across Scotland together, and in celebrating and encouraging initiatives across the country to protect and restore Scotland's environment in the context of the nature emergency.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S6M-11607 Maggie Chapman: International Migrants Day 2023 (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, John Mason*, Paul Sweeney*, Ariane Burgess*, Mark Ruskell*, Mercedes Villalba*, Alex Rowley*, Fulton MacGregor*

S6M-11606 Sharon Dowey: Gathering South Wins Club of the Year at the MG ALBA Scots Trad Awards (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Craig Hoy*, Pam Gosal*, Brian Whittle*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Edward Mountain*, Alexander Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Annie Wells*, Stuart McMillan*, Jackson Carlaw*, Jamie Greene*, Colin Beattie*, Liam Kerr*, Sue Webber*, Fulton MacGregor*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Ross*

S6M-11605 Mercedes Villalba: Right to Boycott (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Ross Greer* R, Bob Doris*

S6M-11604 Clare Adamson: Coltness High School Pupil Selected for Lanarkshire Secondary Schools FA Select (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Audrey Nicoll*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*, Fulton MacGregor*

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[S6M-11603](#) Sarah Boyack: The Scottish Green Energy Awards 2023 (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Bill Kidd*, Martin Whitfield*, Monica Lennon*, Audrey Nicoll*, Liam McArthur*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Ivan McKee*, Paul O'Kane*, Colin Beattie*

[S6M-11602](#) Clare Adamson: A Slice Pizzeria Receives Scotland's Best Pizzeria Title at Italian Awards (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Foyso Choudhury*, Jackie Dunbar*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Audrey Nicoll*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*, Fulton MacGregor*, Brian Whittle*

[S6M-11601](#) Clare Adamson: Kate Fridriks's Debut Novel, Real Gone Kid (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-11600](#) Clare Adamson: ScotRail's Megan Moore Receives Samaritans Lifesaver Award (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sue Webber*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-11599](#) Clare Adamson: Christopher's Saving Lives Campaign Safety Ropes to be Installed in Strathclyde Country Park (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sue Webber*, Fulton MacGregor*, Bob Doris*

[S6M-11598](#) Monica Lennon: Congratulating Taylor Swift, Time Magazine's Person of the Year 2023 (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Alexander Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Ash Regan*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Paul Sweeney*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-11595](#) Daniel Johnson: University of Edinburgh Launches GAIL (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-11594](#) Annabelle Ewing: Kids Come First Donates Bikes to Local Families (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-11593](#) Martin Whitfield: Murals at Prestonpans Railway Station Win National Prize (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-11589](#) Kevin Stewart: Languages at the University of Aberdeen (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Annabelle Ewing*, Paul Sweeney*, Collette Stevenson*, Bob Doris*

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[S6M-11588](#) Craig Hoy: Energise Galashiels Wins Scotland Loves Local's Creative Community Award 2023 (lodged on 06 December 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-11586](#) Rachael Hamilton: 40-inch Salmon Wins Borders Fishing Prize (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Brian Whittle*, Jackson Carlaw*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-11585](#) Michelle Thomson: Community Spirit on Show to Support Stenhousemuir FC (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Jeremy Balfour*

[S6M-11584](#) Maggie Chapman: The Legacy of the 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll*, Ariane Burgess*, Mark Ruskell*, Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-11582](#) Rachael Hamilton: Borders Fashion Show Raises Awareness of Endometriosis (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-11580](#) Rachael Hamilton: Borders Tourism Business Takes Home Top Prize at Thistle Awards (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-11579](#) Bill Kidd: Scotstoun Primary School, School of the Year (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*

[S6M-11578](#) Willie Coffey: Darvel Volunteers Secure King's Award (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jackie Dunbar*, Audrey Nicoll*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Colin Beattie*

[S6M-11576](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Congratulating St Mungo's Primary School on Opening its New STEM Room (lodged on 08 December 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-11575](#) Stuart McMillan: Cappielow Makes the Ultimate Scottish Football Bucket List (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*

[S6M-11572](#) Jamie Greene: 10th Anniversary of the Rainbow Laces Campaign (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-11571](#) Kevin Stewart: Carbon Reduction at the Port of Aberdeen (lodged on 07 December 2023)

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New Support: Mercedes Villalba*, Alex Rowley*

[S6M-11569](#) Christine Grahame: 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Sue Webber*

[S6M-11568](#) Annie Wells: Govan Group Re-created Calendar Girls Calendar (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-11559](#) Alexander Stewart: Bryan Keye from Tillicoultry Smashes Record During Charity Run (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-11558](#) Alexander Stewart: Dollar Academy Wins Scottish Independent School of the Year 2024 (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-11556](#) Liz Smith: Lucinda Russell, Jumps Trainer of the Year (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-11555](#) Finlay Carson: Sheelagh Rusby Wins Prestigious National Teaching Award (lodged on 06 December 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-11547](#) Collette Stevenson: Congratulations to East Kilbride's Taekwon-Do Medal Winners (lodged on 06 December 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jeremy Balfour*

[S6M-11545](#) Claire Baker: Celebrating Prestigious Queen's Nurse Award for Fife Nurse (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-11543](#) Michelle Thomson: Forth Valley College Named Winners at CDN College Awards 2023 (lodged on 05 December 2023)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S6M-11538](#) Jackie Dunbar: Stephen Brown Nominated for Service Superstar Award (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-11529](#) Donald Cameron: Gigha's Boathouse Restaurant Wins Good Food Award (lodged on 05 December 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Jackson Carlaw*

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[S6M-11528](#) Donald Cameron: NHS Western Isles Macmillan Team Wins Whatever it Takes Award at Macmillan Professionals Excellence Awards (lodged on 05 December 2023)

New Support: Liam Kerr*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-11526](#) Tess White: Congratulations to New Queen's Nurse, Rosie Crighton (lodged on 05 December 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-11515](#) Jackie Baillie: Alexandria Woman Raises £13,340 for Two Charities in Memory of Mum and Sister (lodged on 04 December 2023)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*

[S6M-11490](#) Maggie Chapman: International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People 2023 (lodged on 28 November 2023)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*

[S6M-11457](#) Gordon MacDonald: Edinburgh College Head of School, Sam Blyth, Awarded Technology Champion in Education (lodged on 29 November 2023)

New Support: Sarah Boyack*

[S6M-11448](#) Foysoyl Choudhury: Endo Warriors West Lothian Forth One's Volunteer Charity of the Year (lodged on 29 November 2023)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-11419](#) Mercedes Villalba: Towards a Fossil Fuel Non-proliferation Treaty (lodged on 28 November 2023)

New Support: Michelle Thomson*

[S6M-11415](#) Emma Harper: The Role of the British-Irish Parliamentary Assembly (lodged on 27 November 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-11409](#) Jackie Baillie: Rhu Woman Retires After 50 Years of Service to the NHS (lodged on 07 December 2023)

New Support: Pauline McNeill*, Annabelle Ewing*

[S6M-10961](#) Kaukab Stewart: 75th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (lodged on 26 October 2023)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-10646](#) Monica Lennon: Rosebank Oilfield (lodged on 29 September 2023)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*

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Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 12 December 2023

1. Meghan Gallacher: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to appeal the decision of the Court of Session that the UK Government acted lawfully when enacting a section 35 order in relation to the Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill. ([S6T-01686](#))

2. Alasdair Allan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the letter from the UK foreign secretary to the constitution secretary, what its response is to reports that the UK Government may withdraw Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office support for Scottish Government overseas meetings. ([S6T-01699](#))

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 14 December 2023

1. Douglas Ross: Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02636](#))

2. Anas Sarwar: Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02637](#))

3. Liz Smith: To ask the First Minister whether the Scottish Government will commit to any reform of Scotland's planning regulations in order to generate growth, as recommended by CBI Scotland in a statement on 7 December. ([S6F-02642](#))

4. Kevin Stewart: To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to grow the green economy. ([S6F-02655](#))

5. Rhoda Grant: To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the recent report by Highland Council, which reportedly warns of a "significant risk" of parts of its region being "drained" of people. ([S6F-02648](#))

6. Gillian Mackay: To ask the First Minister what assessment the Scottish Government has made of any social benefit of extending free bus travel to all under 22s. ([S6F-02641](#))

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 20 December 2023

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 13 December 2023. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 14 December 2023.

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

1. Ruth Maguire
2. Jackie Dunbar
3. John Mason
4. Douglas Lumsden
5. Foyso Choudhury
6. Russell Findlay
7. Sarah Boyack
8. Karen Adam

NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care

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1. Martin Whitfield
2. Monica Lennon
3. Mark Ruskell
4. Audrey Nicoll
5. Stephanie Callaghan
6. Rachael Hamilton
7. Pauline McNeill
8. James Dornan

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 21 December 2023

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 13 December 2023. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 14 December 2023.

Social Justice

1. Colin Smyth
2. Willie Coffey
3. Carol Mochan
4. Alasdair Allan
5. Kevin Stewart
6. Jackie Baillie
7. Fulton MacGregor
8. Alexander Stewart

Members selected for General Questions on 21 December 2023

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 13 December 2023. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 14 December 2023.

1. Finlay Carson
2. Stuart McMillan
3. Colin Beattie
4. Liz Smith
5. Mercedes Villalba
6. Paul Sweeney
7. Collette Stevenson
8. Evelyn Tweed

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Written Questions

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

Government Initiated Questions are initiated by the parliament Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

Government initiated questions lodged on 11 December 2023

[S6W-23787 Jackie Dunbar](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its proposed Land Reform Bill.

[S6W-23813 Ruth Maguire](#): To ask the Scottish Government what review it has undertaken of the escalation status of NHS boards under the NHS Scotland Support and Intervention Framework.

Written questions lodged on 11 December 2023

[S6W-23761 Liam McArthur](#): To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-20734 by Siobhian Brown on 30 August 2023, what its position is on whether the same cited considerations for same-sex sexual infidelity being treated as unreasonable behaviour or non-cohabitation could also apply to opposite-sex adultery, and, if it considers this could be the case, what its position is on whether the existence of adultery as a grounds for divorce is redundant.

[S6W-23762 Mark Griffin](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many more times the Housing to 2040 Strategic Board must meet in the year up to its first anniversary on 22 March 2024 to meet the commitment for the board to increase the number of times it meets from two to three times a year.

[S6W-23763 Mark Griffin](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many times the Housing to 2040 Strategic Board has met since its inaugural meeting in March 2023.

[S6W-23766 Monica Lennon](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will restore the £315 million of funding that is due to be lost from the Network Rail funding envelope, in light of an RMT survey finding that 92% of its Network Rail members said that a major rail safety incident occurring on the railway within the next two years was "likely", with 45% saying it was "very likely", 66% saying railways are less safe than two years ago and 94% thinking that proposed reductions to renewals in the next five years would worsen rail safety. **R**

[S6W-23767 Collette Stevenson](#): To ask the Scottish Government how much funding groups and organisations in the East Kilbride constituency have received from South Lanarkshire's share of the CashBack for Communities fund in (a) the financial year 2022-23 and (b) total since 2008.

[S6W-23769 Paul Sweeney](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider preparing a bid for the World Expo in 2035.

[S6W-23770 Paul Sweeney](#): To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure Scottish representation and impact at Expo 2025 in Osaka, Japan.

[S6W-23771 Carol Mochan](#): To ask the Scottish Government when it last discussed locum doctor costs with NHS boards; what was discussed, and what action it agreed to undertake.

[S6W-23772 Carol Mochan](#): To ask the Scottish Government when it last discussed agency nursing costs with NHS boards; what was discussed, and what action it agreed to undertake.

[S6W-23773 Carol Mochan](#): To ask the Scottish Government how it is measuring the effectiveness of Flow Navigation Centres.

[S6W-23774 Carol Mochan](#): To ask the Scottish Government, in the last 12 months, what additional training opportunities have been made available from the NHS Scotland Academy; how many (a) new and (b) existing staff have received training from the academy, and what funding has been available to the academy.

[S6W-23775 Carol Mochan](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many of the 98 young people supported through the Prince's Trust and NHS Scotland Partnership's Get Into and Get Started programmes (a) gained employment within the NHS and (b) retained employment within the NHS beyond three months.

[S6W-23776 Carol Mochan](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on how successful the Prince's Trust and NHS Scotland Partnership has been in achieving the commitment to recruit 267 young people in 2023-24 through the Get Into and Get Started programmes within the NHS.

[S6W-23777 Carol Mochan](#): To ask the Scottish Government how it will measure its commitment to "improving urgent care pathways in the community and improving links across primary and secondary care", as set out in its publication, *NHS Recovery Plan 2021-26: Annual Progress Update 2023*.

[S6W-23778 Carol Mochan](#): To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made in relation to the statement that, "In the coming months, we will be working with partners across the health and social care system, Local Government and wider stakeholders, to set out our shared long term planning for population health and integrated health and social care services development", as set out in its publication, *NHS Recovery Plan 2021-26: Annual Progress Update 2023*.

[S6W-23779 Carol Mochan](#): To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the community space available for NHS primary care services such as community midwives and allied health professionals, in light of any increases in demand due to the commitments in its publication, *NHS Recovery Plan 2021-26*.

[S6W-23780 Paul Sweeney](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has examined the state ownership structure of the shipbuilding firms, Chantiers de l'Atlantique, of Saint-Nazaire in France, via the APE (Agence de Participation de l'État, or State Participation Agency), and the Fincantieri Group, of Italy, via the Cassa Depositi e Prestiti, as part of its assessment of its investment options for Ferguson Marine and the wider development of the commercial shipbuilding industry in Scotland under the UK subsidy control regime.

[S6W-23781 Jackie Baillie](#): To ask the Scottish Government which cabinet secretaries and ministers have government-issued (a) mobile phones and (b) other electronic devices.

[S6W-23782 Jackie Baillie](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether cabinet secretaries and ministers have ever paid for personal usage of government-issued (a) mobile phones and (b) other electronic devices, and whether any sums involved have ever exceeded £50 in the course of a month.

[S6W-23783 Jackie Baillie](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has undertaken a security risk assessment regarding cabinet secretaries and ministers using personal phones and electronic devices to conduct government business.

[S6W-23784 Monica Lennon](#): To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to increase funding for local authorities to enhance the provision of musical lessons and instruments in schools.

[S6W-23788 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-22893 by Lorna Slater on 22 November 2023, when it will next update its Deposit Return Scheme impact assessment ahead of its proposed introduction of a Deposit Return Scheme in 2025.

[S6W-23789 Maurice Golden](#): To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-23282 by Michael Matheson on 7 December 2023, which NHS boards have (a) completed, (b) yet to complete and (c) yet to start their adaptation plans.

[S6W-23790](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government what it anticipates the quantitative impact will be of its current anti-obesity measures on reducing obesity rates, compared with the scenario in which no action is taken. **R**

[S6W-23791](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to increase physical activity levels among school children. **R**

[S6W-23792](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the finding in the Scottish Health Survey that people aged 16 to 24 experience the highest levels of loneliness among all recorded age brackets. **R**

[S6W-23793](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government what its projected timeline is for achieving consistent and year-round adherence to the A&E target of ensuring that 95% of patients are processed within four hours. **R**

[S6W-23794](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has undertaken of any additional capacity required for the Scottish Ambulance Service to move premature babies between NHS boards as part of its reported plans to downgrade neonatal units in Scotland.

[S6W-23795](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how long it anticipates the journey from University Hospital Wishaw to Aberdeen Maternity Hospital will take for ambulances moving premature babies.

[S6W-23796](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether Scottish Ambulance Service staff transporting critically ill premature babies from NHS Lanarkshire to NHS Grampian will be expected to make the journey without a break.

[S6W-23797](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has undertaken in relation to ensuring the safety of premature babies being transported long distances from hospitals in North Lanarkshire to Aberdeen, in light of the distance of travel.

[S6W-23798](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Scottish Ambulance Service will have its (a) funding and (b) capacity levels increased to enable the transfer of critically ill premature babies, and, if so, between which neonatal facilities, and by how much.

[S6W-23799](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what the staffing levels have been at the (a) Aberdeen Neonatal Unit, (b) Wishaw Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, (c) Simpsons Special Care Babies, Edinburgh, and (d) Royal Hospital for Children Neonatal Unit, Glasgow, in each month from January 2018 to the most recent monthly data available.

[S6W-23800](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many places are currently available for babies at the (a) Aberdeen Neonatal Unit, (b) Wishaw Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, (c) Simpsons Special Care Babies, Edinburgh, and (d) Royal Hospital for Children Neonatal Unit, Glasgow.

[S6W-23801](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government where premature babies that require level 3 care will be transferred to from NHS Lanarkshire if full capacity in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde has been reached.

[S6W-23802](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what is being done to increase capacity at the Royal Hospital for Children Neonatal Unit, Glasgow, to prepare for the reported downgrade of other neonatal units in Scotland.

[S6W-23803](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many times the Royal Hospital for Children Neonatal Unit, Glasgow, has reached capacity in the last five years.

[S6W-23804](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the reported statement by Bliss that “it is crucial for parents to be by their baby’s side in hospital, playing a hands-on role as partners in care with the medical team”.

[S6W-23805](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns that some mothers will be too unwell to travel to another NHS board with their premature babies, preventing them from being by their baby’s side in hospital to have a hands-on role as partners in care with the medical team, in light of Bliss reportedly describing this as “crucial”.

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[S6W-23806 Jackie Baillie](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns that some families are unable to pay upfront accommodation bills to be with their children in hospital, in light of the Young Patients Family Fund providing reimbursement after costs have been incurred.

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Members' Bills Proposals

Proposals for Members' Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no statement is made that the Scottish Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at [Proposals for Members' Bills/Session 6 Proposals](#):

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Final Proposal for a Member's Bill

Katy Clark: Proposed Freedom of Information Reform (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to reform Freedom of Information legislation in Scotland including to:

- extend coverage to all bodies delivering public services and services of a public nature;
- increase accountability and transparency including through the proactive publication of information;
- strengthen the effectiveness of existing processes; and
- improve enforcement.

(lodged 7 December 2023)

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

Supported by: Rhoda Grant, Mark Griffin, Jackie Baillie, Willie Rennie, Liam McArthur, Alex Rowley

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Progress of Legislation

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

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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.

Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 28 November 2023

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 12 December 2023

Aggregates Tax and Devolved Taxes Administration (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 14 November 2023

Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 13 December 2023

Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 29 November 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (45th Report, 2023)

Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 24 January 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 18 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 5 December 2023

Report – Finance and Public Administration Committee (10th Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (64th Report, 2023)

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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.

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 December 2022

Following an Order under section 35 of the Scotland Act 1998 made by the Secretary of State for Scotland, this Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its current form.

Gender Representation on Public Boards (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 12 December 2023

Housing (Cladding Remediation) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 12 December 2023

Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 5 December 2023

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 12 December 2023

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 26 September 2023

Report – Criminal Justice Committee (letter to lead committee, 10 February 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (13th Report, 2023)

Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (11th Report, 2022)

Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 20 September 2023

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 12 December 2023

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 12 December 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (70th Report, 2023)

Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 7 December 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (72nd Report, 2023)

Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Introduced, 29 November 2023

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

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Social Security (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 9 November 2023

Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill (G)

After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 12 December 2023

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 20 December 2023

Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 13 December with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Approved at Reconsideration Stage, 7 December 2023

Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 13 December 2023

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 October 2023

Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 12 December 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (61st Report, 2023)

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 22 November 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (65th Report, 2023)

Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee), 24 January 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 18 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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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Data Protection and Digital Information Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-36a

Lodged on 14 September 2023

Meeting (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 13 December 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (57th Report, 2023)

Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill LCM-S6-38

Lodged on 19 July 2023

Meeting (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 13 December 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (58th Report, 2023)

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High Speed Rail (Crewe - Manchester) Bill LCM-S6-15

Lodged on 7 February 2022

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9th Report, 2022)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27th Report, 2022)

Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership) Bill LCM-S6-39

Lodged on 22 November 2023

Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 16 December 2023

[Social Security Information-sharing \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (SSI 2023/Draft) (7 November 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 17 December 2023

[Council Tax \(Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (8 November 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to approval by 14 January 2024

[Wine \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (20 November 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to approval by 28 January 2024

[Welfare of Farmed Animals \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (4 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to approval by 31 January 2024

[Bus Services Improvement Partnerships \(Objections\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (7 December 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 18 December 2023

Lead Committee report due by 11 December 2023

[Food \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Compliance Notices\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/337\)](#) (9 November 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

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Subject to annulment 19 December 2023
Lead Committee report due by 18 December 2023

[Fly-tipping \(Fixed Penalty\) \(Scotland\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/335\)](#) (10 November 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Producer Responsibility Obligations \(Packaging Waste\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/336\)](#) (10 November 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Feed Additives \(Authorisations\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/339\)](#) (10 November 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 29 January 2024
Lead Committee report due by 22 January 2024

[Gender Recognition \(Disclosure of Information\) \(Scotland\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/364\)](#) (5 December 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions \(Scotland\) Amendment Rules 2023 \(SSI 2023/366\)](#) (5 December 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 31 January 2024
Lead Committee report due by 29 January 2024

[Meat Preparations \(Import Conditions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/367\)](#) (7 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Bus Services Improvement Partnerships and Local Services Franchises \(Provision of Information\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/368\)](#) (7 December 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Welfare Foods \(Best Start Foods\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/371\)](#) (7 December 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to annulment 1 February 2024
Lead Committee report due by 29 January 2024

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/369\)](#) (8 December 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Bovine Semen \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/370\)](#) (8 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Conservation of Salmon \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/372\)](#) (8 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

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Lead Committee report due by 28 January 2024

[Code of Practice for the Welfare of Pigs \(Revocation\) \(Scotland\) Notice 2023 \(SG/2023/304\) \(4 December 2023\)](#) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

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Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 11 December 2023 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Competition and Markets Authority Annual Plan consultation 2024/25 (CMA/2023/03) laid under Schedule 4 s13(2)(b) of the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013.

Crofting Commission Annual Report and Accounts 2022/23 (SG/2023/166) laid under Section 2B and Schedule 1, paragraph 19 of the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993

The King's Printer for Scotland Report covering the period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 (SG/2023/316) laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power.

Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission 2022-23 Annual Report and Accounts (SG/2023/245) laid under Schedule 9A of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995

Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission 2022-23 Annual Report (SG/2023/246) laid under Schedule 9A of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995

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