

Tuesday 31 January 2023

# Business Bulletin

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Revised at 12:45pm



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

Subject to the Parliament's agreement of S6M-07734, today's business will be as follows:

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Rev Fr Matthew Carlin, Parish Priest of St Francis of Assisi Parish, Port Glasgow

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Update on the Management of Transgender Individuals within Prison Custody

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Three Years On – Brexit and Workers' Rights

**followed by** Committee Announcements: Economy and Fair Work Committee Inquiries into Just Transition for the Grangemouth Area and Disabled Employment Gap

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-07290 Siobhian Brown: Concern Regarding Youth Vaping

### Committee Meetings

**9:30am** Finance and Public Administration Committee

**9:30am** Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

**9:30am** Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

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

**10:00am** Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

**10:00am** Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

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**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**[S6M-07734](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme**—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—

(a) Tuesday 31 January 2023—

after

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

insert

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Update on the Management of Transgender Individuals within Prison Custody

(b) Thursday 2 February 2023—

after

5.00 pm Decision Time

insert

*followed by* Members' Business

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendment

**[S6M-07734.1](#) Russell Findlay: Revision to Business Programme**—As an amendment to motion S6M-07734 in the name of George Adam (Revision to Business Programme), leave out “Ministerial Statement” and insert “First Minister’s Statement”.

**followed by Topical Questions**

**1. Paul O’Kane:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the reported announcement that Unite the Union has withdrawn from the co-design process of the National Care Service. ([S6T-01149](#))

**2. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to a recent study conducted by the Scottish Retail Consortium, which found that one in six shops are lying empty in Scotland. ([S6T-01146](#))

**followed by Ministerial Statement: Update on the Management of Transgender Individuals within Prison Custody**

**followed by Scottish Government Debate: Three Years On – Brexit and Workers’ Rights**

**[S6M-07710](#) Richard Lochhead: Three Years On - Brexit and Workers’ Rights**—That the Parliament acknowledges that, post-Brexit, the UK Government’s Retained EU Law Bill poses a significant risk to workers’ rights; further acknowledges that this is further compounded by anti-trade union legislation, such as the Conduct of Employment Agencies and Employment Businesses (Amendment) Regulations 2022, and the new Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Bill; agrees that a progressive approach to industrial relations along with greater, not fewer, protections for workers is at the heart of a fairer and stronger economy; recognises trade unions as key social partners in delivering economic and social aspiration, and as vital for ensuring that the voices of workers are heard; calls on the UK Government not to erode the hard-won rights of workers, and confirms it is committed to continuing to work in partnership as it responds to the current crisis posed by UK Government legislation post-Brexit.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**[S6M-07710.1](#) Alexander Stewart: Three Years On - Brexit and Workers’ Rights**—As an amendment to motion S6M-07710 in the name of Richard Lochhead (Three Years On - Brexit and Workers’ Rights), leave out from "acknowledges that, post-Brexit" to end and insert "welcomes the UK’s proud record of protecting and enhancing workers’ rights and welcomes the fact that it has gone further than the EU in a number of areas; notes that, from April 2023, the UK’s minimum wage of £10.42 per hour will be among the highest in the world; understands that maternity leave entitlement is nearly three times higher in the UK compared to the EU equivalent and that the UK introduced the right to paternity leave 17 years before the EU did; recognises that the UK Government is working with industry to reduce labour shortages through programmes such as the Seasonal Agricultural Workers Scheme, and calls on the Scottish Government to work constructively with the UK Government to ensure that workers in Scotland continue to experience the high standard of rights that they rightly expect."

**[S6M-07710.2](#) Sarah Boyack: Three Years On - Brexit and Workers’ Rights**—As an amendment to motion S6M-07710 in the name of Richard Lochhead (Three Years On - Brexit and Workers’ Rights), leave out from "anti-trade" to end and insert "the UK Conservative administration’s anti-trade union legislation, such as the Conduct of Employment Agencies and Employment Businesses (Amendment) Regulations 2022, and the new Strikes (Minimum Service Levels) Bill; agrees that a progressive approach to industrial relations along with greater, not fewer, protections for workers is at the heart of a fairer and stronger economy; recognises trade unions as key social partners in delivering economic and social aspiration, and as vital for ensuring that the voices of workers are heard; calls on the UK Government not to erode the hard-won rights of workers; further calls on the UK and Scottish Governments to work together to solve the problems of the post-Brexit settlement over workers’ rights in a way that respects devolution and does not sideline the devolved legislatures, and notes that the next UK General Election is the best opportunity for replacing the current UK Conservative administration, repealing

its anti-union legislation and reinforcing workers' rights with a better deal for workers, including ending fire-and-rehire practices, banning zero hour contracts, and delivering government-backed pay negotiations between unions and employers on a sector by sector basis."

## **followed by Committee Announcements: Economy and Fair Work Committee Inquiries into Just Transition for the Grangemouth Area and Disabled Employment Gap**

### **followed by Business Motions**

#### **[S6M-07735](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Programme—**

That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 7 February 2023

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Scottish Government's Response to the Second Round of the Levelling Up Fund

*followed by* Scottish Government Debate: Update on the Social Security Programme Business Case

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Wednesday 8 February 2023

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Covid Recovery and Parliamentary Business; Finance and the Economy

*followed by* Scottish Liberal Democrats Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Approval of SSIs (if required)

5.10 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 9 February 2023

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

*followed by* Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Net Zero, Energy and Transport

*followed by* Scottish Government Debate: International Day of Women and Girls in Science

*followed by* Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Income Tax Rate Resolution 2023-24

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 21 February 2023

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

*followed by* Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Wednesday 22 February 2023

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs and Islands; Health and Social Care

*followed by* Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Approval of SSIs (if required)

5.10 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 23 February 2023

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

*followed by* Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice, Housing and Local Government

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 6 February 2023, in rule 13.7.3, after the word “except” the words “to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or” are inserted.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendment

**[S6M-07735.1](#) Stephen Kerr: Business Programme**—As an amendment to motion S6M-07735 in the name of George Adam (Business Programme), leave out from “Tuesday 7 February 2023” to “followed by Ministerial Statement: Scottish Government's Response to the Second Round of the Levelling Up Fund” and insert—

Tuesday 7 February 2023

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Teacher Strikes

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Scottish Government's Response to the Second Round of the Levelling Up Fund”.

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**[S6M-07736](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Substitution on Committees**—That the Parliament agrees that Paul Sweeney be appointed to replace Rhoda Grant as the Scottish Labour Party substitute on the Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee.

**5:00 pm Decision Time**

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

**[S6M-07290](#) Siobhian Brown: Concern Regarding Youth Vaping**—That the Parliament notes reports of concern regarding vaping and a surge in young people using e-cigarettes; believes that vaping products are not for children, young people or non-smokers and are useful only as a

potential route towards stopping smoking; understands from reports that there is potentially strong evidence that e-cigarettes, which can be bright and colourful and come in thousands of e-liquid flavours, can increase attractiveness to children and young people; further understands that the long-term risks of vaping cannot yet be definitively confirmed by research studies; considers that these products are not harmless and are a risk to the long-term health of young people, and notes the view that it is important to highlight this for forthcoming generations in Ayr and across the country.

## Committee Meetings

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

### Finance and Public Administration Committee 4th Meeting, 2023

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

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

### Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 3rd 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 items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Local Government Fiscal Arrangements:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Andrew Burns, Member, Accounts Commission;  
Carol Calder, Audit Director, and Blyth Deans, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;  
Bill Moyes, Chair, Accounts Commission;  
and then from—  
Martin Booth, Executive Director of Finance, Glasgow City Council and Chair, CIPFA Scotland Branch;  
Robert Emmott, Executive Director of Corporate Services, Dundee City Council;  
Kirsty Flanagan, Executive Director, Argyll and Bute Council and Chair, Local Government Directors of Finance Section.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
[Valuation \(Proposals Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2022](#)
4. **Local Government Fiscal Arrangements:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Post-Legislative Scrutiny of the Community Empowerment Act 2015: Community Planning Inquiry:** The Committee will further consider its approach to the inquiry.
6. **Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) Act 2022:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of Regulations under the Act.

### Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 4th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **A modern and sustainable ferry service for Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Dr Alf Baird, Former Professor of Maritime Business and Director of the Maritime Transport Research Group, Edinburgh Napier University;  
Neil M Kay, Professor Emeritus, Economics Department, University of Strathclyde;  
Roy Pedersen, Author and Consultant;  
and then from—  
Angus Campbell, Chair, Angus D Campbell, Member, Cumbrae, and Kirsty MacFarlane, Member, Isle of Coll, Ferries Community Board.



3. **A modern and sustainable ferry service for Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 4th 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 and 6 in private.
2. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Environmental Regulation \(Enforcement Measures\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2023](#) (SSI 2023/Draft)  
[Land Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Register of Persons Holding a Controlled Interest in Land\) Amendment Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/Draft)  
[Provision of Early Learning and Childcare \(Specified Children\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2023](#) (SSI 2023/Draft)
3. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber \(Amendment\) Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/6)  
[Packaging Waste \(Data Reporting\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/7)  
[Cost of Living \(Tenant Protection\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Early Expiry and Suspension of Provisions\) Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/8)
4. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
[Planning \(Scotland\) Act 2019 \(Commencement No. 11 and Saving and Transitional Provisions\) Regulations 2023](#) (SSI 2023/10 (C.2))
5. **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill :** The Committee will consider a revised draft Stage 1 report.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider themes arising from its work programme.

### Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 3rd Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the [First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of the Council Tax Reduction Review Panel\) Regulations 2023 \[draft\]](#) from—  
Elena Whitham, Minister for Community Safety, Martin Brown, Solicitor, Legal Directorate, and Lisa Davidson, Civil Justice Senior Policy Officer, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Elena Whitham (Minister for Community Safety) to move—  
[S6M-07224](#)—That the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee recommends that the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions of the Council Tax Reduction Review Panel) Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Local Taxation Chamber \(Rules of Procedure\)](#)

[Regulations 2022](#);

[Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Local Taxation Rules of Procedure\) Regulations 2022](#).

5. **Budget Scrutiny 2023-24:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2023-24 from—  
Christina McKelvie, Minister for Equalities and Older People, Scottish Government;  
Rob Priestley, Head of Mainstreaming and Strategy Unit, Directorate for Equality, Inclusion and Human Rights;  
Ben Walsh, Head of Budget Improvement, Scottish Exchequer.
6. **Budget Scrutiny 2023-24:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 5.

### Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 4th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **Patient Safety Commissioner for Scotland Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Baroness Julia Cumberlege, Chair, and Simon Whale, Review Member and Communications Lead, Independent Medicines and Medical Devices Safety Review.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 from—  
Kevin Stewart, Minister for Mental Wellbeing and Social Care, Marianne Barker, Unit Head, Adult Social Care Charging, and Clare Thomas, Policy Manager, Adult Social Care Charging, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Minister for Mental Wellbeing and Social Care to move—S6M-07494—That the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee recommends that the Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 be approved.
5. **Patient Safety Commissioner for Scotland Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2

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