

Wednesday 28 June 2023

Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

followed by Scottish Government Debate:
Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and
Reconciliation) Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Charities
(Regulation and Administration) (Scotland)
Bill

followed by Legislative Consent Motion:
Economic Crime and Corporate
Transparency Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Scottish Parliamentary
Corporate Body Motion: Appointment of a
New Scottish Information Commissioner

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:25 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-
09600 Russell Findlay: The 50th Anniversary
of the Murder of Margaret McLaughlin

Committee Meetings

8:30am Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

9:00am Education, Children and Young
People Committee

9:30am Citizen Participation and Public
Petitions Committee

9:30am Economy and Fair Work Committee

10:00am Criminal Justice Committee

10:00am Scottish Commission for Public
Audit

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: The Presiding Officer has grouped the following questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture – Questions 2 and 7; and Justice and Home Affairs – Questions 2 and 8, and Questions 4 and 7.

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture

- 1. Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the Scottish Government how the latest *Building a New Scotland* paper advances its prospectus for independence. ([S6O-02424](#))
- 2. Karen Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the publication of the latest paper in the *Building a New Scotland* series, for what reasons it considers that an independent Scotland would need a written constitution. ([S6O-02425](#))
- 3. Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how its international development work is supporting the connections between humanitarian aid and loss and damage. ([S6O-02426](#))
- 4. Stephanie Callaghan:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting culture and the arts in the Uddingston and Bellshill constituency. ([S6O-02427](#))
- 5. Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it has provided to cultural activities in the Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale constituency. ([S6O-02428](#))
- 6. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to "support the constitutional protection of the specific interests and needs of island communities", as outlined in its latest *Building a New Scotland* paper. ([S6O-02429](#))
- 7. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its latest *Building a New Scotland* paper, what its position is on how a written constitution could protect democracy, the sovereignty of the people, freedom and the rule of law in an independent Scotland. ([S6O-02430](#))
- 8. Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the total cost of its *Building a New Scotland* papers, including civil servants' time and printing costs. ([S6O-02431](#))

Justice and Home Affairs

- 1. Evelyn Tweed:** To ask the Scottish Government what facilities the recently-opened HMP Stirling will provide to ensure the rehabilitation of female prisoners upon their release. ([S6O-02432](#))
- 2. Alasdair Allan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the publication, *Recorded Crime in Scotland, 2022-23*. ([S6O-02433](#))
- 3. Pam Duncan-Glancy:** To ask the Scottish Government what support is in place for disabled children and young people navigating the justice system. ([S6O-02434](#))
- 4. Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to Police Scotland's latest quarterly performance report, which found that there were 1,928 recorded crimes of online child sexual abuse during 2022-23. ([S6O-02435](#))

5. Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service faces “insufficient resource to meet statutory and policy obligations” due to budget cuts. ([S6O-02436](#))

6. Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any meetings that it has had with stakeholders regarding the legal age of marriage. ([S6O-02437](#))

7. Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Police Scotland regarding action to tackle the reported rise of online child sex abuse. ([S6O-02438](#))

8. Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the latest *Recorded Crime in Scotland* statistics, which show an increase in the overall level of crime in Scotland. ([S6O-02439](#))

Education and Skills

1. Brian Whittle: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the role that the third sector plays in supporting education and developing skills. ([S6O-02440](#))

2. Michael Marra: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns that prolonging phase 3 of the Learning Estate Investment Programme will further delay the delivery of a primary school in the Western Gateway area of Dundee. ([S6O-02441](#))

3. Murdo Fraser: [Not Lodged] ([S6O-02442](#))

4. Ivan McKee: To ask the Scottish Government which parts of the independent review of the skills delivery landscape it plans to implement. ([S6O-02443](#))

5. Rona Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what it is doing to assist local authorities with the recruitment of teachers. ([S6O-02444](#))

6. Russell Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the independent review into the planning for Dargavel Primary School. ([S6O-02445](#))

7. Roz McCall: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its progress towards meeting its 2030 target for widening access to university admission. ([S6O-02446](#))

8. Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to end the marking and assessment boycott in Scottish universities. ([S6O-02447](#))

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill - UK Legislation

[S6M-09722](#) **Angela Constance: Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill - UK Legislation**—That the Parliament agrees with the recommendation in the Scottish Government’s supplementary legislative consent memorandum to withhold consent for the UK Government’s Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill.

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Charities (Regulation and Administration) (Scotland) Bill

[S6M-09725](#) **Shirley-Anne Somerville: Charities (Regulation and Administration) (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the Charities (Regulation and Administration) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill - UK Legislation

[S6M-09723](#) Tom Arthur: Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill - UK

Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 22 September 2022, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament or alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

followed by Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Motion: Appointment of a New Scottish Information Commissioner

[S6M-09727](#) Martin Whitfield on behalf of the Selection Panel: Appointment of the Scottish Information Commissioner—That the Parliament nominates David Hamilton to His Majesty The King for appointment as the Scottish Information Commissioner under section 42 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

followed by Business Motions

[S6M-09753](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Programme—

That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 5 September 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 6 September 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 Government Business

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 7 September 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: Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 12 September 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 13 September 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 Scottish Government Business

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 14 September 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

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 4 September 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.

[S6M-09754](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Stage 1 Timetable—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 26 January 2024.

[S6M-09755](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Stage 1 Timetable—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 29 March 2024.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S6M-09720](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Duration—That the Parliament agrees, further to motion S6M-00393, that the duration of the COVID-19 Recovery Committee be revised from “For the whole session of the Parliament” to “Until Friday 14 July 2023”.

[S6M-09756](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Amendment Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

[S6M-09757](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Local Taxation Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland (Composition and Procedure) (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

[S6M-09758](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Criminal Justice Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the *supplementary* legislative consent memorandum on the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill.

[S6M-09759](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Social Justice and Social Security Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill.

[S6M-09760](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Criminal Justice Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the *supplementary* legislative consent memorandum on the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill.

[S6M-09787](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SI—That the Parliament agrees that the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2023 [draft] be approved.

S6M-09761 George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Membership—

That the Parliament agrees that *the following changes to committee membership will apply from close of business on Thursday 29 June 2023*—

Kate Forbes be appointed to replace Ben Macpherson as a member of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee;

Keith Brown be appointed to replace Alasdair Allan as a member of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee;

John Swinney be appointed to replace Collette Stevenson as a member of the Criminal Justice Committee;

Kevin Stewart be appointed to replace Fiona Hyslop as a member of the Economy and Fair Work Committee;

Ash Regan be appointed to replace Michelle Thomson as a member of the Economy and Fair Work Committee;

Michelle Thomson be appointed to replace Bob Doris as a member of the Education, Children and Young People Committee;

Ben Macpherson be appointed to replace Fiona Hyslop as a member of the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee;

Kate Forbes be appointed to replace Christine Grahame as a member of the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee;

Bob Doris be appointed to replace Gordon MacDonald as a member of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee;

Christine Grahame be appointed to replace Emma Harper as a member of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee; and

Ivan McKee be appointed to replace Bob Doris as a member of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee.

S6M-09790 George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Membership—

That the Parliament agrees that the following changes to committee membership will apply from close of business on Thursday 29 June 2023—

Jamie Halcro Johnston be appointed to replace Douglas Lumsden as a member of the Finance and Public Administration Committee;

Meghan Gallacher be appointed to replace Rachael Hamilton as a member of the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee;

Roz McCall be appointed to replace Miles Briggs as a member of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee;

Pam Gosal be appointed to replace Annie Wells as a member of the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee;

Maurice Golden be appointed to replace Alexander Stewart as a member of the Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee;

Liam Kerr be appointed to replace Stephen Kerr as a member of the Education, Children and Young People Committee;

Sharon Dowey be appointed to replace Jamie Greene as a member of the Criminal Justice Committee;

Graham Simpson be appointed to replace Craig Hoy as a member of the Public Audit Committee;

Murdo Fraser be appointed to replace Jamie Halcro Johnston as a member of the Economy and Fair Work Committee;

Brian Whittle be appointed to replace Graham Simpson as a member of the Economy and Fair Work Committee;

Annie Wells be appointed to replace Alexander Stewart as a member of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee;

Stephen Kerr be appointed to replace Edward Mountain as a member of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee;

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Alexander Stewart be appointed to replace Maurice Golden as a member of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee; and

Annie Wells be appointed to replace Pam Gosal as a member of the Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee.

[S6M-09791](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Substitution on Committees—That the Parliament agrees that the following changes to committee substitutes will apply from close of business on Thursday 29 June 2023—

Graham Simpson be appointed to replace Murdo Fraser as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee;

Murdo Fraser be appointed to replace Jamie Halcro Johnston as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Finance and Public Administration Committee;

Alexander Stewart be appointed to replace Maurice Golden as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee;

Oliver Mundell be appointed to replace Sharon Dowey as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee;

Roz McCall be appointed to replace Meghan Gallacher as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Education, Children and Young People Committee;

Jamie Halcro Johnston be appointed to replace Edward Mountain as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee;

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Edward Mountain be appointed to replace Stephen Kerr as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee;

Craig Hoy be appointed to replace Roz McCall as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Public Audit Committee; and

Pam Gosal be appointed to replace Graham Simpson as the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party substitute on the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee.

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:25 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business
Debate on the subject of—

[S6M-09600](#) Russell Findlay: The 50th Anniversary of the Murder of Margaret McLaughlin— That the Parliament recognises that 6 July 2023 will mark the 50th anniversary of the murder of Margaret McLaughlin in Carluke, Lanarkshire; notes that Margaret McLaughlin was aged 23 when she was murdered while walking from her home to Carluke train station; further notes that the murder investigation was reportedly led by Detective Chief Superintendent William Muncie; recognises that the police investigation resulted in the arrest of the Carluke resident, George Beattie, who was a teenager at the time; notes that George Beattie was convicted of Margaret McLaughlin's murder at the High Court in Glasgow in October 1973 and consequently spent around 15 years in prison; understands that George Beattie continues to deny his guilt and that his conviction has been the subject of a long-running campaign alleging it to be a miscarriage of justice; notes that the campaign was covered in the BBC documentary series, *Rough Justice*, which was produced by the journalist, Peter Hill; further notes campaigners' concerns about the integrity of the police investigation; notes that those concerns were referenced in a speech made to the House of Commons in March 1993 by Jimmy Hood, who was then an MP; understands that the criminologist, Professor David Wilson, who is originally from Carluke, wrote a book about the murder of Margaret McLaughlin; notes that the book, *Signs of Murder*, which was published in July 2020, reportedly identifies a "more likely suspect", who has since been named publicly as Les Jardine; understands that, in 2020, Margaret McLaughlin's then fiancé, Bob Alexander, spoke to the media for the first time since her murder; notes that Bob Alexander reportedly believes that George Beattie is innocent of Margaret McLaughlin's murder and that he was "fitted up" by the police; understands that George Beattie believes that there is no available route to challenge his murder conviction, and notes the view that Police Scotland and the Crown Office should be encouraged to conduct a full review of the murder of Margaret McLaughlin.

Committee Meetings

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

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee 20th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 8:30 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Gillian Martin, Minister for Energy and the Environment, Hugh Dignon, Head of Wildlife Management Unit, Leia Fitzgerald, Team Leader, Wildlife Legislation Team, and Norman Munro, Solicitor, Scottish Government.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2023 from—
Gillian Martin, Minister for Energy and the Environment, Emily Williams Boylston, Solicitor, and Caspian Richards, Head of Policy and Pesticide Survey Unit, Science and Advice for Scottish Agriculture and Rural Economy Directorate, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Gillian Martin, Minister for Energy and the Environment, to move—S6M-09530—That the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee recommends that the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2023 be approved.
4. **UK subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating using the powers under the European Union Withdrawal Act in relation to the following UK statutory instrument proposal—
Validating Alternative Methods for Salmonella Typing (Amendment) Regulations 2023
5. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Education, Children and Young People Committee 21st Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Additional Support for Learning:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Laura Caven, Chief Officer, Children and Young People Team and Co-Chair of the Additional Support for Learning Project Board, Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA);
Laura Meikle, Head of Support and Wellbeing Unit and Co-Chair of the Additional Support for Learning Project Board, Scottish Government;
Fran Foreman, Project Board Member and Senior Education Officer – Inclusion and ASN / Inclusion, Wellbeing and Equalities, Education Scotland;
Scott Mulholland, Chair of the ADES Children and Young People's ASN Network, Project Board Member and Assistant Director of Education, South Ayrshire Council.
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.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme in relation to the Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill.

Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee

11th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Consideration of continued petitions** The Committee will consider the following petitions—
 - PE1812: Protect Scotland's remaining ancient, native and semi-native woodlands and woodland floors
 - PE1926: Expand universal free school meals for all nursery, primary and secondary school pupils
 - PE1937: To give children the respect they deserve by providing options for privacy when changing for P.E.
 - PE1947: Address Scotland's culture of youth violence
 - PE1956: Increase the provision of wheelchair accessible homes
 - PE1964: Create an independent review of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman
 - PE1978: Allow raw milk to be sold in Scotland
 - PE1983: Improve the transparency and accountability of Scottish legal courts
 - PE1992: Dual the A9 and improve road safety
 - PE1994: Review the trial process for sexual offence cases
2. **Consideration of new petitions** The Committee will consider the following petitions—
 - PE2017: Extend the period that specialist perinatal mental health support is made available beyond one year
 - PE2019: Withdraw rates relief under the Small Business Bonus Scheme from Holiday Let Accommodation
 - PE2020: Provide fertility treatment to single women
 - PE2021: Ensure the definition of protected animals in the Animal Health and Welfare (Scotland) Act 2006 applies to the sheep on St Kilda
 - PE2022: Introduce national safeguarding guidance on how higher education institutions should handle cases of sexual misconduct

Economy and Fair Work Committee 21st Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Royal Mail:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Ross Hutchison, Operations Director for Scotland, and Ricky McAulay, Operations Development Director, Royal Mail.
3. **Royal Mail:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will continue consideration of its approach to part two of the just transition inquiry.

Criminal Justice Committee 20th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Responses to police officer and staff suicides:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Stewart Carle, General Secretary, Association of Scottish Police Superintendents;

Andy Shanks, Deputy Procurator Fiscal, Specialist Casework and Head of Scottish Fatalities Investigation Unit, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service; Assistant Chief Constable Gary Ritchie, Partnerships, Prevention & Community Wellbeing, and Katy Miller, Director of People and Development, Police Scotland; Fiona McQueen, Chair of the People Committee, Scottish Police Authority; David Threadgold, Chair, Scottish Police Federation.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
[Coronavirus \(Recovery and Reform\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Early Expiry of Provisions\) Regulations 2023](#)
4. **Responses to police officer and staff suicides:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
5. **Tackling online child abuse, grooming and exploitation:** The Committee will consider follow-up from the evidence session of 31 May 2023.
6. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Scottish Commission for Public Audit 1st Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Commission will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Audit Scotland Annual Report and Accounts for the year to 31 March 2023 and Auditor's Report on the Accounts:** The Commission will take evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Professor Alan Alexander, Chair of the Board, Vicki Bibby, Chief Operating Officer, Stuart Dennis, Corporate Finance Manager, and Martin Walker, Director Corporate Support, Audit Scotland;
and then from—
David Jeffcoat, Partner, and Jillian So, Audit Manager, Alexander Sloan.
3. **Work programme:** The Commission will consider its work programme.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 21 June 2023

Thursday 29 June 2023

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Ministerial Statement: Highly Protected Marine Areas

followed by Ministerial Statement: Leading Scotland's Journey to Becoming a Start-up Nation

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Online Safety Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:45 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-09075 Marie McNair: Action Mesothelioma Day 2023

followed by Members' Business — S6M-08901 Clare Adamson: Drowning Prevention Week 2023

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2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Net Zero and Just Transition

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5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

29 June 2023

22nd Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **How is Devolution Changing Post-EU?:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Angus Robertson, Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, Gerald Byrne, Head of Constitutional Policy, and Euan Page, Head of UK Frameworks, Scottish Government.
2. **Culture in Communities:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Angus Robertson, Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Lisa Baird, Deputy Director, Culture and Historic Environments, Scottish Government.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, James Johnston on 0131 348 5215 or at ceeac.committee@parliament.scot

Public Audit Committee

29 June 2023

20th 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 items 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 in private.
2. **The 2021/22 audit of Scottish Canals:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark Taylor, Audit Director, Audit Scotland;
Joanne Brown, Partner, Grant Thornton UK LLP.
3. **Major Capital Projects:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Alison Irvine, Chief Executive, Transport Scotland;
Kersti Berge, Director of Energy and Climate Change, David Signorini, Director, Environment and Forestry, and Alison Cumming, Director of Budget and Public Spending, Scottish Government.
4. **Major Capital Projects:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark Taylor, Audit Director, Audit Scotland.
5. **The 2021/22 audit of Scottish Canals:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;

Mark Taylor, Audit Director, Audit Scotland;
Joanne Brown, Partner, Grant Thornton UK LLP.

6. **The 2021/22 audit of Scottish Canals:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 5 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
7. **Major Capital Projects:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 3 and 4 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
8. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

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

Social Justice and Social Security Committee

29 June 2023

18th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Child Poverty and Parental Employment Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Helen Herd, Head of Human Resources, and Rachel Hunter, Director of Enterprise Support, Highlands and Islands Enterprise;
Heather Melville-Hume, Senior HR Manager, and Harvey Tilley, Chief Operating Officer, Independent Living Fund Scotland;
Andy Wood, People Services Lead, The Wheatley Group.
3. **Social Security Scotland disability benefit processing times:** The Committee will take evidence from—
David Wallace, Chief Executive, and Ally MacPhail, Deputy Director for Strategy, Change, Data and Engagement, Social Security Scotland;
Sue Scotland, Deputy Director, Social Security Programme Management and Delivery Division, Social Security Directorate, Scottish Government.
4. **Child Poverty and Parental Employment Inquiry:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 2.
5. **Social Security Scotland disability benefit processing times:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 3.
6. **Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will consider its approach to Budget Scrutiny 2024-25.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Claire Menzies on 0131 348 5320 or at sjss.committee@parliament.scot

COVID-19 Recovery Committee

29 June 2023

15th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Recovery of NHS dental services:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Jenni Minto, Minister for Public Health and Women's Health, Tom Ferris, Chief Dental Officer, Deputy Director Dentistry, Optometry and Audiology Division, and David Notman, Unit Head for Dentistry, Optometry and Audiology Division, Scottish Government.

2. **Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

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Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

29 June 2023

13th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Procedures on consent in relation to UK Parliament Bills:** The Committee will consider a consultation document on Standing Order rule changes.
2. **Code of Conduct Rule Changes:** The Committee will consider changes to the Code of Conduct Rules and the Guidance on the Code of Conduct.
3. **Standing Order Rule Changes:** The Committee will discuss potential Standing Order rule changes.

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Motions for Debate

*[S6M-09765](#) **Maree Todd: Online Safety Bill - UK Legislation**—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Online Safety Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 17 March 2022 and subsequently amended to include the new offence of encouraging or assisting serious self-harm of another person, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

Supported by: Michael Matheson*, Jenni Minto*

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

*[S6M-09747](#) **Alex Rowley: Supporting the Work of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust**—That the Parliament notes the publication of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Coalfield Communities' report, *Next Steps in Levelling Up the Former Coalfields*; welcomes the recommendations of the report to support the continued development of former coalfield communities; believes that the work of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust is instrumental in the progress seen in Scotland's former coalfield communities; supports what it sees as the success of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust's work in developing community capacity, mentoring, coaching and supporting grassroots organisations to tackle issues in their communities through the Coalfields Investment Programme, and introducing young people from former mining areas to what it understands are the life-changing benefits of sport, through Game On, which is the Trust's Sport for Change programme, among other initiatives; notes the reported concerns that the Scottish Government plans to make what has been described as a significant cut of £100,000 from the Coalfields Regeneration Trust's funding of £750,000; further notes the Coalfields Regeneration Trust's characterisation of this planned cut as "a devastating blow to communities" such as Kincardine and former coalfields communities across Mid Scotland and Fife; understands that the Coalfields Regeneration Trust's funding has been frozen at £750,000 since 2011, and considers that had this amount kept pace with inflation, it would currently be worth £1,034,658; further understands that a proposed cut of the Coalfields Regeneration Trust's funding in 2011 was reversed due to the damaging impact this would have had on Scotland's former coalfield communities; notes the calls for the Scottish Government to reconsider any cut to the Coalfields Regeneration Trust's funding on the same basis, and to support the future success of the

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Coalfields Regeneration Trust by offering a secure multi-year funding stream such as that provided by the Welsh Government to the Coalfields Regeneration Trust in Wales.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-09768](#) Alexander Stewart: 90 Years of Blairlogie and District Scottish Women's Institute**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that one of Scotland's oldest Scottish Women's Institute (SWI) groups is celebrating its 90th year since being initially formed; understands that the Blairlogie and District SWI, based in Menstrie, and which meets in Menstrie Parish Church, was first founded in 1933 and now attracts a membership of around 40 members from right across Clackmannanshire; believes that a group of long-standing members were joined by some special guests for a celebratory evening meal to mark the occasion, held at Menstrie Parish Church Hall on 13 June 2023; acknowledges that the friendly group is encouraging people who may be interested in crafts, baking and many other subjects to go along and see if they would like to be part of the group; considers that the Blairlogie and District SWI takes part in various events throughout the year, including a summer outing, setting up a craft stall at Menstrie Church Christmas Fayre, and setting up tombola stalls to be displayed at the Halloween and Easter events run by Menstrie Community Council, and commends the group for its enduring, selfless and sterling work for the community.

Supported by: Annie Wells*, Miles Briggs*, Brian Whittle*, David Torrance*, Meghan Gallacher*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Jamie Greene*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Murdo Fraser*, Jeremy Balfour*, Edward Mountain*, Colin Beattie*, Craig Hoy*

***[S6M-09767](#) Kenneth Gibson: Arran Youth Foundations' Graeme Johnston Named Scotland's Youth Worker of the Year 2023**—That the Parliament congratulates Graeme Johnston of Arran Youth Foundations (AYF) on being named Scotland's Youth Worker of the Year 2023, recognising his unwavering commitment and exceptional contributions to the young people of Arran; is aware that, in 12 years as a youth worker, Graeme has transformed AYF from a poorly attended youth work project into an award-winning organisation offering free sessions seven days a week to support young people on the island and their families; celebrates that AYF now engages with over 200 young people, from a school population of fewer than 230, helping to transform their lives, particularly due to the isolating nature of island life; understands that AYF addresses addiction, mental health issues and homelessness through fun and meaningful activities and assistance and advice from a dedicated support team, and wishes Graeme, his colleagues and the members of AYF all the best in their future endeavours.

***[S6M-09766](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Man and Fife Company Rally to Raise Cash for Maggie's Cancer Charity**—That the Parliament congratulates Neil Stalker and his employer, Cireco (Scotland) LLP, after they rallied to raise £1,000 for the Kirkcaldy Cancer charity, Maggie's; understands that Neil wanted to raise cash for the charity after a relative was diagnosed with secondary cancer and was supported by Maggie's at its centre in Kirkcaldy throughout their illness; acknowledges that Neil approached his employer for support, which resulted in Cireco donating £1,000 to Maggie's; applauds Neil and Cireco for their compassion in helping others and their desire to support Maggie's, which, it believes, provides vital support for those living with cancer, and wishes Neil and Cireco all the very best for the future and any future endeavours that they undertake.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Marie McNair*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Murdo Fraser*, Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*, Michelle Thomson*

***[S6M-09763](#) Michelle Thomson: Maddiston Dancer to Represent Scotland at Dance World Cup 2023**—That the Parliament congratulates Ella of Maddiston Primary School in Falkirk on being selected to represent Scotland at the Dance World Cup 2023; understands that the competition will be held in Braga, Portugal, between 30 June and 8 July; notes that, for Ella to qualify for the final of the Dance World Cup, she also had to participate in a live qualifier event in Scotland; recognises that Ella will compete against finalists from over 50 countries and, it understands, will be judged by several esteemed judges; congratulates Ella once more for being selected to represent Scotland at the Dance World Cup 2023, and wishes her well in the competition.

***[S6M-09761](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Membership**—That the Parliament agrees that—

Kate Forbes be appointed to replace Ben Macpherson as a member of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee;

Keith Brown be appointed to replace Alasdair Allan as a member of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee;

John Swinney be appointed to replace Collette Stevenson as a member of the Criminal Justice Committee;

Kevin Stewart be appointed to replace Fiona Hyslop as a member of the Economy and Fair Work Committee;

Ash Regan be appointed to replace Michelle Thomson as a member of the Economy and Fair Work Committee;

Michelle Thomson be appointed to replace Bob Doris as a member of the Education, Children and Young People Committee;

Ben Macpherson be appointed to replace Fiona Hyslop as a member of the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee;

Kate Forbes be appointed to replace Christine Grahame as a member of the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee;

Bob Doris be appointed to replace Gordon MacDonald as a member of the Social Justice and Social Security Committee;

Christine Grahame be appointed to replace Emma Harper as a member of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee; and

Ivan McKee be appointed to replace Bob Doris as a member of the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee.

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***[S6M-09760](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee**—That the Parliament agrees that the Criminal Justice Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the legislative consent memorandum on the Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill.

***[S6M-09759](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee**—That the Parliament agrees that the Social Justice and Social Security Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill.

***[S6M-09758](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee**—That the Parliament agrees that the Criminal Justice Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the legislative consent memorandum on the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill.

***[S6M-09757](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Local Taxation Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland (Composition and Procedure) (Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

***[S6M-09756](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Amendment Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

***[S6M-09755](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Stage 1 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 29 March 2024.

***[S6M-09754](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Stage 1 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 26 January 2024.

***[S6M-09753](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Programme**—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 5 September 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

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2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy; Finance and Parliamentary Business

followed by Scottish Government Business

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 7 September 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: Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 12 September 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 13 September 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 Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 14 September 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

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 4 September 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.

***[S6M-09752](#) Meghan Gallacher: Lanarkshire School Community Garden Officially Opens —** That the Parliament recognises the opening of the Community Garden at Berrhill Primary School; notes that the grand opening was attended by staff, pupils and members of the public; further notes that the garden has been an ongoing project from 2019, with staff and a team from North Lanarkshire Council creating ideas and a plan for the garden to be developed, and recognises that members of the Motherwell Football Community Trust cut the ribbon to formally open the garden.

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***[S6M-09751](#) Meghan Gallacher: Braw Wee Shop Helping Students with Disabilities Prepare for Work—**That the Parliament recognises New College Lanarkshire’s new booming business, Braw Wee Shop; notes that this has been set up by students with learning disabilities in a bid to boost employment rates for people with additional support needs; further notes that this shop is stocked and staffed by students in the Supported Learning department, and that lecturers hope the project will help prepare the students for the working world, and understands that students have said that the project has given them more confidence and improved their communication skills.

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***[S6M-09750](#) Meghan Gallacher: Lanarkshire School Crowned Regional Champions by Keep Scotland Beautiful—**That the Parliament congratulates Hilltop Primary School on being crowned regional champion by Keep Scotland Beautiful’s Litter League; notes that the primary school won the inaugural competition to tackle Scotland’s litter emergency; congratulates the primary school

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on also finishing second in the national contest; notes that the competition formed part of the charity's annual Spring Clean, which saw more than 30,000 people get involved in events, and recognises that 65 bags of litter were collected by the 24 children who cleaned up Petersburn Road, in Airdrie.

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***[S6M-09749](#) Meghan Gallacher: Uddingston Man Climbs Ben Nevis for My Name's Doddie Foundation**—That the Parliament congratulates Uddingston man, David Dooher, on completing the climb of Ben Nevis, whilst carrying a 100kg barbell on his back, which may also now be a Guinness World Record; recognises that the aim behind this colossal test was to raise money and awareness for My Name's Doddie Foundation, and congratulates David on, so far, raising around £19,000, smashing his initial £2,000 target.

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***[S6M-09748](#) Meghan Gallacher: Lanarkshire School Pupils Create Little Miss and Mr Men Books**—That the Parliament recognises Coatbridge High School's S1 students who designed their own Little Miss and Mr Men characters for the launch at Waterstones, Sauchiehall Street; understands that proud family members were amongst the special guests at the launch, which included a question and answer session with the author to discuss the youngsters' wonderful work, and understands that this project and book launch were instrumental in Coatbridge High School being awarded the Silver Reading Accreditation by the Scottish Book Trust.

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***[S6M-09745](#) Claire Baker: Feniks Wins Campaign of the Year Award at the SCVO Annual Awards Ceremony**—That the Parliament congratulates Feniks Counselling, Personal Development and Support Services LTD on being bestowed the 2023 Campaign of the Year award at the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) annual awards ceremony recently; understands that Feniks has operated as a charity in Edinburgh since 2007, supporting the integration and wellbeing of the Central Eastern European community in Scotland; believes that Polish men in Scotland are twice as likely to commit suicide than Scots, due to stigma and reluctance to seek help; understands that the award recognised the "Shed Your Armour, Show the Scars!" campaign, using armour as a symbol of emotional shields and encouraging men to seek support; notes that the campaign was led in October 2022 by Community Ambassadors with lived experience, and engaged 20,000 Polish people in Scotland, receiving positive feedback from the community; understands that it was the first-ever campaign worldwide addressing the problem of suicide among Polish men, making it a ground-breaking and impactful initiative, and extends its very best wishes to everyone at Feniks for continued success in the future.

***[S6M-09744](#) Finlay Carson: Stranraer Curler, Hugh, Named in British Paralympic Squad by British Curling**—That the Parliament congratulates Hugh Nibloe, from Stranraer, on being named in the 10-strong Paralympic squad by British Curling ahead of the build-up towards the Milan Cortina Paralympic Winter Games in 2026; recognises that Hugh skipped Scotland to bronze at

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the World Wheelchair Curling Championship 2023, held in Richmond, Canada, in March, alongside teammates Gregor Ewan, Gary Logan, Jo Butterfield and Meggan Dawson-Farrell, who have also been selected in the latest squad; notes that there is growing competition for places, which has been welcomed by Hugh, who has represented Great Britain at the Paralympic Games on several occasions, winning a bronze medal in 2017 and a silver medal in 2019, and wishes the curlers every success as they strive towards the next Winter Paralympics.

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***S6M-09743 Michelle Thomson: Larbert High School Pupil Heading to Houston for Visit to NASA's Johnson Space Centre**—That the Parliament congratulates Charlie McBride, a pupil of Larbert High School, on securing one of eight places available to visit the NASA Johnson Space Center; understands that Charlie was one of an initial 600 applicants vying for a place; further understands that Charlie was presented with this opportunity following his selection and participation in the Scottish Space School's 2023 summer programme; notes that the Scottish Space School is a week-long summer programme for 80 successful applicants from S5, delivered through the University of Strathclyde's Faculty of Engineering, and represents the institution's longest-running outreach programme; further notes that, during the visit to the NASA Johnson Space Center, which took place from 12 to 16 June 2023, students attended lectures and activities by university staff and visiting NASA representatives; congratulates Charlie on securing his spot on the week-long learning journey to NASA, and on his success at Scottish Space School 2023, and wishes him all the best for the future.

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***S6M-09742 David Torrance: Burntisland and District Pipe Band Wins Grade 4A European Pipe Band Championship Trophy**—That the Parliament congratulates Burntisland and District Pipe Band on winning the grade 4A European Pipe Band Championship trophy in Aberdeen on 24 June 2023; recognises that this victory is especially touching, as the last time the trophy was in Burntisland and District Pipe Band's hall was in 1990, under the leadership of Pipe Major Robin Brown, who sadly passed away recently; considers that Pipe Major Brown's memory lives on in his teachings to a new generation of young pipers and drummers from across the world; commends Burntisland and District Pipe Band for bringing the trophy back to Burntisland, and wishes it all the best for the future.

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***S6M-09741 John Swinney: Recognising the Achievements of Cameron Coupar**—That the Parliament recognises and applauds the achievements of Blairgowrie's Cameron Coupar, a 13-year-old boy who recently received the prestigious Young Scot Award in the Equality and Diversity category; understands that this accolade recognises Cameron's resilience and commitment to raising awareness of both stammering and dyslexia, conditions that he courageously lives with every day; acknowledges that Cameron, despite communication challenges and instances of bullying, has continuously demonstrated an impressive attitude, using his lived experiences to raise awareness and affect positive change; understands that he has utilised his creativity to design material for a club dedicated to neurodivergent children, and to support a campaign by the Scottish Stammering Network, which seeks to combat discrimination in employment; believes that

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his story serves as a positive example of overcoming adversity, promoting acceptance and striving towards a more inclusive Scotland, and wishes him the best as he continues to inspire others, contribute to his community, and raise awareness about stammering and dyslexia.

***[S6M-09740](#) Brian Whittle: East Ayrshire Schools' Clean, Green Education Awards**

Accredited by EcoSchools—That the Parliament welcomes the news that EcoSchools has adopted the East Ayrshire Clean, Green Education Award model, which it understands is a world first for this accreditation; notes that the award model is designed to encourage action across the key themes of the climate change strategy, which are energy, transport, waste and natural environment, and recognise the journey towards achieving net zero; understands that the awards build on the Green Flag award, which recognises nurseries and schools that have demonstrated a commitment to the Eco-Schools Scotland programme and, over two years, have engaged their whole school community in local climate action; further understands that almost 80% of schools in the local authority area have engaged in the Green Flag initiative, and that 18 schools received their first Green Flag, and seven schools received their Green Flag renewal; commends East Ayrshire staff for their dedication to providing the best educational opportunities available to their students, and wishes them well as their programming develops.

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***[S6M-09739](#) Brian Whittle: Kilmarnock Schools Recognised with Silver Awards at Clean, Green Education Awards**

—That the Parliament congratulates Park School and Onthank Primary School on receiving a Silver award and a Highly Commended Silver award respectively at the second annual Clean, Green Education Awards; believes that children and young people are vital to inspiring and adopting the behaviour changes required to address climate change; recognises the parents and staff who have helped the students achieve their aspirations, including Steven Swan of Onthank and James Hamilton primary schools, who received the Outstanding Commitment and Enthusiasm for Climate Change Award; notes that Onthank Primary School was the only school to achieve Silver accreditation in the inaugural awards and was recognised with a Highly Commended Silver award for its wider works with the community, including organising litter picks and a local Climate Change Conference; recognises the main sponsors of the Clean, Green Education Awards, which are East Ayrshire Leisure, McGills Buses, Enva Waste and Vattenfall, and the partners, Keep Scotland Beautiful and Eco Schools, which play a key role in the delivery of the awards and programme respectively; congratulates each school on its success, and wishes them every success as they continue to develop and participate in programmes dedicated to addressing climate change.

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***[S6M-09738](#) Brian Whittle: Kilmarnock-area Children and Young People Celebrate Success at Second Annual Clean, Green Education Awards**

—That the Parliament welcomes the news that 14 Kilmarnock-area schools have achieved Bronze and Highly Commended Bronze Awards in the second annual Clean, Green Education Awards; believes that children and young people play a vital role in addressing climate change; understands that the awards were created as part of a commitment to recognise the achievements of young people in addressing climate change during the virtual Youth Climate Conference in 2021; notes that the awards are designed to encourage action across the key themes of the climate change strategy, which are energy, transport, waste

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and natural environment, and recognise the journey towards achieving net zero; recognises that Annanhill Primary School, Crosshouse Primary School and Communication Centre, Darvel Primary School, Dunlop Primary School and Fenwick Primary School were awarded special recognition for partnership working, Hillhead Primary School was awarded special recognition for natural environment, Hurlford Primary School was awarded special recognition for embedding sustainable education in the curriculum, James Hamilton Primary School and Sgoil Na Coille Nuaidh, Kilmaurs Primary School were awarded special recognition for pupil leadership (primary), and Kilmarnock Academy, Nether Robertland Primary School, St Sophia's Primary School, Stewarton Academy and Whatriggs Primary School also received awards; notes that projects underway at the schools include active travel initiatives, action to reduce food waste, organising litter picks for the wider community and organising a local Climate Change Conference; recognises the main sponsors of the Clean, Green Education Awards, which are East Ayrshire Leisure, McGills Buses, Enva Waste and Vattenfall, as well as the partners, Keep Scotland Beautiful and Eco Schools, which play a key role in the delivery of the awards and programme respectively; congratulates each school on its success, and wishes them all the best in the future.

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***S6M-09737 Willie Rennie: SIX Musical at Bell Baxter High School—**That the Parliament congratulates Bell Baxter High School, in Cupar, on the incredible success of the production, *SIX: Teen Edition*, by Toby Marlow and Lucy Moss, which was a “histo-remix” staged at the school over three evenings, as well as a Saturday matinee performance; recognises the outstanding talents of the actors, Ruth Egerton, who played Catherine of Aragon, Emily Glasgow, who played Anne Boleyn, Anna Duncan, who played Jane Seymour, Iona McPhail, who played Anne of Cleves, Georgia Thompson, who played Katherine Howard, and Mairi Ironside, who played Catherine Parr; further recognises the hard work of the backstage crew and teaching staff from the Faculty of Expressive Arts, including the musical director, Craig McNicol, the director, Richard Robb, the choreographer, Ruth Egerton, and the costume designer, Jessica Macleod, in producing this first-class musical, and notes the impressive efforts of the school to extend the invitation to see the show to the wider community.

***S6M-09736 Edward Mountain: Inverness Nurse Named RCN Scotland Nurse of the Year—**That the Parliament congratulates Inverness nurse, Amy Noble, on being named as the Royal College of Nursing Scotland's Nurse of the Year, in recognition of her clinical leadership, commitment to delivering for her patients and efforts to inspire the future nursing workforce; notes that Amy has been recently promoted to Assistant Divisional Nurse Manager; further notes that at the time of her nomination for the award, Amy led the respiratory ward at Raigmore Hospital and, in partnership with Chest, Heart and Stroke Scotland, was responsible for the department's transformation, which, it understands, led to readmissions dropping from 20% to 8%; recognises that in her new position, Amy is working on progressing an infectious disease specialist team, and understands that she is looking to work hard in encouraging more people to return to nursing; acknowledges that the awards ceremony was held at the National Museum of Scotland in Edinburgh, and, as well as the Nurse of the Year Award, included a further 12 award categories, and wishes Amy the best of success in her new role with NHS Highland.

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***[S6M-09735](#) Edward Mountain: Highland GP Appointed OBE in The King's Birthday**

Honours List 2023—That the Parliament commends Dr Miles Mack for being recognised in The King's Birthday Honours list and being appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE); recognises that Dr Miles Mack served by chairing the Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP) Scotland between 2014 and 2017, and acted as RCGP Trustee and Vice Chair of the Scottish Academy; notes that Miles was also elected as chair of the Scottish Academy from 2019 to 2022; understands that Miles is also a local Highlands GP, having been a partner at Dingwall Medical Group since 1993, and congratulates all those who received honours in The King's Birthday Honours list.

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***[S6M-09734](#) Edward Mountain: Highland Brownie Volunteer Recognised for Service in The King's Birthday Honours List**

—That the Parliament commends Anne McCreadie for being recognised in The King's Birthday Honours list; recognises that Anne McCreadie, who is the chairperson of Merkinch Community Centre, was awarded her British Empire Medal for her services as a dedicated community leader, supporting people of all ages, and for further being a trustee of the Elsie Normington Foundation, which was established to create a specialist centre for children and young people with complex needs; recognises that Anne was recently presented with Age Scotland's Jess Barrow Award for Campaigning and Influencing, and congratulates all those who received honours in The King's Birthday Honours list.

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***[S6M-09733](#) Edward Mountain: Highland Volunteer Receives BEM for Service to Community in Inverness and the Highlands**

—That the Parliament commends Sheila Bruce for being recognised in The King's Birthday Honours list; notes that Sheila is a musical director at Cancer Fund for Children, Inverness; understands that, for her services to the community in Inverness and the Highlands, Sheila is being awarded a British Empire Medal, and congratulates all those who received honours in The King's Birthday Honours list.

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***[S6M-09732](#) Edward Mountain: Highland Brownie Volunteer Recognised for Service in The King's Birthday Honours List**

—That the Parliament commends learning support assistant, Ina Melville, for being recognised in The King's Birthday Honours list; recognises that Ina Melville, a unit leader of 1st Smithton Brownies, received the honour for her services to young people and the community of Smithton; further recognises that Ina became involved in Girl Guiding 21 years ago because she wanted her daughter to go to brownies, but the unit needed helpers, and she has stayed on ever since, and further congratulates all those who received honours in The King's Birthday Honours list.

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***[S6M-09730](#) Annie Wells: Flight Lieutenant James Martin - 602 (City of Glasgow) Squadron RAF Reserves**—That the Parliament congratulates Flight Lieutenant James Martin on receiving an Air Officer Commanding No.2 Group Commendation in His Majesty The King's Birthday Honours List 2023 – RAF; acknowledges Flt Lt Martin's role in securing a new Squadron Standard, which was the final RAF Standard to have been endorsed by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and led to a Standard Consecration Parade held at the High School of Glasgow in August 2022; commends the Executive Officer of 602 (City of Glasgow) Squadron on what it sees as his steadfast and inspirational leadership, insightful mentoring of both Regular and Reserves personnel, while embracing the UK Government's Reserve Forces Review 2030 and playing his ongoing part in guiding the Squadron through Project Astra, which is the name that has been given to the Royal Air Force's current journey in building the Next Generation RAF, and further commends 602 (City of Glasgow) Squadron RAF Reserves as whole, for what it believes is its first class multi-disciplinary training in myriad trades, of new recruits and qualified personnel alike, in order that they are able to fully integrate into the Regular Force, as and when requirements arise.

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***[S6M-09729](#) Liz Smith: Jamie Aarons Achieves Fastest-ever Munro Round**—That the Parliament sends its warmest congratulations to Jamie Aarons on achieving the fastest-ever self-propelled time for completing all of Scotland's 282 Munros; recognises that she completed the challenge in 31 days, 10 hours and 27 minutes, doing the round in less than half of the time of the previous female record, and surpassing the male record, which is 31 days, 23 hours and 2 minutes, set by Donnie Campbell in 2020; commends the endurance athlete for raising over £12,000 for the charity, World Bicycle Relief, as of reaching her final summit; notes that the 43-year-old began the challenge on 26 May 2023, with an ascent of Ben More on Mull, and finished on the 26 June after summitting Ben Klibreck in the far north of Scotland; understands that Jamie travelled approximately 3,000 km, with 140,000 m of ascent, by walking, running, cycling and kayaking, and recognises what it sees as the truly extraordinary demonstration of peak human mental and physical endurance on Scotland's mountains over 3,000 ft.

***[S6M-09728](#) Liam Kerr: Aberdeen-based Mannofield Explorer Scouts Releases Charity Album**—That the Parliament commends the Aberdeen-based Mannofield Explorer Scout Unit for its exceptional fundraising efforts, aimed at providing young people with unforgettable experiences; understands that the community group collaborated with artists from the North East Scotland region, who pledged their support by contributing exclusive, previously unreleased tracks to an album; further understands that the album, titled *Straight Outta Mannofield*, showcases the Scouts' own artwork and offers a remarkable compilation of established and emerging local acts spanning various genres, such as indie, rock and jazz; notes that Mannofield Explorer Scouts is Aberdeen's largest Explorer Scout unit, bringing together over 30 young people between 14 and 18 years old, from different parts of the city, to learn and develop skills for life; further notes that interested individuals can purchase the album online from Bandcamp, and wishes the group every success with its ongoing fundraising efforts.

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***[S6M-09726](#) Douglas Lumsden: Craig Brown CBE**—That the Parliament marks with sadness the death of former professional football player and manager, Craig Brown, at the age of 82; notes that Craig was the longest-serving manager of Scotland's national team, in charge for 71 games from 1993 to 2001, and led Scotland to the 1996 Euros and the 1998 World Cup; understands that Craig played for Dundee FC and Falkirk FC; further understands that, during his managerial career, in addition to managing Scotland's national team, he managed Clyde FC, Preston North End FC, Motherwell FC and Aberdeen FC; recognises that he served on the Board of Aberdeen FC for many years; notes that he was awarded a Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) in 1999 for services to football, and extends sympathy to all of Craig Brown's loved ones and all those who remember him fondly at this difficult time.

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***[S6M-09724](#) Kevin Stewart: European Pipe Band Championships**—That the Parliament notes the success of the European Pipe Band Championships, which were held on 24 June 2023 at Duthie Park in Aberdeen; acknowledges that this is the first time that the event has been held in Aberdeen since 1981; understands that more than 100 pipe bands and 25 drum majors from all over Scotland, the UK, and even as far as Australia, took part in the competition, with an estimated 3,000 pipers participating; congratulates the nine pipe bands and three drum majors who finished first place in their individual categories, as well as all the others who placed highly; thanks the Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association, Aberdeen City Council, Aberdeen Inspired and main sponsor, Balmoral, for bringing this event to the city, where it was attended by thousands of spectators in the glorious sunshine, and wishes them every success when the event returns to Aberdeen in 2024.

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***[S6M-09721](#) Kevin Stewart: Armed Forces Day Flag Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates 12-year-old Lilly Russell, from Cornhill Primary School, on winning Aberdeen's Armed Forces Day flag design competition; recognises that prizes were also awarded to Emily Cai, from Robert Gordon's College, and Nina Cowie, from Broomhill Primary School, for their designs; understands that the three winners received a family pass to the Gordon Highlanders Museum, among other prizes; notes that the winning design will be printed on 2,000 hand-held flags for Aberdeen's Armed Forces Day 2023, which will feature more than 1,000 serving veteran and cadet force personnel parading through the city centre; understands that over 500 school pupils submitted designs; commends all entrants on their contributions, and looks forward to seeing Aberdeen celebrate the contributions of the Armed Forces community on 1 July 2023.

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***[S6M-09719](#) Douglas Lumsden: Aberdeen Airport Midnight Runway Run**—That the Parliament congratulates Aberdeen International Airport and CHC Helicopters on the success of the 2023 Midnight Runway Run, which it understands has raised thousands of pounds for charity; notes that the money will be split between four charities, AberNecessities, Befriend a Child, Wee Too! and Kayleigh's Wee Stars; understands that 400 participants ran 4K down the lit-up runaway

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at Aberdeen International Airport; further understands that, in the previous three years, 1,000 people took part and £120,000 was raised for good causes; gives thanks to CHC Helicopter's Captain, Ryan Broadhurst, for organising the event with the airport's operations team; appreciates all those who have made donations, as well as the official sponsors, Ace Aviation, Signature Flight Support, ABM, Hampton by Hilton, Falck Fire Services and NATs, and wishes the event all the best for the future. **R**

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***S6M-09718 Mark Ruskell: Racing Greyhounds Injury and Death Data 2022**—That the Parliament notes the latest publication of data on injuries and deaths in greyhounds used for racing at regulated tracks across the UK in 2022, released by the Greyhound Board of Great Britain (GBGB); further notes that there were 22,284 injuries and 2,718 deaths of racing greyhounds across the UK between 2018 and 2022; highlights that, despite the GBGB's commitments to improve welfare standards at racetracks and reduce the number of injuries and deaths in dogs, the rate of injuries in 2022 was higher than it was five years ago; understands that there are inherent risks of injury and death associated with racing dogs anti-clockwise around curved tracks at 40 mph; considers that there remains one greyhound racetrack in Scotland, the unlicensed Thornton Greyhound Stadium, where, it believes, the number of injuries and deaths in dogs is left unreported, and where there is no official regulatory body present to ensure that foundational animal welfare standards are met, and commends the work of the newly-formed group of animal welfare organisations and volunteers coming together, under the #UnboundTheGreyhound campaign, to phase out greyhound racing in Scotland.

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***S6M-09717 Sue Webber: Winners of 2023 Scottish Walking Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Joshua Adeyemi on winning the Media/Online Walking Champion Award and Overall Champion at the 2023 national Scottish Walking Awards, which is run by Paths for All, Ramblers Scotland and Living Streets Scotland; understands that the awards attracted many high-quality entries; highlights Joshua's work as a co-founder of the popular Black Scottish Adventurers, which now has hundreds of members and thousands of social media followers; congratulates the winners across all of the award categories, including Community Walking Champion, Kath Millar, who has helped run hundreds of health walks in Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park, and congratulates NHS Grampian, Friends of Monklands Canal Group, Go Jauntly, Walkhighlands, Dumfries and Galloway Council, Queen Margaret University, and RSPB Scotland's Loch Lomond nature reserve, which were all worthy winners of the individual categories, and believes that all of this year's worthy award winners will inspire people from all backgrounds to walk for years to come.

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***S6M-09716 David Torrance: Shirley Henderson to be Honoured by Fife College**—That the Parliament congratulates Shirley Henderson as she is set to be honoured by Fife College; understands that, in 1982, at the age of 16, Shirley left school to study a one-year foundation drama course at Fife College's Kirkcaldy campus, before moving to London where she continued

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to pursue her passion at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama, graduating in 1986; notes that she will be joining fellow alumni, including actor, Dougray Scott, presenter, Edith Bowman, and Paralympic gold medallist, Owen Mille; acknowledges that she has starred in shows such as *Dr Who*, *Death in Paradise* and *Happy Valley*, as well as several films, including *Trainspotting*, *Bridget Jones's Diary*, and the Harry Potter series, where she appeared as the iconic character, Moaning Myrtle, and wishes Shirley all the best for her honour and for the future.

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***S6M-09715 Gillian Mackay: Scottish Young Carers Festival 2023**—That the Parliament acknowledges that the 16th Scottish Young Carers Festival will be held from 1 to 3 August 2023; welcomes the three-day residential event that is funded by Scottish Government and hosted by Carers Trust Scotland, which will bring together over 600 young carers from across Scotland; recognises that the Scottish Young Carers Festival offers a fun, short break experience for young carers so that they can try out exciting activities that are different from those normally available in their day to day lives, and, importantly, allows them time away from their caring responsibilities to have fun and be children and young people first and foremost; appreciates that the Scottish Young Carers Festival provides a place for young people to meet others with a shared experience, allowing them to make friends in the knowledge that all participants have an understanding of how an unpaid caring role can impact the life of a young person; understands that the Scottish Young Carers Festival also offers designated spaces for consultation with young carers, giving them an opportunity to share their lived experiences in a way that is comfortable and appropriate for them, and that this contributes to an understanding of the young carer landscape at a national level; further understands that the Scottish Young Carers Festival also offers valuable networking opportunities for youth professionals to work directly with young carers, as well as organisations that work with young people at a national level to gain insight and connections that are useful in delivering comprehensive services to young carers; values what it sees as the immense contribution that young carers make to society, and the vital support that local carer organisations provide for young carers and unpaid carers across Scotland; recognises what it believes to be the importance of the Scottish Young Carers Festival; considers that appropriate services and support should be available to all young carers across Scotland to ensure that they have a fair chance to follow their aspirations, achieve their full potential and live fulfilled lives, and wishes all young carers taking part a very enjoyable Scottish Young Carers Festival.

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***S6M-09714 Claire Baker: Impact of Plans for Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in Mid Scotland and Fife**—That the Parliament recognises the vital role of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) in protecting communities across Scotland, and the continued hard work and dedication of firefighters and other emergency service workers; notes with concern the plan to withdraw a number of fire appliances on a temporary basis at 10 fire stations across Scotland, including in Mid Scotland and Fife; understands that the removal of appliances at Methil, Glenrothes and Dunfermline, alongside the removal of the high reach vehicle from Kirkcaldy, means that Fife is being disproportionately affected by the move; notes the reported community concerns that the removal of these appliances will have an adverse impact on communities in Mid Scotland and Fife; recognises what it considers to be the pressures on the SFRS budget as a result of inflationary pressure and real terms cuts to its resource budget; notes that recent assessments of the condition of the fire estate have highlighted that a number of stations are in

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need of repair and upgrade work, and is concerned that the removal of fire appliances is the latest consequence of what it sees as the underfunding of the SFRS over a number of years, and urges the Scottish Government to further consider funding arrangements for the SFRS, and to meet with the SFRS to discuss how to ensure the continuation of service provision at current levels.

Supported by: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Martin Whitfield*, Murdo Fraser*, Monica Lennon*

***S6M-09708 Monica Lennon: Karen Bordon Dance Academy**—That the Parliament congratulates Karen Bordon Dance Academy of Burnbank, Hamilton, on winning Club of The Year at the Hamilton Sports Council Awards 2023; recognises that it is the first time that a dance academy has won this prestigious award; commends Team KBDA on also achieving 16 Scottish Championship titles at the WLDF World Championships recently; believes that these achievements are due to the extraordinary efforts of the teaching staff, dedicated pupils and all the parents and carers who give so much time to the Academy, and wishes a very bright future for all of Team KBDA.

***S6M-09651 Jamie Halcro Johnston: Officer of the Order of the British Empire**—That the Parliament congratulates Neil Kermod on being appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in His Majesty The King's Birthday Honours 2023, and commends Mr Kermod on his service to renewable energy and to the community in Orkney.

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***S6M-09453 John Swinney: Recognising the Outstanding Achievements and Impact of the CATERAN YOMP 2023**—That the Parliament recognises and salutes the efforts of the record 1,200 participants, aged 16 to 76, from countries as diverse as the US, Lebanon, Ukraine and New Zealand, who took part in the 24-hour CATERAN YOMP in Perthshire; acknowledges the substantial £300,000 of funds raised for ABF The Soldiers' Charity, the national charity of the British Army, which provides essential support to serving soldiers, veterans, and their immediate families; commends the resilience and teamwork of all the participants, who traversed the challenging 22, 36 or 54 miles of the CATERAN Trail in less than 24 hours, contributing towards the charity's mission; pays particular tribute to the 2023 ambassador, Royal Artillery veteran, Lee Harris-Hamer, who it considers exemplifies the transformative power of the charity, using the grant that he received to start a successful cleaning business after a career-ending injury; recognises the invaluable contributions of sponsors, including The Famous Grouse, Dover Fuelling Solutions, Arnold Clark Car and Van Rental, Land Rover Pentland, and Leonardo; appreciates local sponsors, such as Castle Water, Mackie's of Scotland and Tunnocks, for their support, and celebrates the significant impact of the CATERAN YOMP, which has, it understands, over its 12 editions, raised millions of pounds and helped thousands of army family members across 45 countries, from infants to centenarians.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S6M-09727 Martin Whitfield: Appointment of the Scottish Information Commissioner
(lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Jim Fairlie*

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[S6M-09713](#) Colin Beattie: Lasswade High School Girls' Football Team Wins the Scottish Schools' Football Association Senior Shield 2023 (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-09712](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulating Bethany Christian Trust on its 40th Anniversary (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Murdo Fraser*, Meghan Gallacher*, Douglas Ross*, Alexander Stewart*, Edward Mountain*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Craig Hoy*, Colin Beattie*, Annie Wells*, Miles Briggs*, Brian Whittle*, Liam Kerr*, Douglas Lumsden*, Pam Gosal*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Marie McNair*, Jamie Greene*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09706](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating Participants of the Renfrewshire Recovering Voices Programme (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-09704](#) Clare Haughey: Kaysey Dickson Wins Gold at Scottish National Age Group Swimming Championship (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Paul Sweeney*, Bob Doris*, Jackie Dunbar*, Stephanie Callaghan*, David Torrance*, Colin Beattie*, Douglas Lumsden*, James Dornan*, Kevin Stewart*

[S6M-09701](#) David Torrance: New £350,000 Community Chest to Help Support Fife's Unpaid Carers (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09700](#) Rhoda Grant: International Women in Engineering Day 2023 (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Brian Whittle*, Douglas Lumsden*

[S6M-09698](#) Gillian Mackay: Tartan Army's Hidden Heroes (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Maggie Chapman*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Kevin Stewart*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Colin Beattie*, Mark Ruskell*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alex Cole-Hamilton*, Ben Macpherson*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09697](#) Christine Grahame: NHS Borders Armed Forces Day 2023 (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll*, Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Jackie Dunbar*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Colin Beattie*, Douglas Lumsden*, Kevin Stewart*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09696](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: City of Glasgow College Cuts (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Mercedes Villalba*

[S6M-09695](#) Jackie Dunbar: Gordon Hay Completes Translation of Bible into Doric (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Douglas Lumsden*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Maggie Chapman*, Colin Beattie*, Rona Mackay*, John Mason*, Jeremy Balfour*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*, Marie McNair*, David Torrance*

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[S6M-09694](#) Brian Whittle: Women's Shed Kilmarnock Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Lumsden*, Jackson Carlaw*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09693](#) Brian Whittle: The Kilninie Club Secures National Lottery Funding (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Lumsden*, Jackson Carlaw*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09692](#) Brian Whittle: The Kilmarnock Community Sports Trust Granted £90,000 form National Lottery (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Lumsden*, Jackson Carlaw*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09691](#) Brian Whittle: The Calm Clydesdale Therapeutic Centre SCIO Funded to Provide Therapeutic Services in Ayrshire (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Lumsden*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09690](#) Brian Whittle: Blackwood Horticultural Society Secures Funding for 150th Anniversary Flower Show (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Lumsden*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09689](#) Brian Whittle: Max Appeal Secures Funding for Residential Outdoor Activity Camp (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Lumsden*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09688](#) Brian Whittle: Lesmahagow Highland Games Society Receives National Lottery Award (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Lumsden*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09687](#) Brian Whittle: Lesmahagow Farmers Society Benefits from National Lottery Funding (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09686](#) Brian Whittle: Kilmarnock YMCA Plus SCIO Benefits from National Lottery Funding (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09685](#) Brian Whittle: Kilmarnock North West Community Partnership Secures Funding to Provide Internet Access (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09684](#) Beatrice Wishart: Journalist, Jen Stout, Recognised at the Scottish Press Awards (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Douglas Lumsden*, Marie McNair*

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[S6M-09683](#) Brian Whittle: Kilmarnock Kinship Carers East Ayrshire Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09682](#) Brian Whittle: Hurlford Tenants and Residents Association Secures National Lottery Funding (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09681](#) Brian Whittle: Healthy Valleys Funded by National Lottery Grants (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09680](#) Brian Whittle: National Lottery Funds Glespin Community Group SCIO (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09678](#) Brian Whittle: East Ayrshire Churches Homelessness Action Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09677](#) Brian Whittle: Douglas Gala Day Awarded £10,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09668](#) Clare Adamson: Police Scotland Youth Volunteers Head to New Zealand (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-09665](#) Claire Baker: Balwearie High School Pupils Recognised at the Royal Scottish Academy's Schools Art Awards (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09657](#) Marie McNair: Gavin's Mill in Milngavie Wins Hidden Gem Award at the Scotsman's Scran Awards (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*

[S6M-09656](#) Marie McNair: NHS Golden Jubilee in Clydebank Wins National Award for Excellence in Donor Heart Retrieval (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*

[S6M-09645](#) Christine Grahame: Dogs and Hot Weather (lodged on 22 June 2023)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S6M-09643](#) Beatrice Wishart: Shetland Nurse Wins RCN Scotland Student Nurse of the Year Award (lodged on 22 June 2023)

New Support: Alex Cole-Hamilton*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S6M-09642](#) Annabelle Ewing: Benarty Community Newsletter (lodged on 23 June 2023)

New Support: Fergus Ewing*

[S6M-09638](#) Rona Mackay: Commending GRACE Volunteer, James Williamson (lodged on 22 June 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09634](#) Rona Mackay: Robert Smith Named as Rotary Community Champion 2023 (lodged on 22 June 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09631](#) Willie Coffey: Fiona McKenzie from Kilmarnock Receives OBE (lodged on 22 June 2023)

New Support: Marie McNair*

[S6M-09630](#) Willie Coffey: Asda Green Token Giving in East Ayrshire (lodged on 22 June 2023)

New Support: Marie McNair*

[S6M-09626](#) Clare Adamson: MND Scotland Investment (lodged on 22 June 2023)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S6M-09613](#) Roz McCall: Inverkeithing Hillfield Swifts Under-14 Girls Win East Region Plate (lodged on 22 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09612](#) Roz McCall: Andy's Man Club Duo Win New Community Champion Health and Care Award (lodged on 21 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09611](#) Roz McCall: West Fife Charity, Boards For Bairns, Wins Young Enterprise of the Year Award (lodged on 21 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09606](#) Roz McCall: Congratulating Crossgates Primary Teacher, Jemma Thomas, as Dunfermline Press Community Champion Awards 2023 Teacher of the Year (lodged on 21 June 2023)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09598](#) Miles Briggs: Cancer Card Founder, Jen Hardy, Awarded an MBE (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Russell Findlay*, Douglas Lumsden*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-09595](#) Willie Coffey: Chelsea Bloom Silver Medal Winner for Kilmarnock Florist (lodged on 21 June 2023)

New Support: Marie McNair*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-09579](#) Annabelle Ewing: Andy's Man Club, Kenny Armour and James Scade Awarded Health and Social Care Award 2023 (lodged on 21 June 2023)

New Support: Fergus Ewing*

[S6M-09530](#) Mairi Gougeon: Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2023 [draft] (lodged on 15 June 2023)

New Support: Gillian Martin*

[S6M-09522](#) Keith Brown: Kelly Sagar Becomes Paths for All Walking Champion (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09364](#) Daniel Johnson: Neuroscience Matters (lodged on 12 June 2023)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S6M-09357](#) Gillian Mackay: Newly-launched Falkirk Schools Pipe Band (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Miles Briggs*, Monica Lennon*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Maggie Chapman*, David Torrance*, Colin Beattie*, Ross Greer*, Kevin Stewart*, Kenneth Gibson*, Mark Ruskell*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09356](#) Gillian Mackay: Dance4Zac Raises Thousands (lodged on 26 June 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Monica Lennon*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Maggie Chapman*, David Torrance*, Colin Beattie*, Ross Greer*, Kevin Stewart*, Mark Ruskell*, Marie McNair*

[S6M-09345](#) Roz McCall: Supporting SANDS Awareness Month 2023 (lodged on 09 June 2023)

New Support: Michelle Thomson*

[S6M-09291](#) Neil Bibby: Commending Andy's Golden Fry in Paisley (lodged on 01 June 2023)

New Support: Marie McNair*

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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 27 June 2023

[S6W-19492](#) Clare Haughey: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its progress in relation to the development its new Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Scotland. **R**

[S6W-19494](#) Clare Haughey: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish a response to the Scottish Mental Health Law Review. **R**

[S6W-19495](#) Alasdair Allan: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will report on the outcome of the recent summit meeting of the British-Irish Council in Jersey.

[S6W-19499](#) Gillian Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the publication of the Zero Waste Scotland report on the environmental impacts of single-use vapes.

[S6W-19504](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the publication of the National Litter and Flytipping Strategy.

Written questions lodged on 27 June 2023

[S6W-18477](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent on (a) prescribed and (b) non-prescribed contraceptives in each year since 2018-19, broken down by (i) type of contraceptive and (ii) the number of contraceptives distributed.

R

[S6W-18480](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government how much funding has been allocated to (a) NHS Pharmacy First Scotland and (b) Community Pharmacy Scotland in each year since 2018-19. **R**

[S6W-18483](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government (a) what the uptake has been of and (b) how much has been spent on its Milk and Healthy Snack Scheme in each financial year since 2021-22.

[S6W-18484](#) Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-17364 by Jenni Minto on 10 May 2023, what specific progress the Minister for Public Health and Women's Health has made in relation to introducing buffer zones for premises that provide abortion services since being appointed to her ministerial role. **R**

[S6W-19317](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been spent by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, to date, on the legal process following its decision to terminate its contract with the supplier, Systel, for a new national command and control mobilising system.

[S6W-19318](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government what the total spend by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service was on the contract with Systel for a new national command and control mobilising system.

[S6W-19395](#) Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-18498 by Lorna Slater on 16 June 2023, whether it will provide the information requested regarding whether notification was received in accordance with the request made in the cabinet secretary's letter of 24 March 2021; if notification was not received, which provision in the Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Amendment Regulations 2022 applied in retroactively nullifying the request for notification and its potential status as a material change in circumstances, and, if

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Questions Ceistean				

no such provision exists, whether it will provide a copy of the ministerial action that was taken to nullify the request from the cabinet secretary.

[S6W-19467](#) Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what action is being taken to reduce reported backlogs at the Office of the Public Guardian regarding processing power of attorney applications.

[S6W-19468](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the reported shortage of HGV drivers, including any help and support that it is providing regarding the cost of training for individuals.

[S6W-19469](#) Kevin Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of increased mortgage rates on rent levels in the private rented housing sector.

[S6W-19470](#) Kevin Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of increased mortgage rates on the Scottish economy.

[S6W-19471](#) Kevin Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of increased mortgage rates on first-time buyers.

[S6W-19472](#) Kevin Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of increased mortgage rates on fuel poverty.

[S6W-19473](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question [S6W-19037](#) by Maree Todd on 26 June 2023, whether it will provide details of any plans it has to assess or review the level of safeguarding in place regarding named persons defined under the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003. **R**

[S6W-19475](#) Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the £9 million invested by the Scottish National Investment Bank into Circularity Scotland, what information it holds on how much has been spent to date, and whether it can provide a full breakdown of this spend.

[S6W-19477](#) Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on what risk assessments were undertaken by the Scottish National Investment Bank prior to investing in Circularity Scotland.

[S6W-19478](#) Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is aware of any conditions that were attached to the Scottish National Investment Bank's investment into Circularity Scotland, and what information it holds on how any such conditions compare to any conditions attached to the Bank of Scotland's investment into Circularity Scotland.

[S6W-19480](#) Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on when the Scottish National Investment Bank last received an investment performance report regarding its £9 million investment into Circularity Scotland

[S6W-19481](#) Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government who the members are of the Scottish National Investment Bank's advisory group.

[S6W-19482](#) Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government when the Scottish National Investment Bank's advisory group (a) was established and (b) last met.

[S6W-19484](#) Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to deliver a fair pay offer to local government workers and to prevent trade union strike action in Glasgow's parking services and velodrome impacting on the Cycling World Championships.

[S6W-19485](#) Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of (a) primary and (b) secondary school children have received a computer device since March 2021, broken down by local authority area.

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New Subordinate Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 27 June 2023 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/197\)](#)

Laid under section 113(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992

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](#):

[Proposals for Bills – Scottish Parliament | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

Final Proposal

Gillian Mackay: Proposed Abortion Services Safe Access Zones (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to introduce safe access zones around healthcare settings that provide abortion services. (lodged 15 June 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).

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Progress of Legislation

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

<https://www.parliament.scot/bills-and-laws/bills>

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.

Bail and Release from Custody (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 June 2023

Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 17 May 2023

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

Charities (Regulation and Administration) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 28 June 2023

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (44th Report, 2023)

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

Stage 1 completed, 22 June 2023

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team

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Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 13 June 2023

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Lead committee – Net Zero, Energy and Transport

Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 17 May 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (1st 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.

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 9 May 2023

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

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

Report – Finance and Public Administration Committee (10th Report, 2022)

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

Patient Safety Commissioner for Scotland Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 13 June 2023

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Introduced, 6 June 2023

Lead committee – Criminal Justice

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 20 April 2023

Lead committee – Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice

Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill (M)

Stage 1 (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 22 June 2023

Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 20 June 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (7th Report, 2023)

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

Passed, 16 March 2021

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 24 May 2023

Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 20 June 2023

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 20 June 2023

Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 28 June 2023

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (40th Report, 2023)

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

<https://www.parliament.scot/bills-and-laws/bills/legislative-consent-memorandums>

Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill LCM-S6-1

Lodged on 22 June 2021

Meeting of the Parliament, 11 January 2022

Report – Lead committee (Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment) (4th Report, 2021)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (14th Report, 2021)

Data Protection and Digital Information (No. 2) Bill LCM-S6-36

Lodged on 15 May 2023

Meeting (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 31 May 2023

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 27 June 2023

Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-35a

Lodged on 19 June 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 28 June 2023

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 27 June 2023

Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (13th Report, 2023)

Electronic Trade Documents Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-37a

Lodged on 13 June 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 27 June 2023

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (5th Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (42nd Report, 2023)

Energy Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-26a

Lodged on 25 January 2022

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (5th Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (16th Report, 2023)

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)

Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill LCM-S6-23

Lodged on 27 July 2022

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (14th Report, 2022)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (59th Report, 2022)

Northern Ireland Protocol Bill LCM-S6-24

Lodged on 19 August 2022

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 June 2022

Report – Lead committee (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture) (7th Report, 2022)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2022)

Northern Ireland Troubles (Legacy and Reconciliation) Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-27a

Lodged on 16 June 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 28 June 2023

Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (12th Report, 2023)

Online Safety Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-18a

Lodged on 1 June 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 June 2023

Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (14th Report, 2023)

Powers of Attorney Bill LCM-S6-34

Lodged on 16 March 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 24 May 2023

Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (5th Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (25th Report, 2023)

Procurement Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-20a

Lodged on 3 February 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 16 March 2023

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (2nd Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (18th Report, 2023)

Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-29a

Lodged on 24 May 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 8 June 2023

Report – Lead committee (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture) (3rd Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (36th Report, 2023)

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Shark Fins Bill LCM-S6-31

Lodged on 30 November 2022

Meeting of the Parliament, 22 February 2023

Report – Lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands) (2nd Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (11th Report, 2023)

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 25 June 2023

[Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (17 May 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 30 June 2023

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Local Taxation Chamber and Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Composition and Procedure\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (22 May 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to approval by 13 September 2023

[Cost of Living \(Tenant Protection\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Amendment of Expiry Date\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (1 June 2023) (Local government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to approval by 26 September 2023

[Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board \(Amendment\) Order 2023 \(SI 2023/Draft\)](#) (14 June 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to approval by 28 September 2023

[Land and Buildings Transaction Tax \(Green Freeports Relief\) \(Scotland\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (16 June 2023) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Subject to approval by 3 October 2023

[Deer \(Firearms etc.\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (21 June 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 30 June 2023

Lead Committee report due by 26 June 2023

[Public Intervention and Private Storage Aid \(Amendment and Suspension\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/150\)](#) (22 May 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

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[Seed \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/151\)](#) (22 May 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 6 September 2023
Lead Committee report due by 4 September 2023

[Packaging Waste \(Data Reporting\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/160\)](#) (25 May 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Food \(Scotland\) Act 2015 \(Compliance Notices\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/161\)](#) (25 May 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 13 September 2023
Lead Committee report due by 11 September 2023

[Act of Sederunt \(Fees of Solicitors in the Court of Session, Sheriff Appeal Court and Sheriff Court\) \(Taxation of Judicial Expenses Rules\) \(Amendment\) 2023 \(SSI 2023/165\)](#) (1 June 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Feed Additives \(Form of Provisional Authorisations\) \(Cobalt\(II\) Compounds\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/170\)](#) (1 June 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 14 September 2023
Lead Committee report due by 11 September 2023

[Lews Castle College \(Transfer and Closure\) \(Scotland\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/171\)](#) (2 June 2023) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Coronavirus \(Recovery and Reform\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Early Expiry of Provisions\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/172\)](#) (2 June 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[National Health Service \(Charges to Overseas Visitors\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/173\)](#) (2 June 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 20 September 2023
Lead Committee report due by 18 September 2023

[Building \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/177\)](#) (8 June 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 3\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/178\)](#) (8 June 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 27 September 2023
Lead Committee report due by 25 September 2023

[National Health Service \(Free Prescriptions and Charges for Drugs and Appliances\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/181\)](#) (15 June 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

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Subject to annulment 3 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 2 October 2023

[Deer \(Close Seasons\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/184\)](#) (21 June 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 4 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 2 October 2023

[Teachers' Superannuation and Pension Scheme \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/190\)](#) (22 June 2023) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to annulment 5 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 2 October 2023

[Cereal Seed \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/193\)](#) (23 June 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 25 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 23 October 2023

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/197\)](#) (27 June 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Petitions

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PE2035: Recognise legal control of generalist predators as a conservation act

PE2036: Write off student loan debts for paramedic students

<https://petitions.parliament.scot/petitions>

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Other Documents

The following document was laid before the Parliament on 27 June 2023 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Transport Scotland: Section 70 Grant Payments In accordance with: Transport (Scotland) Act 2001 Section 70(4) Financial Year 2022-23 (SG/2023/102) laid under Section 70(4) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001

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