

Thursday 9 November 2023

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
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## Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions – 23 November 2023

SPCB Questions will take place at 2.15 pm on Thursday 23 November. The deadline for lodging oral questions to the SPCB is 4.30 pm on Wednesday 15 November. Up to 12 questions will be randomly selected and published in the Business Bulletin on Friday 17 November. Members are reminded that questions to the SPCB can be only on matters concerning the SPCB or the staff of the Parliament. Members, and Members' staff, are also reminded that it is not possible to submit SPCB oral questions via the portal, therefore, please ensure that any questions are sent by email to [chamberdesk@parliament.scot](mailto:chamberdesk@parliament.scot).

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-10788 Daniel Johnson: Increase in Youth Antisocial Behaviour

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

### Committee Meetings

**9:00am** Public Audit Committee

**9:00am** Social Justice and Social Security Committee

**9:30am** Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

**10:00am** Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

## Meeting of the Parliament

### 11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

### 11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the second Strategic Transport Projects Review in relation to projects in the south of Scotland. ([S6O-02704](#))
- 2. Michelle Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will balance the rights of victims with the rights of the accused in the processes developed by the Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill. ([S6O-02705](#))
- 3. Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the support and services available for children and young people with additional support needs in mainstream education across Central Scotland. ([S6O-02706](#))
- 4. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that notice of industrial action has been served on Scottish Water. ([S6O-02707](#)) **R**
- 5. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports small businesses in the Mid Scotland and Fife region. ([S6O-02708](#))
- 6. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what funding it is providing through the next phase of the Learning Estate Investment Programme for schools in the South Scotland region. ([S6O-02709](#))
- 7. Collette Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met representatives of the Strathclyde Pension Fund and what was discussed. ([S6O-02710](#))
- 8. Bill Kidd:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress on reducing teachers' class contact time. ([S6O-02711](#))

### 12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Douglas Ross:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02500](#))
- 2. Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02501](#))
- 3. Gillian Mackay:** To ask the First Minister how the Scottish Government is supporting renters who are struggling with the cost of living. ([S6F-02520](#))
- 4. Collette Stevenson:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government is doing to alleviate poverty in Scotland, in light of reports that the UK is in violation of international law in relation to poverty levels. ([S6F-02511](#))
- 5. Miles Briggs:** To ask the First Minister what support the Scottish Government is offering to NHS Lothian to contact the parents and guardians of the over 23,000 children who reportedly may have received substandard testing to identify deafness, including support to identify any other young children who have not received the required standard of auditory brainstem response testing. ([S6F-02510](#))
- 6. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reports that Scottish Water has issued bonus payments to executives in excess of public sector pay rules. ([S6F-02515](#))

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

**[S6M-10788 Daniel Johnson: Increase in Youth Antisocial Behaviour](#)**—That the Parliament acknowledges the reported concerning increase in youth antisocial behaviour, both in Scotland generally and locally in the Edinburgh Southern constituency; shares its concern with the reported experiences of local businesses in the Edinburgh Southern constituency and, in particular, local retail and entertainment venues around the New Market Road area, where, it understands, a supermarket chain's experience of antisocial behaviour is among the highest nationally; notes the reported impact that such an increase in youth antisocial behaviour is having on both the public's and retail workers' safety; praises the work done by the police to tackle this issue in light of the reported increasing workforce pressures that the force is facing, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to do all that it can to address this issue. **R**

## 2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

## 2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

### Social Justice

- 1. Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government what the current average processing time is for Adult Disability Payment applications. ([S6O-02696](#))
- 2. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports older people living in poverty to maximise their income. ([S6O-02697](#))
- 3. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the social justice secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding how to improve access to energy efficient housing in rural communities ([S6O-02698](#))
- 4. Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to third sector organisations in Dumfriesshire to tackle inequalities and support disabled people and people with additional support needs, including supporting them into the workplace. ([S6O-02699](#))
- 5. Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government how it works collaboratively to tackle depopulation in rural areas of the Highlands and Islands region. ([S6O-02700](#))
- 6. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to tackle the reported record levels of homelessness in Scotland. ([S6O-02701](#))
- 7. Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it offers to local authorities to help reduce the number of people on social housing waiting lists. ([S6O-02702](#))
- 8. Russell Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the social justice secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding the impact of crime on poverty. ([S6O-02703](#))

## followed by Scottish Government Debate: Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy

**[S6M-11161 Neil Gray: Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy](#)**—That the Parliament agrees that the position of the UK Government on trade union legislation, industrial relations and employment law works against the ambitions to make Scotland a fair work nation; recognises that the current approach of the UK Government contributes to lower productivity and higher inequality than is the

case in countries comparable to Scotland, and calls, therefore, for the devolution of employment powers to the Scottish Parliament, as supported by the Scottish Trades Union Congress.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**[S6M-11161.2](#) Murdo Fraser: Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy**—As an amendment to motion S6M-11161 in the name of Neil Gray (Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy), leave out from “agrees” to end and insert “acknowledges that the Scottish Government’s own economic record is characterised by sluggish growth and a lack of competitiveness; notes that progress in fair work and economic prosperity can only be achieved through a collaborative approach with the UK Government, rather than by advocating for further devolution of employment powers, which is not supported by the business community, and urges the Scottish Government to change tack and focus on effective, pro-market policies and measures to improve Scotland's economic situation and job prospects, as outlined in the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party’s paper, *Grasping the Thistle*.”

**[S6M-11161.3](#) Daniel Johnson: Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy**—As an amendment to motion S6M-11161 in the name of Neil Gray (Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy), leave out “, and calls, therefore, for” and insert “; endorses the Labour Party’s New Deal for Working People, which has been described by the Trades Union Congress as the biggest expansion of workers’ rights in decades and would ban zero-hours contracts, outlaw fire and rehire practices, deliver a genuine living wage, and enhance rights through parental leave and sick pay from day one; recognises that delivering the New Deal for Working People would immediately improve workers’ rights in Scotland and across the UK, and believes, therefore, that it should be prioritised by the UK Government, in order to create a UK-wide floor, before it explores how these rights can be entrenched through”.

**followed by Business Motions**

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**5:00 pm Decision Time**

## Committee Meetings

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

### Public Audit Committee 28th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda item 3 in private.
2. **Adult mental health:** The Committee will take evidence in a roundtable format from—  
Jo Anderson, Director of Influence and Change, Scottish Association for Mental Health;  
Paula Fraser, Acting Manager, Voices of Experience Scotland;  
Peter Kelly, Director, The Poverty Alliance;  
Dr Shari McDaid, Head of Policy and Public Affairs (Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland), Mental Health Foundation;  
Simon Porter, Project Director, Royal Edinburgh Hospital Patients Council (Representing Voices of Experience Scotland);  
Meriem Timizar, Project Co-ordinator, International Women's Group (representing BEMIS);  
Kirsten Urquhart, Chief Executive, Young Scot.
3. **Adult mental health:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2.

### Social Justice and Social Security Committee 28th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** John Mason will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6 and 7 in private.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—  
[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) Regulations 2023](#)
4. **Kinship Care:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Natalie Don, Minister for Children, Young People and Keeping the Promise, Dawn Abell, Unit Head: Caregivers, and Louisa Brown, Family Care Team Leader, Improving Lives for People with Care Experience, Scottish Government.
5. **Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Dr Lesley Rushton, Chair, Industrial Injuries Advisory Council;  
Dr Mark Simpson, Interim Co-Chair, Scottish Commission on Social Security.
6. **Consideration of evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
7. **Social Security (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

### Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 18th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **The Electoral Commission:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Dame Susan Bruce, Electoral Commissioner for Scotland, Shaun McNally, Chief Executive, Craig Westwood, Director of Communications, Policy and Research, and Andy O'Neill, Head, Electoral Commission, Scotland.
3. **Evidence Session:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Standing Order Rule Changes: Proxy Voting Pilot evaluation:** The Committee will consider findings from its consultation.

### **Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 30th Meeting, 2023**

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **National Outcomes:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Noé Cornago, Associate Professor of International Law and International Relations, Faculty of Social Sciences and Communication, University of the Basque Country; Professor Stéphane Paquin, National School of Public Administration, University of Québec.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 8 November 2023

### Tuesday 14 November 2023

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Ferguson Marine

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Building a New Scotland: Migration to Scotland after Independence

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-11114 Stuart McMillan: Children's Grief Awareness Week 2023

### Wednesday 15 November 2023

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Constitution, External Affairs and Culture  
Justice and Home Affairs

**followed by** Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**5:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-10584 Willie Coffey: Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month

### Thursday 16 November 2023

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-10827 Paul O'Kane: Dying in the Margins

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Education and Skills

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Service Contract

**followed by** Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee Debate: Culture in Communities: The Challenges and Opportunities in Delivering a Place-based Approach

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## **Tuesday 21 November 2023**

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Health, Social Care and Sport Committee Debate: Female Participation in Sport and Physical Activity

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Wednesday 22 November 2023**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy; Finance and Parliamentary Business

**followed by** Opposition Debate: Scottish Labour Party Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Approval of SSIs (if required)

**5:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## **Thursday 23 November 2023**

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

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**2:15 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:15 pm** Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition



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**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions to Adulthood) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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## Motions

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

### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
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The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

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

## Motions for Debate

**[S6M-11161](#) Neil Gray: Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy**—That the Parliament agrees that the position of the UK Government on trade union legislation, industrial relations and employment law works against the ambitions to make Scotland a fair work nation; recognises that the current approach of the UK Government contributes to lower productivity and higher inequality than is the case in countries comparable to Scotland, and calls, therefore, for the devolution of employment powers to the Scottish Parliament, as supported by the Scottish Trades Union Congress.

Supported by: Richard Lochhead, Gillian Martin, Lorna Slater

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**\*[S6M-11161.1](#) Ash Regan: Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy**—As an amendment to motion S6M-11161 in the name of Neil Gray (Fair Work in a Wellbeing Economy), insert at end “, and recognises that only with the full powers of independence will Scotland have the fiscal levers at its disposal that are required to ensure that the aspirations of a fair work nation are met.”

**\*[S6M-11153](#) Clare Adamson: Culture in Communities: The Challenges and Opportunities in Delivering a Place-based Approach**—That the Parliament notes the conclusions and recommendations contained in the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee's 4th Report, 2023 (Session 6), *Culture in Communities: The challenges and opportunities in delivering a place-based approach* (SP Paper 431).

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S6M-11184](#) Annie Wells: First Bus Offers Free Travel to Thank Veterans and Armed Forces Personnel**—That the Parliament congratulates First Bus on offering free travel to all veterans and Armed Forces personnel across the Greater Glasgow area on 11 and 12 November 2023; notes that veterans and Armed Forces personnel simply have to wear their uniform or show the driver their service ID card to ride for free; understands that First Bus has strong links with Armed Forces communities, as many veterans now work for the firm; acknowledges that the company will continue to support the community by donating £5,000 to Erskine Veterans Charity, which provides care, compassion and support to nearly 1,000 residents and their families each year; notes that this is the company's way of saying "thank you", as well as honouring all men and women who choose to serve and protect the freedoms that people now take for granted, and considers that this support is testament to the commitment of First Bus to veterans and to making a positive impact on the lives of those who have served their country.

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**\*[S6M-11136](#) Colin Beattie: Roslin Family Fun Day Committee receive National Lottery Community Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates the Roslin Family Fun Day Committee on receiving a £3,623 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the group has chosen sustainability as the theme for its 2023 Fun Day, and that this funding will help it promote sustainability at the event; further understands that this annual event brings together the community of Roslin, providing a range of activities and entertainment for the enjoyment of the local population and visitors alike, and wishes the Roslin Family Fun Day Committee continuing success with its efforts to build a sustainable and cohesive community.

**\*[S6M-11135](#) Colin Beattie: Home Link Family Support Receives National Lottery Community Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates Home Link Family Support on receiving a £10,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this funding will be used to support families in Mayfield, Gorebridge and Woodburn to manage budgets, support young children and cope with financial difficulties; understands that the service will help local people through the cost of living crisis; commends the work of Home Link Family Support, and thanks all the staff for their continued hard work and effort.

**\*[S6M-11134](#) Alexander Burnett: Macmillan Cancer Support Huntly and District Committee Celebrates 50th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates Macmillan Cancer Support

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Huntly and District Committee on its 50th anniversary; applauds the committee for what it sees as the amazing feat of raising £478,723.67 over the last 50 years, through various fundraising events and generous donations; further applauds chairwoman Margo Stewart, the 15 current members, and its group of supporting "Friends" for keeping this committee actively engaged in the community; notes that these funds are used to offer a wide range of services to people with cancer and their families, to support them on their "cancer journey"; recognises that funds sent to Macmillan through the committee account are used in the north east of Scotland, and that a portion is ring-fenced specifically for people in the AB54 area, which can be claimed, for example, through grants in cases where financial assistance is needed after a cancer diagnosis, and wishes the committee success in future fundraising efforts.

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**\*S6M-11132 Paul Sweeney: Marking the Month of Movember—**That the Parliament recognises the annual event of Movember, which spans the month of November; acknowledges that the movement encourages men to grow moustaches to raise awareness of men's mental health and other health issues, including testicular and prostate cancer; recognises that men die on average 4.2 years earlier than women in Scotland, and that many of these deaths are preventable; notes that life expectancy for both men and women in Scotland has declined for the last three years; understands that funds raised by those taking part in Movember support over 1,250 projects around the world, including the Growing2gether mentoring programme in Scotland, and commends those who are taking part in Movember to raise awareness of health inequalities.

**\*S6M-11131 Rachael Hamilton: Borders Student Wins National Young Roofer of the Year Award—**That the Parliament congratulates Hamish Morgan, of Hume Roofing and Property Maintenance in Hawick, on receiving the National Federation of Roofing Contractors Scottish Young Roofer of the Year title; notes that this award was given to Hamish at the recent awards ceremony in Glasgow; understands that Hamish had received the highest available grading by the college staff in his studies and was also awarded Apprentice of the Year at Edinburgh College; further understands that Hamish also won the Scottish heat of SkillBuild, which is the largest multi-trade skills competition in the UK for construction trainees and apprentices, and wishes the Borders student every success in Milton Keynes when he represents Scotland in the UK final of SkillBuild later in November 2023.

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**\*S6M-11130 Jackson Carlaw: Mother Earth Hindu Temple's Green Consumer Day Event in Clarkston—**That the Parliament congratulates children from the local Hindu community in Eastwood on their outstanding efforts to highlight environmental issues; acknowledges that the Mother Earth Hindu Temple faith group hosted an event at the Greenbank Parish Church in Clarkston as part of the International Green Consumer Day, and that this involved a range of activities for local young people, including arts and crafts, a fancy dress contest and public speaking competition; understands that around 150 people, including 120 children, participated in the Green Consumer Day event in Clarkston and that the principal theme for the day was the avoidance of waste; congratulates the Mother Earth Hindu Temple on marking International Green

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Consumer Day in this manner, and welcomes the continuing work of the group to organise a range of fantastic events for both members of the growing local Hindu community and people of all backgrounds in Eastwood.

**\*[S6M-11129](#) Jackson Carlaw: Celebrating Scottish Interfaith Week 2023**—That the Parliament recognises that Scottish Interfaith Week 2023 is taking place from the 12 to 19 November, but with some events scheduled to take place from as early as 8 November; acknowledges that Scottish Interfaith Week encourages individuals, local interfaith groups and faith communities in Scotland to plan and host events to establish and strengthen collaborative working relationships between different religious groups and people who do not adhere to any particular faith; further acknowledges that Scottish Interfaith Week aims to improve awareness of the varied and individual faith communities in Scotland, to commend the contribution that people from all backgrounds make to their communities and wider society, and to improve understanding between people of religious and non-religious belief; understands that Scottish Interfaith Week was first established in 2004 and approximately 100 events are now taking place each year across Scotland; believes that positive dialogue between different religions and interfaith engagement are increasing in importance as society becomes more diverse; recognises what it sees as the central role played by Scottish Interfaith Week in taking forward such efforts; considers that tolerance and respect for everyone in society, irrespective of background, is vital, and that all attempts to strengthen positive interfaith relations are to be welcomed and encouraged.

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**\*[S6M-11128](#) Michelle Thomson: Sacred Heart Primary School Celebrates 60-year Anniversary**—That the Parliament celebrates the 60-year anniversary of Sacred Heart Primary School on 22 October 2023; recognises what it sees as the importance of the anniversary, including the events held by the school to celebrate it; notes that the school held a Mass, which was attended by pupils, teachers, the Archbishop, former priests and a wide range of guests and brought the local community together in celebration; understands that such events allowed Sacred Heart Primary pupils the opportunity to further their education as they learned more about their religion, and that some pupils of the school were given the opportunity to perform in the Mass; commends all those who organised the celebratory events held by Sacred Heart Primary School, and looks forward to more milestone events in future.

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**\*[S6M-11126](#) Mark Ruskell: Auchterarder Community Bus Service** —That the Parliament commends the community-led Auchterarder Community Bus Group (ACBuG) for doubling its service provision from two days per week to four days per week; understands that ACBuG is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) that was formed to address the gap in public transport provision in the residential areas of Auchterarder; notes that ACBuG has been operating the Town Bus service (service 49) since August 2019, with the aim of offering the local community the opportunity to participate in community life, access local services, and tackle social isolation; recognises what it sees as the impact the Town Bus service has already had on the local community, with a reported growth in the daily average usage in 2022 compared with the previous

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year; acknowledges that the increase in service provision was made possible through funding awards from Friends of St Margaret's and Perth and Kinross Council's Warm Welcome Fund; understands that the increased days of operation were decided upon following a survey of users and through feedback received from local community groups; further understands that the bus service is available for use by everyone, and that holders of National Entitlement Cards travel for free, while others travel at a cost of £1.20 per trip; thanks all involved for providing a community-led transport solution in Auchterarder, and wishes them every success with the project.

Supported by: Ariane Burgess\*, Maggie Chapman\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Colin Beattie\*, Annabelle Ewing\*

**\*S6M-11123 Michelle Thomson: Betty Glen Named Age Scotland's Volunteer of the Year 2023**—That the Parliament congratulates Betty Glen from Polmont on being named Age Scotland's Volunteer of the Year 2023; understands that Betty has been volunteering for 53 years and commenced her service at Polmont's Age Concern; recognises that her first role was to help at a coffee evening, before regularly helping at social activities hosted by the group; notes that Betty went on to join the committee before serving as its president, a role that she held for 49 years; recognises that many fantastic initiatives benefitted from Betty's stewardship, including a weekly whist and dominoes session, which evolved into a weekly club that maintains a membership of over 100 people; commends Betty on the years of service that she has given to the welfare of older people within her community, and congratulates her once again on being named Age Scotland's Volunteer of the Year 2023.

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**\*S6M-11106 Fulton MacGregor: Allan Logan's Fundraising Efforts for Royal Hospital for Children (formerly Yorkhill Hospital)**—That the Parliament commends the diligent work of Allan Logan and his colleagues at the Old Monkland St James Lodge (177) in Coatbridge for their incredible fundraising efforts for numerous causes over the past decade; understands that Mr Logan, who resides in Glenmavis, has predominantly raised money for the Royal Hospital for Children (formerly Yorkhill Hospital); further understands that the funds raised are given to the Schiehallion Unit of the Royal Hospital for Children to help pay for enhancements such as pull-down beds, to allow parents to stay by their child's side, and a play-room, which includes a multi-sensory unit, which will be used for the assessment and treatment of children with complex needs; understands that boxing nights are one of the most popular annual fundraising events that are organised by Allan; believes that the sum total of Allan's fundraising efforts far exceeds £150,000; understands that, as well as the Royal Hospital for Children, recipients of donations include Mavisbank Primary School, Hope for Autism, Ronald MacDonald House and various charities that offer support for Parkinson's disease; praises not only Allan and the Lodge, but the many benefactors who, it understands, have generously donated to help raise this incredible amount over the last number of years, and wishes Allan and the Lodge continued success with these brilliant fundraising efforts.

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**\*S6M-11019 Katy Clark: Arms Sales to Israel**—That the Parliament expresses its concern at reports of the ongoing sale and export of arms from the UK to Israel, in light of what it sees as the

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worsening humanitarian crisis in Gaza; understands that the UK has licensed £442 million worth of arms to Israel since 2015, according to research by the Campaign Against Arms Trade (CAAT); expresses its disappointment that the UK Government has not suspended arms sales to Israel, in light of the current conflict; understands that the UK Government previously placed restrictions on arms sales to Israel in 2009 during the then Gaza conflict; acknowledges the calls by campaigners for the UK Government to suspend arms sales to Israel, pending a review into whether any arms sold have been used, and contributed to civilian casualties, in the ongoing conflict in Gaza; understands that five arms companies with a presence in Scotland have applied for export licences to sell arms to Israel; further understands that research from *The Ferret* in 2021 had previously highlighted that these companies received £10 million in publicly-funded grants through Scottish Enterprise, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to immediately suspend the awarding of publicly-funded grants to arms companies who hold export licences to sell arms to Israel.

Supported by: Richard Leonard\*, Monica Lennon\*, Foyso Choudhury\*

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

#### **S6M-11186 Tom Arthur: Council Tax (Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 [draft]** (lodged on 08 November 2023)

New Support: Shona Robison\*, George Adam\*, Joe FitzPatrick\*

#### **\*S6M-11143.2 Russell Findlay: Business Programme** (lodged on 08 November 2023)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Brian Whittle\*, Tess White\*, Graham Simpson\*, Liz Smith\*, Douglas Ross\*, Edward Mountain\*, Liam Kerr\*, Oliver Mundell\*, Rachael Hamilton\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Douglas Lumsden\*, Craig Hoy\*, Sue Webber\*, Roz McCall\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Maurice Golden\*, Miles Briggs\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Donald Cameron\*, Jamie Greene\*, Finlay Carson\*, Jamie Halcro Johnston\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Pam Gosal\*, Sharon Dowey\*

#### **\*S6M-11143.1 Martin Whitfield: Business Programme** (lodged on 08 November 2023)

New Support: Pauline McNeill\*, Rhoda Grant\*, Sarah Boyack\*, Claire Baker\*, Neil Bibby\*, Daniel Johnson\*, Colin Smyth\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Paul O'Kane\*, Jackie Baillie\*

#### **S6M-11127.1 Katy Clark: CashBack for Communities** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

#### **S6M-11125 Michelle Thomson: Forth Valley College Wins Approved Trainer of the Year Award** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Emma Harper\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Bill Kidd\*, Colin Beattie\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Ruth Maguire\*

#### **S6M-11124 Keith Brown: Kingdom Housing Association and Clackmannanshire Council Recognised for Excellence in Development for Affordable Housing** (lodged on 07 November 2023)



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New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Clare Haughey\*, David Torrance\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Emma Harper\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Colin Beattie\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-11122](#) Michelle Thomson: Thomas Burns & Son of Bo'ness Wins at Scottish Craft Butchers Awards 2023** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing\*, Miles Briggs\*, David Torrance\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Bill Kidd\*, Colin Beattie\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-11121](#) Colin Beattie: Visualise Scotland Receives a £9,453 Grant from the National Lottery Community Fund** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Emma Harper\*, David Torrance\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Miles Briggs\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Bill Kidd\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-11120](#) Colin Beattie: Mayfield and Easthouses Youth 2000 Project (Y2K) Receives National Lottery Community Funding** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, David Torrance\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Christine Grahame\*

**[S6M-11119](#) Roz McCall: Rosyth Indian Restaurant Receives Prestigious Award at the SPICE Curry Event 2023** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed\*, Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-11118](#) Roz McCall: People of Dunfermline Participate in Remembrance Events** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-11117](#) Finlay Carson: Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Named in National Geographic's "The Cool List 2024"** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-11116](#) Christine Grahame: Congratulating Libby Anderson on Receiving the Lord Houghton Award 2023 for Services to Animal Welfare** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11115](#) Liz Smith: Perthshire's Sam Watkins Wins at Jerome Indie Film & Music Festival** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Mark Ruskell\*

**[S6M-11114](#) Stuart McMillan: Children's Grief Awareness Week 2023** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11112](#) David Torrance: Fife Man Launches Lego Appeal to Bring Joy to Less Fortunate Families** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

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New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11111](#) David Torrance: £16,000 Funding to Build New Winter Tees at Kirkcaldy Golf Course** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Kevin Stewart\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11110](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Nine-year-old Walks Fife Coastal Path to Help Fife Heritage Railway** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Kevin Stewart\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11109](#) Paul Sweeney: Vanilla Ink CIC Runs First Ever British Sign Language Jewellery Making Class** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: David Torrance\*, Annie Wells\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Monica Lennon\*, Colin Beattie\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-11105](#) Fergus Ewing: Congratulating The Inverness Courier on Winning the News Media Association's "Making a Difference Award" for its "Dual the A9" Campaign** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Ash Regan\*

**[S6M-11104](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Aberdeen's Goan Community** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11103](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Four Pillars** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11102](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Citymoves Dance Agency** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11101](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Aberdeen Multicultural Centre** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11100](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Aberdeen Cyrenians** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11099](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Grampian Regional Equality Council** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed\*

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**[S6M-11096](#) Michelle Thomson: Congratulating Hubert Przychodzen's Success at Scotland's Cycling Champion of the Year Awards** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

**[S6M-11095](#) Audrey Nicoll: Converge RBS Female Entrepreneurship Award** (lodged on 07 November 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, David Torrance\*, Emma Harper\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Colin Beattie\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-11089](#) Ash Regan: Sort the School Debt Campaign** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Carol Mochan\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Paul Sweeney\*

**[S6M-11084](#) Annabelle Ewing: Fife Council Awarded Bronze Accreditation in Equally Safe at Work Programme** (lodged on 03 November 2023)

New Support: Mark Ruskell\*

**[S6M-11082](#) Annabelle Ewing: Elize Bauld Recognised as World Number One** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, David Torrance\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Clare Haughey\*, Emma Harper\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Colin Beattie\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-11076](#) Pam Gosal: International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based Violence** (lodged on 06 November 2023)

New Support: Mark Ruskell\*

**[S6M-11074](#) Rachael Hamilton: Celebrating the Scottish Borders Inspire Awards** (lodged on 03 November 2023)

New Support: Edward Mountain\*, Craig Hoy\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Douglas Ross\*, Brian Whittle\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Annie Wells\*, Russell Findlay\*, David Torrance\*, Colin Beattie\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Christine Grahame\*

**[S6M-11073](#) Ben Macpherson: Enhancing Scottish Football** (lodged on 03 November 2023)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Clare Haughey\*, David Torrance\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Colin Beattie\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Douglas Lumsden\*

**[S6M-11071](#) Rachael Hamilton: Borderer Appointed to Prestigious Rotary Position** (lodged on 03 November 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal\*, Edward Mountain\*, Annie Wells\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Brian Whittle\*, Craig Hoy\*, Douglas Ross\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Stuart McMillan\*

**[S6M-11069](#) Monica Lennon: World COPD Awareness Day 2023** (lodged on 03 November 2023)

New Support: Mark Ruskell\*

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**[S6M-11066](#) Alexander Burnett: Aboyne Bowling Club's Regeneration Efforts and Local Support** (lodged on 02 November 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Craig Hoy\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Edward Mountain\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Bill Kidd\*, Colin Beattie\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Douglas Ross\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Brian Whittle\*, Russell Findlay\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Pam Gosal\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Annie Wells\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-11034](#) Kenneth Gibson: 300-year Anniversary of Mathematician Robert Simson's Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society** (lodged on 01 November 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-11021](#) Rhoda Grant: Highlands and Islands Success at Royal National Mòd 2023** (lodged on 01 November 2023)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy\*

**[S6M-11001](#) Clare Adamson: Routes To Work Wear it Pink** (lodged on 30 October 2023)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

**[S6M-10970](#) Ruth Maguire: Women's Support Project 40th Anniversary** (lodged on 26 October 2023)

New Support: Brian Whittle\*

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

New Support: Ivan McKee\*

**[S6M-10614](#) Tess White: Recognising Ward 4, Ninewells Hospital** (lodged on 26 September 2023)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden\*

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## Oral Questions

### Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 15 November 2023

#### Constitution, External Affairs and Culture

- 1. Marie McNair:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is assessing feedback to the Building a New Scotland series of papers. ([S6O-02712](#))
- 2. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the total cost of its Building a New Scotland series of papers, including the recently published *Migration to Scotland after independence* paper. ([S6O-02713](#))
- 3. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update regarding action it is taking to support and build Scotland's international connections. ([S6O-02714](#))
- 4. Russell Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the Scottish Census 2022. ([S6O-02715](#))
- 5. Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what plans it has to restore a reported £6.6 million reduction in funding to Creative Scotland for 2024-25. ([S6O-02716](#))
- 6. Stephanie Callaghan:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding its humanitarian aid funding, whether it will provide an update on any further action it can take to help provide support to those affected by the conflict in Gaza. ([S6O-02717](#))
- 7. Kaukab Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its commitment to increase funding for the arts and culture sector. ([S6O-02718](#))
- 8. Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it will provide to the creative industries in the Highlands and Islands region. ([S6O-02719](#))

#### Justice and Home Affairs

- 1. Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any plans to introduce whole-life orders, in light of the UK Government's announcement that it will expand their use in England and Wales. ([S6O-02720](#))
- 2. Pam Gosal:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of police station closures on police response times. ([S6O-02721](#))
- 3. Craig Hoy:** [Not Lodged]
- 4. Gillian Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it is giving to its wider approach to tackling domestic abuse, including its work to develop Scotland's first national multi-agency Domestic Homicide Review model. ([S6O-02723](#))
- 5. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Police Scotland regarding its north east pilot not to investigate crimes if that is deemed a proportionate response by the service. ([S6O-02724](#))
- 6. Ben Macpherson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is tackling fraud. ([S6O-02725](#))
- 7. Michelle Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the plans for legal services regulation reform will meet the original objectives of the Robertson Review regarding consumer complaints. ([S6O-02726](#))

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**8. Kate Forbes:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its commitment to develop a model for Scotland to challenge men's demand for prostitution. ([S6O-02727](#))

### Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 16 November 2023

#### Education and Skills

- 1. Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government what clarification on teacher number arrangements will be provided to local authorities this year. ([S6O-02728](#))
- 2. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government what preparations are being made to implement the recommendations of the Independent Review of the Skills Delivery Landscape. ([S6O-02729](#))
- 3. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to increase the number of probationer teachers choosing the preference waiver scheme. ([S6O-02730](#))
- 4. Alex Rowley:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether schools should publish monthly reports on any reported incidents of abusive and violent behaviour. ([S6O-02731](#))
- 5. Ivan McKee:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to its planning for skills and training provision, what information it has on the skills needs of Scotland's economy in specific vocations over the next five years. ([S6O-02732](#))
- 6. Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when it last met with Fife Council education officials, and what was discussed. ([S6O-02733](#))
- 7. Foysoyl Choudhury:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to help schools to support children who wish to pursue a career in the culture and arts sector. ([S6O-02734](#))
- 8. Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the provision of electronic devices to all school pupils to support their studies. ([S6O-02735](#))

### General Questions selected for answer on 16 November 2023

- 1. Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the ADHD medication shortages, as referred to in the National Patient Safety Alert of 27 September. ([S6O-02736](#))
- 2. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its plans for a Human Rights Bill. ([S6O-02737](#))
- 3. Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to carry out its commitment to put community audiology services on a par with free community eye care services. ([S6O-02738](#))
- 4. Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Transport Scotland about motorway gantry signage ahead of winter. ([S6O-02739](#))
- 5. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the role that peatland plays in climate change mitigation and adaptation. ([S6O-02740](#))
- 6. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish a delivery plan for improvements to the A75 and A77 trunk roads. ([S6O-02741](#))
- 7. Keith Brown:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential impact of UK Government migration policy on Scotland's economy and workforce. ([S6O-02742](#))

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**8. Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact that preventable illnesses have on the Scottish economy. ([S6O-02743](#))

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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 08 November 2023

**[S6W-22840](#) Kaukab Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the commitment in its Programme for Government 2021-22, whether it will provide an update on its work to take a feminist approach to foreign policy.

**[S6W-22874](#) Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide further details of the timeline of requests made of it by the UK COVID-19 Inquiry in relation to informal communications.

### Written questions lodged on 08 November 2023

**[S6W-22387](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-15639 from Elena Whitham on 6 March 2023, whether it will provide an update on (a) what action it will take and (b) the timescales for any such action, in response to the finding by the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee that Scotland was not in full compliance with access to justice requirements of the Aarhus Convention.

**[S6W-22678](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy raised any concerns in relation to human rights during his visit to the United Arab Emirates in October 2023.

**[S6W-22733](#) Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish details of the number of records relating to the former Cabinet Secretary for (a) Health and Social Care's and (b) Health and Sport's COVID-19 pandemic response that have been recorded and retained as part of its Records Management Plan and mobile messaging policy, broken down by the medium through which any recorded messages were communicated.

**[S6W-22770](#) Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what input it has made to the Infected Blood Inquiry to date.

**[S6W-22771](#) Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government when it anticipates the Scottish Hospitals Inquiry, which is investigating the construction of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Glasgow, and the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People, and Department of Clinical Neurosciences, Edinburgh, is likely to deliver its findings.

**[S6W-22772](#) Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what the total cost was of the public inquiry into hepatitis C and HIV infection acquired from NHS treatment in Scotland with contaminated blood and blood products, and what percentage of this was spent on legal fees.

**[S6W-22773](#) Fergus Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what it is doing to meet its tree planting and coverage targets.

**[S6W-22774](#) Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recent decision by the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) not to recommend Kaftrio for funding on the NHS, and what impact it considers this decision could have on patients with cystic fibrosis.

**[S6W-22779](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for people undertaking respite breaks.



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**[S6W-22780](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for children and young people.

**[S6W-22781](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for workers and business travellers.

**[S6W-22782](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for school, college and university trips.

**[S6W-22783](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for outward bound education visits.

**[S6W-22784](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for youth groups.

**[S6W-22785](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for people resident in the local authority area where a visitor levy is in place.

**[S6W-22786](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for charities and third sector workers.

**[S6W-22787](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for medical professionals working in Scotland.

**[S6W-22788](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for military personnel working in Scotland.

**[S6W-22789](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what work it has undertaken to provide for exemption schemes in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill for refugees staying in temporary accommodation in Scotland.

**[S6W-22790](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any potential double charging for boats that do not include accommodation under the provisions in the Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill.

**[S6W-22792](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many homes have been secured for key workers as a result of the £25 million of additional funding that it provided for housing for key workers in rural areas.

**[S6W-22793](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many supported living developments have been built in each local authority area in each year since 1999.

**[S6W-22797](#) Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many consultations it has undertaken in each year since 1999.

**[S6W-22798](#) Martin Whitfield:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider providing East Lothian Council with additional financial assistance to carry out the estimated £4.4 million worth of repairs reportedly required at the Loch Centre in Tranent.

**[S6W-22799](#) Martin Whitfield:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support it is making available to East Lothian Council to assist with the cost of replacing the 140-year-old primary school in the village of East Linton.

**[S6W-22800](#) Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-21911 by Angela Constance on 24 October 2023, what action it is taking in response to the finding by the University of Edinburgh's Child Safety, Justice and Recovery Research Group in its *North Strathclyde Bairns Hoose Evaluation: Phase One Report*, published in March 2023, that

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the use of joint investigative interviews (JlIs) has had “little impact” on children and that child witnesses are still required to attend court “in almost all cases”.

**[S6W-22801](#) Martin Whitfield:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the reported cumulative funding gap in excess of £71 million in East Lothian Council’s budget over the next five years, whether it will explore options for providing the local authority with additional funding to pay for any new infrastructure and other services needed to cope with the reportedly significant growth that it is experiencing.

**[S6W-22805](#) Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government when it expects to see a reduction in the waiting times for Child Disability Payment experienced by families of children with health conditions, including those with cancer, and what efforts are being made to reduce waiting times.

**[S6W-22806](#) Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what efforts have been made to improve the process of collecting supporting information for Child Disability Payment applications.

**[S6W-22808](#) Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-22456 by Fiona Hyslop on 7 November 2023, in light of it having provided this data in the answer to question S4W-04735 by Keith Brown on 12 January 2012, for what reason it stated in its answer that this information is not held centrally, and whether it will now provide the information requested.

**[S6W-22809](#) Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-22430 by Fiona Hyslop on 7 November 2023, in light of it having provided this data in the answer to question S4W-23569 by Derek Mackay on 21 January 2015, for what reason it stated in its answer that it does not hold this data, and whether it will now provide the information requested.

## Amendments

### New amendments to Bills lodged on 8 November 2023

#### Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

##### Section 1

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 52 In section 1, page 1, line 12, leave out <expedient> and insert <necessary>

##### Section 5

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 53 In section 5, page 3, line 6, after second <trustee> insert <who has accepted office in writing or who, after intimation of their appointment, has acted in a way which indicates that they have accepted office>

##### Section 30

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 54 In section 30, page 19, line 3, leave out <a particular transaction, or a particular class of transactions> and insert <any action or decision>

##### Section 35

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 55 In section 35, page 21, leave out lines 24 to 25 and insert <, in whole or in part, from the trustee's personal property (to the extent of the trustee's failure) and the balance (if any) from the trust property.>

##### Section 39

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 56 In section 39, page 23, line 7, after <16(1)> insert <whether the power derives from the trust deed or is implied by those sections>

##### Section 41

**Jeremy Balfour**

- 57 In section 41, page 24, line 17, after <force> insert <unless specifically anticipated in such trusts>

**Jeremy Balfour**

**58** In section 41, page 24, line 18, after <is> insert <not>

**Section 55**

**Jeremy Balfour**

**59** In section 55, page 30, line 10, after <it> insert <and having powers relating to the matter>

**Section 56**

**Jeremy Balfour**

**60** In section 56, page 31, line 6, leave out <an unascertained person> and insert <a potential beneficiary who cannot be ascertained>

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## New Subordinate Legislation

### Subject to the draft affirmative procedure

The following draft instrument was laid before Parliament on 8 November 2023 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Council Tax \(Variation for Unoccupied Dwellings\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 33(6) of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003

## 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 for a Member's Bill

**Sarah Boyack: Proposed Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill**—Proposal for a Bill to ensure policy development and implementation by public bodies is in line with principles of sustainable development and wellbeing by introducing a duty for public bodies to promote these principles and establishing a Commissioner for sustainable development and wellbeing (lodged 7 November 2023)

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

Supported by: Monica Lennon, Foysoil Choudhury, Rhoda Grant, Jackie Baillie, Colin Smyth, Martin Whitfield

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## Progress of Legislation

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

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For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 7 November 2023

### **Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill (G)**

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

### **Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 25 October 2023

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (45<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)), 6 December 2023

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 29 November with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

### **Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 7 November 2023

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 7 November 2023

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (64<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 23 November 2023

*Stage 1 Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (5<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

*Following a reference under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland, the Supreme Court has ruled that some provisions of the Bill are outwith the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its unamended form.*

### **Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 22 December 2022

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

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

Introduced, 7 November 2023

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 7 November 2023

### **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 7 November 2023

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

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

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (13<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

*Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (11<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

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

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

### **Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 7 November 2023

Stage 1 (evidence (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee)), 7 November 2023

### **Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill (M)**

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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 7 November 2023

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

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

### **Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 14 November 2023

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

Reconsideration Stage (evidence (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)), 7 November 2023



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Motion to proceed with Reconsideration Stage agreed, 14 September 2023  
*Amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*  
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### **Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 1 November 2023  
 Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 October 2023

### **Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 7 November 2023  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (61<sup>st</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 25 October 2023  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (65<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 8 November 2023  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (40<sup>th</sup> 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>

### **Data Protection and Digital Information (No. 2) Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-36a**

Lodged on 14 September 2023  
*Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work*  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (57<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Lodged on 19 July 2023  
 Meeting (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 25 October 2023  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (58<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022  
*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

**Subordinate Legislation** (date of laying) (lead committee)

## **Affirmative instruments**

**Subject to approval by 5 November 2023**

[Disability Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

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(11 September 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

**Subject to approval by 13 November 2023**

[Mental Health \(National Secure Adolescent Inpatient Service: Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (19 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (19 September 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Order 2023 \(SI 2023/Draft\)](#) (19 September 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 14 November 2023**

[Coronavirus \(Recovery and Reform\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Extension and Expiry of Temporary Justice Measures\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (20 September 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

**Subject to approval by 19 November 2023**

[Heat Networks \(Supply Targets\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (25 September 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 22 November 2023**

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2023 Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (28 September 2023) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

**Subject to approval by 26 November 2023**

[Parking Prohibitions \(Enforcement and Accounts\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (2 October 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 1 December 2023**

[Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes Order 2023 \(SI 2023/Draft\)](#) (16 October 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(Consequential Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (18 October 2023) (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture)

[Plant Health \(Fees\) \(Forestry\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (23 October) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to approval by 8 December 2023**

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[Colleges of Further Education and Regional Strategic Bodies \(Membership of Boards\) \(Scotland\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (30 October 2023) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Quality Meat Scotland \(Amendment\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (30 October) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to approval by 16 December 2023**

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

**Subject to approval by 17 December 2023**

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

### Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment 15 November 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 13 November 2023**

[Marriage Between Persons of Different Sexes \(Prescribed Bodies\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/266\)](#) (21 September 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Nutritional Requirements for Food and Drink in Schools \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/267\)](#) (21 September 2023) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/268\)](#) (21 September 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

**Subject to annulment 26 November 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 20 November 2023**

[Title Conditions \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Conservation Bodies and Rural Housing Bodies\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/278\)](#) (2 October 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

**Subject to annulment 29 November 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 27 November 2023**

[National Health Service \(General Medical Services Contracts and Primary Medical Services Section 17C Agreements\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/281\)](#) (5 October 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 1 December 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 27 November 2023**

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[Public Procurement \(Agreement on Government Procurement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/287\)](#) (18 October 2023) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

[Non-Domestic Rating Contributions \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/288\)](#) (18 October 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

**Subject to annulment 4 December 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 27 November 2023**

[Public Procurement \(Agreement on Government Procurement\) \(Thresholds\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/300\)](#) (26 October 2023) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

**Subject to annulment 8 December 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 4 December 2023**

[Rural Support \(Simplification and Improvement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/308\)](#) (30 October 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to annulment 11 December 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 4 December 2023**

[Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products \(Fruit and Vegetables\) \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/311\)](#) (2 November 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Animal Welfare and Food Safety \(International Professional Qualification Recognition Agreement Implementation\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/312\)](#) (2 November 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

The following report was published on 8 November 2023—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 66th Report, 2023 (Session 6):  
Subordinate Legislation considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee  
on 7 November 2023 (SP Paper 465)

For further information on accessing committee reports, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 8 November 2023 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2023 (SFC/2023/5)** laid under section 12(1) of the Scottish Fiscal Commission Act 2016

**HMICS Custody Inspection Report - Dumfries and Galloway (HMICS/2023/07)** laid under section 79(3) of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

**Scottish Public Pensions Agency Annual Report and Accounts 2022/23 (SG/2023/233)** laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**Transvaginal Mesh Removal Reimbursement Scheme 2023 (SG/2023/279)** laid under Section 2(2)(a) of the Transvaginal Mesh Removal (Cost Reimbursement) (Scotland) Act 2022

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