

Thursday 7 September 2023

Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

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9:00am Social Justice and Social Security Committee

9:30am Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

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11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Ben Macpherson:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support the City of Edinburgh Council and other organisations to provide suitable temporary accommodation and more social housing in Edinburgh. ([S6O-02480](#))
- 2. Collette Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made towards the introduction of speed awareness courses, among other diversion schemes for driving offences, as an alternative to prosecution. ([S6O-02481](#))
- 3. Marie McNair:** To ask the Scottish Government when it anticipates it will receive the Scottish Law Commission's findings and recommendations arising from its consultation on damages for personal injury. ([S6O-02482](#))
- 4. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the potential introduction of strict liability in Scottish football. ([S6O-02483](#))
- 5. Ross Greer:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps are being taken to eliminate sexual harassment in schools. ([S6O-02484](#))
- 6. Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that increasing numbers of dentists are leaving the NHS. ([S6O-02485](#))
- 7. Roz McCall:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve hospital services across NHS Fife. ([S6O-02486](#))
- 8. Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government what additional resources will be made available to NHS Highland, in light of reports of an estimated annual overspend of over £55 million. ([S6O-02487](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Douglas Ross:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02315](#))
- 2. Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02316](#))
- 3. Liam Kerr:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to data showing that the attainment gap has increased. ([S6F-02318](#))
- 4. Emma Harper:** To ask the First Minister whether he will provide an update on the steps that are being taken to reduce drug deaths in Scotland. ([S6F-02343](#))
- 5. Michael Marra:** To ask the First Minister, following the publication of NHS Tayside's *Due Diligence Review of Documentation Held Relating to Professor Eljamel*, whether the Scottish Government will immediately approve an independent public inquiry. ([S6F-02323](#))
- 6. Ross Greer:** To ask the First Minister how the Scottish Government plans to maximise the economic benefits, including the number of new jobs, that result from any growth in renewable energy sources, including onshore wind. ([S6F-02348](#))

followed by Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

[S6M-10032](#) Carol Mochan: Investing in Alcohol Services to Reduce Alcohol Related Harm in Scotland—That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the urgent need for action to address the highest number of deaths from alcohol in over a decade, with a reported 22% increase in alcohol-specific deaths in the last two years following the COVID-19 pandemic; believes that this increase is likely due to changing drinking habits, alongside reduced access to services; considers that the risk of alcohol harm is already greater for the most disadvantaged in society, with people in Scotland's most deprived communities reportedly over five times as likely to die and six times as likely to be admitted to hospital because of alcohol than people in the wealthiest communities; believes that, while deaths are the most extreme form of alcohol harm, these are likely to be accompanied by increases in other harms, such as alcohol-related diseases, accidents, violence, unemployment, family and relationship breakdown, domestic abuse, child neglect and foetal alcohol spectrum disorder; notes the belief that a plan is needed to address what it sees as this public health emergency, and further notes the campaign by 36 charities and health bodies, including the Directors of Public Health in Scotland and the East Ayrshire, Dumfries and Galloway, Scottish Borders and South Lanarkshire Alcohol and Drug Partnerships in the South Scotland region, which calls for urgent action as well as increased and sustained investment in alcohol services and recovery support, alongside a renewed commitment to preventative policies recommended by the World Health Organization on pricing, availability and marketing.

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Motion of Condolence for Winnie Ewing

[S6M-10350](#) Humza Yousaf: Motion of Condolence for Winnie Ewing—That the Parliament expresses its deep sadness at the death of Winnie Ewing; offers its sympathy and condolences to her family and friends; recognises the historic place she will hold in Scottish political life having served in three Parliaments as a result of her victory in the 1967 Hamilton by-election, her election as an MEP, and as an MSP, where she presided over the reconvening of the Scottish Parliament; further recognises the high esteem in which she was held by colleagues from all parties, and appreciates her contribution as a principled public servant dedicated to the people of Scotland.

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Net Zero and Just Transition

- 1. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress towards the decarbonisation of buildings and the schemes of assistance that are available to the public to help them make the transition. ([S6O-02472](#))
- 2. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the second Strategic Transport Projects Review in relation to improving the A75. ([S6O-02473](#))
- 3. Jim Fairlie:** [Not Lodged] ([S6O-02474](#))
- 4. Karen Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to support the development of the necessary harbour infrastructure, including in relation to the operations and maintenance support phase of offshore wind, to deliver a just transition to rural communities, such as Fraserburgh. ([S6O-02475](#))

5. Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made on the development of an offshore training passport, as funded by the Just Transition Fund. ([S6O-02476](#))

6. Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its target for renewable heating systems in homes. ([S6O-02477](#))

7. Bob Doris: To ask the Scottish Government how its action to achieve net zero will be supported by the recently agreed partnership between Skills Development Scotland and Built Environment – Smarter Transformation. ([S6O-02478](#))

8. Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has conducted any analysis of how many deaths on the A9 could have been prevented if it had been fully dualled. ([S6O-02479](#))

followed by Ministerial Statement: Update on Professor Eljamel, NHS Tayside

followed by Ministerial Statement: Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Opportunity within the 2023-24 Programme for Government

[S6M-10347](#) Neil Gray: Opportunity within the 2023-24 Programme for Government—That the Parliament recognises the actions set out in the Programme for Government 2023-24 to build a fair, green and growing wellbeing economy, while addressing the twin climate and nature emergencies; agrees that a fair work agenda and a real living wage support all of society, particularly during a cost of living crisis, and commends the proposed rise for workers in social care and childcare to £12 an hour; believes that tackling the global climate emergency is the defining challenge of current times and that the necessity of climate leadership could not be more stark, and commends the Scottish Government's investment of £2.2 billion in 2023-24 to deliver a just transition to net zero and restore nature, which brings co-benefits in improved health outcomes, more accessible places, and empowered communities; acknowledges that the implementation of the recommendations of the New Deal for Business Group, close working with small businesses, and a £15 million package to support enterprise and entrepreneurship will create new opportunities to start, scale and sustain businesses; agrees that this support, along with the Scottish Government's Green Industrial and Energy strategies, will ensure that businesses maximise the opportunities of a just transition to net zero; recognises the work of the Just Transition Fund, enabling pioneering work in a range of sectors, as well as the Scottish Government's investment in nature restoration, and looks forward to initiatives to establish a new national park, as well as the publication of Scotland's Biodiversity Strategy; welcomes the commitment to establish a sector deal with the onshore wind industry, including halving the average determination time for section 36 applications to 12 months where there is no public inquiry, and acknowledges that both the Climate Change and Just Transition plans will secure a climate resilient and biodiverse future in a way that maximises community benefit and is fair and just for everyone.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

[S6M-10347.1](#) Murdo Fraser: Opportunity within the 2023-24 Programme for Government—As an amendment to motion [S6M-10347](#) in the name of Neil Gray (Opportunity within the 2023-24 Programme for Government), leave out from first "recognises" to end and insert "notes that the Scottish economy contracted in the second quarter of 2022 in contrast to the wider UK economy,

which grew in the same period, and that, since 2014, Scottish GDP per capita has grown on average at around one-half of the UK rate; further notes that this failure to grow the economy has real consequences for jobs, businesses and the public finances; acknowledges the language around economic growth in the Programme for Government 2023-24 and the limited measures to support growth and net zero, but regrets that these fall far short of what is required to deliver growth that at least matches the UK average, and calls on the Scottish Government to deliver a package of policies that will meaningfully promote growth, including a competitive tax regime, an approach to regulation that recognises the cost to business, a national workforce plan, investment in innovation and entrepreneurship, and a commitment to improve infrastructure and connectivity, including a timetable for the dualling of the A96, and the A9 between Perth and Inverness.”

S6M-10347.2 Daniel Johnson: Opportunity within the 2023-24 Programme for Government—

As an amendment to motion S6M-10347 in the name of Neil Gray (Opportunity within the 2023-24 Programme for Government), leave out from “while addressing” to end and insert “but regrets that after 16 years of a Scottish National Party administration, and despite the jobs and incomes at stake, a Green Industrial Strategy remains a pledge not a reality; agrees that a fair work agenda and a real living wage support all of society, particularly during a cost of living crisis; welcomes the proposed pay rise for care workers to £12 an hour, but believes that this must increase to £15 an hour during the current parliamentary session; believes that tackling the global climate emergency is the defining challenge of current times and that the necessity of climate leadership could not be more stark; calls on the Scottish Government to put a detailed plan for skills development at the heart of the just transition to net zero and efforts to restore nature; further calls on the Scottish Government to ensure that growth in both the onshore and offshore wind sectors leads to growth in Scottish supply chains, jobs and incomes; welcomes the commitment by the UK Labour Party to establish a publicly-owned energy company with its headquarters in Scotland, to reduce energy bills, create good local jobs and deliver 100% clear power for the UK by 2030, and further welcomes the Scottish Government’s commitment to reform land ownership, but urges it to be more radical to change the land ownership profile of Scotland, including ensuring that the community right to buy works for urban and rural communities.”

followed by Business Motions

S6M-10379 George Adam on behalf of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—

(a) Tuesday 12 September 2023—

delete

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Fiscal Framework Review

and insert

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Celebrating the Resilience of Scotland’s Food and Drink Sector

(b) Thursday 14 September 2023—

delete

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Celebrating the Resilience of Scotland's Food and Drink Sector

and insert

followed by Scottish Government Debate

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:45 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 23rd Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** The new members of the Committee will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
3. **OIM Annual Report:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Murdoch MacLennan, Chair of the OIM Panel, and Rachel Merelie, Senior Director of the OIM, Office for the Internal Market.
4. **Culture in Communities** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Public Audit Committee 21st Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Graham Simpson will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
3. **How the Scottish Government is set up to deliver climate change goals: Governance and risk management arrangements for net zero targets and adaptation outcomes:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Roy Brannen, Director-General Net Zero, Kersti Berge, Director of Energy and Climate Change, and Phil Raines, Deputy Director, Domestic Climate Change, Scottish Government.
4. **How the Scottish Government is set up to deliver climate changes goals: Governance and risk management arrangements for net zero targets and adaptation outcomes:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Sally Thompson, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.
5. **How the Scottish Government is set up to deliver climate change goals: Governance and risk management arrangements for net zero targets and adaptation outcomes:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 3 and 4 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Social Justice and Social Security Committee 19th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Bob Doris and Roz McCall will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Choice of Deputy Convener:** The Committee will choose a Deputy Convener.

3. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
4. **Child Poverty and Parental Employment Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—
 - Paul Finch, Strategy Manager, Nestrans and Vice Chair for Transportation, Society of Chief Officers of Transportation in Scotland (SCOTS);
 - Mick Hogg, Regional Organiser, National Union of Rail, Maritime and Transport Workers (RMT);
 - Paul White, Director, Confederation of Passenger Transport (CPT) Scotland.
5. **Child Poverty and Parental Employment Inquiry:** 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.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 14th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Members of the Committee will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Choice of Deputy Convener:** The Committee will choose a Deputy Convener.
3. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
4. **Standing Order Rule Changes: Proxy Voting Pilot evaluation** The Committee will consider an approach paper.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 6 September 2023

Tuesday 12 September 2023

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Ministerial Statement: Drug Deaths

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Fiscal Framework Review

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-10068 Bob Doris: Tackling Child Poverty

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 Opposition Debate: 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-10262 Rona Mackay: Opening of Scotland's First Bairns' Hoose

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 — S6M-10284 Gillian Mackay: Environmental Impact of Single-use Vapes

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Social Justice

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Reconsideration of United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child Bill

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Celebrating the Resilience of Scotland's Food and Drink Sector

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Wednesday 20 September 2023

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

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 21 September 2023

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

followed by Criminal Justice Committee Debate: Tackling Online Child Abuse, Grooming and Exploitation

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Future Committee Meetings

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

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Motions

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Motions for Debate

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Supported by: Anas Sarwar*, Douglas Ross*, Patrick Harvie*, Lorna Slater*

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Supported by: Richard Lochhead, Humza Yousaf, Màiri McAllan, Lorna Slater, Gillian Martin

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Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***[S6M-10348](#) Willie Rennie: Consultation on Proposed Council Tax Rises—**That the Parliament notes the Scottish Government’s Fairer Council Tax consultation on the raising of council tax rates for those in properties in valuation bands E to H, which closes on 20 September 2023; considers that, should these rises go ahead, 715,312 houses in places like North East Fife and across the rest of Scotland will be affected; further considers that this will mean more than a quarter of homes in Scotland will be impacted by this proposed rise on top of any yearly increase that is decided by local authorities; understands that this proposal may cause concern to many people living in band E to H properties, who, during a cost of living crisis, it believes, are already faced with expensive energy bills, high levels of inflation and rising mortgage rates; further

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understands that these proposals do not go as far as previous commitments by the Scottish Government to scrap council tax in its entirety, and notes the calls for MSPs to commit to scrutinising any proposals that result from the consultation fully and robustly.

***[S6M-10307](#) Meghan Gallacher: Maternity Services in Scotland**—That the Parliament notes with regret the recent reported decisions taken by the Scottish Government to downgrade or remove what it considers to be vital maternity services in Scotland, following the publication of the Five-year Forward Plan for Maternity and Neonatal Services options appraisal report; understands that the neonatal ward at University Hospital Wishaw will be downgraded from level 3 to 2, and that newborn babies requiring specialised care will be transferred to the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital in Glasgow, Simpsons Centre for Reproductive Health at the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, or Aberdeen Maternity Unit; notes reports that NHS Lanarkshire has expressed disappointment that the neonatal unit at Wishaw General, which, alongside other hospitals such as Ninewells in Dundee and Victoria Hospital in Kirkcaldy, would not form part of the specialist intensive care neonatal units; considers that this decision is particularly disappointing given that Wishaw General's Neonatal Multidisciplinary Team was named UK neonatal team of the year in 2023; recognises the upset and worry that these decisions have reportedly had on expectant mothers as, should their newborn baby require additional care, they would need to travel up to 100 miles away from their families and support network; notes the petition raised by a local Lanarkshire woman, which has now received nearly 12,000 supporting signatures; considers that this is just the latest maternity service to be downgraded, with consultant-led maternity clinics at Dr Gray's and Caithness General Hospital being closed, which, it believes, is putting expectant mothers in rural communities at significant risk while making dangerous journeys to Inverness or Aberdeen to give birth, and notes the calls urging the Scottish Government to rethink its reported conclusion to downgrade or close what are considered to be vital maternity clinics, to support the petition, and to reassure expectant mothers and their families that they will not have to make long journeys should their babies require specialist care.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Pam Gosal*, Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*, Alexander Stewart*, Liz Smith*, Sandesh Gulhane* **R**, Douglas Ross*, Annie Wells*, Murdo Fraser*, Sue Webber*, Brian Whittle*, Monica Lennon*, Russell Findlay*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-10362](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Skye Rugby's First Ever League Match**—That the Parliament notes that Skye Rugby will play its first ever league match on 9 September 2023 as it plays Highland Rugby 3rd XV at Plockton High School in the Caledonia North Region League Division 2 (Men's); congratulates all the players, supporters and volunteers at Skye Rugby who have worked so hard to help get the club to this enormous milestone event, and wishes Skye Rugby and all its teams every success for the future as they continue to grow rugby on the island.

***[S6M-10338](#) Liam McArthur: The Passing of George Marwick**—That the Parliament notes with sadness the passing of George Marwick CVO at the age of 91; pays tribute to Mr Marwick's long and distinguished career of public service in Orkney; understands that Mr Marwick was elected to Orkney Islands Council (OIC) in the very first set of elections in 1974, and was the first convener of the new council; recognises the key role that Mr Marwick played in the first years of OIC's existence; further understands that, after being made a Deputy Lieutenant in 1976 and then Vice Lord-Lieutenant in 1995, Mr Marwick became Lord-Lieutenant of Orkney in 1997 and served for 10 years; believes that Mr Marwick was one of only two people to have served as both convener and Lord-Lieutenant in Orkney, an impressive symbol of his commitment to the county; offers thanks

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for Mr Marwick's years of service to the Orkney community, and extends sincere condolences to his wife, Norma, and daughter, Kareen.

Supported by: Donald Cameron*, Beatrice Wishart*, Douglas Ross*, Colin Beattie*, Kenneth Gibson*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*

***[S6M-10337](#) Pam Gosal: East Dunbartonshire Hosts Doors Open Day on 9 September 2023**—That the Parliament celebrates East Dunbartonshire's Doors Open Day on 9 September 2023; notes that Doors Open Day allows free access to lots of venues, as well as to sites of historic, cultural, archaeological and community interest, which are not usually open to the public; understands that the event is Scotland's largest free festival and is supported by Historic Environment Scotland; appreciates that historical churches, including Cadder Parish Church, Baldernock Parish Church and New Kilpatrick Church in Bearsden, will also be welcoming visitors throughout the day, along with Deafblind Scotland Learning and Development Centre, the Lillie Art Gallery in Milngavie and the Fort Theatre in Bishopbriggs, which is home to the Antonine Theatre Group, and wishes all these venues the best as they welcome visitors throughout the day.

***[S6M-10335](#) Pam Gosal: Success of the Inaugural Baljaffray Football Festival 2023**—That the Parliament congratulates Baljaffray Football Club on hosting the successful Baljaffray Football Festival 2023 in Bearsden; notes that over 350 boys and girls of all ages took part; further notes that all players were gifted with a medal to commemorate the special day; understands that the Baljaffray FC team was instrumental in assisting on the day with volunteers, coaches, referees and facility management, and wishes the club every success for future festivals.

***[S6M-10334](#) Pam Gosal: First Brick Laid for Scotland's First British Indian Army War Memorial at Kelvingrove Museum**—That the Parliament commends the efforts of Colourful Heritage on marking what it sees as a historic milestone, by laying the first brick on the British Indian Army (BIA) War Memorial that has been granted permission to be erected on the grounds of Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum in Glasgow; notes that the BIA sent 1.5 million servicemen to fight in the First World War and 2.5 million servicemen to fight in the Second World War, who belonged to Hindu, Muslim and Sikh faiths, as well as other represented faiths and those of no faith; further notes that these servicemen were mainly from India, Pakistan and Bangladesh; understands that by creating the first and only memorial in Scotland to BIA servicemen who fought and perished in the two world wars, the monument will play a key role in remembering those individuals; believes that it will assist in the education of a shared history for generations to come, and wishes everyone on the project every success for its completion.

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***[S6M-10313](#) Tess White: Fundraising Success for Stonehaven Co-op**—That the Parliament congratulates Daniel Veltman and the Stonehaven Co-op branch on raising £830 for Co-op's charity of the year, Barnardo's; understands that the Co-op Group has partnered with the children's charity to raise £5 million to support 750,000 young people aged 10 to 25 by ensuring access to basic needs such as food, helping them manage their mental wellbeing, and providing better opportunities for their future; acknowledges that, as part of the fundraising event on 25 August 2023, Daniel Veltman took part in an eight-hour sponsored silence raising £673, while colleagues ran a bottle stall and staff members dressed as superheroes, raising a further £157; understands that this partnership aims to deliver innovative new services to communities that are

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most in need, and to establish a youth advisory group to ensure that support is targeted to best meet the needs of young people within these communities; applauds the staff at the Stonehaven store for their fantastic support of Barnardo's children's charity, and wishes everyone involved every success in their charitable efforts going forward.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S6M-10356](#) Siobhian Brown: Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) (No. 4) Regulations 2023 [draft] (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Angela Constance*

***[S6M-10343.1](#) Paul O'Kane: Equality within the 2023-24 Programme for Government** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Colin Smyth*, Carol Mochan*, Jackie Baillie*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-10333](#) Stuart McMillan: Macmillan Cancer Support Launches New Service in Inverclyde (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10332](#) Stuart McMillan: Port Glasgow Otters' Success for West of Scotland at National Swimming Competition (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10331](#) Stuart McMillan: National Lottery Heritage Funding for Magic Torch Comics (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*, Clare Haughey*, Tess White*, Sue Webber*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10330](#) Colin Smyth: Stephen Brennan Fulfils Life Goal of 10k Run in Aid of Cancer Charity (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10329](#) Martin Whitfield: East Lothian Council Granted Ministry of Defence Employer Recognition Scheme Gold Award (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10328](#) Pauline McNeill: Harry Frew (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Monica Lennon*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10327](#) Douglas Lumsden: 50th Anniversary of Offshore Europe (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*, Paul Sweeney*, Brian Whittle*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10326](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Air Ambulance Week 2023 (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annie Wells*, Craig Hoy*, Alexander Stewart*, John Mason*, Liam McArthur*, Douglas Ross*, Bill Kidd*, Meghan Gallacher*,

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Stuart McMillan*, Murdo Fraser*, Edward Mountain*, Kenneth Gibson*, David Torrance*, Tess White*, Jamie Greene*, Mark Ruskell*, Pam Gosal*, Russell Findlay*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Sue Webber*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10323](#) Kevin Stewart: Calling for the Reinstatement of the Energy Bill Support Scheme (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10322](#) Michael Marra: University of Dundee: A Gateway to Growth (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Keith Brown*, Foyso Choudhury*, Martin Whitfield*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Sue Webber*, Audrey Nicoll*, Ivan McKee*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10321](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Science Centre Teams Up with Local Men's Group (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10320](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Cook Receives Masterclass from Top London Chef (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10319](#) Paul Sweeney: Recognising the Value of Community Link Workers (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Carol Mochan*

[S6M-10318](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Organ Donation Week 2023 (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Annie Wells*, Douglas Ross*, Meghan Gallacher*, Craig Hoy*, Mark Griffin*, Edward Mountain*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Murdo Fraser*, Kenneth Gibson*, David Torrance*, Foyso Choudhury*, Alexander Stewart*, Jamie Greene*, Mark Ruskell*, Pam Gosal*, Rhoda Grant*, Liam McArthur*, Russell Findlay*, Jamie Halcro Johnston*, Sue Webber*, Jackie Dunbar*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10317](#) Jackie Baillie: Employees from SGN Give Back to Balloch's Children's Hospice Garden (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10316](#) Jackie Baillie: Dumbarton Youth Volunteers Heat Up National Fire Cadet Games (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10315](#) Kevin Stewart: Lighthouse Support Centre and Donside Community Church Project (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Audrey Nicoll*, Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10314](#) Liz Smith: 20th Anniversary of the Cairngorms National Park (lodged on 05 September 2023)

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New Support: Pam Gosal*, Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10312](#) Ivan McKee: Commemorating the National Day of Catalonia, 11 September 2023
(lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10310](#) Collette Stevenson: East Kilbride Charity Keeping the Community Healthy
(lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10305](#) Claire Baker: Recognising 1st Dalgety Bay Brownies Stalwart, Susan Laird, for Receiving Girlguiding Special Service Award (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10294](#) Brian Whittle: Running On Empty Campaign on Travel Costs for Children and Young People with Cancer (lodged on 05 September 2023)

New Support: Russell Findlay*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Pam Gosal*, Paul Sweeney*, Craig Hoy*, Tess White*, Finlay Carson*, Sue Webber*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-10291](#) Sarah Boyack: Lothian Buses Celebrates New Tap Record (lodged on 04 September 2023)

New Support: Carol Mochan*

[S6M-10290](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity Annual Sponsored Walk
(lodged on 04 September 2023)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S6M-10289](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Beatson Cancer Charity Launches Search for Ambassador (lodged on 04 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Brian Whittle*

[S6M-10288](#) Alexander Burnett: Firefighter Kevin Forsyth Retires After 34 Years of Service
(lodged on 04 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10286](#) Alexander Burnett: Johnston Carmichael Raises £2,895 for Charity (lodged on 04 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10285](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Twin Town Golf Event Further Cements Special Relationship Between the Two Towns (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10284](#) Gillian Mackay: Environmental Impact of Single-use Vapes (lodged on 04 September 2023)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba*

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[S6M-10283](#) David Torrance: Kinghorn Scarecrow Trail Event Hailed Great Success (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10282](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Charity Enjoys Success after First Family Fun Day (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10281](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Takeaway Wins Two Awards at Prestigious Event (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10276](#) Kenneth Gibson: Recognising Scotland's Blue Carbon Resources (lodged on 04 September 2023)

New Support: Monica Lennon*

[S6M-10275](#) Roz McCall: Susan Laird Receives Special Service Award (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10274](#) Clare Adamson: Gas Safety Week 2023 (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10273](#) Roz McCall: Celebrating Duloch Primary's Dyslexia Changemakers (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10270](#) Jeremy Balfour: Childhood Cancer Month 2023 (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

[S6M-10269](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulating Wetwheels on its New Vessel at Port Edgar (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

[S6M-10268](#) Kevin Stewart: Myeloproliferative Neoplasm Research Funding (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10267](#) Miles Briggs: The Work of Professor Des Smith (lodged on 30 August 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10263](#) Sarah Boyack: North British Distillery Supports Local Communities (lodged on 30 August 2023)

New Support: Foysool Choudhury*

[S6M-10261](#) Kaukab Stewart: Fine Dining Restaurant of the Year – Number 16 Restaurant (lodged on 30 August 2023)

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New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-10260 Kaukab Stewart: Best Oriental Establishment – Sapporo Teppanyaki (lodged on 30 August 2023)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-10259 Kaukab Stewart: Best Mediterranean Establishment – Elena’s Spanish Bar and Restaurant (lodged on 30 August 2023)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-10256 Kenneth Gibson: Ayrshire Walking Festival (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

S6M-10251 Stuart McMillan: Gillian Duffy, President of Scottish Schools' Football Association (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

S6M-10244 Annie Wells: Glasgow Wellness Festival in Aid of SAMH (lodged on 30 August 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

S6M-10243 Monica Lennon: Congratulations to SoundSational on the Launch of New Album, Evolution (lodged on 30 August 2023)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-10236 Donald Cameron: Loch Fyne Oysters Celebrates Double Culinary Achievement (lodged on 28 August 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

S6M-10235 Donald Cameron: Oban Man Sets Double World Rowing Record (lodged on 28 August 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

S6M-10233 Monica Lennon: Dedicated Baby Loss and Bereavement Unit Officially Opened at University Hospital Wishaw (lodged on 28 August 2023)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

S6M-10220 Annie Wells: World Sepsis Day (lodged on 25 August 2023)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Douglas Ross*, Liz Smith*, Colin Beattie*, Craig Hoy*, Kenneth Gibson*, Mark Griffin*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Edward Mountain*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Alexander Stewart*, Tess White*, Jamie Greene*, David Torrance*, John Mason*, Mark Ruskell*, Pam Gosal*, Russell Findlay*, Sue Webber*, Kevin Stewart*

S6M-10210 Annie Wells: World Suicide Prevention Day 2023, Creating Hope Through Action (lodged on 25 August 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*

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[S6M-10203](#) Pam Gosal: Polycystic Ovary Syndrome Awareness Month (lodged on 24 August 2023)

New Support: Neil Bibby*

[S6M-10188](#) Paul Sweeney: Free Bus Travel for People Seeking Asylum (lodged on 24 August 2023)

New Support: Carol Mochan*, Mark Ruskell*

[S6M-10164](#) Miles Briggs: See Beyond - See the Lives - Scotland (lodged on 18 August 2023)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

[S6M-10147](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulating Team Scotland on its Historic Gold Medal Win at the Commonwealth Youth Games (lodged on 15 August 2023)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

[S6M-10142](#) Craig Hoy: Thanking the Staff, Contestants and Volunteers for Delivering the UCI Cycling World Championships at Glentress (lodged on 15 August 2023)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

[S6M-10138](#) Alexander Burnett: Peter Fraser Awarded 2023 Ronnie Rose Award (lodged on 14 August 2023)

New Support: Russell Findlay*, Brian Whittle*, Craig Hoy*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-10068](#) Bob Doris: Tackling Child Poverty (lodged on 08 August 2023)

New Support: Clare Haughey*

[S6M-10030](#) Brian Whittle: Kilmarnock Asda Funds Three Local Projects (lodged on 26 July 2023)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

[S6M-10023](#) Craig Hoy: Congratulations to Friends of Ormiston Park for Winning a Green Flag Award (lodged on 25 July 2023)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

[S6M-10008](#) Brian Whittle: Third Love Newmilns Lotto Funds Four Local Projects (lodged on 24 July 2023)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

[S6M-10001](#) Brian Whittle: Kilmarnock FC Promotes Science Education through Design of New Kit (lodged on 21 July 2023)

New Support: Finlay Carson*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 13 September 2023

Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands

- Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government how the measures in its Programme for Government 2023-24 will support the rural economy in the Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale constituency. ([S6O-02488](#))
- Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason its Programme for Government 2023-24 did not include a commitment to a Crofting Bill. ([S6O-02489](#)) R
- Alasdair Allan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress of its proposed Land Reform Bill. ([S6O-02490](#))
- Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the rural affairs secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding support for businesses in the rural economy that provide team accommodation for employees due to a lack of affordable rural housing. ([S6O-02491](#))
- Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the greater use of farm-to-fork methods to encourage domestic food production. ([S6O-02492](#))
- Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what preparations it has made in response to the protracted start to the 2023 grain harvest. ([S6O-02493](#))
- Ben Macpherson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its consideration of the Scottish Land Commission's work on compulsory sales orders and land value capture. ([S6O-02494](#))
- Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government what cross-government consideration there has been regarding the use of tunnels to improve connectivity between the islands. ([S6O-02495](#))

NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care

- Karen Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the First Minister's commitment in the Programme for Government 2023-24 to publish a new delivery plan for mental health and wellbeing, what it is doing to improve pathways to diagnosis for neurodivergent children. ([S6O-02496](#))
- Sue Webber:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the number of alcohol-specific deaths in 2022. ([S6O-02497](#))
- Marie McNair:** [Not Lodged]
- Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with NHS Fife and what was discussed. ([S6O-02499](#))
- Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to urgently address the reported maintenance backlog in GP practices. ([S6O-02500](#))
- Sandesh Gulhane:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported plans by NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde to reduce the number of community link workers embedded in GP practices in deprived areas of Glasgow by one third, due to Scottish Government funding cuts. ([S6O-02501](#)) R

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7. Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to invest in community midwifery services to ensure that they are consistently delivered in areas of need rather than in centralised, and often hard-to-access, locations. ([S6O-02502](#))

8. Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the 2021 SNP manifesto commitment to expand on the community link worker programme. ([S6O-02503](#))

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 14 September 2023

Social Justice

1. Colin Smyth: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to recent statistics showing that the number of children in Dumfries and Galloway living in temporary accommodation rose by 67% between 2022 and 2023. ([S6O-02504](#))

2. Evelyn Tweed: To ask the Scottish Government what impact its Programme for Government 2023-24 will have on the Affordable Housing Supply Programme. ([S6O-02505](#))

3. Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress with its Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan, including in relation to its commitment to pilot universal free school meals in secondary schools. ([S6O-02506](#))

4. Colin Beattie: To ask the Scottish Government what stakeholder input informed its decision to increase investment in social security. ([S6O-02507](#))

5. Alex Rowley: To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has carried out of any barriers to achieving a national house-building programme for Scotland. ([S6O-02508](#))

6. Jackie Dunbar: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent in the last five years, within the Aberdeen City Council area, to mitigate any effect of UK Government welfare policy. ([S6O-02509](#))

7. Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its progress in removing highly combustible cladding from buildings. ([S6O-02510](#))

8. John Mason: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide further information regarding the Minimum Income Guarantee Expert Group. ([S6O-02511](#))

General Questions selected for answer on 14 September 2023

1. Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what funding it will provide to support the work of the Inverclyde Task Force, including in relation to investment in facilities at Ferguson Marine. ([S6O-02512](#))

2. Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the regeneration plans for Glasgow's "Golden Z" will deliver the jobs and opportunities needed to grow the city's economy. ([S6O-02513](#))

3. Clare Adamson: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Gas Safety Week taking place this week, what engagement it has had with community safety organisations regarding action to improve gas safety awareness. ([S6O-02514](#))

4. Michael Marra: To ask the Scottish Government when it agreed the Investment Zones selection method with the UK Government. ([S6O-02515](#))

5. Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in response to the recommendation by the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child to "develop statutory guidance

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on the use of restraint on children to ensure that it is used only as a measure of last resort and exclusively to prevent harm to the child or others and monitor its implementation". ([S6O-02516](#))

6. Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Fraser of Allander survey that found that only 9% of businesses felt that the Scottish Government understands the business landscape in Scotland. ([S6O-02517](#))

7. Paul O'Kane: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is regarding levels of attainment in Modern Studies in the most recent SQA exam results in Renfrewshire. ([S6O-02518](#))

8. Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when it will deliver its conclusions on the review into the dualling of the A96, which were due to be delivered in the first half of 2023. ([S6O-02519](#))

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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 06 September 2023

[S6W-21092](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the Scottish Biodiversity Strategy.

[S6W-21107](#) Emma Harper: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the external review of the paediatric Scottish National Spine Service in NHS Lothian.

Written questions lodged on 06 September 2023

[S6W-20962](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, further to its statement on 31 August 2023 that it had already "received returns for the majority of the school estate" and that it expected "to have full returns from all local authorities this week", whether it will publish all of the returns that it has received from local authorities regarding the (a) presence of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in school buildings and (b) projected cost to remedy any issues, and, if so, when.

[S6W-20964](#) Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on whether it plans to carry out an assessment of the cost of fixing any elements of the school estate that have reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete present; whether any such costs will be met by local authorities or the Scottish Government; if they are to be met by local authorities, whether it anticipates that they will be met from existing funding or funding from other sources, and, if other sources, which sources.

[S6W-20971](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government whether it provides guidance to officials and civil servants whose duties include the processing of applications for grants and the allocation of grants to third sector organisations, and, if so, what (a) formal and (b) informal guidance has been provided in the last five years, and whether any new or updated guidance was provided ahead of the new funding application window for the 2023-24 financial year.

[S6W-20972](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government which officials are responsible for designing the approaches taken in the processing of applications for grants and the allocation of grants to third sector organisations.

[S6W-20975](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government what impact assessment is undertaken when a decision on a third sector grant application has not been taken, or payments are not made, by the beginning of the relevant financial year.

[S6W-20976](#) Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government how policy commitments such as Fair Work are embedded into the grant-making processes for third sector organisations.

[S6W-20981](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what discussions it has had with the Scottish Police Federation regarding improving working conditions for police officers.

[S6W-21007](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government what the estimated average reading age is according to the latest assessments carried out by ACER UK for pupils in (a) S1, (b) S2, (c) S3, (d) S4, (e) S5 and (f) S6.

[S6W-21008](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of the reported decision not to include systematic synthetic phonics in initial teacher education.

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[S6W-21009 Pam Duncan-Glancy](#): To ask the Scottish Government what data it holds on the reading ages of school children, and how it uses any such data.

[S6W-21010 Pam Duncan-Glancy](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the areas of initial teacher training that equip teachers to teach reading to pupils effectively.

[S6W-21011 Rhoda Grant](#): To ask the Scottish Government, in entering arrangements where a contingent liability arises, in addition to the requirements for reporting and seeking any necessary consent, what (a) cash provision within a departmental or agency budget is required to be made prior to any crystallisation of the liability and (b) the effect is on the measurement of Scottish public spending of any accounting provision made for future contingent liabilities.

[S6W-21012 Rhoda Grant](#): To ask the Scottish Government, beyond the rules for the treatment of contingent liabilities specified in the Scottish Public Finance Manual, whether any requirement exists under the Fiscal Framework, or elsewhere, for the prior permission of the UK Treasury for novel or particularly large contingent liabilities to be entered into by the Scottish Government, and, if so, what cash limits exist for any specific arrangement, or the aggregate of any arrangements, in relation to which UK Treasury permission may be required.

[S6W-21024 Alex Cole-Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government what pathways are in place for someone to raise concerns if they have not been able to access mental health services and what plans it has for any improvements to these services.

[S6W-21025 Alex Cole-Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been removed from mental health waiting lists without asking to be removed in each of the last five years.

[S6W-21029 Rachael Hamilton](#): To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the view expressed in responses to the consultation on its proposed Agriculture Bill that the proposed payment system could be complicated or unwieldy for some users, what measures it is taking to adapt the proposed four-tier payment system to take such views into account.

[S6W-21050 Jamie Greene](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to a study published in the academic journal, *Drugs: Education, Prevention and Policy*, which reportedly states that it "should expect to cause hardship to problem drinkers" if it extends minimum unit pricing.

[S6W-21051 Jamie Greene](#): To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to provide additional funding for alcohol support services in Inverclyde, where recent figures have shown it has the highest rate of alcohol-related deaths in Scotland.

[S6W-21052 Jamie Greene](#): To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure the safety of all road users and pedestrians, in light of Police Scotland figures revealing that there have been over 2,000 incidents involving e-scooters reported in the last year.

[S6W-21053 Kevin Stewart](#): To ask the Scottish Government what recent assessment it has made of the preparedness of NHS Scotland to manage any further significant increase in COVID-19 infections.

[S6W-21054 Kevin Stewart](#): To ask the Scottish Government what support it plans to make available to NHS boards to cope with any further rise in COVID-19 infections.

[S6W-21055 Kevin Stewart](#): To ask the Scottish Government what work is being done to accelerate the winter vaccination programme.

[S6W-21057 Monica Lennon](#): To ask the Scottish Government when its dedicated Cabinet Sub-Committee for Keeping The Promise will meet, and who will attend.

[S6W-21058 Monica Lennon](#): To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to increase the number of available early years and childcare places.

[S6W-21059 Stephen Kerr](#): To ask the Scottish Government what its rationale was behind the appointment of each of the individuals on the Community Wealth Building Bill Steering Group.

Today's Business <i>Gnothaichean an-diugh</i>	Future Business <i>Gnothaichean ri teachd</i>	Motions & Questions <i>Gluasadan agus Ceistean</i>	Legislation <i>Reachdas</i>	Other <i>Eile</i>
Questions Ceistean				

[S6W-21060](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what framework will be used to judge the effectiveness of the public sector four-day working week pilot proposed in its Programme for Government 2023-24.

[S6W-21062](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how many communities it plans to support through its £9 million Investing in Communities Fund.

[S6W-21063](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has budgeted for the establishment of a new Small Business Unit, as proposed in its Programme for Government 2023-24.

[S6W-21064](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has budgeted to invest in a new Anti-Racism Observatory, as proposed in its Programme for Government 2023-24.

[S6W-21065](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its Programme for Government 2023-24, by what date it plans to introduce a "smart, digital and integrated ticketing and payment" system with public transport operators and authorities.

[S6W-21068](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to ensure that those who work in the public sector have had any relevant whistleblowing training.

[S6W-21069](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to enhance whistleblowing protection.

[S6W-21070](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to legislate for the establishment of a third-party body or person to support whistleblowing protection.

[S6W-21081](#) Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration was given to any potential impact on public trust in policing of Police Scotland's decision not to investigate all minor crimes as a pilot scheme in the north east.

[S6W-21082](#) Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure a high rate of vaccination against diseases among young people, in light of UK Health Security Agency data revealing that 13% of new students are unprotected against four deadly types of meningitis.

[S6W-21083](#) Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to provide adult carers who live on islands with additional financial support, in light of it stating in its publication, *Carer Support Payment: island communities impact assessment*, that "the value of Carer Support Payment in real terms will be lower for island and rural carers".

[S6W-21084](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to ensure that any matters raised by whistleblowers within public services face independent scrutiny.

[S6W-21085](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what its policy is regarding the publication of the names of individuals attending the Hate Crime Strategic Partnership Group, and whether it will amend the minutes with the names of those who attended.

[S6W-21086](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to ensure that any lessons learned regarding whistleblowing are shared across the public sector.

[S6W-21087](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to ensure that whistleblowing procedures are clear to all members of staff in the public sector.

[S6W-21088](#) Russell Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government whether any prison officers at HMP Kilmarnock who are equipped with body-worn cameras will retain these following the planned nationalisation of the prison in March 2024.

[S6W-21089](#) Russell Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government how many prison officers are equipped with body-worn video cameras across the Scottish Prison Service estate.

[S6W-21090](#) Russell Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has plans to roll out body-worn video cameras to all prison officers working across the Scottish Prison Service estate.

[S6W-21091](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide a breakdown of how it spent any Barnett consequential funding in the Scottish Budget 2023-24.

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Questions Ceistean				

[S6W-21093 Ariane Burgess:](#) To ask the Scottish Government what assessment has been made of any risk related to the use of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in domestic housing.

[S6W-21094 Monica Lennon:](#) To ask the Scottish Government when ministers last discussed the issue of COVID-19 hospitalisations with NHS (a) Lanarkshire and (b) Forth Valley.

[S6W-21095 Monica Lennon:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many people have been hospitalised with COVID-19 since January 2023.

[S6W-21096 Monica Lennon:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed any risk of a potential rise in COVID-19 hospitalisations over the winter period.

[S6W-21097 Monica Lennon:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it has included COVID-19 in NHS winter preparedness plans.

[S6W-21098 Carol Mochan:](#) To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how it is supporting community pharmacies to modernise and digitise their prescription processes.

[S6W-21099 Carol Mochan:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how many training places it plans to provide in each of the next five years, in order to increase the number of pharmacists working in community pharmacy.

[S6W-21100 Carol Mochan:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting community pharmacies to fill vacancies, in order to ensure that services are delivered at optimal level.

[S6W-21101 Carol Mochan:](#) To ask the Scottish Government how it is promoting pharmacy as a career path for (a) school leavers and (b) college and university graduates.

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to the affirmative procedure

The following draft instrument was laid before Parliament on 6 September 2023 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 4\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 37(2) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

Subject to the negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 6 September 2023 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[National Health Service \(General Dental Services\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/247\)](#)

Laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

Today's Business <i>Gnothaichean an-diugh</i>	Future Business <i>Gnothaichean ri teachd</i>	Motions & Questions <i>Gluasadan agus Ceistean</i>	Legislation <i>Reachdas</i>	Other <i>Eile</i>
Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Progress of Legislation

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

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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.

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)

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

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

Today's Business <i>Gnothaichean an-diugh</i>	Future Business <i>Gnothaichean ri teachd</i>	Motions & Questions <i>Gluasadan agus Ceistean</i>	Legislation <i>Reachdas</i>	Other <i>Eile</i>
Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 5 September 2023

Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill (M)

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

Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 5 September 2023

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

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

Reconsideration of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Scotland) Bill (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 14 September 2023

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)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 6 September 2023

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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>

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

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (48th Report, 2023)

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

Lodged on 19 July 2023

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

Lodged on 19 June 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 28 June 2023

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

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (47th 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-S6-27b

Lodged on 4 September 2023

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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)

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

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 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)

Subject to approval by 28 October 2023

[Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (30 June 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 29 October 2023

[Carer's Assistance \(Carer Support Payment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (4 September 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 31 October 2023

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 4\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (6 September 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Negative instruments

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)

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)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

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) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 29 October 2023
Lead Committee report due by 23 October 2023

[Valuation \(Proposals Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/207\)](#) (19 July 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) Order 2023 \(SI 2023/850\)](#) (21 July 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Act of Sederunt \(Summary Applications, Statutory Applications and Appeals etc. Rules 1999 and Taxation of Judicial Expenses Rules 2019 Amendment\) \(Telecommunications Infrastructure\) 2023 \(SSI 2023/223\)](#) (11 August 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Police Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/239\)](#) (30 August 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Local Government Pension Scheme \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/240\)](#) (30 August 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Teachers' Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/241\)](#) (30 August 2023) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Firefighters' Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/242\)](#) (30 August 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/243\)](#) (1 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 30 October 2023

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

Lead Committee report due by 23 October 2023

[National Health Service Pension Schemes \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/246\)](#) (5 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 31 October 2023

Lead Committee report due by 30 October 2023

[National Health Service \(General Dental Services\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/247\)](#) (6 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Instruments / Documents subject to approval

Subject to annulment 29 October 2023

Lead Committee report due by 23 October 2023

[Scotland's Guiding Principles on the Environment: Statutory Guidance \(SG/2023/162\)](#) (14 August 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Petitions

The following petitions were lodged by the Parliament on 06 September 2023:

PE2046: Provide birth certificates for stillborn babies

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

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 6 September 2023—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 50th Report, 2023 (Session 6):
Subordinate Legislation considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee
on 5 September 2023 (SP Paper 430)

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