

Thursday 14 September 2023

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

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

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

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

followed by Scottish Government Debate: The Role of Football in Scottish Society and Communities

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

8:45am Social Justice and Social Security Committee

9:00am Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

9:00am Public Audit Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- 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 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](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Douglas Ross:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02349](#))
- 2. Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02350](#))
- 3. Ross Greer:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking in response to the first UN global stocktake report on the Paris Climate Agreement. ([S6F-02368](#))
- 4. Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the First Minister, in light of reports that no bids were received for offshore wind projects in the UK Government's latest contract-for-difference round, what action the Scottish Government is taking to encourage investment in offshore wind and hydrogen power in Scotland. ([S6F-02358](#))
- 5. Miles Briggs:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to statistics reportedly showing that the number of complaints against Social Security Scotland has increased by 350% in one year. ([S6F-02371](#))

6. Pauline McNeill: To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government is doing to tackle repeat offending, in light of a recent report that found that people who experience frequent and serious repeat violence often do not bring this to the attention of the authorities. ([S6F-02369](#))

followed by Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

[S6M-10284 Gillian Mackay: Environmental Impact of Single-use Vapes](#)—That the Parliament notes reported concerns regarding the environmental impact of single-use vapes, including in the Central Scotland region; recognises that, in the year ending January 2023, there were reportedly an estimated 543,000 vapers in Scotland, of which, 9% were under 16 and 14% were under 18 years of age; understands that most under-18 e-cigarette users prefer single-use vapes; welcomes the publication of a review that the Scottish Government commissioned Zero Waste Scotland to carry out into the environmental impact of single-use e-cigarettes; understands that, according to Zero Waste Scotland, the total emissions associated with disposable vapes in 2022 were estimated to have been up to 4,292 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (CO₂e), or the equivalent of around 2,100 cars on Scotland's roads; further understands that, in the 52 weeks to early April 2023, the number of disposable vapes consumed in Scotland was estimated to be between 21 and 26 million units; understands that the weight of packaging and materials discarded as a result of single-use e-cigarette consumption in Scotland is currently between 800 and 1,000 tonnes per year; applauds the work of campaigners and organisations such as Laura Young and ASH Scotland to raise awareness of this issue; considers that the environmental and health impacts of vaping products are rising, and notes the view that action to tackle this is required from retailers, manufacturers and the Scottish Government.

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

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](#))

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

[S6M-10429](#) **Shirley-Anne Somerville: United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (Reconsideration)**—That the Parliament agrees to reconsider the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill.

followed by Scottish Government Debate: The Role of Football in Scottish Society and Communities

[S6M-10439](#) **Maree Todd: The Role of Football in Scottish Society and Communities**—That the Parliament acknowledges that football contributes significantly to the cultural, social, economic and sporting fabric of Scotland, including through the work of the Scottish FA, which celebrates its 150th anniversary in 2023; recognises the important role that football clubs play in their communities, supporting a wide range of Scottish Government priorities; welcomes in particular the growth of inclusive opportunities in football in Scotland; notes that the Traffic Commissioners for Great Britain have withdrawn the consultation on proposed new guidelines for fans travelling to football matches in Scotland on public hire vehicles, and calls for any future consultation on and development of Scottish guidelines to be fully informed through the involvement of the Scottish Government, football clubs, authorities and, especially, fans and supporters' groups to best meet Scottish needs and interests.

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Social Justice and Social Security Committee 20th Meeting, 2023

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Child Poverty and Parental Employment Inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Natalie Don, Minister for Children, Young People and Keeping the Promise, Graeme Dey, Minister for Higher and Further Education; and Minister for Veterans, Jane Duffy, Unit Head, Post School Qualifications, Matthew Farrell, Head of Strategy, Finance and Performance, Julie Humphreys, Deputy Director, Tackling Child Poverty and Financial Wellbeing, and Ann McKenzie, Unit Head, Tackling Child Poverty Policy Unit, Scottish Government;
and then from—
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Neil Gray, Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy, Aidan Grisewood, Interim Director, Economic Strategy, Julie Humphreys, Deputy Director, Tackling Child Poverty and Financial Wellbeing, and Ann McKenzie, Unit Head, Tackling Child Poverty Policy Unit, Scottish Government.
3. **Social Justice Priorities:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Julie Humphreys, Deputy Director, Tackling Child Poverty and Financial Wellbeing, Ann McKenzie, Unit Head, Tackling Child Poverty Policy Unit, and Aidan Grisewood, Interim Director, Economic Strategy, Scottish Government.
4. **Consideration of evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice on the appointments process to the Poverty and Inequality Commission.

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 24th Meeting, 2023

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

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

Public Audit Committee 22nd Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 3, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Criminal courts backlog:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Neil Rennick, Director-General Education and Justice, and Catriona Dalrymple, Interim Director of Justice, Scottish Government;
Eric McQueen, Chief Executive, Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service.

3. **Criminal courts backlog:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark Taylor, Audit Director, Audit Scotland.
4. **Criminal courts backlog:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 13 September 2023

Tuesday 19 September 2023

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Drug Law Reform

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-10348 Willie Rennie: Consultation on Proposed Council Tax Rises

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 — S6M-10307 Meghan Gallacher: Maternity Services in Scotland

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 — S6M-10364 Jackie Dunbar: World Rivers Day 2023

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

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 26 September 2023

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 27 September 2023

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Patient Safety Commissioner for Scotland Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

6:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 28 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

followed by Portfolio Questions: Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Trusts and Succession (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
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

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.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-10444](#) Annie Wells: Beatson Oncologist Nominated for Scottish Women's Award 2023**—That the Parliament congratulates Dr Ioanna Nixon, Clinical Director of the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre, on being nominated for a Scottish Women's Award 2023; understands that Dr Nixon has been named as a finalist in the Service in Medicine category; recognises that each nominee has demonstrated dedication, innovation and leadership in their fields, showcasing the diversity and strength of talent present among Scottish women; notes that the winners of the Scottish Women's Awards 2023 will be announced on 16 September 2023 at Glasgow Marriott Hotel, and understands that the evening will feature keynote speeches, and opportunities to learn from some of Scotland's most accomplished women.

Supported by: Monica Lennon*, Craig Hoy*, Alexander Stewart*, Jackie Baillie*, Meghan Gallacher*, Edward Mountain*, Pam Gosal*, Jackie Dunbar*, Jamie Greene*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Colin Beattie*, Jeremy Balfour*, Russell Findlay*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Stuart McMillan*, Brian Whittle*, Sue Webber*, Bill Kidd*, Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-10428](#) Claire Baker: Recognising the Success of Mid Scotland and Fife Businesses at the Scottish Food and Drink Excellence Awards**—That the Parliament celebrates the success of businesses in the Mid Scotland and Fife region at the recent 2023 Scotland Food and Drink Excellence Awards; notes that Hugh Black and Sons, with shops in Cowdenbeath, Lochgelly, in Fife, and in Stirling, was named as the Best for Scottish Sourcing (Multiple Retailer) and Simon Howie Foods, which trades in Perth and Auchterarder, in Perthshire, was named as Best Meat Product of the Year for its Black Label Gastro Burger; understands that the awards celebrate the best of Scotland's exceptional food and drink and highlight the incredible businesses and finest Scottish producers; notes that the awards were announced during Scottish Food and Drink Fortnight, which takes place from 2 to 16 September 2023; believes that they celebrate the exceptional quality of Scottish produce and recognise the skilled workforce, fine produce and successful businesses; acknowledges the hard work of producers, manufacturers, retailers, those working in food service, hospitality, regional food groups and ambassadors across the sector in the Mid Scotland and Fife region and wider Scotland, and expresses its very best wishes to the winners for continued success in the future.

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Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-10426](#) Liam McArthur: 33rd Orkney International Science Festival**—That the Parliament congratulates the organisers of the Orkney International Science Festival on another successful series of events, which concluded on 13 September 2023; understands that the Science Festival is celebrating its 33rd year, having run continuously since 1991, and that this makes the festival the second-oldest of its kind in the world; believes that the festival has firmly established itself as a major contributor to the cultural life in Orkney; recognises what it sees as the crucial role that the festival plays in encouraging greater public engagement with scientific learning and understanding; believes that the 2023 festival is evidence of Orkney's role as a centre for research, notably in relation to renewable energy, with events focussing on offshore wind, the future of tidal energy, and even the future potential for nuclear fusion; recognises that the centrepiece of the 2023 festival was a six-metre-diameter sun, suspended within St Magnus Cathedral, with time-lapse NASA photography of the sun projected onto the surface, allowing visitors to experience the dynamic energy of solar flares and storms; commends the festival organisers for embracing the cultural and artistic dimension of science, with events including talks on the mathematics of dancing and art and concerts held in St Magnus Cathedral; considers that the Science Festival is one part of a varied and vibrant collection of internationally-renowned festivals held in Orkney that contribute significantly to the cultural life of the nation; congratulates everyone involved in organising and contributing to the festival, and in particular its inspirational director, Howie Firth, and wishes the festival continued success over the years to come.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sue Webber*, Bill Kidd*, Audrey Nicoll*, Douglas Ross*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Colin Beattie*, Ivan McKee*, Martin Whitfield*, Edward Mountain*, Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-10425](#) Alexander Burnett: Pat Scott Awarded 2023 World's Best Stovies**—That the Parliament congratulates Pat Scott, chairperson of the Huntly Hairst Committee and former reporter with the *Huntly Express*, on securing the title of World Stovies Champion at the 2023 World Stovies Championship, which was held in Huntly, Aberdeenshire; notes that, 15 years after Pat's first win, her Stovies were picked for their outstanding flavour, despite, it understands, earlier fears that it might be too mushy; acknowledges that this event has been hosted for the past seven years by Huntly Hairst, and received more submissions than ever; commends Pat and all those involved for their efforts to create community engagement and host this competition, and wishes Pat all the best for the future.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-10423](#) Neil Bibby: Ferguslie Cricket Club Wins the McCulloch Cup**—That the Parliament congratulates Ferguslie Cricket Club on ending its season on a high note with McCulloch Cup Victory; understands that, after failing to defend its Western District league title, the Paisley club was determined to make the most of its chance to win some silverware in the final against Prestwick on 10 September 2023; notes that, by the seventh over, it had reached 51 for three, this run rate was maintained and, by the end of its 20 allotted overs, the Paisley side had reached 141 for eight; recognises that by the end of its 20 allotted overs, Prestwick stood at 80 for seven and that this produced delight on and off the pitch for the Ferguslie side as it clinched the McCulloch Cup; congratulates the team, and wishes it the best of luck in future sporting endeavours.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Jeremy Balfour*, Foysoil Choudhury*, Bill Kidd*, Paul Sweeney*

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***[S6M-10416](#) Liam Kerr: Aberdeenshire Nursery Nurse has First Book Published by Pegasus**—That the Parliament congratulates Rachel Louisa May, a Nursery Practitioner at Chapelton Nursery, on the release of her debut children's book, *Aunty Planty and the Eco Warriors*; understands that, in November 2021, Rachel penned the story for her sister, who faced health challenges during the COVID-19 restrictions; notes that the book features illustrations by a talented local Stonehaven artist; understands that Rachel initially intended to self-publish the book, but was presented with a traditional publishing contract by Pegasus, and wishes Rachel all the best with her career going forward.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

***[S6M-10395](#) Clare Adamson: Cambusnethan Miners Charitable Society Lifesaving Contribution to the Community** —That the Parliament commends the fundraising efforts of Cambusnethan Miners Charitable Society, which recently donated a lifesaving defibrillator to Made4U in ML2; understands that, initially, the Cambusnethan Miners Charitable Society hosted a fundraiser to raise funds to purchase and install an external defibrillator at the Cambusnethan Club, until London Hearts offered funding that enabled the charity to purchase a further defibrillator for the Made4U in ML2 community hub; further understands that, every week in Scotland, around 70 people have a cardiac arrest at home, work or in a public place, and that starting CPR as soon as possible will give the person the best chance of survival, but that being able to use a defibrillator within the first few minutes of collapse increases that chance even further; thanks the club's president, Alex Paris, and all the members, for their contribution to the community, and wishes them all well with their future community ventures.

Supported by: Martin Whitfield*, David Torrance*, Colin Beattie*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Christine Grahame*, Edward Mountain*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Paul Sweeney*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S6M-10418](#) Jeremy Balfour: Welcoming the Daffodil Quality Improvement Standards for Community Pharmacy (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackson Carlaw*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Jamie Greene*, Russell Findlay*, Brian Whittle*, Sue Webber*, Meghan Gallacher*

[S6M-10415](#) Audrey Nicoll: Clan Cancer's Big Hop Trail 2023 (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Evelyn Tweed*, Ash Regan*

[S6M-10414](#) Sue Webber: Winchburgh Community Growing Group and Winchburgh Wombles Awarded Silver Medal at Annual Beautiful Scotland Awards (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jamie Greene*

[S6M-10413](#) David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Butcher Celebrates 50 Years in Town (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Evelyn Tweed*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Jim Fairlie*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Marie McNair*, Bill Kidd*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-10412](#) Kevin Stewart: Befriend a Child (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Evelyn Tweed*

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[S6M-10411.2](#) Mark Griffin: Pausing the Short-term Lets Licensing Scheme (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Daniel Johnson*

[S6M-10410](#) Liam McArthur: Screen Machine 25th Anniversary (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-10408](#) Michelle Thomson: Glowing Care Inspectorate Report for NHS Forth Valley's Community Residential Resources and Housing Support Service (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10407](#) Michelle Thomson: Carrongrange High School Pupils Showcase Artistic Flair at D2 Creative Centre Exhibition (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10405](#) Beatrice Wishart: Shetland Cycle Training Coordinator Recognised with National Bikeability Award (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-10404](#) Martin Whitfield: Celebrating 20 Years of Action for Children's East Lothian New Horizons Housing Service (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Pam Gosal*

[S6M-10403](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to the University of Aberdeen (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Evelyn Tweed*, James Dornan*, Ash Regan*

[S6M-10402](#) Rhoda Grant: Parklands Care Homes Celebrates 30th Anniversary (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Pam Gosal*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*, Jackie Baillie*, David Torrance*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-10401](#) Liam Kerr: Gathimba Edwards Foundation Commended for Kenya Housebuilding Efforts (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Pam Gosal*, Jamie Greene*

[S6M-10394](#) Evelyn Tweed: Macrobert Moviehouse Plean Established (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-10393](#) Gillian Mackay: ASH Scotland's 50th Anniversary Event in Forth Valley (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Evelyn Tweed*, Bill Kidd*, Alexander Stewart*, Ariane Burgess*, Jeremy Balfour*, Colin Beattie*, Monica Lennon*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Miles Briggs*, David Torrance*, Mark Ruskell*, Maggie Chapman*, Stuart McMillan*, Alasdair Allan*, Audrey Nicoll*

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[S6M-10392](#) Kate Forbes: Rural Visa Pilot Scheme (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Audrey Nicoll*, John Mason*, Kenneth Gibson*, Jackie Dunbar*, Christine Grahame*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Ivan McKee*, David Torrance*, Alex Rowley*, Stuart McMillan*, Alasdair Allan*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-10391](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating 70 Years of the International Association for Community Development (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10390](#) Jeremy Balfour: Rheumatoid Arthritis Awareness Week 2023 (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Jamie Greene*

[S6M-10389](#) Mark Griffin: Celebrating the Housing Profession on Scottish Housing Day 2023 (lodged on 12 September 2023)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Baillie*

[S6M-10388](#) Clare Adamson: North Lanarkshire Recovery Community Walks the West Highland Way (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10387](#) Sue Webber: Our Lady's Primary School in Stoneyburn Achieves Silver Rights Respecting School Award (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Jamie Greene*

[S6M-10386](#) Alex Rowley: ASLEF 100 Women Drivers in Scotland Milestone (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Anas Sarwar*, Martin Whitfield*, Pauline McNeill*, Ross Greer*, Foysol Choudhury*, Jackie Baillie*, Colin Smyth*, Maggie Chapman*, Colin Beattie*, David Torrance*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, John Mason*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Bob Doris*, Brian Whittle*, Alexander Burnett*

[S6M-10385](#) Annie Wells: Govanhill Church Has New "Chatter and Natter" Table (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Jamie Greene*

[S6M-10383](#) Annie Wells: International Literacy Day on 8 September 2023 (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S6M-10380](#) Annie Wells: Warriors to Raise Funds for Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Jamie Greene*

[S6M-10378](#) Jeremy Balfour: Addressing the Availability of Changing Places Toilets (lodged on 12 September 2023)

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New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackson Carlaw*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Jamie Greene*, Brian Whittle*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-10377](#) Murdo Fraser: Perthshire Resident Named Scotland's Path Volunteer of the Year (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Jamie Greene*

[S6M-10376](#) Ivan McKee: Reopening of Provan Hall (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10375](#) Michelle Thomson: Falkirk Named Best Place to Grow Old (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Gillian Mackay*

[S6M-10372](#) Donald Cameron: Mid Argyll Branch of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society Celebrates Anniversary (lodged on 08 September 2023)

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

[S6M-10371](#) Donald Cameron: Brambles of Inveraray Wins Café Bistro of the Year (lodged on 08 September 2023)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Colin Beattie*, Kenneth Gibson*, Craig Hoy*, Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Douglas Ross*, Murdo Fraser*, Edward Mountain*, Pam Gosal*, Brian Whittle*, David Torrance*, Russell Findlay*, Sue Webber*, Bill Kidd*

[S6M-10368](#) Kevin Stewart: University of Aberdeen Hydrogen "Bank" Research (lodged on 08 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Alasdair Allan*

[S6M-10367](#) Kevin Stewart: Happy Anniversary to Project SEARCH (lodged on 08 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Alasdair Allan*

[S6M-10364](#) Jackie Dunbar: World Rivers Day 2023 (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*, Ash Regan*, Audrey Nicoll*

[S6M-10363](#) Michelle Thomson: Polmont Horticultural Society Hosts Successful Annual Show (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Ash Regan*

[S6M-10355](#) Clare Adamson: Lanarkshire Recovery Cup 2023 (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10354](#) Michelle Thomson: ASDA Stenhousemuir Store Colleague Matthew Scales Mount Kilimanjaro to Fundraise for Dig Deep (lodged on 07 September 2023)

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New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10353](#) Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen Teen Wins Silver at European Boxing Confederation's School Championships (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10352](#) Clare Adamson: Wishaw by Hannah Turner (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10351](#) Jackie Dunbar: New Men's Mental Health Group Set to Launch in Aberdeen (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Alasdair Allan*

[S6M-10346](#) Kevin Stewart: Retirement of Home-Start Aberdeen's Eleanor McEwan (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10345](#) Edward Mountain: Stoma Care in Scotland (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S6M-10344](#) Stuart McMillan: National Eye Health Week 2023 (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*, Alasdair Allan*

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

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

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

New Support: Jackie Baillie* R

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

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[S6M-10311](#) Neil Bibby: Caitlin's Fantastic Fundraising Achievements (lodged on 08 September 2023)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed*

[S6M-10308](#) Collette Stevenson: Congratulations to East Kilbride's Award-winning Curry house (lodged on 04 September 2023)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*

[S6M-10297](#) Maggie Chapman: International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*

[S6M-10296](#) Maggie Chapman: International Day of Peace (lodged on 07 September 2023)

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New Support: Alasdair Allan*

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

New Support: Brian Whittle*

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

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[**S6M-10257**](#) **Foyso Choudhury: Celebrating 20 Years of the One City Trust** (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Ash Regan*

[**S6M-10221**](#) **Annie Wells: National Eye Health Week 2023** (lodged on 25 August 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Jackie Baillie*, Jamie Greene*, David Torrance*

[**S6M-10217**](#) **Annie Wells: Youth Mental Health Day** (lodged on 25 August 2023)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*, Jamie Greene*, Ash Regan*

[**S6M-10215**](#) **Annie Wells: Emergency Services Day** (lodged on 25 August 2023)

New Support: Jackie Baillie*

[**S6M-10189**](#) **Monica Lennon: Celebrating 20 Years of the Scottish Young Planners Network** (lodged on 23 August 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 20 September 2023

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture

- 1. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the role of its international offices in promoting Scotland internationally. ([S6O-02520](#))
- 2. Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work of its international offices. ([S6O-02521](#))
- 3. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the 2023 Edinburgh Festival Fringe. ([S6O-02522](#))
- 4. Marie McNair:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to support creative writers. ([S6O-02523](#))
- 5. Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it will take to support Glasgow's museums and galleries. ([S6O-02524](#))
- 6. Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide further details regarding its Programme for Government 2023-24 commitment to develop a "long term strategic approach to skills and careers" in the culture and major events sector. ([S6O-02525](#))
- 7. Karen Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of how its EU alignment policy could be impacted by potential EU expansion, in light of the remarks of the President of the European Commission in her State of the European Union address. ([S6O-02526](#))
- 8. Michelle Thomson:** To ask the Scottish Government what additional support it will provide to the Royal Scottish National Orchestra and other stakeholders to assist with hosting the Nordic Music Days festival, which is being held in Scotland for the first time in 2024. ([S6O-02527](#))

Justice and Home Affairs

- 1. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government how the measures set out in its Programme for Government will help create safer communities, including in Glasgow Cathcart, in 2023-24. ([S6O-02528](#))
- 2. Kevin Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the justice secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding improving mental health services in prisons. ([S6O-02529](#))
- 3. Gillian Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Scottish Prison Service regarding supporting and enabling families of prisoners to have better access to visiting their loved ones while they are in prison. ([S6O-02530](#))
- 4. Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and the Fire Brigades Union to discuss the impact of any reduction in budget and services on communities, including in the South Scotland region. ([S6O-02531](#))
- 5. Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government when it anticipates that body-worn cameras will be delivered to over 14,000 police officers, in light of its 2023-24 Programme for Government commitment to support Police Scotland to achieve this. ([S6O-02532](#))
- 6. Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its engagement with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and the Fire Brigades Union regarding the

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FBU's DECON campaign to raise awareness of and mitigate the carcinogenic nature of firefighting. ([S6O-02533](#))

7. Foyso! Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide an update on how it plans to regularly monitor and evaluate the implementation of its Hate Crime Strategy for Scotland, in the lead up to the review that is planned for 2028. ([S6O-02534](#))

8. Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports of significant issues in transporting prisoners from custody to court. ([S6O-02535](#))

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 21 September 2023

Education and Skills

1. Annie Wells: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the summit on tackling violence in schools. ([S6O-02536](#))

2. Paul O'Kane: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish updated details of its Learning Estate Investment Programme. ([S6O-02537](#))

3. Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government how it supports children within the education system that have learning disabilities, autism or neurodiversity. ([S6O-02538](#))

4. Kaukab Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any assessment and marking backlogs at universities. ([S6O-02539](#))

5. Kate Forbes: To ask the Scottish Government how it is working with Highland Council to improve the school estate in the Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch constituency. ([S6O-02540](#))

6. Willie Coffey: To ask the Scottish Government what opportunities the development of a Scottish Education Exchange Programme would present for young people in Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley. ([S6O-02541](#))

7. Clare Adamson: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve digital education, in light of the increased prominence of artificial intelligence and cyber technology. ([S6O-02542](#))

8. Roz McCall: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the implementation of the national allowance for foster and kinship care. ([S6O-02543](#))

General Questions selected for answer on 21 September 2023

1. Colin Beattie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what steps it is taking to support innovation and entrepreneurship. ([S6O-02544](#))

2. Willie Rennie: To ask the Scottish Government what the increase in patient charges for NHS dental treatment will be. ([S6O-02545](#))

3. Rona Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the winter flu and COVID-19 vaccination programme. ([S6O-02546](#))

4. Bill Kidd: To ask the Scottish Government whether Scottish Water has completed any remedial works to prevent future flooding in the Glasgow Anniesland constituency, following reports of widespread flooding in the area earlier this year. ([S6O-02547](#))

5. Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the procurement process for the upgrade of Ardrossan harbour. ([S6O-02548](#))

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6. Pam Gosal: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what steps it is taking to eliminate long waiting times for NHS procedures. ([S6O-02549](#))

7. Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to start accepting applications for the £10 million fund for Changing Places toilets that was announced in the 2021-22 Programme for Government. ([S6O-02550](#))

8. Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to any benefits to islanders of restoring the monthly season ticket on the Largs to Cumbrae ferry route. ([S6O-02551](#))

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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 Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

Government initiated questions lodged on 13 September 2023

[S6W-21406](#) Keith Brown: To ask the Scottish Government what it considers the first outputs from Scotland's Census 2022 indicate regarding Scotland's population.

Written questions lodged on 13 September 2023

[S6W-21231](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-20525 by Graeme Dey on 28 August 2023, on what date it received the review, and when it expects to publish the review alongside the recommendations.

[S6W-21232](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-20398 by Patrick Harvie on 31 August 2023, how many properties have installed one or more renewable systems measures with funding from the Private Rented Sector Landlord Loan scheme, broken down by the measures installed at each property, since the scheme was established.

[S6W-21233](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many properties have received Private Rented Sector Landlord Loan funding, since the scheme was established.

[S6W-21234](#) Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many properties have received Private Rented Sector Landlord Loan funding for one or more energy efficiency measures, since the scheme was established.

[S6W-21271](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how many applications that have been received by Home Energy Scotland and assessed under the new eligibility criteria for the Warmer Homes Scotland scheme since 1 April 2023, are awaiting referral and being "held onto" until 2 October 2023. R

[S6W-21279](#) Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government how many forestry scheme applications have been rejected as a result of cumulative environmental impact assessments.

[S6W-21280](#) Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is aware of any reports of individuals being unable to secure a care package in Dumfries and Galloway, and what action it is taking to ensure that care needs are met in rural communities.

[S6W-21281](#) Kenneth Gibson: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether families should wait more than four months after a post-mortem is carried out on a loved one to receive the post-mortem report.

[S6W-21282](#) Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government whether the recommendations of the Active Travel Transformation Project will be made publicly available.

[S6W-21283](#) Beatrice Wishart: To ask the Scottish Government what the terms of the Verity House Agreement mean in practice for the funding of Violence Against Women and Girls services at local level.

[S6W-21284](#) Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government what safeguards will be put in place to ensure that landlines installed in prison cells are not being used for criminal purposes.

[S6W-21285](#) Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government whether any of the women's organisations that it funds provides help and assistance to women fleeing abusive family situations, rather than intimate partner violence and abuse, and if this is the case, whether it can provide a list of those organisations.

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[S6W-21287](#) Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is aware of any concerns from residents in the Torthorward area regarding new pylon infrastructure as a result of windfarm connections.

[S6W-21289](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government how many houses are below the Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) band C rating, broken down by local authority.

[S6W-21294](#) Beatrice Wishart: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6O-02115 by Jenni Minto on 19 April 2023, when it estimates that work will begin on the review of the NHS Scotland patient travel scheme.

[S6W-21295](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-20647 by Jenni Minto on 12 September 2023, how much of the budget for the Young Patients Family Fund, and its predecessor, the Neonatal Expenses Fund, has been underspent in each year since 2018.

[S6W-21296](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government whether the new Anti-Racism Observatory will investigate any anti-English rhetoric within Scottish society.

[S6W-21297](#) Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its Programme for Government 2023-24 commitment to "Invest in a new Anti-Racism Observatory which will provide oversight and support for the Scottish Government and the public sector to develop anti-racism approaches" so that it can "continue to eradicate racism in Scotland", how it will evaluate whether it has successfully eradicated racism in Scotland.

[S6W-21298](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government whether ScotRail requires line managers to support workers with mental health conditions. **R**

[S6W-21299](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government what ScotRail's policy is for dealing with disciplinary matters while employees are absent from work due to mental health conditions. **R**

[S6W-21300](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government what support ScotRail offers to staff who are absent from work due to mental health conditions. **R**

[S6W-21301](#) Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will receive any Barnett consequential funding as a result of the UK Government's NHS Long Term Workforce Plan, and, if so, whether this will be used to support additional training for medical and nursing staff in Scotland.

[S6W-21302](#) Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government when the proposed Electoral Reform Bill, referred to in its Programme for Government 2023-24, will be introduced to the Scottish Parliament.

[S6W-21303](#) Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to secure the future of Screen Machine, in light of reports that the current lease on its mobile cinema will run out in April 2024. **R**

[S6W-21304](#) Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government what assistance is available to any bike pump tracks that are struggling to pay for increased insurance premiums. **R**

[S6W-21305](#) Donald Cameron: To ask the Scottish Government how many bike pump tracks there are across Scotland, and what assistance is available to local groups wishing to establish a new bike pump track. **R**

[S6W-21306](#) Paul O'Kane: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the recommendation in the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland report, *Out of NHS area placements*, that NHS Boards "develop and apply a set of discharge planning standards informed by cross agency multi-professional groups and those with experience (carers and people with experience of services) which focus on recovery and return to local areas".

[S6W-21307](#) Paul O'Kane: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the recent Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland report, *Out of NHS area placements*.

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[S6W-21308](#) Paul O'Kane: To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to improve data quality on out of NHS area placements, in light of the recommendation in the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland report, *Out of NHS area placements*.

[S6W-21309](#) Paul O'Kane: To ask the Scottish Government when it will provide a formal response to the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland report, *Out of NHS area placements*.

[S6W-21310](#) Paul O'Kane: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the recommendation in Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland report, *Out of NHS area placements*, that there should be “standards from referral to transfer with involvement of those receiving the care and treatment, their carers/family and those most important to them (as appropriate) that outline the key steps required for an inclusive, supported approach to planning an out of area placement”.

[S6W-21312](#) Foysol Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide an update on the discussions between Transport Scotland and the developer regarding the Ferrymuir Gait access issue.

[S6W-21332](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to publish the updated Strategic Framework for Scotland’s Early Learning and School Age Childcare Profession.

Members' Bills Proposals

Proposals for Members' Bills

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

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

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Final Proposals

Maurice Golden: Proposed Dog Abduction (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to create a new statutory offence to tackle the problem of dog theft and other situations where a dog is taken or kept without lawful authority, that would take account of considerations such as the emotional impact and dog welfare; and improve data recording to better inform detection and prevention efforts. (lodged 13 September 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:

Pam Gosal: Proposed Domestic Abuse (Prevention) (Scotland) Bill— Proposal for a Bill to make provision for the prevention of domestic abuse and improve support for those affected, including by requiring: those convicted of certain offences related to domestic abuse to provide information for a register; use of this information to prevent further harm; use of rehabilitation measures in relation to domestic abuse offences; collation and reporting of data related to domestic abuse; and domestic abuse education in schools.

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: Jeremy Balfour, Meghan Gallacher, Sue Webber, Liz Smith, Alexander Burnett, Maurice Golden, Tess White, Liam Kerr, Graham Simpson, Oliver Mundell, Sandesh Gulhane, Roz McCall,

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Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 13 September 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
legislationteam@parliament.scot

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)), 13 September 2023
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (1st Report, 2023)

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 December 2022

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

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)

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

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

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

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

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

Patient Safety Commissioner for Scotland Bill (G)

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the parliament), 27 September 2023

Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 20 September 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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 12 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 (debate, meeting of the parliament), 28 September 2023

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 12 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 (Incorporation) (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

Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 13 September 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

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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

Meeting (Criminal Justice Committee), 13 September 2023

Online Safety Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-18a

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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)

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[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

[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)

Subject to approval by 5 November 2023

[Disability Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (11 September 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 14 September 2023

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[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

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[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

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

Subject to annulment 4 October 2023
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[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
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[Cereal Seed \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/193\)](#) (23 June 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 25 October 2023
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[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
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[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)

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

Subject to annulment 2 November 2023
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[Parking Attendants \(Wearing of Uniforms\) \(North Ayrshire Council\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/248\)](#) (8 September 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Road Traffic \(Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area\) \(North Ayrshire Council\) Designation Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/249\)](#) (8 September 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment 5 November 2023
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[Local Government Investments \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/255\)](#) (11 September 2023) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Sports Grounds and Sporting Events \(Designation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2023 \(SSI 2023/257\)](#) (11 September 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Instruments / Documents subject to approval

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

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 13 September 2023—

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee, 7th Report, 2023 (Session 6): Subordinate Legislation under the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Act considered by the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee on 12 September 2023 (SP Paper 435)

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 13 September 2023 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Accountant in Bankruptcy Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 (SG/2023/170) laid under Section 200(3) of the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 2016 and Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Adult mental health: A report prepared for the Accounts Commission and the Auditor General for Scotland (AGS/2023/7) laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Electoral Commission Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23 (ELC/2023/01) laid under Paragraph 20 A (1) of Schedule 1 to the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000

HM Inspectorate of Prisons for Scotland: HM Chief Inspector's Annual Report 2022-23 (SG/2023/175) laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power

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