

Wednesday 20 September 2023

# Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions

**followed by** Scottish Labour Party Debate:  
Protecting Scotland's Nature

**followed by** Scottish Labour Party Debate:  
Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in  
Lanarkshire

**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

### Committee Meetings

**9:00am** Education, Children and Young  
People Committee

**9:00am** Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

**9:30am** Citizen Participation and Public  
Petitions Committee

**9:30am** Economy and Fair Work Committee

**10:00am** Criminal Justice Committee

## Meeting of the Parliament

### 2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: The Presiding Officer has grouped the following questions: Constitution, External Affairs and Culture - Questions 1 and 2.**

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

**7. Foysol 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](#))

### followed by **Scottish Labour Party Debate: Protecting Scotland's Nature**

**[S6M-10498 Rhoda Grant: Protecting Scotland's Nature](#)**—That the Parliament reaffirms its recognition of the climate emergency and the need to achieve a net zero future; recognises that Scotland has the potential for more carbon sequestration capacity by restoring peatlands and extending tree cover; regrets that the available budgets for woodland planting and peatland restoration are underspent by significant margins, and that targets are not being met; notes that the Scottish Government has promoted the use of private green finance to fill a purported £20 billion gap in funding for nature in Scotland, but that this figure, published by the Green Finance Institute, has been called into question and is now recognised by NatureScot as an overestimate; regrets that there was a lack of due diligence carried out by the Scottish Government; agrees that investment in the climate transition is crucial, but believes that Scotland's natural environment should not be allowed to be used for greenwashing by private corporations, and calls on the Scottish Government to carry out a full and transparent consultation on the policy options and finance mechanisms available to advance Scotland's capacity to sequester carbon.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**[S6M-10498.2 Lorna Slater: Protecting Scotland's Nature](#)**—As an amendment to motion S6M-10498 in the name of Rhoda Grant (Protecting Scotland's Nature), leave out from first "regrets" to end and insert "affirms its commitment to the Global Biodiversity Framework, which commits countries to "closing the biodiversity finance gap" and, in Target 19, calls for countries to "Substantially and progressively increase the level of financial resources from all sources"; commends the increase in public investment in nature through the Nature Restoration Fund and Peatland ACTION; recognises the vital role of the Forestry Grant Scheme in supporting woodland creation and sustainable forest management; agrees that investment in the climate transition is crucial, and that Scotland's natural environment should not be allowed to be used for greenwashing by private corporations; recognises that tackling the climate and nature crises requires all parts of society to act; welcomes, therefore, the Scottish Government's Interim Principles for Responsible Investment, which are designed to support a values-led, high-integrity market that ensures that communities benefit, and to support diverse and productive land ownership, as well as the recent publication of a consultation on Scotland's Biodiversity Strategy and an underpinning delivery plan, which will be followed by an investment plan; further welcomes the Scottish Government's commitment to progress a Land Reform Bill and an Agriculture Bill; notes the valuable contribution made by the Scottish Land Commission in its report, *Natural Capital and Land Reform*, and looks forward to the Scottish Government's response to its recommendations, and calls on all parties to work constructively to restore Scotland's natural environment."

**[S6M-10498.1](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Protecting Scotland's Nature**—As an amendment to motion S6M-10498 in the name of Rhoda Grant (Protecting Scotland's Nature), insert at end "; regrets that, despite the pivotal role played by farmers, crofters and land managers in reducing emissions, capturing carbon, promoting biodiversity and restoring habitats through hard work, innovation and investment, they continue to be left in the dark over future support and await clarity regarding the proposed Agriculture Bill; agrees that investment is crucial to meet Scotland's net zero goals; recognises the UK Government's £1 billion in Track 2 funding for the carbon capture and storage project, to protect jobs and develop green skills, and acknowledges NatureScot's *Teaching, learning and play in the outdoors* report, which highlights how outdoor education and play stimulate children's connection to nature."

### followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire

**[S6M-10497](#) Jackie Baillie: Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire**—That the Parliament is concerned by the Scottish Government's decision to downgrade the award-winning neonatal services in University Hospital Wishaw, which will result in newborn babies who require specialist care being transferred to one of three specialist intensive care neonatal units across Scotland; recognises that many families across Lanarkshire have had their newborn babies cared for in this Neonatal Intensive Care unit, and that they are deeply upset by this decision to withdraw critical services and expertise from local communities, and calls on the Scottish Government to reverse its decision.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

**[S6M-10497.2](#) Jenni Minto: Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire**—As an amendment to motion S6M-10497 in the name of Jackie Baillie (Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire), leave out from "is concerned" to end and insert "believes that it is vital that the smallest and sickest babies born in Scotland receive the best and safest care possible to improve their life chances; notes evidence from expert clinicians that care for babies at highest risk is safest in units that treat a higher number of patients; agrees that parents would expect the Scottish Government to act on such evidence in the very best interests of their babies; welcomes the new model of neonatal intensive care, as recommended by *The Best Start* report, which was led by expert NHS clinicians and service user representatives, that delivers this change; notes that local neonatal units will continue to offer care to the vast majority of babies who need it, and that no neonatal units will close as part of the new model; further notes that all families who have a baby in neonatal care can access the Young Patients Family Fund, which provides support for costs of travel, food and accommodation; acknowledges the commitment of all neonatal staff across Scotland, and congratulates the Wishaw neonatal team on being named UK neonatal team of the year in 2023."

**[S6M-10497.1](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire**—As an amendment to motion S6M-10497 in the name of Jackie Baillie (Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire), insert at end ", and understands that declining maternity services is not being experienced exclusively in Lanarkshire, with Dr Gray's Hospital in Elgin still waiting for its consultant-led maternity services to be restored, five years after they were temporarily downgraded, and with maternity services at Caithness having been permanently downgraded, leading to expectant mothers being forced to travel vast distances just to give birth."

## followed by Business Motions

### **S6M-10522 George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Programme—**

That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

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 Debate: Climate Emergency – Ambition and Action

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*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

*followed by* Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Vision for Scotland's Future Energy System

*followed by* Stage 1 Debate: Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 3 October 2023

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Wednesday 4 October 2023

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands; NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Approval of SSIs (if required)

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 5 October 2023

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

*followed by* Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 25 September 2023, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**[S6M-10523](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Act 2022 (Amendment of Expiry Date) Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

**[S6M-10524](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Membership of the Committee of the Regions UK Contact Group and the Regional Chamber of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe**—That the Parliament agrees to nominate Kate Forbes as a full member of the Committee of the Regions UK Contact Group, and to nominate Keith Brown as a full member and Alexander Stewart as an alternate member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe.

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

**5:10 pm Decision Time**

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

**[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.

## Committee Meetings

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

### Education, Children and Young People Committee 23rd Meeting, 2023

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

- Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will take evidence as part of its Pre-Budget Scrutiny from—  
Dr Douglas Hutchison, President of the Association of Directors of Education in Scotland (ADES) and Executive Director of Education, Glasgow City Council;  
Carrie Lindsay, Executive Officer, Association of Directors of Education in Scotland (ADES);  
Kirsty Flanagan, Director of Finance, Argyll and Bute Council, representing CIPFA Local Government Directors of Finance (Scotland).
- Independent Review of Qualifications and Assessment:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Professor Louise Hayward, Professor of Education Assessment and Innovation, University of Glasgow, and Chair of the Independent Review of Qualifications and Assessment;  
Professor Kenneth Muir, Honorary Professor at the University of the West of Scotland, and Peter Bain, Headteacher, Oban High School, both Members of the Independent Review of Qualifications and Assessment Group.
- Evidence Session (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda items 1 and 2.

### Rural Affairs and Islands Committee 23rd Meeting, 2023

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

- Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Libby Anderson, Member, UK Centre for Animal Law Scottish Committee;  
Ben Parker, Public Affairs Manager, Battersea;  
Claire Calder, Head of Public Affairs, Dogs Trust;  
Holly Conway, Public Affairs Manager, The Kennel Club;  
Robbie Forbes, Policy Executive, The Law Society of Scotland;  
Gilly Mendes-Ferreira, Director of Innovation and Strategic Relations, Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.
- Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

### Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee 13th Meeting, 2023

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether its consideration of its policy on written submissions should be taken in private at a future meeting.



2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
  - PE1856: Support the taxi trade;
  - PE1919: Ban the sale of high caffeine products to children for performance enhancement;
  - PE1966: Formally recognise and incorporate local knowledge in Scottish Government policy;
  - PE1976: Backdate council tax discounts for dementia to the date of GP certification;
  - PE1977: Require social services to inform biological fathers of concerns about their children; and
  - PE1982: Review funding arrangements for higher education to help ensure more funded places are available for Scottish ballet dancers at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland.
3. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
  - PE2028: Extend the concessionary bus travel scheme to include people seeking asylum in Scotland;
  - PE2029: Nationalise Clydeport to bring the ports and harbours on the river Clyde into public ownership;
  - PE2030: Review cultural funding arrangements to enable Scotland to contribute to the Venice Biennale in 2024; and
  - PE2031: Provide insulin pumps to all children with type 1 diabetes in Scotland.

### **Economy and Fair Work Committee 23rd Meeting, 2023**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from—
  - Sarah-Jayne Dunn, Policy Manager for Financial Health, Citizens Advice Scotland;
  - Becca Stacey, Senior Research Officer, Money and Mental Health Policy Institute.
3. **Report by the Fraser of Allander Institute on the economic contribution of the Pharmaceuticals Sector in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
  - George Davidson, Chair of the Access and Value Group, ABPI Scotland;
  - Sir Michael Ferguson, Regius Professor of Life Sciences, University of Dundee;
  - Adam McGeoch, Economist Fellow, Fraser of Allander Institute.
4. **Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier under agenda item 2.
5. **Report by the Fraser of Allander Institute on the economic contribution of the Pharmaceuticals Sector in Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier under agenda item 3.
6. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider a letter from the Convener of the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee about scrutiny arrangements for the Scottish Government's next climate change plan.

### **Criminal Justice Committee 22nd Meeting, 2023**

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Sharon Dowey will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6 and 7 in private.
3. **Deaths in custody:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Gill Imery, Chair, Deaths in Custody Review Group.
4. **Post-legislative scrutiny review of the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018:** The Committee will consider the Scottish Government's response to its report.
5. **Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles (Scotland) Act 2022:** The Committee will consider correspondence from the Scottish Government on Part 5 - Pyrotechnic Possession Offences.
6. **Deaths in custody:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 3.
7. **Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 13 September 2023

### 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

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

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

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

### Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

21 September 2023

25th Meeting, 2023

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

1. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Duncan Dornan, Executive Committee Member, VOCAL Scotland;  
Pamela Tulloch, Chief Executive, Scottish Library and Information Council;  
India Divers, Policy and Campaigns Officer, Museums Association;  
David Avery, Negotiations Officer, Prospect;  
Kara Christine, Senior Programme Producer, Artlink;  
Liam Sinclair, Co-Chair, Federation of Scottish Theatre.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, James Johnston on 85215 or at [james.johnston@parliament.scot](mailto:james.johnston@parliament.scot)

### Public Audit Committee

21 September 2023

23rd 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 4 and 5 in private.
2. **New vessels for the Clyde and Hebrides: Arrangements to deliver vessels 801 and 802:**  
The Committee will take evidence from—  
Fiona Hyslop, Minister for Transport, and Colin Cook, Director of Economic Development, Scottish Government;  
Alison Irvine, Interim Chief Executive, and Chris Wilcock, Head of Ferries Branch, Transport Scotland.
3. **The 2021/ 22 audit of Scottish Canals:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
John Paterson, Chief Executive, Maureen Campbell, Chair, Sarah Jane Hannah, Director of Finance and Business Services, and Richard Millar, Chief Operating Officer, Scottish Canals;  
Alison Irvine, Interim Chief Executive, Gary Cox, Interim Director Aviation, Maritime, Freight and Canals, and Kerry Twyman, Director of Finance and Corporate Services, Transport Scotland.
4. **The 2021/22 audit of Scottish Canals:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—  
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;

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

5. **New vessels for the Clyde and Hebrides: Arrangements to deliver vessels 801 and 802:** 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.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Russell at [Lynn.Russell@parliament.scot](mailto:Lynn.Russell@parliament.scot)

## **Social Justice and Social Security Committee**

**21 September 2023**

**21st Meeting, 2023**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Carer's Assistance (Carer Support Payment) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 from—  
Maggie Chiwanza, CEO, MECOPP;  
Fiona Collie, Head of Policy and Public Affairs, Scotland & Northern Ireland, Carers Scotland;  
Judith Paterson, Interim Co-Chair, Scottish Commission on Social Security;  
Paul Traynor, Head of External Affairs (Scotland), Carers Trust Scotland.
3. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will take evidence as part of its Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2024-25 from—  
Chris Birt, Deputy Director for Scotland, Joseph Rowntree Foundation;  
Emma Congreve, Deputy Director, Senior Knowledge Exchange Fellow, Fraser of Allander Institute;  
Dr Alison Hosie, Researcher, Scottish Human Rights Commission;  
Bill Scott, Chair, Poverty and Inequality Commission.
4. **Consideration of evidence:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
5. **Poverty and Inequality Commission Appointment Process:** The Committee will consider its approach to the appointment process.
6. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Claire Menzies on 85219 or at [claire.menzies@parliament.scot](mailto:claire.menzies@parliament.scot)

## **Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee**

**21 September 2023**

**15th Meeting, 2023**

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Cross-Party Group:** The Committee will consider an application for recognition from the proposed Cross-Party Group on Fisheries and Coastal Communities, and take evidence from—  
Karen Adam, MSP, The Scottish Parliament.
3. **Cross-Party Group - approval:** The Committee will decide whether to accord recognition to the proposed Cross-Party Group on Fisheries and Coastal Communities.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.
5. **Public petitions: PE01949** The Committee will consider its approach to the following petition— Review the rules concerning Dual Mandate MSPs
6. **Code of Conduct Rule Changes (in private):** The Committee will consider Code of Conduct Rule changes

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katy Orr on 85234 or at [katy.orr@parliament.scot](mailto:katy.orr@parliament.scot)

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

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

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The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

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

## Motions for Debate

**[S6M-10498 Rhoda Grant: Protecting Scotland's Nature](#)**—That the Parliament reaffirms its recognition of the climate emergency and the need to achieve a net zero future; recognises that Scotland has the potential for more carbon sequestration capacity by restoring peatlands and extending tree cover; regrets that the available budgets for woodland planting and peatland restoration are underspent by significant margins, and that targets are not being met; notes that the Scottish Government has promoted the use of private green finance to fill a purported £20 billion gap in funding for nature in Scotland, but that this figure, published by the Green Finance Institute, has been called into question and is now recognised by NatureScot as an overestimate; regrets that there was a lack of due diligence carried out by the Scottish Government; agrees that investment in the climate transition is crucial, but believes that Scotland's natural environment should not be allowed to be used for greenwashing by private corporations, and calls on the Scottish Government to carry out a full and transparent consultation on the policy options and finance mechanisms available to advance Scotland's capacity to sequester carbon.

Supported by: Mercedes Villalba

\***[S6M-10498.2 Lorna Slater: Protecting Scotland's Nature](#)**—As an amendment to motion S6M-10498 in the name of Rhoda Grant (Protecting Scotland's Nature), leave out from first "regrets" to end and insert "affirms its commitment to the Global Biodiversity Framework, which commits countries to "closing the biodiversity finance gap" and, in Target 19, calls for countries to "Substantially and progressively increase the level of financial resources from all sources"; commends the increase in public investment in nature through the Nature Restoration Fund and Peatland ACTION; recognises the vital role of the Forestry Grant Scheme in supporting woodland creation and sustainable forest management; agrees that investment in the climate transition is crucial, and that Scotland's natural environment should not be allowed to be used for greenwashing by private corporations; recognises that tackling the climate and nature crises requires all parts of society to act; welcomes, therefore, the Scottish Government's Interim Principles for Responsible Investment, which are designed to support a values-led, high-integrity market that ensures that communities benefit, and to support diverse and productive land ownership, as well as the recent publication of a consultation on Scotland's Biodiversity Strategy and an underpinning delivery plan, which will be followed by an investment plan; further welcomes the Scottish Government's commitment to progress a Land Reform Bill and an Agriculture Bill;



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notes the valuable contribution made by the Scottish Land Commission in its report, *Natural Capital and Land Reform*, and looks forward to the Scottish Government's response to its recommendations, and calls on all parties to work constructively to restore Scotland's natural environment."

Supported by: Richard Lochhead\*, Gillian Martin\*, Neil Gray\*

**\*[S6M-10498.1](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Protecting Scotland's Nature**—As an amendment to motion S6M-10498 in the name of Rhoda Grant (Protecting Scotland's Nature), insert at end "; regrets that, despite the pivotal role played by farmers, crofters and land managers in reducing emissions, capturing carbon, promoting biodiversity and restoring habitats through hard work, innovation and investment, they continue to be left in the dark over future support and await clarity regarding the proposed Agriculture Bill; agrees that investment is crucial to meet Scotland's net zero goals; recognises the UK Government's £1 billion in Track 2 funding for the carbon capture and storage project, to protect jobs and develop green skills, and acknowledges NatureScot's *Teaching, learning and play in the outdoors* report, which highlights how outdoor education and play stimulate children's connection to nature."

**[S6M-10497](#) Jackie Baillie: Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire** —That the Parliament is concerned by the Scottish Government's decision to downgrade the award-winning neonatal services in University Hospital Wishaw, which will result in newborn babies who require specialist care being transferred to one of three specialist intensive care neonatal units across Scotland; recognises that many families across Lanarkshire have had their newborn babies cared for in this Neonatal Intensive Care unit, and that they are deeply upset by this decision to withdraw critical services and expertise from local communities, and calls on the Scottish Government to reverse its decision.

**\*[S6M-10497.2](#) Jenni Minto: Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire** —As an amendment to motion S6M-10497 in the name of Jackie Baillie (Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire), leave out from "is concerned" to end and insert "believes that it is vital that the smallest and sickest babies born in Scotland receive the best and safest care possible to improve their life chances; notes evidence from expert clinicians that care for babies at highest risk is safest in units that treat a higher number of patients; agrees that parents would expect the Scottish Government to act on such evidence in the very best interests of their babies; welcomes the new model of neonatal intensive care, as recommended by *The Best Start* report, which was led by expert NHS clinicians and service user representatives, that delivers this change; notes that local neonatal units will continue to offer care to the vast majority of babies who need it, and that no neonatal units will close as part of the new model; further notes that all families who have a baby in neonatal care can access the Young Patients Family Fund, which provides support for costs of travel, food and accommodation; acknowledges the commitment of all neonatal staff across Scotland, and congratulates the Wishaw neonatal team on being named UK neonatal team of the year in 2023."

Supported by: Michael Matheson\*, Maree Todd\*

**\*[S6M-10497.1](#) Sandesh Gulhane: Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire** — As an amendment to motion S6M-10497 in the name of Jackie Baillie (Protecting Specialist Neonatal Services in Lanarkshire), insert at end ", and understands that declining maternity services is not being experienced exclusively in Lanarkshire, with Dr Gray's Hospital in Elgin still waiting for its consultant-led maternity services to be restored, five years after they were

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temporarily downgraded, and with maternity services at Caithness having been permanently downgraded, leading to expectant mothers being forced to travel vast distances just to give birth.”

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*[S6M-10524](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Membership of the Committee of the Regions UK Contact Group and the Regional Chamber of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe—**That the Parliament agrees to nominate Kate Forbes as a full member of the Committee of the Regions UK Contact Group, and to nominate Keith Brown as a full member and Alexander Stewart as an alternate member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe.

**\*[S6M-10523](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—**That the Parliament agrees that the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Act 2022 (Amendment of Expiry Date) Regulations 2023 [draft] be approved.

**\*[S6M-10522](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Programme—**That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

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 Debate: Climate Emergency – Ambition and Action

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*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

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6.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 28 September 2023

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

*followed by* Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: Vision for Scotland's Future Energy System

*followed by* Stage 1 Debate: Trusts and Succession (Scotland) Bill

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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Tuesday 3 October 2023

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

*followed by* Members' Business

Wednesday 4 October 2023

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands; NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

*followed by* Approval of SSIs (if required)

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*followed by* Members' Business

Thursday 5 October 2023

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

*followed by* Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice

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(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 25 September 2023, in rule 13.7.3, after the word “except” the words “to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or” are inserted.

**\*[S6M-10505](#) Fulton MacGregor: 64th Anniversary of the Auchengeich Mining Disaster**—That the Parliament solemnly notes the 64th anniversary of the Auchengeich mining disaster, which took place on 18 September 1959; understands that the tragedy was Scotland’s worst mining disaster of the 20th century; recognises that 47 men lost their lives in the accident, leaving 76 children without their father and 41 women widowed; acknowledges the enduring impact on the community of Moodiesburn and the surrounding areas, and commends the Auchengeich Miners' Memorial Committee for its ongoing commitment to remembering and paying respect to the miners and their families.

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**\*[S6M-10500](#) Karen Adam: Commending Jimmy Buchan and the Seafest Festival in Peterhead**—That the Parliament commends the outstanding work of Jimmy Buchan, the founder and organiser of the Seafest Festival in Peterhead; recognises what it sees as the festival's potential to evolve into an international celebration of Scotland's sustainable seafood sector and coastal communities in the years to come; expresses its heartfelt gratitude to the community of Peterhead and all those who dedicated their time and effort to make this event, it believes, a resounding success; commends their dedication in promoting what it sees as Scotland's unparalleled quality of sustainable seafood and the rich coastal seafaring traditions, both locally and on a global scale, and extends its best wishes for ongoing success to the organisers of the Seafest Festival as they continue their valuable work.

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**\*[S6M-10499](#) Willie Rennie: Fairview International School International Baccalaureate Programme**—That the Parliament understands that, in May 2023, Fairview International School in Bridge of Allan became the first school in Scotland to offer an uninterrupted International Baccalaureate programme; notes that this status comes as a result of the school’s successful authorisation to deliver the Diploma Programme, building on its already thriving Primary Years and Middle Years programmes; understands that the uninterrupted programme will facilitate children to pursue an International Baccalaureate education from their earliest years until their graduation from school; welcomes the choice that it considers this new development will provide to families, and wishes pupils at Fairview International School who embark on the programme well in their studies.

**\*[S6M-10496](#) Pam Gosal: Arrochar and Tarbet Senior Citizens Welfare Group Receives Funding from SSE Renewables**—That the Parliament commends SSE Renewables for awarding

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Arrochar and Tarbet Senior Citizens Welfare group funding of £3,000, which, it understands, was part of a fee paid for filming at the nearby Sloy Hydro Power Station; notes that the organisation aims to give pensioners a number of social outings each year, such as afternoon teas, summer outings, and shows and dinners; understands that the group has been established for over three decades; recognises that this funding has come at what it sees as an important time for the group, and wishes the organisation every success for the years ahead.

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**\*S6M-10495 Pam Gosal: Booffi Restaurant, Clydebank, Wins Buffet Restaurant of the Year Award 2023—**That the Parliament congratulates Booffi Restaurant, in Clydebank, on winning Buffet Restaurant of the Year at the fifth annual Spice Awards, which were held at a ceremony in Glasgow recently; notes that Booffi, located on Britannia Way, won the award for the second year in a row, and that this has helped, it believes, to put Clydebank firmly on the culinary map, and wishes the entire team every success for the future.

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**\*S6M-10494 Sarah Boyack: Bellfield Brewery Wins Top Award at Scottish Beer Awards—**That the Parliament congratulates Edinburgh-based Bellfield Brewery on winning Scottish Brewery of the Year at the 2023 Scottish Beer Awards; notes that the brewery showed significant growth from previous years; understands that its growth comes from a new product range and the increasing popularity of its Portobello taproom; notes that the Scottish Beer Awards are now in their eighth year, and showcase the finest products created in Scotland, and congratulates all the brewers that were shortlisted.

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**\*S6M-10493 Miles Briggs: 10th Anniversary of World Thrombosis Day on 13 October 2023—**That the Parliament recognises that World Thrombosis Day, which is held annually on 13 October, will celebrate its 10th anniversary in 2023; commends Gordon McPherson for his work on the World Thrombosis Day steering group and in his role as a World Thrombosis Ambassador; understands that World Thrombosis Day is an international movement devoted to shining a spotlight on the condition of thrombosis, and draws attention to the signs, symptoms and risk factors of thrombosis, a condition that contributes to the deaths of one in four people worldwide each year; notes that the 2023 campaign will focus on the theme "Move Against Thrombosis" and encourages the public, healthcare professionals and policymakers to join together to support the World Thrombosis Day campaign, to get moving and stay healthy to reduce the risk for blood clots; believes that this will be an important means of raising awareness of the life-threatening condition, which is caused by abnormal blood clots in the artery or vein; notes that the symptoms include swelling in one arm or leg, and, in the case of deep vein thrombosis, pain and skin discolouration; further notes that the symptoms of pulmonary embolism can also include shortness of breath, chest pain, rapid heart rate and an unexplained cough; urges everyone to be vigilant and to educate themselves about the symptoms and the factors that can lead to developing the condition by visiting [worldthrombosisday.org](http://worldthrombosisday.org), and hopes that, by doing so, lives can be saved.

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**\*[S6M-10492](#) Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen Student Show Wins Scots Project o the Year at the Scots Language Awards 2023**—That the Parliament commends the Aberdeen Student Show, which recently won Scots Project o the Year at the Scots Language Awards for its latest production, *Ayetanic*; understands that the Aberdeen Student Show first took place in 1921, with students from North East Scotland College (NESCol), Robert Gordon University (RGU) and the University of Aberdeen creating and performing in the shows, which parody well-known titles from film, theatre and literature, and are mostly written in the local Doric dialect; acknowledges that the Aberdeen Student Show raises money for local charities across the north east through its annual productions, with *Ayetanic*, raising over £125,000; notes that the 2023 awards ceremony was held on 16 September 2023 at Johnstone Town Hall, in Renfrewshire; further notes that the Scots Language Awards were first started in 2019 to celebrate the importance of the Scots language in arts and culture and also in daily life, education and business; congratulates all winners and nominees for their outstanding work over the past year, and wishes them all the best for the future.

**\*[S6M-10488](#) Kenneth Gibson: St Margaret's Parish, Dalry, Celebrates its 150th Anniversary**—That the Parliament congratulates St Margaret's Parish Church of Scotland, Dalry, Ayrshire, which celebrated its 150th anniversary at a special service on 17 September 2023; is aware that the church building was dedicated to the early Christian martyr, St Margaret of Antioch, patron of childbirth, who died aged 15 in 304 AD, in what is now Turkey; understands that the magnificent St Margaret's church of today was built on the site of a much older building, which had fallen into disrepair and no longer served the needs of a growing local population; notes that the total cost of construction was £6,000 and that the church opened for public worship on 11 May 1873; understands that a fire on 3 November 1951 caused considerable damage that was swiftly repaired, with old plasterwork removed to expose the beautiful stonework that is visible today; believes that St Margaret's has played an important role in the lives of thousands of parishioners over the years; appreciates the hard work of so many church elders, volunteers and ministers in successive generations, and understands that inviting previous ministers of St Margaret's, Douglas Lamb, James Boag and Jim Teasdale, to join Reverend David Albon in addressing the packed congregation during the service was welcomed with great warmth.

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**\*[S6M-10484](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Charities Share in Supermarket Grant Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates Venture Scotland on being one of the Glasgow charities that has been awarded a grant of £9,743 from the high street supermarket Morrisons Foundation; understands that the money will go towards equipment that helps people aged from 16 to 30 to improve their physical, mental and emotional wellbeing; further understands that the "Journey" programme uses challenging outdoor activities to help young people to leave behind the pressures of their lives, connect with themselves, their fellow programme participants, and takes place in the unique beauty of Scotland's wild spaces, and acknowledges that the other charities that have benefited from donations were Tollcross YMCA, the Scottish Pantry Network, Clyde FC Community Foundation and the Catherine McEwan Foundation, which received £21,000 to help with the treatment and research for children with active Crohn's disease.

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**\*[S6M-10483](#) Gordon MacDonald: Heriot-Watt University Ranked Top University for Producing Business Leaders**—That the Parliament congratulates Heriot-Watt University, with campuses in Edinburgh, the Scottish Borders and Orkney, on being named as a top university in Scotland and the UK for producing entrepreneurs and business leaders; understands that a study conducted by Novuna Business Cash Flow found that 15.76% of Heriot-Watt graduates have transitioned into corporate leadership roles; welcomes that the university was, it understands, also crowned best in Scotland, and sixth overall in the UK, for the number of entrepreneurs and business founders that it produces; understands that the report surveyed 121 UK universities and studied 9.7 million alumni profiles on LinkedIn to understand the accomplishments of university graduates; considers that Heriot-Watt University has a distinguished history in enterprise and entrepreneurship and fosters strong links to industry and business; acknowledges the university's commitment to developing and educating future leaders as a way to drive innovation, prosperity, and positive change in society; believes that the study reaffirms the University's reputation as an incubator of Scotland and the UK's business leaders and innovators, and wishes the university and its staff continued success in nurturing the entrepreneurial spirit across Scotland and the UK.

**\*[S6M-10481](#) Alasdair Allan: Western Isles Citizens Advice Service**—That the Parliament commends Western Isles Citizens Advice Service, as well as the wider Citizens Advice network, for the support offered by its employees and volunteers; recognises what it sees as the exceptional work and dedication of staff, volunteers and trustees in providing free and confidential advice for residents across the Western Isles; understands that the Citizens Advice Service gives advice on a wide range of issues, including benefits, debt, workplace discrimination, energy bills, guidance on legal matters, consumer complaints and housing; expresses its gratitude for the difference that it considers the service makes to the lives of people in the Western Isles, and extends its best wishes for the continued success of the Western Isles Citizens Advice Service.

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**\*[S6M-10480](#) Clare Adamson: Seven-year-old Katie Armour's Fundraising Efforts for Coltness Community Larder**—That the Parliament praises seven-year-old Katie Armour, from Coltness, for her fundraising efforts for the Coltness Community Larder; understands that Katie organised a bake sale at Carrick Hall, Coltness, in aid of the local food bank, and has raised over £300; notes that Katie, a Calderbridge Primary School pupil, attends Brownies, and that the bake sale helped her achieve the baking badge and charity badge; commends Katie on her efforts and kindness, and wishes her the very best for the future.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Emma Harper\*, Colin Beattie\*, David Torrance\*, Marie McNair\*

**\*[S6M-10479](#) Clare Adamson: Braidhurst High School Praised by Inspectors**—That the Parliament commends pupils and staff at Braidhurst High School, in Motherwell, for receiving praise from Education Scotland in a recent inspection; understands that the new head teacher, Tracey McDermott, was praised for her vision to further improve the school; notes that Braidhurst High School has over 540 pupils, and hosts a Scottish Football Association Performance School, as well as two local authority football programmes, which are the School of Football and the Girls' School of Football; understands that more than a third of young people at Braidhurst High School attend these programmes, coming from almost 40 primary schools across Scotland; praises the school on its strong, respectful ethos, as cited by Education Scotland, and wishes the school community all the very best for the future.

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**\*[S6M-10478](#) Gordon MacDonald: C&B News and The Edinburgh Reporter Join the Scottish Beacon**—That the Parliament congratulates local news publications, *C&B News* and *The Edinburgh Reporter*, on joining with 15 other local news publications to form the Scottish Beacon; understands that the Scottish Beacon website is the first collaborative journalism outlet of its kind in the country, and aims to strengthen the independent community-based media sector, bringing stories from Scotland's communities to a wider audience; further understands that the website will republish articles on topics including community empowerment, social equality, local democracy, and the environment, from Shetland in the north to Dumfries and Galloway in the south; recognises that the publications involved are all independently-owned and produce original journalism in the public interest, and are, it considers, firmly rooted in serving the communities in which they are based; notes that people can sign up to the Scottish Beacon at [members.scottishbeacon.com/join](https://members.scottishbeacon.com/join), and commends *C&B News*, *The Edinburgh Reporter* and the other publications on their stated aim to "re-invigorate local public interest news and overcome common challenges such as long-term sustainability".

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**\*[S6M-10475](#) Gordon MacDonald: Dr Nora Murray-Cavanagh Wins Leadership Excellence Award at NHS Lothian Celebrating Success Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Dr Nora Murray-Cavanagh, Clinical Lead GP at the Wester Hailes Medical Practice, on winning the Leadership Excellence Award at the prestigious NHS Lothian 2023 Celebrating Success Awards; notes that hundreds of nominations are received every year and that the top nominees are shortlisted and invited to the ceremony; appreciates that the annual awards recognise staff who embrace the organisation's core values of care and compassion, dignity and respect, quality, teamwork and openness, honesty and responsibility; understands that the awards are sponsored by the NHS Lothian Charity as part of a funding programme for staff development in their role to promote better health and wellbeing for patients and staff across Edinburgh and the Lothians, and commends all of the Celebrating Success Awards finalists and winners, in particular Dr Nora Murray-Cavanagh, on being given the recognition that it considers they deserve for going above and beyond in their roles.

**\*[S6M-10474](#) Liam McArthur: Golden Mariana Retired from Service**—That the Parliament recognises that the *Golden Mariana* is being "retired", after around 50 years of service; notes that the *Golden Mariana*, which currently serves the Westray to Papay route, is the oldest ferry in Orkney Ferries' fleet, and one of the oldest ferries operating in Scotland; understands that, after a review of the vessel, it was discovered that extensive repairs would be required to maintain her in service; further understands that, at around £250,000, the estimated cost of those repairs left Orkney Ferries with no other option but to "retire" the vessel; highlights that Orkney Ferries has stated that its other vessels are "not far behind" the *Golden Mariana* in terms of age, and understands that repair costs for the internal Orkney fleet are rising year on year; believes that the age of the fleet operating on Orkney's lifeline routes poses a significant risk to the connectivity of the isles and the resilience of those communities, and urges the Scottish Government to agree a way forward with Orkney Islands Council on what it sees as the overdue replacement of these vessels.

Supported by: Finlay Carson\*, Douglas Ross\*, Audrey Nicoll\*

**\*[S6M-10471](#) Audrey Nicoll: Portlethen-based Firefighter Receives Commendation Award for Efforts in Turkey Earthquake**—That the Parliament congratulates the four firefighters who received commendations for their efforts during the Turkey earthquake disaster in February 2023;



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understands that a 77-strong delegation of International Search and Rescue UK firefighters was deployed to assist in rescue efforts; notes that the team included Watch Commander, John Aitchison, who is based at the Portlethen Training Centre in Aberdeenshire; understands that the four firefighters were thanked by the Consulate General of Turkey for their efforts during a visit to the Turkish Consulate in Edinburgh, and were also in attendance at the King's Garden Party at the Palace of Holyroodhouse; recognises the bravery of the firefighters who participated in the rescue efforts, and passes on its sincerest gratitude for the risks that firefighters take to keep communities safe.

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**\*S6M-10468 Sharon Dowey: Tempura Ayr's Brandon Van Rensburg Named Entrepreneur of the Year 2023**—That the Parliament congratulates chef and co-owner, Brandon Van Rensburg of the Tempura restaurant in Ayr, on winning Emerging Entrepreneur of the Year at the prestigious Scottish Bar and Pub Awards 2023; notes that the event took place on 29 August 2023 at the Doubletree by Hilton in Glasgow; understands that The Scottish Bar and Pub Awards are in their 28th year and aim to recognise success and excellence in Scotland's hospitality sector; notes that the Emerging Entrepreneur of the Year was sponsored by Buzzworks and Montpeliers; understands that Brandon opened Tempura with co-owner, Mark, less than three years ago and that they have since expanded to four venues, a food truck and employ over 40 staff; applauds Brandon, co-owner, Mark, and all the tempura team for their contributions to the hospitality industry, and wishes them the very best in their future endeavours as they continue to thrive.

**\*S6M-10465 Alasdair Allan: Linda Norgrove Foundation's Campaign to Bring Afghan Female Medical Students to Scotland**—That the Parliament commends the work of the Linda Norgrove Foundation, a charitable organisation, based in the Western Isles, which is committed to supporting women's education in Afghanistan; notes the efforts of the foundation over the past two years to help bring 20 female Afghan medical students to Scotland to complete their studies, some of whom, it understands, were only a number of weeks away from graduation when women's attendance at universities throughout the country was banned by the Taliban; understands that all five of Scotland's medical schools have agreed to provide places for the young women to continue their medical studies; welcomes the Scottish Government's commitment to supporting the students by providing home fee status and associated living cost support; calls on the UK Government to immediately open the next phase of Pathway 3 of its Afghan Citizen Resettlement Scheme (ACRS), which it understands was originally expected to open in January 2023 and would allow the 20 students in question to apply for and receive the necessary status; notes with concern reports that, despite a commitment to processing up to 20,000 applications over three years through the ACRS scheme, the Home Office has only processed 107 applications over the last 12 months, and urges the UK Government to honour its resettlement scheme commitments and to work constructively with the Linda Norgrove Foundation, and the Scottish Government, to allow what it sees as these courageous medical students the opportunity to complete their degrees and contribute to the NHS.

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## Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

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Motions   Glusadan				

**[S6M-10537](#) Angela Constance: International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Order 2023 [draft]** (lodged on 19 September 2023)

New Support: Siobhian Brown\*

**[S6M-10535](#) Màiri McAllan: Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2023 [draft]** (lodged on 19 September 2023)

New Support: Richard Lochhead\*, Fiona Hyslop\*

**[S6M-10534](#) Maree Todd: Mental Health (National Secure Adolescent Inpatient Service: Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 [draft]** (lodged on 19 September 2023)

New Support: Jenni Minto\*, Michael Matheson\*

**[S6M-10491](#) Keith Brown: Devolution of Employment Law** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Ben Macpherson\*, John Mason\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10489](#) Liz Smith: University of St Andrews' Historic Double** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Tess White\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Alex Rowley\*, Craig Hoy\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10485](#) Annie Wells: Carpet of Bluebells to be Planted at Glasgow Victoria Park** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Tess White\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Craig Hoy\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10473](#) Audrey Nicoll: North East Open Studios' 20th Anniversary** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Tess White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kevin Stewart\*, David Torrance\*, Emma Harper\*, Colin Beattie\*, Karen Adam\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-10467](#) Sharon Dowey: Kyle Skating Wins Magnum Open 2023** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Annie Wells\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Craig Hoy\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jamie Greene\*, Colin Beattie\*, Karen Adam\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Edward Mountain\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Tess White\*, Sue Webber\*, Liam Kerr\*, Brian Whittle\*, Douglas Ross\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**[S6M-10466](#) Murdo Fraser: Perthshire Firefighter Retires after Almost 40 Years of Service** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Annie Wells\*, Russell Findlay\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Bill Kidd\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Douglas Ross\*, Alex Rowley\*, Sue Webber\*, Tess White\*, Craig Hoy\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Finlay Carson\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Rhoda Grant\*

**[S6M-10464](#) Michelle Thomson: Coversure Wins Title of 5-Star Broker from Insurance Business UK Awards 2023** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*, Colin Beattie\*, David Torrance\*, Emma Harper\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Tess White\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Audrey Nicoll\*

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Motions   Glusadan				

**[S6M-10463](#) Jackson Carlaw: All Eastwood Secondary Schools Ranked in Scotland's Top 20** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Russell Findlay\*, Sharon Dowe\*, Douglas Ross\*, Sue Webber\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tess White\*, Jamie Greene\*, Finlay Carson\*

**[S6M-10462](#) Michael Marra: University of Dundee's New Chancellor** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Claire Baker\*, Pauline McNeill\*

**[S6M-10461](#) Clare Adamson: Craigneuk Lifelong Learning Association Community Life Support** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Gillian Mackay\*, Sue Webber\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10460](#) Clare Adamson: Firewalkers Raise Funds for the Les Hoey MBE Dreammaker Foundation** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*, Sue Webber\*, Tess White\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10459](#) Clare Adamson: Food for Thought, Motherwell** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Gillian Mackay\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10458](#) Clare Adamson: Friends of Hartwood Paupers Cemetery Nominated for the National Lottery Awards Project of the Year** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Sue Webber\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10457](#) Clare Adamson: Clyde Valley High School Receives LGBT Gold Charter** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Sue Webber\*

**[S6M-10456](#) Clare Adamson: Craigneuk Clothes Bank** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10455](#) Clare Adamson: Clyde Valley High School Fundraises in Aid of St Andrew's Hospice** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Emma Harper\*, Monica Lennon\*, Colin Beattie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, David Torrance\*, Sue Webber\*

**[S6M-10454](#) Clare Adamson: St Aidan's High School Treks Ben Nevis in Aid of St Andrew's Hospice** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Sue Webber\*, Tess White\*

**[S6M-10452](#) Maggie Chapman: Showing Solidarity with the Friends of St Fittick's Park Campaign** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

**[S6M-10451](#) Maggie Chapman: Children's Rights and the Environment** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

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**[S6M-10450](#) Maggie Chapman: Congratulating the Save the Belmont Cinema Campaign**  
(lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

**[S6M-10449](#) Alexander Stewart: New Community Cinema for Plean, East Stirlingshire** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*, Russell Findlay\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Sue Webber\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tess White\*, Jamie Greene\*, Finlay Carson\*

**[S6M-10448](#) Sue Webber: St John's Hospital Employee, Nicola Walker, Wins Prestigious Award at Annual NHS Lothian Celebrating Success Awards 2023** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10447](#) Stuart McMillan: Curry Lounge in Port Glasgow Impresses at Glasgow Spice Awards** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10446](#) Clare Haughey: Glen Travel Celebrating 50th Anniversary** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10445](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Ongoing Strike Action by City of Glasgow College Lecturers** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*, Paul O'Kane\*, Alex Rowley\*, Anas Sarwar\*

**[S6M-10444](#) Annie Wells: Beatson Oncologist Nominated for Scottish Women's Award 2023**  
(lodged on 13 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10443](#) Willie Coffey: Civic Recognition for Phoenix Taekwon-do** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Tess White\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10442](#) Alasdair Allan: 80th Anniversary of Beinn Lee Air Crash** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10441](#) Tess White: Condolences for Robbie Shepherd MBE** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10440](#) Alasdair Allan: Launch of UHI North, West and Hebrides College** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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Motions   Glusadan				

**[S6M-10438](#) Annabelle Ewing: Hugh Black and Sons Ltd Named Best for Scottish Sourcing (Multiple Retailer)** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Colin Beattie\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, David Torrance\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Tess White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Emma Harper\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10437](#) Annabelle Ewing: Sands, A Place By The Sea, Named Best Cafe in Central Scotland** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Martin Whitfield\*, Colin Beattie\*, Miles Briggs\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, David Torrance\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Alex Rowley\*, Tess White\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10436](#) Kenneth Gibson: Royal Mail's Postage Stamp Price Rises** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Alex Rowley\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10435](#) John Swinney: Welcoming the Impact of Climate Cafés** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10434](#) Pam Gosal: The Great Scots' Bar at Cameron House Win Hotel Bar of the Year Award 2023** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*

**[S6M-10433](#) Stephen Kerr: Falkirk Bands Play in Schottische Nacht Concert at Schloss Erbach** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*

**[S6M-10432](#) Pam Gosal: April's Street Feet Dalmuir Wins UDO World Street Dance Championship for the BBY (Under 10s) Category** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*

**[S6M-10431](#) Pam Gosal: Clydebank Women's Aid Receives £3,500 Donation from Bernie's Mountblow Bar Dalmuir** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*, Craig Hoy\*

**[S6M-10430](#) Pam Gosal: Dumbarton Youth Volunteers Participate in the Fire Cadet Games in Liverpool** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*, Craig Hoy\*

**[S6M-10428](#) Claire Baker: Recognising the Success of Mid Scotland and Fife Businesses at the Scottish Food and Drink Excellence Awards** (lodged on 13 September 2023)

New Support: Alex Rowley\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10427](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Charity Honoured for Supporting Vulnerable Persons** (lodged on 18 September 2023)

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Motions   Gluasadan				

New Support: Sharon Dowey\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Sue Webber\*, Colin Beattie\*, Tess White\*, Craig Hoy\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jamie Greene\*, Karen Adam\*, Finlay Carson\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Brian Whittle\*, Douglas Ross\*, Liam Kerr\*

**[S6M-10426](#) Liam McArthur: 33rd Orkney International Science Festival** (lodged on 13 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Pam Gosal\*

**[S6M-10425](#) Alexander Burnett: Pat Scott Awarded 2023 World's Best Stovies** (lodged on 13 September 2023)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Colin Beattie\*, Annie Wells\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Craig Hoy\*, Martin Whitfield\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Karen Adam\*, Jamie Greene\*, Finlay Carson\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Tess White\*, Sue Webber\*, Liam Kerr\*, Edward Mountain\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Brian Whittle\*, Douglas Ross\*

**[S6M-10424](#) Michelle Thomson: Falkirk East Businesses and Individuals Named Finalists at the Scottish Beauty Industry Awards 2023** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Tess White\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10423](#) Neil Bibby: Ferguslie Cricket Club Wins the McCulloch Cup** (lodged on 13 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal\*

**[S6M-10417](#) Evelyn Tweed: Six-Year-Old Harris Inglis' Hole-in-One** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10416](#) Liam Kerr: Aberdeenshire Nursery Nurse has First Book Published by Pegasus** (lodged on 13 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Pam Gosal\*, Karen Adam\*

**[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: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Pam Gosal\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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Motions   Glusadan				

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

New Support: Pam Gosal\*

**[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: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Pam Gosal\*, Karen Adam\*

**[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: Colin Smyth\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10400](#) Clare Adamson: Megan Reilly's Scotties by the Sea** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10399](#) Clare Adamson: Made4U in ML2's Successful Summer Programme** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10398](#) Clare Adamson: Rivals Gym's Knockout the Stigma Events** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10397](#) Clare Adamson: Orchard Primary's Memory Garden** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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Motions   Glusadan				

**[S6M-10396](#) Clare Adamson: Orchard Primary Receives Asda Foundation Funding** (lodged on 14 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10395](#) Clare Adamson: Cambusnethan Miners Charitable Society Lifesaving Contribution to the Community** (lodged on 13 September 2023)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Karen Adam\*, Pam Gosal\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Pam Gosal\*, Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Karen Adam\*, Pam Gosal\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*



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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-10381](#) Liam McArthur: Zara Flett Signed by Strathclyde Sirens** (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Pam Gosal\*, Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Alex Rowley\*, Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10374](#) Donald Cameron: Campbeltown Local Receives Taekwon-do 4th Degree Grading** (lodged on 08 September 2023)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-10373](#) Donald Cameron: Outer Hebrides Group Launches New Capital Fund** (lodged on 08 September 2023)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*

**[S6M-10366](#) Evelyn Tweed: The Bridge, Stirling, Marks 20 Years of Support** (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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**[S6M-10365](#) Evelyn Tweed: Allan's Primary School Awarded UNICEF UK Rights Respecting Schools Gold Award** (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Pam Gosal\*

**[S6M-10362](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Skye Rugby's First Ever League Match** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10360](#) Michael Marra: Senior Traffic Commissioner's Consultation on Scottish Football Supporters' Buses** (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10359](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa Rotarian and Friends Cycling Gruelling Routes for Charities** (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-10358](#) Alexander Stewart: Scottish Autism Raises a Record Sum with its Annual Golf Day** (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-10357](#) Rachael Hamilton: Scottish Borders Walk It Programme** (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10349](#) Douglas Lumsden: 100th Anniversary of the University of Aberdeen's School of Engineering** (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-10348](#) Willie Rennie: Consultation on Proposed Council Tax Rises** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

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New Support: Alex Rowley\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

[\*\*S6M-10338\*\*](#) **Liam McArthur: The Passing of George Marwick** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

[\*\*S6M-10337\*\*](#) **Pam Gosal: East Dunbartonshire Hosts Doors Open Day on 9 September 2023** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

[\*\*S6M-10336\*\*](#) **Pam Gosal: Mylo McManus from Bearsden Cycles 28 Miles to Raise £936 for Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity** (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

[\*\*S6M-10335\*\*](#) **Pam Gosal: Success of the Inaugural Baljaffray Football Festival 2023** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

[\*\*S6M-10334\*\*](#) **Pam Gosal: First Brick Laid for Scotland's First British Indian Army War Memorial at Kelvingrove Museum** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

[\*\*S6M-10325\*\*](#) **Monica Lennon: Scotland's International Responsibilities and the Batang Toru Dam** (lodged on 11 September 2023)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*, Foysoyl Choudhury\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-10313](#) Tess White: Fundraising Success for Stonehaven Co-op** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Pam Gosal\*, Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Pam Gosal\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10307](#) Meghan Gallacher: Maternity Services in Scotland** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

**[S6M-10306](#) Claire Baker: SBBA Life Membership Honour for Fife's, Steven Craig, Bandsman and Conductor for 50 Years of Service** (lodged on 07 September 2023)

New Support: Alex Rowley\*, Karen Adam\*

**[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: Alex Rowley\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Alex Rowley\*, Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10292](#) Stephen Kerr: Works Begin to Improve Infrastructure in Falkirk** (lodged on 04 September 2023)

New Support: Maurice Golden\*

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

New Support: Alex Rowley\*

**[S6M-10278](#) Annabelle Ewing: Cardenden Village Fair 2023** (lodged on 01 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Pam Gosal\*

**[S6M-10249](#) Foysol Choudhury: Congratulating Peoples Ford Boghall and Bathgate Caledonia Pipe Band** (lodged on 30 August 2023)

New Support: Alex Rowley\*, Pam Gosal\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10218](#) Annie Wells: International Day of Sign Languages** (lodged on 25 August 2023)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Craig Hoy\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Miles Briggs\*, Edward Mountain\*, Liam Kerr\*, Liam McArthur\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Douglas Ross\*, Brian Whittle\*, Pam Gosal\*, Jamie Greene\*, John Mason\*, Karen Adam\*, Tess White\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10216](#) Annie Wells: Alzheimer Scotland's Memory Walk, Your Walk, Your Way** (lodged on 25 August 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10197](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Wishing the Beatson Cancer Centre's Running Team Luck** (lodged on 24 August 2023)

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New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S6M-10192](#) Martin Whitfield: Preston Lodge High School Success at World Pipe Band Championships** (lodged on 23 August 2023)

New Support: Colin Smyth\*

**[S6M-10181](#) Monica Lennon: Supporting Make Polluters Pay Action Day** (lodged on 22 August 2023)

New Support: Ariane Burgess\*

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

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-10130](#) Donald Cameron: Welcoming the Clipper Round the World Yacht Race to Oban** (lodged on 11 August 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

**[S6M-09965](#) Michelle Thomson: Dance Duo, David and Eileen, Win Ballroom Inventive at BATD Competition 2023** (lodged on 06 September 2023)

New Support: Karen Adam\*

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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 19 September 2023

**[S6W-21583](#) Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish its review of the minimum unit price.

### Written questions lodged on 19 September 2023

**[S6W-21311](#) Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether households and their guests who are engaged in the specific scenarios of pet-sitting, house-sitting or house-swapping, where no financial transaction is involved nor any business or commercial activity has taken place, will require a short-term let licence under the new licensing scheme.

**[S6W-21325](#) Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the latest statistics published by the Private Healthcare Information Network, which reports a 12.3% year on year rise in the first quarter of 2023 in admissions to private hospitals for treatment funded by a combination of private healthcare insurance and self-paid, which also accounts for the largest such comparable rise in any part of the UK.

**[S6W-21328](#) Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to the offences under the Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles (Scotland) Act 2022, how many people have been (a) arrested, (b) charged, (c) prosecuted and (d) convicted, also broken down by the (i) offence and (ii) court disposal.

**[S6W-21330](#) Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has undertaken of the impact of pilots such as the Golf for Health scheme in Fife, which sees GPs prescribe sporting activity as a health treatment, and whether it plans to provide financial support for any similar pilots or efforts to further roll-out "sport on prescription" as a means of prevention and cure of certain health problems.

**[S6W-21436](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has ever met with the Institution of Structural Engineers regarding the presence of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in public buildings, and, if so, when the first such meeting took place, and whether the papers and minutes from any such meetings will be published.

**[S6W-21437](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many data centres across all sectors are (a) in operation (b) under development in Scotland.

**[S6W-21450](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to ensure that foster carers (a) are paid a Living Wage, adjusted in line with inflation and (b) in Glasgow receive a fair pay increase, and whether it will encourage Glasgow City Council to (i) consider an uplift of foster carers allowance to bring it in line with inflation and (ii) introduce an annual and consistent increase for foster carers allowance.

**[S6W-21451](#) Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what action it is taking with NHS boards to address the reported long waits that women are experiencing for urogynaecology treatments.

**[S6W-21452](#) Paul O'Kane:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to reduce child poverty rates, specifically in families with a baby under the age of one year.

**[S6W-21453](#) Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress towards meeting its target of halving the child obesity rate by 2030, and what

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assessment has been made of the impact of *A Healthier Future – Scotland's Diet & Healthy Weight Delivery Plan*, now that it is five years since it was published.

**[S6W-21454 Russell Findlay](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government when the next Criminal Proceedings in Scotland statistics are due to be published.

**[S6W-21455 Monica Lennon](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is the case that it will not seek to alter the level of funding granted to local authorities should they secure additional funding from elsewhere, in light of reports that local authorities are reviewing the amount of money that they pay into the Strathclyde Pension Fund due to a reported surplus in the fund.

**[S6W-21456 Monica Lennon](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed the potential risk of NHS Lanarkshire returning its risk level to Code Black ahead of winter.

**[S6W-21457 Monica Lennon](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on implementing a local inheritance tax.

**[S6W-21458 Tess White](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the national survey programme of the NHS estate to identify the use of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in NHS buildings, including the number of buildings at risk and their location.

**[S6W-21459 Tess White](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns that misinformation on social media about hormonal contraception is encouraging women to move away from using traditional contraceptives.

**[S6W-21461 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a full list of NHS Scotland buildings suspected of containing reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete, following the desk-based research commissioned by National Services Scotland.

**[S6W-21462 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government which health facilities have been confirmed to have reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete, following physical inspections of the estate.

**[S6W-21463 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to expedite the physical survey of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete within the NHS.

**[S6W-21464 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government when it anticipates that the physical survey of the NHS estate for reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete will be complete, and when the results will be published.

**[S6W-21465 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how much it estimates will be the cost of the removal or remedial action required for reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete within the NHS.

**[S6W-21466 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete.

**[S6W-21467 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Institution of Structural Engineers regarding reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete.

**[S6W-21468 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what contingencies it has put in place for the potential relocation of patients and staff in hospitals or health care facilities found to contain reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete.

**[S6W-21469 Sarah Boyack](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many active working groups there are that fall under the remit of the Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands portfolio.

**[S6W-21470 Sarah Boyack](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many active working groups there are that fall under the remit of the Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition portfolio.

**[S6W-21471 Sarah Boyack](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many active working groups there are that fall under the remit of the Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy portfolio.

**[S6W-21472 Maurice Golden](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-20817 by Fiona Hyslop on 12 September 2023, whether any minister has met with original equipment manufacturers of electric vehicles in the past three years.



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**[S6W-21473](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-20826 by Neil Gray on 12 September 2023, whether it will provide the information requested regarding what proportion of the Scottish National Investment Bank's investment activity has been used to support companies able to demonstrate savings in both carbon emissions and material consumption.

**[S6W-21474](#) Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to provide accessible advisory services for farmers to adopt sustainable practices.

**[S6W-21475](#) Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government who will provide the education and training services that will be offered to farmers and crofters under the planned Agriculture Bill.

**[S6W-21476](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made regarding the cause of still-births in Scotland.

**[S6W-21478](#) Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in response to a reported increase in still-births.

**[S6W-21479](#) Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it has budgeted for the education and advisory services that are being proposed in the Agriculture Bill.

**[S6W-21480](#) Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to respond to the concerns raised in the consultation on the proposed Agriculture Bill that the use of the Whole Farm Plan for base level payments in Tier 1 would be a "one-size-fits-all solution" to what is a more complex issue.

**[S6W-21482](#) Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to respond to concerns raised about incentivising tree planting on agricultural land in the consultation on the proposed Agriculture Bill.

**[S6W-21483](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to take forward the recommendations of the report, *Lessons Learned – resetting national collective bargaining in the colleges sector*, in particular the recommendation that "full consideration should be given to appointing an Independent, non-voting Chair for the [National Joint Negotiating Committee]".

**[S6W-21484](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to encourage partners in the college sector's collective bargaining process to implement the recommendations of the report, *Lessons Learned – resetting national collective bargaining in the colleges sector*.

**[S6W-21485](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government which partners in the college sector's collective bargaining process have yet to provide a formal response to the report, *Lessons Learned – resetting national collective bargaining in the colleges sector*.

**[S6W-21486](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, as part of its move towards parity of support for part-time students that it announced in its Programme for Government 2023-24, whether it plans to implement the recommendation contained in the report of the independent review of student financial support in Scotland that "the Scottish Government works in collaboration with other interested parties, to look at how the key principles of this Review should be best implemented for part-time students and those currently receiving Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)".

**[S6W-21487](#) Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when the next round of the Flexible Workforce Development Fund will be announced.

**[S6W-21488](#) Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has conducted a climate impact assessment of its Infrastructure Investment Plan for the period 2021-26, and, if so, when the assessment will be published.

**[S6W-21489](#) Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will undertake a negotiation to construct electric arc furnaces at Clydebridge Steelworks, in light of the £500 million public investment package announced by the UK Government for the installation of electric arc furnaces to enable green steelmaking at Port Talbot steelworks in Wales.

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**[S6W-21490](#) Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government what the estimated cost would be of introducing 20mph zones across Scotland, and what analysis has been undertaken on the potential cost to the Scottish economy of introducing 20mph speed limits.

**[S6W-21491](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government how many meetings it has had with officials from the other governments of the UK since 1 September 2023 in relation to the latest COVID-19 variants, and what issues were discussed.

**[S6W-21492](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government how much COVID-19 funding it allocated for the financial year 2023-24, and how much has been spent to date.

**[S6W-21493](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government how many COVID-19 testing kits that it purchased in 2022-23 remain unused.

**[S6W-21494](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government what modelling is taking place to determine the likely impact of the Pirola variant of COVID-19.

**[S6W-21495](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on whether it will reintroduce free COVID-19 lateral flow testing for (a) health and social care staff and (b) the general public.

**[S6W-21496](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether access to PPE is readily available for health and social care staff.

**[S6W-21497](#) Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider extending eligibility for COVID-19 vaccinations to people aged over 50.

**[S6W-21521](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what frameworks are in place to ascertain any (a) benefits and (b) consequences of having beavers throughout Scotland's landscape.

**[S6W-21522](#) Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what risk assessment has been conducted in relation to any risk of the presence of beavers for rail infrastructure.

**[S6W-21524](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what (a) it and (b) its agencies are doing to support Doors Open Days in the Highlands and Islands region.

**[S6W-21525](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government how many communities in (a) Argyll and Bute, (b) the Western Isles, (c) the Highlands, (d) Orkney, (e) Shetland and (f) Moray do not have access to (i) 3G and (ii) 4G services. **R**

**[S6W-21526](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government how many communities currently have access to 5G services, broken down by local authority area. **R**

**[S6W-21527](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to establish a 5G infill programme, and, if so, whether it can provide details of any such plan. **R**

**[S6W-21528](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it can confirm the number of (a) fatal and (b) serious road traffic accidents on the A83 between Arrochar and Campbeltown, in each year since 2018.

**[S6W-21529](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on what percentage of local authorities' annual budgets have been ring-fenced, broken down by local authority, in each financial year since 2016-17.

**[S6W-21530](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will meet with Argyll and Bute Council to discuss a possible extension on the municipal solid waste landfill ban, ahead of its planned implementation from 1 January 2026.

**[S6W-21531](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government when it anticipates that Education Scotland will complete its work to develop a range of new resources relating to early reading.

**[S6W-21532](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government how many fines (a) it and (b) its agencies have issued to (i) publicly-owned and (ii) privately-owned water companies in each of the last five years, also broken down by the total value of fines issued in each year.

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**[S6W-21533](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government how many fines (a) it and (b) its agencies have issued to power companies in each of the last five years, also broken down by the total value of fines issued for each year.

**[S6W-21534](#) Donald Cameron:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many Police Scotland vacancies have not been filled in the last year.

## Amendments

### New amendments to Bills lodged on 19 September 2023

#### Patient Safety Commissioner for Scotland Bill — Stage 3

##### After section 7

##### Jackie Baillie

3 After section 7, insert—

*<Charter*

##### **Patient Safety Charter**

- (1) The Commissioner must—
  - (a) have a charter, and
  - (b) make the latest version of the charter publicly available.
- (2) The charter is to set out what the Commissioner expects of health care providers in terms of standards and good practice.
- (3) The charter may, in particular, make provision in relation to the way that health care providers engage with patients and their families.
- (4) The Commissioner must take the expectations set out in the charter into account when considering a health care provider's handling of an incident.>

##### **Section 7A**

##### Jackie Baillie

4 In section 7A, page 3, line 19, at end insert—

<( ) a charter (see section (*Patient Safety Charter*)).>

##### **Section 12A**

##### Jenni Minto

5 Leave out section 12A

##### **Section 15**

##### Carol Mochan

6 In section 15, page 7, line 25, at end insert—

<( ) professional regulators,  
( ) the Health and Safety Executive,>

## After section 15

### Carol Mochan

7 After section 15, insert—

#### *<Duty to co-operate*

#### **Duty to co-operate in exercise of functions**

- (1) Each person named in section 15(2)(d) must co-operate with the Commissioner in the exercise of their respective functions.
- (2) The Commissioner must co-operate with each person named in section 15(2)(d) in the exercise of their respective functions.>

## Schedule 2

### Jenni Minto

8 In schedule 2, page 18, line 17, at end insert—

#### *<Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Act 2019*

- (1) The Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Act 2019 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 2(3), after “Ministers” insert “and the Patient Safety Commissioner for Scotland”.>

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## New Subordinate Legislation

### Subject to the affirmative procedure

The following draft instruments were laid before the Parliament on 19 September 2023 and are subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Mental Health \(National Secure Adolescent Inpatient Service: Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 326(4) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

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

Laid under section 10(1) of the International Organisations Act 1968

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Order 2023 \(SI 2023/Draft\)](#)

Laid under paragraph 11 of schedule 3 of the Climate Change Act 2008

The following draft instrument was re-laid before the Parliament on 19 September 2023 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

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

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

### Not subject to parliamentary procedure

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 19 September 2023 and is not subject to any Parliamentary Procedure—

[Hunting with Dogs \(Scotland\) Act 2023 \(Commencement\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/262 \(C. 21\)\)](#)

Laid under Section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

## Members' Bills Proposals

### Proposals for Members' Bills

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

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

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

### Final 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: Jeremy Balfour, Liz Smith, Sandesh Gulhane, Graham Simpson, Sue Webber, Russell Findlay, Edward Mountain, Douglas Ross, Alexander Burnett, Tess White

**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)), 20 September 2023  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (45<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 (1<sup>st</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Passed, 23 March 2021



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*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](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

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

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

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

Stage 1 (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 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (52nd Report, 2023)*

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

Motion to proceed with Reconsideration Stage agreed, 14 September 2023

*Amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

### **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

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 19 September 2023

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 20 September 2023

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 20 September 2023

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (40<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

## **Legislative Consent Memorandums**

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

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

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

Lodged on 14 September 2023

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

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (48<sup>th</sup> 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) (13<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (47<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

### **Energy Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-26a**

Lodged on 25 January 2022

*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (5<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (16<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022

*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

### **Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill LCM-S6-23**

Lodged on 27 July 2022

*Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (14<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (59<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*

### **Northern Ireland Protocol Bill LCM-S6-24**

Lodged on 19 August 2022

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 June 2022

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

*Report – Lead committee (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture) (7<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)*  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55<sup>th</sup> 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**

Lodged on 1 June 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 June 2023

*Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (14<sup>th</sup> 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) (5<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (25<sup>th</sup> 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) (2<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2023)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (18<sup>th</sup> 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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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

### Subject to approval by 29 October 2023

[Carer's Assistance \(Carer Support Payment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (*withdrawn and re-laid 14 September 2023*) (Social Justice and Social Security 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)

### Subject to approval by 8 November 2023

[Transport \(Scotland\) Act 2019 Amendment Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/Draft\)](#) (*14 September 2023*) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

### Subject to approval by 13 November 2023

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

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

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

[The Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 4\) Regulations 2023](#) (*re-laid on 19 September 2023*) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

### Negative instruments

#### 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)

#### Subject to annulment 4 October 2023

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

## 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**

**Lead Committee report due by 23 October 2023**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

[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)

**Subject to annulment 2 November 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 30 October 2023**

[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**  
**Lead Committee report due by 30 October 2023**

[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)

**Subject to annulment 8 November 2023**  
**Lead Committee report due by 6 November 2023**

[Carer's Assistance \(Carer Support Payment\) \(Consequential and Miscellaneous Amendments and Transitional Provision\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2023 \(SSI 2023/258\)](#) (14 September 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Rules Order of Council 2023 \(SSI 2023/995\)](#) (14 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)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

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### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 19 September 2023 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Independent Living Fund Scotland Annual Report and Financial Statements Year ended 31 March 2023 (SG/2023/173)** laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

**Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2022/23 (SG/2023/128)** laid under Sections 14(8) and 26(11) of the Energy Act 2004

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