

Tuesday 2 April 2024

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Royal Assent

The Budget (Scotland) Act 2024 received Royal Assent on 28 March 2024.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

Meeting of the Parliament

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 27 March 2024

Tuesday 16 April 2024

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scotland's International Culture Strategy

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Automated Vehicles Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-12617 Oliver Mundell: Putting Langholm on the Map

Wednesday 17 April 2024

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 Conservative and Unionist Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-11787 Ivan McKee: Celebrating Scotland's Iconic Scotch Whisky Industry

Thursday 18 April 2024

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-12265 Pauline McNeill: Prison Officers Association Campaign, 68 is Too Late

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 23 April 2024

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 24 April 2024

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill

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 25 April 2024

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: Education and Skills

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

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Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- * before the number indicates publication for the first time
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- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

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

Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

***[S6M-12467](#) Russell Findlay: The Murder of Emma Caldwell**—That the Parliament notes the conviction of Iain Packer for the murder of Emma Caldwell, aged 27, from Erskine, Renfrewshire, in 2005; further notes that Iain Packer was also found guilty by a jury at the High Court in Glasgow of 32 additional charges, including the rape and sexual assault of 21 other women; notes with concern that some of Iain Packer's victims have told the media that they were initially not believed; understands that these include Magdalene Robertson, who reported Iain Packer to police in 2006 for raping her; notes with concern that, in 2007, four other men were charged by the police with Emma Caldwell's murder, and were remanded in custody before the Crown Office decided in 2008 not to prosecute them; understands that at least one of these four men reportedly received financial compensation for false arrest; commends former police detective, Gerry Gallacher, who learned of concerns about the murder inquiry and, it understands, decided to undertake his own inquiries as a private citizen; understands that Iain Packer was first publicly identified as a "forgotten suspect" by the *Sunday Mail* newspaper in 2015; further understands that, in response to the *Sunday Mail* report, Police Scotland launched an investigation that sought to identify the source of the newspaper's information; notes reports that Police Scotland unlawfully obtained private communications data from Gerry Gallacher, his wife, Marjorie Gallacher, former police officers, David Moran and Steven Adams, and two other individuals; understands that, in 2016, the Investigatory Powers Tribunal (IPT) found that Police Scotland's unlawful actions were contrary to these individuals' rights under the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR); further understands that, in 2022, the IPT found that Police Scotland had acted in a manner that was incompatible with the ECHR rights of the newspaper's then editor, Jim Wilson, with the judge, Lady Carmichael, stating that "There is a real risk that conduct of that sort will have a chilling effect on his ability to obtain and disseminate information in the public interest"; notes that, in 2019, BBC Scotland broadcast a documentary entitled *Disclosure: Who Killed Emma?*, which was produced by Eamonn O Connor and included an interview with Iain Packer, conducted by Sam Poling, in which he denied killing Emma Caldwell and being violent towards women; further notes that some reported victims of Iain Packer contacted the BBC after the broadcast and provided statements to Police Scotland; agrees with trial judge Lord Beckett, who, in his sentencing statement, gave credit to Sam Poling for her journalistic work, and also cited the "patient, persistent and professional police work" of retired detectives, Stuart Hall and David Barr; commends the work of all police officers, lawyers and journalists who, it believes, have been instrumental in collectively exposing

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what it sees as significant police failings and wrongdoing, which it is believed resulted in Iain Packer evading investigation for far too long, and which, it considers, has caused damage to public confidence in Scotland's justice system; notes with sadness that Emma Caldwell's father, William Caldwell, died of cancer in 2011 at the age of 62; pays tribute to Emma Caldwell's mother, Margaret Caldwell, and her family for their tireless 19-year campaign to secure justice, during which time, it believes, they have displayed great courage, strength, tenacity and dignity; welcomes the apology that has been issued by Police Scotland, and notes the reported view of Margaret Caldwell, her family, and their solicitor, Aamer Anwar, that while the judge-led public inquiry that has been agreed to by the Scottish Government is welcome, it should be presided over by someone who is wholly independent of Scotland's criminal justice system.

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-12701](#) Annabelle Ewing: Cowdenbeath Street Pastors Celebrate 10th Anniversary —**

That the Parliament congratulates Cowdenbeath Street Pastors on celebrating its 10th Anniversary in 2024, after its initial inception in 2014; recognises that the structure of the street pastors has changed over this time, with volunteers now hitting the streets in Cowdenbeath, Lochgelly, Kelty, Dunfermline, and Kirkcaldy on a regular basis; understands that street pastors are trained volunteers from local churches, who care about their communities, and who patrol from 7pm to midnight on alternate Friday and Saturday nights; commends all the volunteers for all their hard work and dedication over this time, and wishes them all the very best for the future.

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***[S6M-12699](#) Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Primary Pupils Raise more than £2,100 for Cancer Research UK—**

That the Parliament congratulates two Clackmannanshire youngsters, who are set to take on a muddy obstacle course for Cancer Research UK following, it understands, a devastating diagnosis in the family; understands that Emily Brisbane and her friend, Annie Westwood, both eight years of age, and both from Tullibody, will be at the Fife Pretty Muddy 5km event on 12 May 2024; is encouraged that the pair has already raised more than £2,100 for Cancer Research UK as a team; understands that these two pupils of St Serf's Primary School in Tullibody decided to take the challenge on after Emily's dad, Andrew Brisbane, was diagnosed with stage four stomach cancer; further understands that he is undergoing chemotherapy, supported by the doctors and nurses at the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre in Glasgow; sends its very heartfelt wishes to Andrew, and commends Emily and Annie on their highly magnanimous endeavours.

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***[S6M-12698](#) Alexander Stewart: Dollar Community Development Trust Launches Business Friends Scheme—**

That the Parliament is enthused that businesses, which it believes are playing a key role in supporting a Clackmannanshire community development trust, are being recognised in a recently-launched scheme; understands that Dollar Community Development Trust (CDT) launched its Business Friends scheme on 22 March 2024 to recognise those who have been supporting the ongoing work to provide activities and more to families in the area; notes that,

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during a small event in the locality, Dollar Co-op and Harviestoun Estate became the first two businesses to be recognised through the scheme; further notes that, since 2019, Dollar Co-op has raised more than £9,000 for Dollar CDT through its Local Community Fund and other fundraising activities of the staff; notes that Harviestoun Estate has actively supported the trust since its inception in 2017, providing operatives and machinery when needed, whether it was for erecting the marquee or preparing areas for planting, setting land aside for a community garden or helping with the maintenance of the Hive; commends everyone involved, and acknowledges that the building was successfully taken into community ownership in early 2022 using the community asset transfer process and a grant from the Scottish Land Fund.

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***S6M-12697 Alexander Stewart: Town Break Dementia Support Receives £20,000 National Lottery Funding**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that a Forth Valley dementia support charity has received £20,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that this financial boost is set to be spread out over two years; further understands that Town Break Dementia Support has confirmed that it will use this money to further its mission of inspiring and enabling people across the region to live with dementia; commends the work of the charity and of the National Lottery's Community Fund, and acknowledges the reported view of the National Lottery Community Fund, that the project delivered by Town Break Dementia Support is a shining example of community engagement and collaboration, demonstrating the profound impact that collective action can have on the lives of others.

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***S6M-12694 Kevin Stewart: University of Aberdeen Ground-breaking MND Research**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that scientists from the University of Aberdeen, in collaboration with the University of Edinburgh, have identified a new tool to detect signs of motor neuron disease (MND) before symptoms begin; notes that the tool, which uses a molecule called an aptamer, that is already revolutionising cancer diagnostics, identifies damaged cell proteins in brain tissue samples that can indicate MND before cells malfunction; understands that the tool targets diseased proteins to show where toxic clumps are building up in the body, providing greater insight into the changes that happen to brain tissue during the early stages of MND than ever before; congratulates the team at the University of Aberdeen, led by Dr Jenna Gregory, on this ground-breaking research, and hopes that this discovery can lead to earlier interventions and more effective treatments for people with MND.

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***S6M-12693 Annie Wells: Legendary Scottish Broadcaster Stepping Down after more than 30 Years**—That the Parliament congratulates veteran journalist Bernard Ponsonby on his broadcasting career, as he steps down after 34 years in the news industry; notes that the Glasgow-born political journalist was born in Castlemilk, educated at Trinity High School, Rutherglen, and attended Strathclyde University; acknowledges that Bernard has worked as a reporter in the field, a presenter in a studio environment and an election anchor for over a quarter of a century; recognises that the political journalist has been STV's special correspondent since

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2019, having joined the station in 1990, and served as the station's political editor for 19 years; acknowledges his presenting roles in *Scotland Debates*, *Scottish Questions*, *Trial By Night*, *Politics Now* and *Scotland Tonight*, interviewing six UK Prime Ministers and all of Scotland's First Ministers; notes that Bernard also covered some of Scotland's biggest news stories during his career, such as the Dunblane Primary School tragedy on 13 March 1996, and the Mull of Kintyre helicopter crash on 2 June 1994, and acknowledges that he has twice been the recipient of the Royal Television Society Scotland's Journalist of the Year Award.

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***S6M-12692 Paul Sweeney: Congratulating Bernard Ponsonby on his Retirement from Political Broadcasting**—That the Parliament congratulates Bernard Ponsonby on his retirement after a formidable career in political broadcasting; recognises what it sees as his steadfast dedication to holding those in power to account; notes his remarkable 34-year-long career with STV, during which time he covered the devolution debate in the 1990s, the Scottish Parliament since its establishment a quarter-century ago, as well as six First Ministers and their cabinets, and wishes him well in his future journalistic endeavours.

***S6M-12691 Christine Grahame: Penicuik Youth Hub Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates the Penicuik YMCA-YWCA and Rural Urban Training Scheme Ltd on being awarded £300,000 from the Community Ownership Fund to create a dedicated Youth Hub, serving Penicuik and the wider Midlothian area; understands that the hub will provide young people with various choices for vocational training, helping them achieve their goals irrespective of their backgrounds, alongside universal youth work to deliver a pathway of support, accredited learning and leadership, focused on progressive pathways for vulnerable young people that support their mental and physical health needs; considers that this will be an asset to the area for the years to come, and believes that the success in applying for significant funding is a testament to the excellent work of the hardworking staff and volunteers involved.

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***S6M-12690 Evelyn Tweed: Central Athletic Club Wins Senior Men's National Road Relay**—That the Parliament congratulates Central Athletic Club on winning the Senior Men's National Road Relay in Livingston on 23 March 2024; understands that Central Athletic Club beat over 50 other clubs to win the road relay by a comfortable margin, ahead of Giffnock North Athletics Club, and that the team was made up of Ben MacMillan, Cameron Milne, Alastair Marshall, Luca Fanottoli, Kieran Reilly and Calum Phillip, who led the field over all six legs of the race, resulting in the gold medal win, which is the third consecutive gold medal win for Central Athletic Club in the Senior Men's National Road Relay, and notes that Central Athletic Club has four training locations, in Stirling, Alloa, Balfron and Callander, where their nearly 400 members are offered training and competition opportunities in the disciplines of track and field, cross-country, road running and hill running.

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***S6M-12689 Evelyn Tweed: Richard Fox of Buchlyvie Wins at Scottish Nature Photography Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Richard Fox, of Buchlyvie, on being awarded the first prize in the Scottish Wildlife Portrait Category at the Scottish Nature Photography Awards for his image "Above and Beyond"; understands that "Above and Beyond" depicts a ringlet butterfly that had landed on a flower stalk and that Richard Fox has explained that he was out one evening near Loch Lomond and had found a new local colony of common blues, but was also revisiting this colony of ringlets, and that one advantage of evening photography is that butterflies start to settle down, particularly animated species, like the ringlet; notes that this was Richard's first time entering the Scottish Nature Photography Awards, and that he also had five other images shortlisted in other categories; further notes that the Scottish Nature Photography Awards were launched in 2010 to celebrate nature, wildlife and landscape photography in Scotland, and is organised by Perspectives partners N and J Irvine, and wishes Richard Fox future success with his photography.

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***S6M-12687 Christine Grahame: The Impact of the Scottish SPCA in 2023**—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish SPCA for its continuing efforts to improve animal welfare during 2023, building on its 185-year history despite the cost of living crisis creating exceptionally challenging circumstances; understands that in 2023, the charity saw increases in the number of calls to its animal helpline, animals coming into its care and calls to relinquish pets; believes that the Scottish SPCA has been innovative in its approach to dealing with the issues that are driving demand for its services, and is now working with 69 food banks and partners, in 18 local authorities throughout Scotland, as part of its Pet Aid service, which provides regular supplies of essentials for pets to food banks, with plans to double the number of food banks and community larders by the end of 2024; recognises that it will also be adding veterinary support to its Pet Aid service to improve access to veterinary care for owners struggling financially; understands that it continues to grow its volunteer foster network, which allows pets to be rehabilitated in a home environment whilst creating vital capacity at its rescue centres for the increasing number of animals arriving, and thanks all the staff and volunteers of the Scottish SPCA for their efforts in running Scotland's only all-animal rescue service, which, it believes, continues to be the voice of authority on animal welfare in Scotland. **R**

***S6M-12686 Audrey Nicoll: HR Hub Plus in Portlethen Wins Community Award in the Celebrating Small Business Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates HR Hub Plus, of Aberdeen, on receiving the Community Award from the Federation of Small Businesses' Celebrating Small Business Awards; notes that the Celebrating Small Business Awards allow for small businesses to gain national recognition across the UK and develop key working relationships with like-minded organisations; acknowledges that HR Hub Plus supports small and medium-sized business owners with a wide array of innovative and bespoke human resources services; recognises that HR Hub Plus won the Community Award for its initiatives that support the local community; understands that such initiatives include providing multiple short-term and year-long work placements for Robert Gordon University students and internships for secondary school pupils, sponsoring local community organisation events, offering discounted services to charities

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and undertaking free CV reviews and interview skills training for businesses affected by redundancies and administration; wishes HR Hub Plus long-standing success, and encourages HR Hub Plus to continue its important work in supporting the local community.

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***[S6M-12685](#) Michelle Thomson: Celebrating the 70th Anniversary of the Grangemouth Choral Society**—That the Parliament celebrates the 70th anniversary of the Grangemouth Choral Society; understands that the choir was formed in April 1954 by members of the former Dundas Parish Church, who joined together based on their passion for music and a desire to share this with the wider community; further understands that the choir's repertoire has evolved over the decades to include an eclectic mix of music, including disco hits, 1980s anthems, show tunes and choral pieces; congratulates the group for what it sees as the important role that it plays in sustaining part of the town's heritage and enhancing a sense of community amongst its members, and wishes the choir's 35 members, its musical director, Elaine Finlay, and its accompanist, Stephanie Moyes, all the best for their anniversary concert at Bowhouse Community Centre on 20 April 2024, and thereafter.

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***[S6M-12684](#) Sue Webber: Oxgangs Neighbourhood Centre Awarded Funding Through National Lottery Community Fund**—That the Parliament congratulates Oxgangs Neighbourhood Centre on being awarded £150,000 through the National Lottery Community Fund; believes that the centre has been a real asset to the community since it was founded in 1995, and is a vibrant hub in Oxgangs that provides a safe environment for those in the community who are vulnerable, isolated or lonely; thanks the National Lottery Community Fund for its generous support for a charity that, it believes, lives up to its motto "A Centre For All", and wishes the Oxgangs Neighbourhood Centre continued success with all the important work that it does in the community.

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***[S6M-12683](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Lanarkshire Nurses Recognised for Long Service**—That the Parliament congratulates 69 Lanarkshire nurses on receiving the prestigious Queen's Nursing Institute Scotland Award for Long Service; understands that the award acknowledges their dedication to serving their local communities with over 21 years of service; acknowledges that the recipients cover many roles, including district nursing, mental health, health visiting, treatment rooms and sexual health, and appreciates the outstanding commitment shown by the 69 nurses.

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***[S6M-12675](#) Michael Matheson: Action from Community Green Initiative - Denny and Dunipace**—That the Parliament recognises the hard work of a dedicated community group in Denny and Dunipace called the Community Green Initiative (CGI); understands that CGI carries out local litter picks, pushes for improvements to its local environment and parks, and works with

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partners on public information initiatives to make them more aware of their impact on their local community; understands that CGI carried out a litter pick on 16 March 2024, which was assisted by over 30 people who collected 60 bags of litter along the River Carron in the space of two hours, including those from the 51st Dennyloandhead Scout Group, Inspire Denny and Dunipace, and local members of the public; further understands that CGI has been doing this vital work since becoming constituted in 2006, with notable projects, including recent improvements to Herbertshire Castle Park, locally known as the Gala Park, which, in partnership with Falkirk Council and funding from the Scottish Government, upgraded the play park to be more accessible for families with children who have varying physical and additional support needs; believes that the group has also been instrumental in getting Denny and Dunipace a Pump Track for locals to enjoy, and congratulates CGI on its work on projects to make the local area better and for achieving a Level 5 for Outstanding Certificate from Keep Scotland Beautiful for all of its work.

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***[S6M-12662](#) Maggie Chapman: International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade**—That the Parliament commemorates the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, which took place on 25 March 2024; notes that the decision to proclaim this International Day was made by the United Nations General Assembly in 2007 along with the establishment of the Outreach Programme on the Transatlantic Slave Trade and Slavery; applauds the work of the programme, and the International Day, for raising awareness of the history of the transatlantic slave trade, its impact on the modern world and its legacies, including racism and prejudice; welcomes the theme of the 2024 Remembrance Programme, which is "Creating Global Freedom: Countering Racism with Justice in Societies and Among Nations"; commends, in particular, the programme's stated recognition of the pernicious legacy of racism, which is grounded in the false narrative of white supremacy; acknowledges the role of individuals, families and institutions in Scotland in establishing, perpetrating and profiting from slavery and the transatlantic slave trade; applauds those in Scotland who have sought to research and understand this history and to participate in processes of apology and reparation, and commits to encouraging such processes, to acknowledging and addressing embedded, structural and institutional racism and to asserting and protecting the fundamental dignity, equality, and rights of all.

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***[S6M-12661](#) Maggie Chapman: International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims**—That the Parliament recognises the International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims, which took place on 24 March 2024; understands that this annual observance pays tribute to the memory of Monsignor Óscar Arnulfo Romero of El Salvador, who was murdered on 24 March 1980; commends the UN's stated objectives of this day, which are to honour the memory of victims of gross and systematic human rights violations, to promote the importance of the right to truth and justice, to pay tribute to those who have devoted their lives to, and lost their lives in, the struggle to promote and protect human rights for all and to recognise the important work and values of Monsignor Romero, who was assassinated after denouncing violations of the human rights of the most vulnerable populations and defending the principles of protecting lives, promoting human dignity and opposition to all forms of violence; notes that the decision to proclaim this International Day was made by the United Nations General

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Assembly in December 2010; agrees with the conclusions of the *Study on the right to the truth* report, by the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, that the right to the truth about gross human rights violations and serious violations of human rights law is an inalienable and autonomous right, linked to the duty and obligation of the State to protect and guarantee human rights, to conduct effective investigations and to guarantee effective remedy and reparations; considers that the right to the truth implies knowing the full and complete truth as to the events that transpired, their specific circumstances, and who participated in them, including knowing the circumstances in which the violations took place, as well as the reasons for them; believes that this right is especially important and urgent in the context of what it considers as the ongoing gross violation of the human rights of the people of Palestine, and especially Gaza, and commits to promoting best practice for the effective implementation of this right, both in Scotland and throughout the world.

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***S6M-12615 Brian Whittle: The Book Nook of Stewarton Recognised as Independent Bookshop of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates The Book Nook of Stewarton on being named Scotland's Independent Bookshop of the Year in the British Book Awards, following nominations in the past two years; understands that the award celebrates bookshops that continue to support local communities with creative, specialist and community-centred activities; believes that The Book Nook embodies these values through its initiatives to improve its book stock and to engage with the local community through book clubs and events; notes that Sarah Frame, the owner of The Book Nook, has faced various challenges, such as the COVID-19 lockdowns and limited space for events, since the establishment of the business in 2020; welcomes Sarah's attitude toward making what it sees as a valuable contribution to her community by partnering with local agencies, schools, and clubs, in order to help fill any gaps in their regular programming; commends Sarah and all her staff at The Book Nook who have contributed to the success of the local business, and wishes them well as they turn their sights on a UK title.

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S6M-12682 Marie McNair: Duntocher Author Releases 10th Book at Event in Glasgow (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stuart McMillan*, Elena Whitham*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*

S6M-12681 Jackie Dunbar: Apache North Sea Becomes first £1 Million-plus Donor to Maggie's Aberdeen (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S6M-12680 Annie Wells: Glasgow-based Fraunhofer UK Research Wins Funding Competition to Develop New Clinical Tools for Dementia and Neurodegeneration (lodged on 27 March 2024)

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Motions Glusadan				

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Ivan McKee*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jeremy Balfour*, Craig Hoy*, Stuart McMillan*, Elena Whitham*, Russell Findlay*, Brian Whittle*, Tess White*, Sue Webber*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12677](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Seaton School Nursery (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Audrey Nicoll*, Stuart McMillan*, Elena Whitham*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12676](#) Sandesh Gulhane: University of Glasgow Awards Honorary Degree to World Health Organization Director-General (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12674](#) Michael Matheson: Celebrating CVS Falkirk and District's 10th Funders Fayre and 40th Anniversary (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12673](#) Michael Matheson: Falkirk High School in the SPEN Warriors School Championship (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Monica Lennon*, Bill Kidd*, Michelle Thomson*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, David Torrance*, Jackie Dunbar*, Elena Whitham*, Audrey Nicoll*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12672](#) Michael Matheson: Powering Futures – St Mungo's High School (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Audrey Nicoll*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12667](#) John Swinney: Marking the Opening of Riverside Primary (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Michael Matheson*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Audrey Nicoll*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Elena Whitham*

[S6M-12666](#) Willie Rennie: Medical Degrees at the University of St Andrews (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Monica Lennon*, Jackie Dunbar*, Kenneth Gibson*, Liz Smith*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Ivan McKee*, Stuart McMillan*, Miles Briggs*, Annabelle Ewing*, Murdo Fraser*, David Torrance*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12665](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow School Girl Wins Young Speakers Scotland Public Speaking Competition (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Stuart McMillan*, Russell Findlay*, Brian Whittle*, Tess White*, Sue Webber*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12664](#) Maggie Chapman: The Gaudie Celebrates 90 Years of Student Journalism (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Jackie Dunbar*, Elena Whitham*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12663](#) Douglas Lumsden: Tribute to Professor Alain Cribier (lodged on 27 March 2024)

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Motions Glusadan				

New Support: Douglas Ross*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jeremy Balfour*, Craig Hoy*, Edward Mountain*, Stuart McMillan*, Russell Findlay*, Brian Whittle*, Tess White*, Sue Webber*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12660](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Amputee Footballer to Represent Scotland (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Ivan McKee*, Meghan Gallacher*, Russell Findlay*, Brian Whittle*, Tess White*, Sue Webber*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12658](#) Gillian Mackay: Lanarkshire Macmillan Improving the Cancer Journey (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Monica Lennon*, Brian Whittle*, Sue Webber*, Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12657](#) Foysol Choudhury: 53rd Anniversary of the Independence of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12656](#) Rachael Hamilton: Berwickshire Students Win Borders Company of the Year (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12654](#) Sue Webber: Leslie Purdie, from Livingston, Named Bathgate Golf Club's First Female Captain (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12653](#) Liam Kerr: 40th Aberdeen Girl Guides Celebrate 100-year Anniversary (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*

[S6M-12652](#) Gordon MacDonald: Heriot-Watt University Scientist Celebrated at 2024 Blavatnik Awards for Young Scientists (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-12650](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating the Scottish Women's Premier League on a Record-breaking Cup Final (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*, Tess White*, Sue Webber*, Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12648](#) John Mason: World Water Day (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-12647](#) John Mason: World Tuberculosis Day (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-12646](#) Christine Grahame: Barkley Marathons (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*, Tess White*, Sue Webber*

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[S6M-12645](#) Jeremy Balfour: Congratulations to Jasmin Paris on Completing the Barkley Marathons Race (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-12644](#) Finlay Carson: Countryside Alliance Scotland Stages Rural Oscars (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-12643](#) Finlay Carson: Dumfries and Galloway Arts Festival Celebrates 45th Anniversary (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-12636](#) Annabelle Ewing: North Queensferry Primary School Sporting Award Success (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12632](#) Alexander Stewart: Army Veteran from Tullibody and Sigt Scotland Veterans' Teammates Conquer the Cairngorms (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-12630](#) Tess White: University of Aberdeen Rowett Institute Leads the Way in Brain Cell Research to Help in the Fight Against Obesity (lodged on 25 March 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*

[S6M-12628](#) Tess White: Kincardine and Mearns Youth Club (KMYC) Granted Community Asset Transfer of Former Sea Cadet Building in Stonehaven (lodged on 25 March 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*

[S6M-12626](#) Richard Leonard: Proposed Redundancies at Babcock Rail (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Monica Lennon*

[S6M-12624](#) Pam Gosal: Athena Glasgow Women and Girls Football Academy Receive £442 from the Asda Foundation (lodged on 25 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12623](#) Pam Gosal: Thomas Muir Primary School Parent Teacher Association Receive £442 from the Asda Foundation (lodged on 25 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12622](#) Jackie Baillie: Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health Scotland Report, Worried and Waiting: A Review of Paediatric Waiting Times in Scotland (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Monica Lennon*, Foysoyl Choudhury*, Miles Briggs*, Pauline McNeill*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Tess White*, Paul O'Kane*

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[S6M-12621](#) Pam Gosal: Families of Auchinairn Coming Together Receives £388 from the Asda Foundation (lodged on 25 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12620](#) Kenneth Gibson: The Gambian National Assembly's Bill to Repeal its Ban on Female Genital Mutilation (lodged on 27 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12617](#) Oliver Mundell: Putting Langholm on the Map (lodged on 25 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Sue Webber*, Emma Harper*

[S6M-12616](#) Michelle Thomson: Falkirk East's Jamie O'Rourke Named Personality of the Year 2024 (lodged on 22 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12614](#) Jamie Greene: Success for Greenock in the Scottish Restaurant Awards (lodged on 22 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12611](#) Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde Royal Hospital Workers Recognised for Completing 100 Years of Service (lodged on 22 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12604](#) Bill Kidd: Dr Julie McElroy, Pioneering Female Frame Runner Set to Make History at the 2024 London Marathon (lodged on 22 March 2024)

New Support: Brian Whittle*, Tess White*

[S6M-12602](#) Sandesh Gulhane: UK Government Funding for Glasgow-based Dementia Research Company (lodged on 22 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12601](#) Sue Webber: West Lothian Firm, Valneva, Wins Two Awards at Scotland's Annual Life Sciences Awards 2024 (lodged on 22 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12599](#) Pauline McNeill: Deepfakes and Intimate Image-based Abuse (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Ivan McKee*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Colin Beattie*, Foysoyl Choudhury*, Jackie Dunbar*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Elena Whitham*, Kevin Stewart*

[S6M-12593](#) Claire Baker: Raith Rovers' Lewis Vaughan Awarded Testimonial Match (lodged on 21 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12591](#) Jackson Carlaw: Kirkhill Primary School Receives Impressive Education Scotland Report (lodged on 21 March 2024)

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Motions Gluasadan				

New Support: Tess White*, Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12590](#) Michael Marra: Abertay University Dundee, Top International Games Design School (lodged on 20 March 2024)

New Support: Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12588](#) Michelle Thomson: Falkirk East's Table Tennis Superstar, Lara Stirling, Wins Second Senior Doubles Title (lodged on 20 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12587](#) Roz McCall: Fife Alcohol Support Service Receives £20,000 National Lottery Grant (lodged on 20 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-12581](#) Evelyn Tweed: 10th Anniversary of Debt Awareness Week (lodged on 20 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-12578](#) Sarah Boyack: Recognising South Asian Stories at National Museums Scotland (lodged on 20 March 2024)

New Support: Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12576](#) Bill Kidd: St Paul's Primary School - 50th Anniversary (lodged on 21 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12575](#) John Swinney: Congratulating The Loft Restaurant (lodged on 20 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12559](#) Alex Rowley: Physiotherapy Workforce Shortage in Scotland (lodged on 21 March 2024)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S6M-12558](#) Claire Baker: Welcoming National Lottery Awards for All Scotland Community Fund Award to Burntisland Big Green Market (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12555](#) Clare Adamson: Asda Foundation Funding for Projects in Motherwell and Wishaw (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12549](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: National Lottery Funding for Kirkliston Children's Gala (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12544](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Garelochhead Station Trust on its Successful Award from the Asda Foundation Grants (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

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[S6M-12541](#) Ariane Burgess: Recognising World Rewilding Day 2024 (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-12538](#) Paul Sweeney: Congratulating the Clancy Family for its Stewardship of The Laurieston Bar in Glasgow (lodged on 18 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12536](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Viewpark Conservation Group Awarded National Lottery Heritage Funding for "Treesons to be Cheerful" Project (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12534](#) Jackson Carlaw: Holocaust Survivor Henry Wuga's Sad Passing (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-12517](#) Michelle Thomson: Falkirk East's Richmond Park Hotel Named Finalist at the Scottish Hotel Awards 2024 (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12501](#) Clare Haughey: South Lanarkshire Carer, Debra Allison, Wins Lifetime Contribution Award (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

[S6M-12499](#) Jackie Baillie: Cancer Sciences in Glasgow Contribute More Than £500 Million in a Year to UK Economy (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12497](#) Miles Briggs: Celebrating Five Years of Data Drive Innovation at the University of Edinburgh (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12469](#) Jackie Baillie: Recognising Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland's "No Life Half Lived 1 in 5 Long Covid Report" (lodged on 13 March 2024)

New Support: Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12261](#) Ross Greer: United Nations Universal Periodic Review of China's Human Rights Record (lodged on 05 March 2024)

New Support: Elena Whitham*

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Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

Written questions lodged on 28 March 2024

[S6W-26478](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what the current waiting time is for a complaint to the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman (SPSO) to be allocated to a complaints reviewer, and what the average length of time is for the conclusion of such a review.

[S6W-26479](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what the size is of any backlog of cases that the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman (SPSO) has, and what the SPSO is doing to reduce any such backlog.

[S6W-26480](#) Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body (SPCB) whether SPCB staff are permitted to wear disability awareness lanyards.

[S6W-26485](#) Fergus Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to the proposals included in the forthcoming Heat in Buildings Bill, whether it has received any representations regarding whether (a) they could adversely impact upon the mortgage market, (b) mortgage valuation assessments could have to be changed for Scotland as a result of the proposals requiring homebuyers to commit to upgrading to clean energy systems, (c) they could lead to higher interest rates for mortgage holders in Scotland compared with the rest of the UK, and (d) they could create a reported "material shock to the Scottish housing market that could have a detrimental impact on consumers and the wider economy".

[S6W-26486](#) Fergus Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will commission independent advice regarding whether the proposed Heat in Buildings Bill could adversely impact upon the mortgage market.

[S6W-26487](#) Fergus Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to the proposals for minimum energy efficiency standards and deadlines to be imposed from 2028 under the forthcoming Heat in Buildings Bill, what its response is to reports that the proposals could have the effect of forcing existing landlords to withdraw properties from the private rental market, and whether it has carried out any study or research into whether the proposals could have the potential impact of reducing the number of properties available for private let.

[S6W-26495](#) Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the UK Secretary of State for Scotland's letter to the First Minister on 21 March 2024, in which he offered "the UK Government's assistance in introducing a recall mechanism for MSPs".

[S6W-26503](#) Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to the £1.3 billion that it has committed to spend on mental health in 2024-25, and in light of the "Mental Health Services" budget being frozen at £290.2 million, whether it will provide a breakdown of the source of the funding, including any allocated from (a) other budget lines in its Budget and (b) NHS boards; whether any funding from NHS boards will be ringfenced for this purpose, and whether it will provide a breakdown of what specific workstreams or services the funding will be spent on.

[S6W-26520](#) Michael Matheson: To ask the Scottish Government what recent engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding support for the bus building industry in Scotland.

[S6W-26521](#) Michael Matheson: To ask the Scottish Government what further support it can provide to the bus building industry in Scotland to help it compete in a global market.

[S6W-26522](#) Michael Matheson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered amending the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Contingency Planning) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 to include local resilience structures for MSPs in their constituencies or regions, including notifications and communications with all relevant partners.

[S6W-26523](#) Michael Matheson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider implementing national regulations for electric vehicle charging tariffs for (a) pence per kilowatt hour

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and (b) overstay fees that are applied by local authorities and other public bodies through ChargePlace Scotland.

[S6W-26524](#) Michael Matheson: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to engage with the UK Government regarding any implications for Scottish social security payments to women in Scotland of the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman report on changes to the state pension age, affecting women born in the 1950s, which states that those affected should receive an apology and compensation.

[S6W-26534](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to provide an implementation plan outlining how it will deliver approximately 24,000 electric vehicle (EV) charging points by 2030, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26535](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to support the market for electric (a) car and (b) van sales to move more quickly than is set out in the UK-wide zero-emission vehicle mandate, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26536](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to work with the UK Government to develop "an infrastructure strategy for deploying the required charging and refuelling infrastructure for zero-emission HGVs", in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26537](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to work with the UK Government to co-develop "appropriate regulatory strategies for enabling operators to switch to zero-emission options", in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26538](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to set out how the aviation sector will decarbonise in line with Scotland's emissions targets, while managing technology risks, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26539](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to implement Air Departure Tax, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26540](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to provide details on how it will purchase low-emission aircrafts, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26541](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure greater low-carbon connectivity to Scottish airports, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26542](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it will assist Scottish airports in developing the infrastructure required for aviation decarbonisation, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26543](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish the Islands Connectivity Plan in full, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26544](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish a plan for meeting its commitment for 30% of Scottish Government-managed ferries to be low-emission by 2032, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26545](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it will conduct a "comprehensive assessment of the suitability of deploying shore power and electric recharging

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infrastructure at all Scotland's major ports", in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26546](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it will address any challenges around decarbonising rail freight, especially on less busy lines "where network electrification is unlikely to be cost-effective", in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26547](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it will provide a clear strategy on how a 20% reduction in car kilometres travelled will be achieved by 2030, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26548](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government when it will set out the impact of achieving its 20% car kilometres reduction target on the road building plans set out in its 2023-24 Programme for Government, in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26549](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will explore options to address the reported rise in van traffic, which "has risen faster than that of any other vehicle type in the past 20 years", in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26550](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that "the 20% [reduction in car kilometres] target is not achieved at the cost of exacerbating van traffic, particularly in urban areas", in light of the Climate Change Committee's recommendation in its 2023 Report to Parliament.

[S6W-26552](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government when it expects to introduce a bill on ending conversion practices.

[S6W-26553](#) Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to ensure that the 62-day cancer treatment standard is met in NHS Ayrshire and Arran.

[S6W-26554](#) Michael Matheson: To ask the Scottish Government what further steps it will take to help mediate the reportedly ongoing industrial dispute in the college sector regarding pay and conditions.

[S6W-26555](#) Michael Matheson: To ask the Scottish Government what further steps it is taking to ensure that bus operators improve the (a) punctuality and (b) reliability of services for bus users.

[S6W-26556](#) Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the compulsory microchipping of pet cats.

[S6W-26558](#) Craig Hoy: To ask the Scottish Government how much total funding is made available to colleges to deliver apprenticeships.

[S6W-26559](#) Craig Hoy: To ask the Scottish Government how much total funding is made available to independent learning providers to deliver apprenticeships.

[S6W-26560](#) Craig Hoy: To ask the Scottish Government when it next plans to review the amount paid, per apprentice, to (a) colleges and (b) independent learning providers to deliver apprenticeships.

[S6W-26561](#) Foyso Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that the power of attorney rights of care home residents are upheld.

[S6W-26562](#) Foyso Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress of the implementation of the recommendations made by the Independent Review of Inspection, Scrutiny and Regulation of Social Care in Scotland.

[S6W-26563](#) Foyso Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government, when it is designing new policies, how it ensures that an assessment is made of any potential impact that a policy may have on older people.

[S6W-26564](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the recommendations in the Climate Change Committee's *2023 Report to Parliament*, how it plans to align its climate

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targets with the UK Government's targets, and, if it has no such plans, what the reasons are for its position on this matter.

[S6W-26565](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government what capacity grant funding it has provided to local authorities to support their plans for Bus Service Improvement Partnerships (BSIPs).

[S6W-26566](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government how its approach to Bus Service Improvement Partnerships (BSIPs) differs to the equivalent plans of the UK Government.

[S6W-26567](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government what elements of the UK Government's *National Bus Strategy: 2024 Bus Service Improvement Plans* (BSIPs), regarding the approach to the preparation of BSIPs by English local transport authorities, it has rejected as a model for local transport in Scotland.

[S6W-26568](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government what its key goals for bus patronage are, and how these are different to the UK Government's goals, as set out in its *National Bus Strategy: 2024 Bus Service Improvement Plans*.

[S6W-26569](#) Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the (a) Keeper of the Registers of Scotland and the (b) King's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer (KLTR) in relation to the reported application to register a title to the MacLeod Estate, including the Cuillin, in the Land Register, and whether it will consider applying to the KLTR to take ownership of any ownerless land identified in the process of land registration.

[S6W-26571](#) Ash Regan: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the reportedly significant waiting times for access to diabetes technology, such as insulin pumps and continuous glucose monitoring systems, for people with type 1 diabetes across Scotland, including in NHS Lothian, and what steps are being taken to meet the national targets and align with reported advancements in NHS England.

[S6W-26572](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what additional support was made available to allied health professional (AHP) leaders to enable national job planning for individual AHP groups, as recommended within the *Allied Health Professions Education and Workforce Policy Review Recommendations*, published on 24 February 2023.

[S6W-26573](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made to "coordinate and align strategies to market a career as an allied health professional across governmental, professional, and educational organisations including the sharing of resources, data and audiences", as recommended within the *Allied Health Professions Education and Workforce Policy Review Recommendations*, published on 24 February 2023

[S6W-26574](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how often the call wait time for the NHS 24 111 service has been over one hour long in the last year.

[S6W-26575](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any terminated calls to the NHS 24 111 service.

[S6W-26576](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of how many phone calls are made to the NHS 24 111 service because patients have been unable to secure an appointment with their own GP.

[S6W-26577](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how many full-time equivalent administrative support posts provide support to consultants across the NHS.

[S6W-26578](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made towards introducing self-sampling as part of the cervical screening programme.

[S6W-26579](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how many practitioners have been trained to be cervical screening sample takers in each of the last five years.

[S6W-26580](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government which of Scotland's trade unions the Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Energy has met with since entering her post, and when.

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Questions Ceistean				

[S6W-26581](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what steps the Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Energy has taken, since entering her post, to implement the recommendations of the New Deal for Business Group.

[S6W-26582](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what steps the Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Energy has taken, since entering her post, to set up the Small Business Unit.

[S6W-26583](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government on what date it plans to publish its review of employee-owned businesses.

[S6W-26584](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-22036 by Neil Gray on 19 October 2023, what action it has taken in relation to its commitment to improve its collection and reporting of data on how women are supported by Scotland's business support systems and how its actions are closing the gender gap and widening participation in entrepreneurship.

[S6W-26585](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what evaluation has been undertaken to date of the Young Person's Guarantee.

[S6W-26586](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government how much of the Scottish Industrial Energy Transformation Fund was allocated in (a) 2021, (b) 2022 and (c) 2023.

[S6W-26587](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how many public sector grants have been awarded since 1 July 2023 without requiring recipients to pay the real Living Wage or provide appropriate channels for effective worker voice, broken down by the value of each grant.

[S6W-26588](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how many public sector grants have been awarded since 1 July 2023 that require recipients to both pay the real Living Wage and provide appropriate channels for effective worker voice, broken down by the value of each grant.

[S6W-26589](#) Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how many public sector grants have been awarded since 1 July 2023 without requiring recipients to pay the real Living Wage, broken down by the value of each grant.

[S6W-26593](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government, further to its response to the *Stage 1 Report on Housing (Cladding Remediation) (Scotland) Bill*, whether it will provide a list of developers that are engaging with homeowners on cladding assessment and remediation, and how many assessments those developers have begun.

[S6W-26594](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) hospitals, (b) schools and (c) other public buildings have been assessed for external wall cladding containing aluminium composite material (ACM) since 2017; what assessment criteria were used, and how many buildings in each category were found to have cladding containing ACM.

[S6W-26595](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-24764 by Paul McLennan on 2 February 2024, when it anticipates that the development of its end-to-end single building assessment will be complete.

[S6W-26596](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide clarification of what it means for a building to be "on a pathway to a single building assessment".

[S6W-26597](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how many of the 105 buildings in the cladding remediation programme pilot have had assessments commissioned; how many assessments have been (a) started and (b) completed, and on how many buildings cladding remediation or mitigation has (i) begun and (ii) been completed as a result of an assessment.

[S6W-26598](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how many assessors have been engaged to carry out assessments as part of the cladding remediation pilot programme.

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[S6W-26599](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how many suitably qualified people it estimates will be available to carry out single building assessments in Scotland once any Act resulting from the Housing (Cladding Remediation) (Scotland) Bill comes into force.

[S6W-26600](#) Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government how much of the £97.4 million of cladding remediation funding it has spent to date.

Amendments

New amendments to Bills lodged on 28 March 2024

Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Section 14

Ariane Burgess

1 In section 14, page 8, line 35, at end insert—

<() the support for persons carrying out horticultural activities (including on market gardens and crofts) not being dependent on a minimum area threshold or livestock stocking density.>

Section 33

Ariane Burgess

2 In section 33, page 17, line 9, after <sections> insert < 14,>

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New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to the negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 28 March 2024 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/102\)](#)

Laid under section 275(5) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997

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Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 19 March 2024
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (77th Report, 2023)

Aggregates Tax and Devolved Taxes Administration (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Finance and Public Administration)), 19 March 2024
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (17th Report, 2024)

Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee), 8 May 2024
All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 1 May with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Assisted Dying for Terminally Ill Adults (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 27 March 2024

Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 20 March 2024

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

Budget (Scotland) (No. 3) Bill (G)

Royal Assent, 28 March 2024

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

After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 26 March 2024

Stage 3 (proceedings, meeting of the Parliament), 24 & 25 April 2024

Amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 17 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee), 30 April 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 24 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 5 March 2024

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 December 2022

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

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee), 30 April 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 24 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 23 April 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 17 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 26 March 2024

Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 26 March 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (11th Report, 2024)

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Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 26 March 2024

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)

Before Stage 2 (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 26 March 2024

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 13 March 2024

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 26 March 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (75th Report, 2023)

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee), 14 May 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 8 May with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 28 March 2024

Stage 1 (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 6 February 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (20th Report, 2024)

Scottish Employment Injuries Advisory Council Bill (M)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 18 April 2024

Stage 1 report - Social Justice and Social Security Committee (1st Report, 2024)

Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 5 March 2024

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 28 March 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (24th Report, 2024)

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

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 23 April 2024

Stage 1 report – Criminal Justice Committee (2nd Report, 2024)

Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 12 March 2024

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 Report (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee) published, 5 March 2024

Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 21 March 2024

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Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

Animal Welfare (Livestock Exports) Bill LCM-S6-41

Lodged on 19 December 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 22 February 2024

Report – Lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands) (2nd Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (8th Report, 2024)

Automated Vehicles Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-42a

Lodged on 29 February 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 16 April 2024

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (6th Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (19th Report, 2024)

Criminal Justice Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-43a

Lodged on 13 February 2024

Meeting (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 6 March 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (15th Report, 2024)

Data Protection and Digital Information Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-36a

Lodged on 14 September 2023

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (7th Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (57th Report, 2023)

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

Lodged on 19 July 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 20 March 2024

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (6th Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (58th Report, 2023)

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (9th Report, 2022)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27th Report, 2022)

Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill LCM-S6-40

Lodged on 15 December 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 14 March 2024

Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (1st Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (13th Report, 2024)

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Subject to approval by 27 March 2024

[National Smart Ticketing Advisory Board \(Public Services Reform\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (8 February 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 29 March 2024

[Plant Health \(Import Inspection Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (19 February 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Legal Aid \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (19 February 2024) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Alcohol \(Minimum Pricing\) \(Scotland\) Act 2012 \(Continuation\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (19 February 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Alcohol \(Minimum Price per Unit\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (19 February 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to approval by 5 May 2024

[Registration of Social Workers and Social Service Workers in Care Services \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (11 March 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to approval by 16 May 2024

[Sea Fisheries \(Remote Electronic Monitoring and Regulation of Scallop Fishing\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (22 March 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to approval by 20 May 2024

[Transport Partnerships \(Transfer of Functions\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (26 March 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 17 April 2024

Lead Committee report due by 15 April 2024

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Islands and Remote Areas Hospitality Relief\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/55\)](#) (22 February 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Regulation of Care \(Social Service Workers\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/56\)](#) (22 February 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Discretionary Financial Assistance \(Scotland\) Revocation Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/58\)](#) (22 February 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

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[Non-Domestic Rates \(Transitional Relief\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/59\)](#)
(22 February 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment 18 April 2024
Lead Committee report due by 15 April 2024

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) Order 2024 \(SI 2024/192\)](#) (23 February 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment 25 April 2024
Lead Committee report due by 22 April 2024

[Dangerous Dogs \(Compensation and Exemption Schemes\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/70\)](#)
(1 March 2024) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 5 May 2024
Lead Committee report due by 29 April 2024

[Scottish Social Services Council \(Appointments, Procedure and Access to the Register\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/74\)](#) (11 March 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 8 May 2024
Lead Committee report due by 6 May 2024

[Police Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/80\)](#) (14 March 2024) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 9 May 2024
Lead Committee report due by 6 May 2024

[Meat Preparations \(Import Conditions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/81\)](#)
(15 March 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 15 May 2024
Lead Committee report due by 13 May 2024

[Plant Health \(Export Certification\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/86\)](#) (21 March 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 20 May 2024
Lead Committee report due by 13 May 2024

[Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment \(Denmark\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/101\)](#)
(26 March 2024) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment 22 May 2024
Lead Committee report due by 20 May 2024

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[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/102\) \(28 March 2024\)](#) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 28 March 2024—

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee, 6th Report, 2024 (Session 6): Subordinate legislation considered by the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee on 20 March 2024 (SP Paper 562)

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee, 5th Report, 2024 (Session 6): Subordinate legislation considered on 26 March 2024 - Minimum Unit Pricing of Alcohol (SP Paper 563)

The following report will be published on 29 March 2024—

Criminal Justice Committee, 2nd Report, 2024 (Session 6): Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill Stage 1 Report (SP Paper 560)

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

Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 28 March 2024 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Argyll Ferries Limited SC391762 Directors Report & Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (SG/2024/38) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

CalMac Ferries Limited SC302282 Strategic Report, Directors' Report & Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (SG/2024/36) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Children & Young People's Commissioner Scotland Strategic Plan 2024-2028 (CCYP/2024/01) laid under Section 14A(1) of the Commissioner for Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2003

Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland Strategic Plan 2024-2028 (CES/2024/01) laid under section 14(5) of the Scottish Parliamentary Commissions and Commissioners etc. Act 2010 as amended

David MacBrayne Limited Annual Report & Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (SG/2024/35) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

David MacBrayne HR (UK) Limited Directors' Report & Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 (SG/2024/37) laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The Environment Strategy for Scotland: Progress report on Environment Strategy March 2024 (SG/2024/48) laid under Section 47 of the UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Continuity) (Scotland) Act 2021

Heat Networks Delivery Plan: Review Report 2024 (SG/2024/39) laid under section 93 of the Heat Networks (Scotland) Act 2021

Inspiring Connections: Scotland's International Culture Strategy 2024-30 (SG/2024/49) laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power

Fourteenth Annual Report on the Operation of Section 72 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 (SG/2024/29) laid under Section 73 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009

Police Service of Scotland Annual Police Plan 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025 (PSoS/2024/01) laid under section 35 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

Revenue Scotland Corporate Plan 2024-2027 (RS/2024/01) laid under the Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act 2014

Scottish Discretionary Housing Payments Guidance Manual (SG/2024/40) laid under Part 5, Section 91 of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018

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