# Friday 12 January 2024 **Business Bulletin** *Iris Ghnothaichean*



# Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

**Committee Meetings** 

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Today's Business	Future Business	Motions & Questions	Legislation	Other	
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# **Committee Meetings**

There are no meetings today.

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# **Future Meetings of the Parliament**

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 10 January 2024

#### Tuesday 16 January 2024

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection: Rev Linda Haggerstone, National Interfaith Officer, Scottish Pagan Federation

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-11589 Kevin Stewart: Languages at the University of Aberdeen

#### Wednesday 17 January 2024

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions
Wellbeing Economy, Fair Work and Energy
Finance and Parliamentary Business
followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Education
followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Health
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-11199 Brian Whittle: Recognising the Success of HMP Kilmarnock

#### Thursday 18 January 2024

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-11509 Ruth Maguire: International Insights, A Model for Scotland

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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2:30 pm Portfolio Questions Transport, Net Zero and Just Transition
followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Rural and Islands Youth Parliament
followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5:00 pm Decision Time

#### Tuesday 23 January 2024

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 24 January 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 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 25 January 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: Social Justice
followed by Scottish Government Business
followed by Business Motions

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# followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions5:00 pm Decision Time

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## **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

#### Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 16 January 2024 2nd Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
- 2. **Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2024-25 from—

Cllr Katie Hagmann, Resources Spokesperson, COSLA;

David Robertson, Finance Lead, SOLACE and Chief Financial Officer, Scottish Borders Council;

Mirren Kelly, Chief Officer, Local Government Finance, COSLA;

and then from-

Joe FitzPatrick, Minister for Local Government Empowerment and Planning, and Ian Storrie, Head of Local Government Finance, Scottish Government.

- 3. **Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- 4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Euan Donald on 85212 or at <u>euan.donald@parliament.scot</u>

#### Finance and Public Administration Committee 16 January 2024 2nd Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. Budget Scrutiny 2024-25: The Committee will take evidence from—

Jackson Carlaw, Member, Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body;

David McGill, Clerk/Chief Executive, and Sara Glass, Group Head of Financial Governance, Scottish Parliament;

and then from-

Shona Robison, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Dr Alison Cumming, Director of Budget and Public Spending, and Dr Andrew Scott, Director of Tax and Revenues, Scottish Government.

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

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Joanne McNaughton, on <u>FPA.committee@parliament.scot</u>.

#### Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 16 January 2024 1st Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

- 1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6, 7 and 8 in private, and whether to consider, in private at future meetings, a draft report on the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill.
- 2. **Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2024-25 from—

Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care, and Richard McCallum, Director of Health and Social Care Finance and Governance, Scottish Government.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024 [draft] from—

Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care, Rachel Coutts, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Food, Health and Social Care, Nigel Robinson, Unit Head, Professional Healthcare Regulation, Chief Nursing Officer's Directorate, and Scott Wood, Unit Head, Sponsorship and Infrastructure, Health Workforce Directorate, Scottish Government.

4. **Subordinate legislation:** Michael Matheson (Cabinet Secretary for NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care) to move—

S6M-11668—That the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee recommends that the Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024 [draft] be approved.

- 5. **Budget Scrutiny 2024-25:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
- 6. **National Care Service (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will receive a background briefing on the Bill from Scottish Government Bill team officials.
- 7. **Public health impact of vaping:** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Minister for Public Health and Women's Health.
- 8. **Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will further consider its approach to the scrutiny of the Bill at Stage 1.

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Alex Bruce on 85229 or at <u>Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot</u>

#### Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 16 January 2024 2nd Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.
- 2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the <u>Bus Services</u> <u>Improvement Partnerships (Objections) (Scotland) Regulations 2024</u> [draft] from—

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Fiona Hyslop, Minister for Transport, and Liana Waclawski, Lawyer, Scottish Government;

Orsolya Keri, Bus Regulatory Policy Manager, and Bettina Sizeland, Director of Bus, Accessibility and Active Travel, Transport Scotland.

- Subordinate legislation: Fiona Hyslop (Minister for Transport) to move—<u>S6M-11609</u>—That the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee recommends that the Bus Services Improvement Partnerships (Objections) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 [draft] be approved.
- 4. Environmental governance in Scotland: The Committee will take evidence from— Lloyd Austin, Convener, Governance Group, Scottish Environment LINK; Dr Shivali Fifield, Chief Officer, Environmental Rights Centre for Scotland; Professor Sarah Hendry, Dundee Law School, University of Dundee; Bridget Marshall, Chief Officer, Scottish Environment Protection Agency; Professor Simon Parsons, Director of Environment, Planning and Assurance, Scottish Water;

Jamie Whittle, Convener, Environmental Law Sub-committee, Law Society of Scotland.

- Subordinate legislation: The Committee will consider the following negative instrument— Bus Services Improvement Partnerships and Local Services Franchises (Provision of Information) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 (2023/368)
- 6. **Environmental governance in Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 4.

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath on 0131 348 6039 or at <u>netzero.committee@parliament.scot</u>

#### Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 16 January 2024 1st Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 9:45 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
- 2. **Scottish Human Rights Commission:** The Committee will take evidence from— Jim Farish, Commissioner, Shelley Gray, Commissioner, Claire Methven O'Brien, Commissioner, and Jan Savage, Executive Director, Scottish Human Rights Commission.
- 3. **Scottish Human Rights Commission:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 2.

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katrina Venters on 86244 or at Katrina.Venters@Parliament.scot

#### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 16 January 2024

2nd Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

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- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
- 2. Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure: The Committee will consider the following—

Importation of Animals and Related Products (Miscellaneous Amendment and Revocation) (Scotland) Order 2023 (SSI 2023/391)

3. **Budget (Scotland) (No. 3) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.

#### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Greg Black at <u>Greg.Black@parliament.scot</u>

#### **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:

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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.

#### Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

\*<u>S6M-11832</u> Alexander Stewart: Town Break Dementia Support Services—That the Parliament expresses its deep distress at the current financial situation facing Town Break dementia support services in the Mid Scotland and Fife region; understands that, while a 100% funding agreement by Falkirk Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) has safeguarded the group's work in the area, which it believes should be applauded, a lack of decision on funding by Clackmannanshire and Stirling HSCP has meant that some of Town Break's services in these local authority areas have been forced to close or be severely curtailed; further understands that these include closures in Alva and Bannockburn, which it believes the group and service users will find extremely upsetting, as well as cancellations in Killin and the curtailing of services in Callander and Alloa; considers that, since its establishment in 1992, Town Break has been a pillar of support for individuals and families affected by dementia; further considers, however, that in 2024 the group is currently facing unprecedented funding challenges, and notes the belief that an urgent appeal is necessary for an appropriate funding commitment to be made by Clackmannanshire and Stirling HSCP, as well as support from what it sees as the invaluable community in the region.

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\*<u>S6M-11811</u> Jamie Greene: Protecting Bank Branches for Rural and Island Communities — That the Parliament expresses concern at reports of the further closure of more bank branches in rural and island communities across Scotland; understands that face-to-face branches will be closed on both the islands of Arran and Great Cumbrae, leaving islanders on Cumbrae with no physical bank branch on the island whatsoever, with just one to remain open on Arran; further understands that, on 29 November 2023, Lloyds Banking Group announced the closure of four further Bank of Scotland branches in Kilcreggan, Bowmore, Tarbert and Glasgow Byres Road, also announcing a significant reduction and removal of mobile banking facilities from May 2024; believes that high street banks have a social, financial and economic responsibility to the communities that they serve, and that the removal of banking services from rural areas and islands often comes with specific and unique adverse effects on local economies; understands that rural and island businesses are often more likely to have a greater reliance on cash than in urban economies; notes the outcome of the *Financial Lives 2022* survey by the Financial Conduct

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Authority, which found that the digitally excluded, older people, people in poor health and those with lower financial resilience depend more on access to cash; understands that the Financial Conduct Authority is holding a public consultation on how it can support access to cash in an increasingly digital world, and that participation in this consultation is encouraged before it closes on 8 February 2024, and notes the belief that, while overall regulation of the banking sector is contained in UK-wide legislation and through the Financial Conduct Authority, it is both sensible and helpful for all devolved administrations, governments and political representatives of varying political interests to express directly the collective concerns over these proposed cuts to retail banks, and to work constructively together to ensure that the banking sector not only abides by its regulatory requirements, but also meets the social and moral duties that elected representatives have come to expect from the industry in the best interest of their constituents and communities.

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#### Other new and altered motions and amendments

\*<u>S6M-11850</u> Alexander Stewart: Father and Daughter Walk Over 1,100 Miles and Raise More than £4,000 for Scottish Autism—That the Parliament congratulates a father and daughter who have completed 20 of Scotland's great trails; understands that, by setting up a JustGiving page, the pair have raised awareness and more than £4,000 for Scottish Autism; notes that Ian and Eve Alderman, together known locally as "Our Spectrum Adventures", walked more than 1,000 miles for Scottish Autism in 2023, with the last route that they completed being along the Union Canal; understands that these 20 trails total over 1,100 miles, with just nine left to complete, including the 214-mile Southern Upland Way, which they hope to complete in 2024 and raise £10,000 for Scottish Autism in the process, and commends the duo for what it sees as their tireless and unwavering commitment in this regard.

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\*S6M-11849 Bill Kidd: Crannog Care Home Drumchapel Given Five-star Rating—That the Parliament recognises Crannog Care Home in Drumchapel, which has been given a five-star rating during a recent care inspection; understands that Crannog Care Home, which is based at Bayfield Terrace, Drumchapel, in the Glasgow Anniesland constituency, is unique in that it is effectively three small care home services in one, with each wing containing its own intimate care home environment that assists adults with dementia, learning difficulties and alcohol-related brain damage; recognises the report that was published on 8 January 2024, following an unannounced visit from the care watchdog on 30 November 2023, in which Crannog Care Home was praised for delivering person-centred care and support that improved people's life experiences; understands that Crannog's workforce is person-centred, with each individual's needs and wishes being central to their support plan, to ensure that they are supported to live the life that they choose; further understands that the centre was praised for promoting a homely and positive environment, and that the report highlighted the home's staff development day, which is a full-day event bringing workers together to discuss the service with feedback from relatives and residents to generate ideas on how the home's services can be improved; understands that inspectors said that this was a good example of inclusive practice that enhanced staff morale, resulting in positive changes in the service, with new activities and innovative approaches to care being introduced, and considers

that many families have seen their loved ones' lives improved by the support and care given by staff at Crannog Care Home.

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\*<u>S6M-11848</u> Pam Gosal: Milngavie Designer Invents Self-watering Origami Plant Pots — That the Parliament congratulates Scottish designer, Andrew Flynn, aged 32, of Milngavie, on creating the world's first self-watering origami plant pot; notes that the art of paper folding is believed to have originated in Japan more than 1,000 years ago; understands that POTR, the business founded by Andrew, has secured a distribution deal to sell the 100% recycled sustainable design in Japan, and will be moving into the US market later in 2024; wishes the team the very best of success, and looks forward to seeing the growth of the company at an international level.

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\*<u>S6M-11847</u> Pam Gosal: Helensburgh Automotive Employee Trust Takes Ownership of Helensburgh Toyota—That the Parliament congratulates the Helensburgh Automotive Employee Trust, which is comprised of 34 employees across the two local sites, on its plans to take over Helensburgh Toyota in March 2024; understands that this will be the first-of-a-kind Scottish car dealership that is making the move to implement an Employee Ownership Trust (EOT), which passes the company into long-term employee ownership; understands that the business turned over £16 million last year and had a £500,000 refurbishment; acknowledges that the dealership has been firmly established in the town for 45 years; appreciates what it sees as the exciting new chapter for the employees who have become co-owners of the new venture, and wishes the entire team every success in establishing the new enterprise.

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\*S6M-11846 Rachael Hamilton: Scottish Borders Organisations Levelled Up after Latest Round of UK Shared Prosperity Funding Announced — That the Parliament congratulates Gunsgreen House Trust, Haining Charitable Trust and Borders College on being named in the latest round of funding released to local organisations in the Scottish Borders by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF); understands that both the Gunsgreen House Trust and Haining Charitable Trust plan to refurbish parts of their respective buildings to improve accessibility and visitor numbers, and that Borders College plans to fund three projects that will increase employability opportunities for those out of work, boost skills for local businesses, and allow feasibility work to help meet the growing demand for land-based skills to be undertaken across the Scottish Borders; believes that many organisations across Scotland have benefited from the UKSPF, which, it considers, provides levelling up opportunities for communities across the country; further believes that the UKSPF allows local community leaders from across the UK to improve their communities, unshackled from what it sees as previous EU restrictions; understands that over £2.5 billion in total has been earmarked by the UK Government for the UKSPF, and wishes the recipients of the funding well in what it sees as their endeavours to continue levelling up the UK.

\*<u>S6M-11845</u> Stephanie Callaghan: MorphFit Gentle Movement Project Ltd Receives £7,500 Grant from the National Lottery Community Fund—That the Parliament congratulates MorphFit Gentle Movement Project Ltd on receiving £7,500 from the National Lottery Community Fund;

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understands that this funding will allow MorphFit Gentle Movement Project to deliver a holistic wellbeing programme to people across South Lanarkshire, including older people, people with health conditions and those with caring responsibilities who are isolated, and wishes MorphFit Gentle Movement Project the best of luck in its future endeavours.

\*<u>S6M-11844</u> Michelle Thomson: The National Lottery Community Fund Supports Falkirk East Communities—That the Parliament congratulates the groups from the Falkirk East constituency that have been awarded a combined total of £20,660 in the latest funding round from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that KLSB Community Group received a grant of £9,480 towards funding a community Christmas event to bring people together to enjoy each other's company and showcase the area; further understands that Avonbridge Community Association received funding of £7,268 towards running a weekly community café in Avonbridge to encourage social wellbeing; understands that the Bo'ness Children's Fair Festival received a grant of £3,912 to support the group hosting four free intergenerational events for the community, taking place at the Hippodrome in Bo'ness; congratulates these community groups on being awarded National Lottery Community Fund grants, and wishes them the best of luck as they progress with their respective projects.

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\*<u>S6M-11843</u> Stephanie Callaghan: Fair Play Foundation Receives £7,500 from the National Lottery Community Fund—That the Parliament congratulates the Fair Play Foundation on securing £7,500 of funding from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that this will allow the Fair Play Foundation to deliver activity sessions for those aged 65 years or older across South Lanarkshire, including those in care homes, and wishes the Fair Play Foundation the best of luck in its future endeavours.

\*<u>S6M-11842</u> Roz McCall: Playhouse Theatre Company Comes to Dunfermline—That the Parliament recognises that the London professional performers, Lucy Duffy and Jack Blundell, have brought the Playhouse Theatre Company to the city and plan to present their amateur premiere of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* at Carnegie Hall in May 2023; understands that both Lucy and Jack bring a wealth of acting experience and talent to their new venture in Dunfermline; notes that the new theatre company will bring industry-standard classes and opportunities to perform for West Fifers; acknowledges that free audition workshops will be held on 27-28 January 2024 and that performers of all ages and experience levels are encouraged to get involved, and wishes Lucy and Jack all the very best for their new venture.

\*<u>S6M-11841</u> Stuart McMillan: Greenock Asian Restaurant Named Best in Scotland Just Months After Opening—That the Parliament congratulates Umami by 17Ngon, run by chef Ben Egan, on being named Pan Asian Restaurant of the Year at the Scottish Asian Food Awards in Glasgow on 8 January 2023; notes that the street food café, which is based in Greenock, opened its doors on 30 August 2023 and offers an array of Pan Asian dishes, with the menu changing every few weeks to offer a variety of dishes for customers; recognises that Ben previously worked in Michelin star restaurants before moving to Inverclyde and has travelled extensively through Asia, where he developed a love for cuisines such as Japanese and Vietnamese; believes that this award is testament to the quality and variety of dishes offered by Ben, and how well-loved the food is by his growing customer base, and wishes him all the best for the future.

\*<u>S6M-11840</u> Kenneth Gibson: Largs' Peter and June Bowyer Save a Life—That the Parliament praises Peter and June Bowyer, from Largs, for saving the life of a motorist on the

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A760 near Lochwinnoch; notes that June and Peter were travelling by car to buy a Christmas tree when they noticed a car driving erratically before coming to a halt; understands that, alongside other motorists, they immediately stopped and helped the driver out of the vehicle; is aware that June was able to use her coastguard training to help resuscitate the man at the side of the road, while former fire chief, Peter, was on the phone to emergency services; further understands that the man started breathing again due to their lifesaving intervention and that the fire engine arrived with a defibrillator before an ambulance arrived on scene; believes that this shows the vital importance of both CPR training and defibrillator availability in emergencies such as this, and wishes Peter and June, the stricken driver of the car, and everyone involved in this emergency the very best.

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\*<u>S6M-11839</u> Christine Grahame: Congratulating Watch Commander David Gibson Penicuik

**Fire Station**—That the Parliament recognises the service of Watch Commander, David Gibson, based at Penicuik Community Fire Station, who has been awarded the King's Fire Service Medal (KFSM); understands that WC Gibson has spent over 44 years helping to protect his local community whilst balancing his role with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) with working full time as a mental health nurse until he retired from the NHS in 2021; further understands that WC Gibson was also involved in the integration of the Scottish Ambulance Service co-location at Penicuik Community Fire Station in 2022, and has also become a Wellbeing Champion for SFRS, providing support to colleagues in the Midlothian, East Lothian and Scottish Borders areas; thanks WC Gibson for his exceptional service, and expresses its ongoing gratitude to all emergency workers who keep Scotland's communities safe.

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\*<u>S6M-11838</u> Alexander Burnett: Deeside Rugby Club U16 Team Wins SRU National Plate Final—That the Parliament congratulates the Deeside RFC U16 team on winning the Scottish Rugby Union (SRU) national plate final at the famous Riverside Drive Pitch in Jedburgh, in blustery conditions on 17 December 2023; understands that the team won the final against Jed Thistle RFC U16s; notes that Deeside opened the scoring with a seven-minute try from scrum half, Archie Saunders, and a late first half try from left wing, Oliver Njuguna, and a conversion from fly half, Rory Smart, giving Deeside a 0-12 lead at half time; further understands that, after a very tense second half, Keir Morrow scored off a well-worked lineout move on the Jed Thistle fivemetre line, which Rory Smart converted once again; understands that Deeside's Kristian Eggerton was awarded Man of the Match, and commends the team for what it sees as its exceptional teamwork in winning the club's first national accolade, and for, it believes, being fantastic ambassadors for Deeside RFC and for rugby in the north east, with more to come from this group of players in the future. **R** 

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\*<u>S6M-11837</u> Willie Coffey: MBE for Kilmarnock Teacher—That the Parliament congratulates Chris Smith, a maths teacher at Grange Academy, Kilmarnock, on being appointed Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) in The King's New Year Honours List; understands that Chris has already been named Teacher of the Year at the Scottish Education Awards in 2018, and that

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he has a unique approach to teaching maths to his students, using innovative thinking to help students to think differently and embrace maths; notes that Chris also has a weekly maths newsletter, which he has made for 15 years, along with his annual study camps, and his love of Pi Day and its celebrations, and congratulates Chris once again on this fantastic achievement.

\*<u>S6M-11836</u> Beatrice Wishart: Shetland Islands Council Volunteers Deliver over 100 Christmas Dinners—That the Parliament congratulates Shetland Islands Council volunteers on delivering over 100 free Christmas dinners to people in Lerwick and Scalloway, Shetland, on Christmas Day 2023; understands that Alison Beattie and Brenda Moar, who run the kitchen at Sound Primary School in Shetland, volunteered with a team of helpers to cook full turkey dinners and homemade sticky toffee puddings, which were delivered to around 50 homes on 25 December; further understands that the volunteer team also provided the Christmas meal for voluntary group Food for the Way, which hosted a Christmas dinner for 35 people; commends the efforts of local businesses that donated food supplies to ensure that the festive initiative could happen; praises the volunteer kitchen hands and volunteer drivers who gave their time and skills on Christmas Day to help their community; notes that, thanks to this initiative, people who otherwise would not have had a Christmas dinner were able to enjoy one; considers that the initiative was a success, and wishes all involved all the best in their future endeavours.

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\*<u>S6M-11833</u> Tess White: Success for Stonehaven Fireballs Festival 2024 — That the Parliament congratulates the volunteers and committee of the Stonehaven Fireballs New Year 2024 ceremony, for carrying out another successful and safe New Year celebration; understands that the event is one of the oldest New Year traditions in the world, with the Stonehaven festival thought to date back to at least the 19th century; appreciates the effort by all involved in staging the unique fireball event, with the pre-event entertainment provided along Stonehaven High Street by Newtonhill Pipe Band and the Lindsay School of Dancing; recognises the tireless effort that goes into organising the fireball ceremony all year round, and wishes the Fireball ceremony committee, fireballers and marshals many successful New Years to come.

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\*<u>S6M-11830</u> Kevin Stewart: Free Weekend Bus Travel in Aberdeen—That the Parliament welcomes the initiative by First Bus and Stagecoach to offer free weekend travel across Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire in January 2024; understands that both companies have said that this initiative is the result of them reinvesting the saving that they have made due to the bus priority measures in Aberdeen city centre; further understands that the bus priority measures are already reducing pollution and congestion in the city centre, while improving the punctuality, reliability and journey times of buses; believes that this initiative by First Bus and Stagecoach will help to encourage people to use public transport and to visit Aberdeen city centre, and encourages people across Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire to make the most of this offer.

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#### \*<u>S6M-11829</u> Maggie Chapman: Supporting South Africa's International Court of Justice

**Case**—That the Parliament commends the Republic of South Africa for submitting an application to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) for an urgent order declaring that Israel is in breach of its obligations under the 1948 Genocide Convention, which defines genocide as "acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, racial or religious group"; believes that this action is important and will help put a stop to what it sees as the killing of many innocent Palestinians in Gaza and the West Bank, including children, the destruction of their homes, their expulsion and displacement, as well as the enforcement of a blockade on food, water and medical assistance on Gaza; understands that the ICJ has scheduled a hearing for 11-12 January 2024; considers that South Africa is well-placed, given its history of apartheid, to raise this matter in the international community; looks forward to the ICJ ruling, and hopes that it will end what it considers to be the senseless and indiscriminate murder of the civilian population in Palestine, as soon as possible.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Monica Lennon\*, Ariane Burgess\*, Gillian Mackay\*, David Torrance\*, Ivan McKee\*, Carol Mochan\*, Ross Greer\*, Kevin Stewart\*

\*<u>S6M-11828</u> Tom Arthur: Consumer Scotland Act 2020 (Relevant Public Authorities) Regulations 2024 [draft]—That the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee recommends that the Consumer Scotland Act 2020 (Relevant Public Authorities) Regulations 2024 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Shona Robison, George Adam, Joe FitzPatrick

\*S6M-11827 Kenneth Gibson: Congratulations to COAST—That the Parliament congratulates the leading community marine conservation charity, the Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST), on receiving funding worth £164,762 from the National Lottery Heritage Fund, matchfunded by the Highlands and Islands Environment Foundation and the Helvellyn Foundation; is aware that this was made possible by National Lottery players, and is for the exciting new project, Now You SEA It!, which is aimed at expanding engagement with young people across North Ayrshire, as well as allowing COAST to carry out the scoping stage for the potential redevelopment of its Discovery Centre and grounds; considers that, for the last 25 years, COAST has been at the forefront of community-led marine conservation in Scotland, largely powered by sheer determination with strong community support; understands that this vital funding will allow it to invest the time in capacity building for the future to ensure the longevity of the organisation; acknowledges that these recent grants represent a significant milestone for COAST, enabling it to reach more young individuals and make an even greater impact on their lives, while also supporting internal organisational development of the charity, and wishes the executive director, Aine Purcell-Milton, the chair, Cicely Gill, and everyone at COAST continuing success for the months and years ahead.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Colin Beattie\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Ross Greer\*

\*<u>S6M-11826</u> Christine Grahame: Bikeability Scotland—That the Parliament welcomes the news that every P6 pupil across the Scottish Borders received Bikeability Scotland cycle safety training in the last academic year, and that this feat is on track to be repeated; understands that the playground-based Bikeability 1 cycle skills training and Bikeability 2 road safety cycle training sees bikes and helmets provided to all children to participate, and aims to ensure that they are confident on a bike as well as being safe; notes that the programme is delivered locally by Scottish Borders Council's Outdoor Education team, with ongoing support from Cycling Scotland, Smarter

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Choices, Smarter Places funding and the Community Cycling Fund, and believes that such initiatives will continue to positively influence the way that young people engage with cycling as part of their day-to-day lives, as a means of active travel and contribute to good mental and physical wellbeing.

Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Colin Beattie\*, Emma Harper\*, David Torrance\*

\*<u>S6M-11825</u> Martin Whitfield: Torness Nuclear Power Station's Contribution to Scotland's Clean Energy Output—That the Parliament notes the latest published Digest of UK Energy Statistics, released by the UK Government Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, which reportedly shows that nuclear energy generated 16% of Scotland's electricity in 2022; further notes that the figures published reportedly show that 86% of Scotland's electricity generation came from low-carbon sources in 2022, with nuclear continuing to play a role in the country's energy mix; understands that Torness power station is Scotland's last remaining nuclear power station, and that, over its lifetime, it has produced enough power for every home in Scotland for 29 years and saved 98 million tonnes of CO2 emissions; further understands that Torness is the single largest electricity generator in Scotland, and the most reliable and lowest carbon electricity generator; welcomes EDF's reported ambition to extend the life of Torness beyond March 2028 for jobs, energy security, bills and carbon saving, which in turn, it believes, will be a huge boost for East Lothian and across Scotland, and understands that several countries in Europe, including France, Belgium and Sweden, have announced plans to extend the operating lives of nuclear reactors.

Supported by: Douglas Lumsden\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Liam Kerr\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Miles Briggs\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Brian Whittle\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Pam Gosal\*, Graham Simpson\*

\*<u>S6M-11820</u> Rachael Hamilton: Hawick Young Roofer Awarded Second Place at UK Competition—That the Parliament congratulates Hamish Morgan, of Hume Roofing and Property Maintenance in Hawick, on coming second in the UK-wide 2023 SkillBuild competition, which showcases some of the brightest talent in construction from across the UK; understands that the prestigious competition brings together highly skilled learners and apprentices to battle it out to be crowned winner of their chosen trade; notes that, following the regional qualifiers, which were held at various colleges across the UK earlier in 2023, the national final took place at the Marshall Arena in Milton Keynes, where Hamish represented Scotland at the event; understands that the UK-wide competition lasted three days, as competitors were tasked with constructing a project designed by an expert panel of judges, within an 18-hour timeframe; notes that the SkillBuild competition tests the individual's knowledge and skills in their chosen trade, as well as their ability to work under pressure, ensuring that they adhere to health and safety protocols; commends Hamish's project, which earned him second place overall, and wishes him well in his career moving forward.

\*<u>S6M-11819</u> Clare Adamson: The Economic Forum For Women Empowerment Scotland Receives £10,000 Grant from the National Lottery Community Fund — That the Parliament congratulates The Economic Forum For Women Empowerment Scotland on its funding success from the National Lottery Community Fund, having recently been awarded £10,000; notes that the organisation, which is based in Wishaw, provides a means for women of all ethnicities, with a particular focus on migrants, refugees and asylum seekers, to come together and engage in social and learning opportunities that reduce social isolation; understands that the organisation provides support to those experiencing disadvantage, and that it is developing a better understanding of

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women's rights in the community; further understands that the group will use the fund to organise weekly events for women from ethnic minority migrant backgrounds, as well as to deliver monthly community meals focused on the needs of the group; thanks the organisation for its ongoing commitment to empowering women across North Lanarkshire, and wishes it the best of luck in 2024.

\*<u>S6M-11818</u> Clare Adamson: Lanarkshire Cancer Care Trust Receives £38,000 Grant from the National Lottery Community Fund — That the Parliament congratulates Lanarkshire Cancer Care Trust on its funding success from the National Lottery Community Fund, having recently been awarded £38,000; notes that Lanarkshire Cancer Care Trust is an independent charity that provides volunteer drivers to take cancer patients to hospital appointments, clinics and day-care facilities; understands that the funding will be used to continue what it sees as this vital transport service; further understands that, in 2023, the organisation provided 490,000 miles of free transport to NHS Lanarkshire patients; thanks the charity for its valuable support to the communities of Lanarkshire, and wishes it the best of luck in 2024.

\*<u>S6M-11815</u> Paul Sweeney: Less Survivable Cancers Awareness Day — That the Parliament recognises Less Survivable Cancers (LSC) Awareness Day, taking place on 11 January 2024; acknowledges that LSC Awareness Day raises awareness of the six less survivable cancers, which are brain, stomach, oesophagus, lung, liver and pancreatic cancers; understands that 9,000 people are diagnosed with these cancers in Scotland every year, and that, tragically, only 16% of people diagnosed will survive for five years, and calls for more action to improve the survival rates of people diagnosed with less survivable cancers.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Jim Fairlie\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Monica Lennon\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Donald Cameron\*, Maggie Chapman\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, David Torrance\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Pam Gosal\*, Miles Briggs\*, Alex Rowley\*, Karen Adam\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Ivan McKee\*, Liam McArthur\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Foysol Choudhury\*, Jackson Carlaw\*, Annie Wells\*, Rhoda Grant\*, Brian Whittle\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Pauline McNeill\*, Colin Smyth\*, Beatrice Wishart\*, Paul O'Kane\*

\*<u>S6M-11814</u> Roz McCall: Simon McMahon Shortlisted for a Retail Week Award—That the Parliament celebrates Simon McMahon, who works as a senior programme manager at the West Fife Amazon fulfilment centre, for being shortlisted for a Retail Week Award for helping to create a multibank to help local families in need; understands that the multibank offers an emergency service for families fighting poverty by providing surplus essentials like nappies, toilet rolls, toothpaste and school uniforms; considers that Simon has been instrumental in the launch and growth of the multibanks in Fife and Wigan, which, it understands, have now donated over 1.5 million essential goods to more than 150,000 families across Scotland and Greater Manchester, and wishes Simon McMahon all the best for the future.

\*<u>S6M-11810</u> Sharon Dowey: Pam Gosal MSP Receives MBE in the King's New Year Honours List 2024—That the Parliament congratulates Pam Gosal MSP on being made a Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) in the King's New Year Honours List 2024; acknowledges that Pam received this honour for services to business, racial equality and charity; notes that this accolade follows Pam's election to the Scottish Parliament in 2021, which marked the first Sikh, first Indian woman and one of the first women of colour to become an MSP; understands that Pam has used her platform as an MSP to continue to campaign on issues such as racial equality since being elected, and intends to continue this work both inside and outside of politics, and wishes Pam all the best for the future.

#### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

#### <u>S6M-11853</u> Maree Todd: Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2024 [draft] (lodged on 11 January 2024)

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

#### <u>S6M-11813</u> Roz McCall: David C Watt Awarded OBE (lodged on 10 January 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Stephen Kerr\*

# <u>S6M-11812</u> Keith Brown: Alloa Firm Named Best Start-up Company at Scottish Cyber Awards (lodged on 10 January 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

<u>S6M-11809</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: Congratulating Govan Pantry on Winning the SURF Award for Community Led Regeneration (lodged on 10 January 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

<u>S6M-11808</u> Marie McNair: Linnvale Primary School Receives Seventh Green Flag Award (lodged on 10 January 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Bill Kidd\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Karen Adam\*, Annie Wells\*, Colin Beattie\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Emma Harper\*, David Torrance\*

<u>S6M-11806</u> Alexander Stewart: Dalgety Bay Defibrillator Campaign by That Place in the Bay (lodged on 10 January 2024)

New Support: Pam Gosal\*, Colin Beattie\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bill Kidd\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Annie Wells\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Marie McNair\*, Edward Mountain\*, Russell Findlay\*, Douglas Ross\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Craig Hoy\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Brian Whittle\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*, Jamie Greene\*

<u>S6M-11805</u> Michelle Thomson: Falkirk Distillery Celebrates Release of Single Malt Whisky (lodged on 09 January 2024)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

<u>S6M-11804</u> Michelle Thomson: Stenhousemuir's "Kandy Kid", Aaron Clark, Donates to Community Foodbank (lodged on 09 January 2024)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

<u>S6M-11799</u> Ash Regan: Justice for Sub-Postmasters and Sub-Postmistresses and Accountability of UK Government Ministers (lodged on 10 January 2024)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll\*

<u>S6M-11797</u> Roz McCall: Dunfermline Businessman Awarded OBE in King's New Year Honours List (lodged on 10 January 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*

#### <u>S6M-11793</u> Stuart McMillan: Greenock Wanderers Rugby Football Club Celebrates 150 Years (lodged on 09 January 2024)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Liam McArthur\*, Neil Bibby\*, Colin Beattie\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Bob Doris\*, Emma Harper\*, David Torrance\*

<u>S6M-11791</u> Pam Gosal: Cameron House Hotel Named One of the Best Hotels to Visit in the UK by Red Magazine (lodged on 09 January 2024)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-11790</u> Roz McCall: Dunfermline Named the Best City in the UK for Quality of Life in 2024 (lodged on 09 January 2024)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*

S6M-11789 Paul O'Kane: Holocaust Memorial Day 2024 (lodged on 08 January 2024)

New Support: Pam Gosal\*

<u>S6M-11786</u> Tess White: Undertreatment for Heart Disease Leading to Rise in Mortality Rate in Women (lodged on 09 January 2024)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-11785</u> Alexander Stewart: Karolina Pavlikova from Dollar: Duke of Edinburgh Awards' Youth Ambassador (lodged on 08 January 2024)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

<u>S6M-11783</u> Paul O'Kane: East Renfrewshire Baby Bank Successfully Collects for Young People and Children for Second Year in a Row (lodged on 08 January 2024)

New Support: Sandesh Gulhane\*

<u>S6M-11780</u> Richard Leonard: Keeping the Guard on ScotRail (lodged on 05 January 2024) New Support: Ross Greer\*

S6M-11778 Christine Grahame: Banning XL Bully Dogs is not the Answer (lodged on 08 January 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman\*

<u>S6M-11771</u> Pam Gosal: Bishopbriggs Professor Awarded OBE in King's New Year Honours List 2024 (lodged on 09 January 2024)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-11752</u> Jeremy Balfour: Commending 11-year-old Seb Jellema on His Ambition to Break the World Record for Running on Consecutive Days (lodged on 10 January 2024)

New Support: Colin Beattie\*, Paul Sweeney\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Edward Mountain\*, Russell Findlay\*, Craig Hoy\*, Brian Whittle\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Pam Duncan-Glancy\*, Jamie Greene\*

<u>S6M-11750</u> Donald Cameron: Oban Apprentice Wins Two Awards at Drax Awards Ceremony (lodged on 08 January 2024)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

<u>S6M-11747</u> Jamie Greene: Celebrating Academic Links Between Scotland and Taiwan (lodged on 08 January 2024)

New Support: Russell Findlay\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-11746</u> Alexander Burnett: Alford Bistro Choir (lodged on 08 January 2024) New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Sharon Dowey\*

<u>S6M-11711</u> Stephen Kerr: Newmarket Street, Falkirk (lodged on 20 December 2023) New Support: Jamie Greene\*

<u>S6M-11190</u> Audrey Nicoll: 15 Years of Future Choices (lodged on 10 November 2023) New Support: Maggie Chapman\*

<u>S6M-11073</u> Ben Macpherson: Enhancing Scottish Football (lodged on 03 November 2023) New Support: Alex Rowley\*, Gillian Mackay\*, Mark Ruskell\*

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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 11 January 2024

<u>S6W-23916</u> Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the potential impact on the fishing sector in Scotland, what representations it has made to the UK Government regarding a review of the English language requirements for fishing crew who enter the UK on a skilled worker visa.

<u>S6W-24398</u> Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service will communicate with the 73 individuals identified by the Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission in 2020 who had criminal convictions that were potentially affected by the issues arising from the Post Office's Horizon computer system in Scotland, and advise them of their options for recourse, in light of reports that only 16 had come forward by the end of 2023 to have their conviction overturned.

<u>S6W-24439</u> Foysol Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government how much of the funding set out in the NHS Recovery Plan 2021-2026 has been allocated to improving audiology services in the (a) NHS Lothian and (b) West Lothian Council area.

<u>S6W-24440</u> Foysol Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government how much of the funding set out in the NHS Recovery Plan 2021-2026 has been allocated to improving child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) in the (a) NHS Lothian and (b) West Lothian Council area.

<u>S6W-24441</u> Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government how much has been allocated in its Budget for 2024-25 for Changing Places toilets.

<u>S6W-24443</u> Douglas Lumsden: To ask the Scottish Government what percentage of the premises contracted for delivery of superfast broadband under the R100 scheme have still to be connected.

<u>S6W-24444</u> Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the proposed introduction of a non-domestic rates public health supplement on retailers, as set out in its Budget for 2024-25, whether this supplement will come on top of, or instead of, any higher property rate that may be levied on a retail property.

<u>S6W-24445</u> Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it had with its economic development agencies, including Scottish Enterprise and Scottish Development International, regarding the proposed introduction of a non-domestic rates public health supplement on retailers, prior to the announcement in its Budget for 2024-25.

<u>S6W-24446</u> Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the proposed introduction of a non-domestic rates public health supplement on retailers, as set out in its Budget for 2024-25, whether it undertook any analysis of the previous iteration of the supplement, which was in place from 2012 to 2015.

<u>S6W-24447</u> Alexander Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what measures it (a) has and (b) will put in place to make the public aware that vehicle idling is an offence, under the Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions) (Fixed Penalty) (Scotland) Regulations 2003.

<u>S6W-24448</u> Annabelle Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-19193 by Siobhian Brown on 27 June 2023, regarding the Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Act 2021, when it plans to introduce the relevant commencement regulations.

<u>S6W-24449</u> Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to address the reported concerns of organisations that the current funding model for Rape Crisis services is competitive, delivered unequally across the country and diverts resources away from service delivery and towards competing for limited funding.

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<u>S6W-24450</u> Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will extend funding for Rape Crisis Centres beyond March 2024, in light of reported concerns that, if it is not continued, it will result in the loss of 28 support worker positions nationwide.

<u>S6W-24451</u> Pauline McNeill: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider long-term funding for support work in relation to violence against women and girls (VAWG).

<u>S6W-24453</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-23872 by Jenny Gilruth on 8 January 2024, how the £11 million of funding that it provided to directly support pupils with complex additional support needs has been distributed, and how the spending of this funding has been monitored and recorded.

<u>S6W-24454</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-23870 by Jenny Gilruth on 8 January 2024, what analysis it is undertaking of any reasons for probationer teachers reportedly being less likely to opt in to the preference waiver scheme since the COVID-19 pandemic.

<u>S6W-24455</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-23874 by Jenny Gilruth on 8 January 2024, whether it plans to uprate, by inflation in future years, the ringfenced funding that it provides to local authorities annually for the provision of additional support assistants.

<u>S6W-24456</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government when it anticipates that an updated additional support for learning code of practice will be published.

<u>S6W-24457</u> Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government what the anticipated impact of any increase in funding for community eye healthcare will be on patients in (a) Edinburgh and (b) the Lothians.

<u>S6W-24458</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on how many people in Scotland (a) are currently in receipt of and (b) have made an application since 1 April 2020 for, Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit in relation to a diagnosis of the prescribed disease, pneumoconiosis, and, of these, how many would not receive this benefit as new applicants in the event that the recommendations in the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council report, *Review and Update of the Prescription for Prescribed Disease D1 (Pneumoconiosis)*, are implemented by the UK Government.

<u>S6W-24459</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is, regarding the impact in Scotland, to the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council report, *Review and Update of the Prescription for Prescribed Disease D1 (Pneumoconiosis)*, and what the potential implications are for Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit applicants in Scotland.

<u>S6W-24460</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will be required to accept any amendments, as they apply in Scotland, to the Social Security (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Regulations 1985, in accordance with the report, *Industrial Injuries Scheme Benefits in Scotland: Agency Agreement*, in the event that the UK Government accepts the recommendations in the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council report, *Review and Update of the Prescription for Prescribed Disease D1 (Pneumoconiosis)*, and whether this will require the Scottish Ministers to lay a Scottish statutory instrument in order to do so.

<u>S6W-24461</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government whether its plans for Employment Injury Assistance include (a) accepting or (b) rejecting the recommendations, as they apply in Scotland, in the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council report, *Review and Update of the Prescription for Prescribed Disease D1 (Pneumoconiosis)*.

<u>S6W-24462</u> Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answers to questions S6W-23231 and S6W-23887 by Mairi McAllan on 11 December 2023 and 9 January 2024 respectively, which figure provided for the number of sites sampled is correct; for what reason there is a discrepancy between the two figures provided, and whether it will provide an

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update on when it anticipates that data for the (a) 2022-23 and (b) 2023-24 reporting year will be published.

<u>S6W-24464</u> Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has modelled any impact of its reported decision to end the Flexible Workforce Development Fund, and any effect that it will have on job-related training.

<u>S6W-24465</u> Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has undertaken of any impact that its reported decision to cancel the Flexible Workforce Development Fund will have on college financing.

<u>S6W-24471</u> Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government what Scottish caseload and application modelling it anticipates it will receive from the UK Government in the event that the recommendations in the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council report, *Review and Update of the Prescription for Prescribed Disease D1 (Pneumoconiosis)*, are implemented by the UK Government.

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# **New Subordinate Legislation**

#### Subject to the affirmative procedure

The following draft instrument was laid before Parliament on 11 January 2024 and is subject to the affirmative procedure—

Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft)

Laid under section 23(3)(a) of the Community Care and Health (Scotland) Act 2002

#### Subject to the negative procedure

The following instruments were laid before Parliament on 11 January 2024 and are subject to the negative procedure—

Non-Domestic Rate (Scotland) Order 2024 (SSI 2024/3) Laid under section 7B(5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975

Non-Domestic Rates (Levying and Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/4)

Laid under section 153(6) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

<u>Non-Domestic Rates (Transitional Relief) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/5)</u> Laid under section 153(6) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 and section 14(4) of the Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Act 2020

<u>Sea Fish (Prohibition on Fishing) (Firth of Clyde) Order 2024 (SSI 2024/6)</u> Laid under section 20(5) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967

#### Not subject to parliamentary procedure

The following instrument was laid before Parliament on 11 January 2024 and is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—

<u>Health (Tobacco, Nicotine etc. and Care) (Scotland) Act 2016 (Commencement No. 6)</u> <u>Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/1 (C. 1))</u> Laid under section 30 of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 16 January 2024 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (77<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)

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

Introduced, 14 November 2023 Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 20 December 2023 Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 19 December 2023

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 10 January 2024 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (45<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)

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

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 16 January 2024

Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 24 January 2024 All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 18 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 5 December 2023 Report – Finance and Public Administration Committee (10<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023) Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (64<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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

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

Passed, 22 December 2022

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 12 December 2023

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 19 December 2023 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (1st Report, 2024)

#### Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 19 December 2023

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 16 January 2024
Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 26 September 2023
Report – Criminal Justice Committee (letter to lead committee, 10 February 2023)
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (13th Report, 2023)
Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (11<sup>th</sup> Report, 2022)

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 20 September 2023 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (75<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 12 December 2023 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (70<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)

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

Stage 1 Report – Social Justice and Social Security Committee (1<sup>st</sup> Report, 2024)

#### Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Introduced, 29 November 2023 Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

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

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

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

Passed, 20 December 2023

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

Approved at Reconsideration Stage, 7 December 2023

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 10 January 2024 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (78<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)

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

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 16 January 2024 Stage 1 Report - Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee (10<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 22 November 2023 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (65<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee), 24 January 2024 All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 18 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team (<u>legislationteam@parliament.scot</u>)

#### **Legislative Consent Memorandums**

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

Lodged on 19 December 2023 Lead committee – Rural Affairs and Islands

#### Automated Vehicles Bill LCM-S6-42

Lodged on 20 December 2023 Lead committee – Net Zero, Energy and Transport

#### Criminal Justice Bill LCM-S6-43

Lodged on 21 December 2023

#### **Data Protection and Digital Information Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-36a** Lodged on 14 September 2023

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (7<sup>th</sup> 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

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023) Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (58<sup>th</sup> Report, 2023)

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022

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

#### Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill LCM-S6-40

Lodged on 15 December 2023 Lead committee – Criminal Justice

# Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership) Bill LCM-S6-39

Lodged on 22 November 2023

Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work

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

#### **Affirmative instruments**

#### Subject to approval by 28 January 2024

<u>Welfare of Farmed Animals (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft)</u> (4 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

#### Subject to approval by 31 January 2024

Bus Services Improvement Partnerships (Objections) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft) (7 December 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

#### Subject to approval by 6 February 2024

<u>Anaesthesia Associates and Physician Associates Order 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft)</u> (13 December 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

#### Subject to approval by 26 February 2024

<u>Consumer Scotland Act 2020 (Relevant Public Authorities) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft)</u> (9 *January 2024*) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

#### Subject to approval by 28 February 2024

Community Care (Personal Care and Nursing Care) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft) (11 January 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

#### **Negative instruments**

Subject to annulment 29 January 2024 Lead Committee report due by 22 January 2024

<u>Gender Recognition (Disclosure of Information) (Scotland) Order 2023 (SSI 2023/364)</u> (5 December 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Prisons and Young Offenders Institutions (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2023 (SSI 2023/366) (5 December 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to annulment 31 January 2024 Lead Committee report due by 29 January 2024

<u>Meat Preparations (Import Conditions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/367)</u> (7 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Bus Services Improvement Partnerships and Local Services Franchises (Provision of Information) (Scotland) Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/368) (7 December 2023) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Welfare Foods (Best Start Foods) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/371) (7 December 2023) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

#### Subject to annulment 1 February 2024 Lead Committee report due by 29 January 2024

<u>Firefighters' Pension Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/369)</u> (8 December 2023) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Bovine Semen (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/370) (8 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

<u>Conservation of Salmon (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/372)</u> (8 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

#### Subject to annulment 7 February 2024 Lead Committee report due by 5 February 2024

Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) (Use of Member Information) (Scotland) Revocation <u>Regulations 2023 (SSI 2023/375)</u> (14 December 2023) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

#### Subject to annulment 28 February 2024 Lead Committee report due by 26 February 2024

Non-Domestic Rate (Scotland) Order 2024 (SSI 2024/3) (11 January 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Non-Domestic Rates (Levying and Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/4) (11 January 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Non-Domestic Rates (Transitional Relief) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/5) (11 January 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

<u>Sea Fish (Prohibition on Fishing) (Firth of Clyde) Order 2024 (SSI 2024/6)</u> (11 January 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Instruments / Documents subject to approval

#### Lead Committee report due by 28 January 2024

<u>Code of Practice for the Welfare of Pigs (Revocation) (Scotland) Notice 2023 (SG/2023/304)</u> (4 December 2023) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

#### Lead Committee report due by 8 February 2024

<u>Draft Funeral Director Code of Practice (SG/2023/300)</u> (15 December 2023) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

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