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Business Bulletin

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CHAMBER DESK NOTICE

Easter Bank Holiday/Easter Recess

The Chamber Desk will be closed on Friday 29 March and Monday 1 April 2024.

During the subsequent Easter recess, the Chamber Desk will be open from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm, Monday to Thursday and 10.00 am to 3.30 pm on a Friday. Normal opening arrangements will resume on Monday 15 April.

Portfolio Questions 17 and 18 April 2024 and General Questions 18 April 2024

The deadline for submitting names for Portfolio Questions on 17 and 18 April, and General Questions on 18 April is 12 noon on Monday 8 April. Members who are selected will be advised by email on that day.

Members selected will have until 12 noon on Wednesday 10 April to submit their questions. The submitted questions will appear in the Business Bulletin on Monday 15 April.

Portfolio questions on Wednesday 17 April will be Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands, and NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care, and on Thursday 18 April, Social Justice.

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

4:10 pm Decision Time

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-12449 Douglas Ross: Save Our Surgeries - Burghead and Hopeman

2:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:15 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

2:45 pm Portfolio Questions
Education and Skills

followed by Stage 3 Debate: Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

9:00am Public Audit Committee

Committee Meetings

9:00am Social Justice and Social Security Committee

9:30am Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

9:30am Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the work that it is doing to support elected representatives to take parental leave. ([S6O-03240](#))
- 2. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to spend the £295 million in Barnett consequential funding arising from the UK Government's 2024 Spring Budget. ([S6O-03241](#))
- 3. Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Audit Scotland report, *Decarbonising heat in homes*, and the recent report by the Regulatory Review Group regarding the forthcoming Heat in Buildings Bill, what action it is taking to further assess and develop the supply chain for decarbonising buildings. ([S6O-03242](#))
- 4. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the latest report by the Royal Bank of Scotland on private sector activity, which showed that employment growth in Scotland was faster than any other UK nation or region. ([S6O-03243](#))
- 5. Colin Beattie:** [Withdrawn] ([S6O-03244](#))
- 6. Kenneth Gibson:** [Withdrawn] ([S6O-03245](#))
- 7. Kate Forbes:** To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that the voices of Highland communities are appropriately considered by the Energy Consents Unit when assessing applications from developers. ([S6O-03246](#))
- 8. Paul O'Kane:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the implementation of the Immediate Priorities Plan developed with disabled people's organisations. ([S6O-03247](#))

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Douglas Ross:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02940](#))
- 2. Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-02941](#))
- 3. Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the First Minister when the Cabinet will next meet. ([S6F-02952](#))
- 4. Kevin Stewart:** To ask the First Minister what analysis of passenger behaviour and numbers has been carried out since the inception of the removal of peak rail fares pilot. ([S6F-02965](#))
- 5. Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the First Minister whether the Scottish Government will engage with NHS Scotland on ending the prescription of puberty suppressing hormones to children, following the recent announcement by NHS England. ([S6F-02948](#))
- 6. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the First Minister what resources the Scottish Government will be providing to Police Scotland for the investigation of complaints made under the Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Act 2021. ([S6F-02959](#))

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

[S6M-12449 Douglas Ross: Save Our Surgeries - Burghead and Hopeman](#)—That the Parliament expresses concern about the closure of GP surgeries in the Highlands and Islands region, including Hopeman and Burghead; praises the tireless efforts of local campaigners, including members of the Save Our Surgeries group, in advocating for the reopening of what it considers to be these vital healthcare facilities; recognises the reported disappointment and frustration felt by many regarding the consultation on the future of these facilities; understands the pressures that these closures have placed on residents of the two villages and surrounding areas; notes the calls for both the Scottish Government and NHS Grampian to prioritise the healthcare needs of smaller communities, and further notes the view that the Scottish Government, NHS Grampian and Health and Social Care Moray should fully engage with, and support, the local communities and campaigners.

2:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:15 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Questions

- 1. Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it will provide an update on the waiting time for external stakeholder parliamentary events sponsored by MSPs. ([S6O-03251](#))
- 2. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what plans it has to commission a portrait of King Charles as head of state. ([S6O-03248](#))
- 3. Carol Mochan:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what steps it is taking to address any ethnicity-related pay gap amongst SPCB staff. ([S6O-03215](#))
- 4. Kate Forbes:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it will provide an update on its plans to increase access to childcare in the creche beyond three hours per day. ([S6O-03253](#))
- 5. Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body how many visitors to the Scottish Parliament have been asked by security and other SPCB staff to remove badges and other apparel since May 2021. ([S6O-03259](#))
- 6. Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it will give further consideration to allowing events to start in the Parliament building while Members' Business debates are ongoing. ([S6O-03258](#))
- 7. Karen Adam:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it will look into rolling out accessibility options, such as BSL and easy-read, as standard across all forms of public participation. ([S6O-03254](#))
- 8. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what consideration it is giving to the establishment of a permanent memorial to Michael "Mick" McGahey in the Parliament. ([S6O-03214](#))
- 9. Ivan McKee:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what systems are in place to ensure that changes to IT processes in the Parliament, that will impact on the daily working practices of MSPs and their staff, are consulted upon, tested, introduced, explained and evaluated. ([S6O-03256](#))
- 10. Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body whether it will consider stocking alcohol-free variants of spirits, wine and other alcoholic beverages in the Scottish Parliament gift shop. ([S6O-03257](#))

11. Jamie Greene: To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what steps it is considering to ensure the safety of the public, MSPs and staff entering or exiting the Scottish Parliament campus, in light of a number of recent events of concern. ([S6O-03249](#))

12. Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body what steps it will take to ensure that any protests and demonstrations that disrupt the ability of MSPs, staff and the public to access the Scottish Parliament are fully investigated, with any findings and lessons learnt available to MSPs. ([S6O-03250](#))

2:45 pm Portfolio Questions

Education and Skills

1. Edward Mountain: To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with the Executive Chief Officer for Education and Learning at Highland Council, and what was discussed. ([S6O-03232](#))

2. Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the development of an accredited qualification and registration programme for Additional Support Needs assistants. ([S6O-03233](#))

3. Murdo Fraser: To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to schools to facilitate the expansion of an outdoor learning-based curriculum. ([S6O-03234](#))

4. Meghan Gallacher: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the roll-out of free digital devices to school pupils. ([S6O-03235](#))

5. Audrey Nicoll: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the education secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding any potential implications for Scottish universities and colleges of the Migration Advisory Committee's "rapid review" of the Graduate Route visa, as announced by the UK Government. ([S6O-03236](#))

6. Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the comments made by the National Autistic Society Scotland that some autistic pupils in Scotland have to "fail" in mainstream education before receiving the support that they need. ([S6O-03237](#))

7. Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what support it can provide to any local authorities that are struggling to meet the rising costs associated with providing school transport, so that children and young people can travel to school in a safe, efficient and affordable manner. ([S6O-03238](#))

8. Russell Findlay: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what financial support is available to those in higher and further education who choose to study online. ([S6O-03239](#))

followed by Stage 3 Debate: Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill

[S6M-12535](#) **Jim Fairlie: Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S6M-12592](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Membership—

That the Parliament agrees that—

Meghan Gallacher be appointed as a member of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee; and

Tim Eagle be appointed to replace Jeremy Balfour as a member of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee.

4:10 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Public Audit Committee 10th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 4, 5, 6, and 7 in private.
2. **The 2022/23 audit of the Water Industry Commission for Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Roy Brannen, Director-General Net Zero, Kersti Berge, Director, Energy and Climate Change, and Jon Rathjen, Deputy Director for Water Policy & Directorate for Energy and Climate Change Operations, Scottish Government;
Donald MacRae, Chair of the Board, Robin McGill, Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee, and David Satti, Director of Strategy and Governance, Water Industry Commission for Scotland.
3. **NHS in Scotland 2023:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Cornilius Chikwama, Audit Director, Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, and Martin McLauchlan, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
4. **NHS in Scotland 2023:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 3 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Cornilius Chikwama, Audit Director, Leigh Johnston, Senior Manager, and Martin McLauchlan, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
5. **The 2022/23 audit of the Water Industry Commission for Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Carole Grant, Audit Director, Richard Smith, Senior Audit Manager, and Lauryn Graham, Senior Auditor, Audit Scotland.
6. **The 2022/23 audit of the Water Industry Commission for Scotland:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 5 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
7. **NHS in Scotland 2023:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 3 and 4 and agree any further action it wishes to take.

Social Justice and Social Security Committee 9th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—
[Discretionary Financial Assistance \(Scotland\) Revocation Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/58\)](#)
3. **Social Security (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Fiona Collie, Head of Policy and Public Affairs, Scotland & Northern Ireland, Carers Scotland;

Vicki Cahill, Policy Officer, Alzheimer Scotland.

4. **Extra Costs of Disability Research:** The Committee will take evidence from two of the authors of a research briefing on additional costs of disability in Scotland—
Chirsty McFadyen, Knowledge Exchange Associate, Fraser of Allander Institute (FAI), University of Strathclyde;
Dr Laura Robertson, Senior Research Officer, The Poverty Alliance.
5. **Social Security (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under item 3.
6. **Extra Costs of Disability Research:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under item 4.

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 8th Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Review of the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement inquiry:** The Committee will take evidence in a roundtable format from—
Gary Stephenson, Global Regulatory, Sustainability and External Affairs Director, Devro;
Dario Riccomini, Managing Director, Aldomak;
Tony Dumbreck, Global Industrial Performance Director, Innovate Foods;
James Macsween, Managing Director, Macsween of Edinburgh;
Margaret Carlin, Execution Department Manager, Cefetra;
Paddy Jack, Business Manager Scotland, DLF Seeds.
3. **Evidence Session:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 7th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Malcolm Burr, Convener of the Electoral Management Board for Scotland, Electoral Management Board for Scotland;
Andy Hunter, Chair of the AEA Scotland and Northern Ireland Branch, Association of Electoral Administrators;
Robert Nicol, Vice Chair SAA Electoral Registration Committee and ERO for East Renfrewshire, Inverclyde and Renfrewshire, Scottish Assessors Association.
3. **Evidence Session:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Complaint:** The Committee will consider its approach to a report from the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 20 March 2024

Tuesday 26 March 2024

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Gender Representation on Public Boards (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Widening Access - Equality of Access to Higher Education

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-12066 Foysol Choudhury: Brain Tumour Awareness Month

Wednesday 27 March 2024

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Energy

Finance and Parliamentary Business

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Agriculture and Rural Communities (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 — S6M-12237 Audrey Nicoll: The Economic Impact of Scotland's Renewable Energy Sector – 2023 Update

Thursday 28 March 2024

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-12187 Christine Grahame: Congratulating Crystal FM Penicuik as the Best Community Radio Broadcaster at the SME News Scottish Enterprise Awards

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Transport

followed by Scottish Government Debate: The Future of Public Transport - The Fair Fares Review

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

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 Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

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

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

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice

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

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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Future Committee Meetings

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

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Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- * before the number indicates publication for the first time
- *...* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

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

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

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-12603](#) Alexander Stewart: Musician and Broadcaster, Dougie Vipond, Receives an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Stirling**—That the Parliament expresses its delight that the Deacon Blue drummer and celebrated broadcaster, Dougie Vipond, is to receive an honorary doctorate from the University of Stirling on 22 March 2024; understands that Dougie will receive the award at Stirling's spring graduation ceremony and is being recognised for his outstanding contribution to music, broadcasting and community; acknowledges that, as one of the founders of the internationally successful Scottish pop rock band, Deacon Blue, he was a student of the then Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama, now the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, and that Dougie was playing drums with the band while studying classical music at the centre of excellence for the performing arts; notes that his love of sport is reflected in the roles that he took on for the BBC, as an anchor for *Reporting Scotland* and for BBC Scotland's flagship football programme, *Sportscene*, as well as presenting a myriad of other sports, including rugby, curling and athletics; further notes that he was also the first Scottish presenter of rugby for Premier Sports and Viaplay, even enjoying a short run as co-host of ITV's *This Morning*, and is currently the presenter of the long-running farming and countryside programme, *Landward*; understands that, in 2022, the Royal Scottish Geographical Society presented Dougie with an honorary fellowship in recognition of his television presenting work; commends Dougie for his integral involvement in fundraising for the My Name's 5 Doddie Foundation, participating in a cycle from Murrayfield Stadium in Edinburgh to the Principality Stadium in Cardiff during 2022; notes that, originally from Renfrewshire, Dougie now lives in Bridge of Allan in the Mid Scotland and Fife region, and is a strong advocate for the University of Stirling and its elite athletes, and sends its heartfelt congratulations for this worthy accolade.

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***[S6M-12597](#) Bob Doris: Congratulations to St Mary's Primary School, Maryhill**—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at St Mary's Primary School in Maryhill on the school reaching the landmark of 50 years of educational and community service to families across Maryhill at its current location on Kilmun Street; understands that St Mary's Primary School first started delivering denominational education in 1851 and that, for several years, the school was relocated

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at St Mary's annexe near Maryhill Barracks from 1941, following an air raid that destroyed the school and sadly claimed the lives of 107 local residents; recognises that a new school was later constructed and opened at the present site on 26 February 1974; applauds the efforts of the staff team, who support close to 300 pupils from a diverse range of backgrounds and speaking over 30 languages; commends St Mary's Primary School for its commitment to Catholic education; recognises the school's key partnership with pupils, their families and the local parishes, The Immaculate Conception Church, Maryhill, and St Gregory's Church, Wyndford; commends the school's efforts within the wider community to develop important partnerships, including the "Introduction to University" at the Maryhill Hub and parent support initiatives with the Maryhill Health Centre; acknowledges the quality of education provided by St Mary's Primary School staff, both past and present, over many years, including by the school's first headteacher on the current site, Brother Jerome, and its current headteacher, Madeline McGeachie; recognises that a celebratory mass was held on 18 March 2024, led by His Grace Archbishop Nolan; thanks parents, staff and pupils alike over many years for their significant efforts, dedication and enthusiasm, which has delivered on the school's vision to be "united in nurturing our St Mary's family towards growth and success", and wishes all involved with St Mary's Primary School further success for many years to come.

***[S6M-12592](#) George Adam on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Committee Membership**
—That the Parliament agrees that—

Meghan Gallacher be appointed as a member of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee; and

Tim Eagle be appointed to replace Jeremy Balfour as a member of the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee.

***[S6M-12590](#) Michael Marra: Abertay University Dundee, Top International Games Design School**—That the Parliament notes the recognition of Abertay University Dundee as the top international school for games design by The Princeton Review; believes that, in a new format rolled out in 2024, The Princeton Review has sought to help students pick the best games design universities in the USA and across the globe; understands that the university's School of Design and Informatics ranked top among all institutions outside of the USA for both undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, extending what it considers to be its long track record as Europe's top-ranking games university; believes that the city of Dundee is an international games hub, creating some of the world's biggest titles over the course of more than three decades, and that Abertay now provides most of the city's games workforce; congratulates the university on this distinction, and looks forward to watching future successes.

***[S6M-12589](#) Michelle Thomson: Home2Hospital Initiative Helps Cancer Patients in Falkirk East**—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of a new initiative to support those living with cancer within the Falkirk East constituency and beyond; understands that Home2Hospital will provide support to cancer patients across the Stenhousemuir and Larbert areas of Falkirk, with a team of volunteer drivers ready and in place to support where required; further understands that this initiative was made possible through funding support, including a community empowerment grant from Falkirk Council, and funds from the Albert Hunt Trust, Larbert Roundtable and the National Lottery; notes that Home2Hospital has been set up to provide transport for those who reside in Stenhousemuir or Larbert, but require treatment outwith the district; understands that the volunteer driver will pick up the patient, safely escort them to their appointment, and wait to transport the individual back home again; congratulates all those involved in the establishment of

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Home2Hospital, which, it believes, is a fantastic organisation that provides crucial support at what it sees as a very challenging time for those within the community who are enduring cancer treatment, and wishes them all the best of luck.

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***[S6M-12588](#) Michelle Thomson: Falkirk East's Table Tennis Superstar, Lara Stirling, Wins Second Senior Doubles Title**—That the Parliament congratulates Lara Stirling on securing her second Senior Doubles title at Table Tennis Scotland's Scottish National Championships 2024; recognises that Lara secured this win alongside her playing partner, Rebecca Plaistow, who is currently Scotland's number one player in women's table tennis; notes that Lara and Rebecca travelled to Largs for the 2024 Senior Scottish National Championships in March 2024, with the aim of retaining their previous doubles title; understands that, with this latest victory, the duo has now collected the 2019, 2023 and 2024 doubles prize together; recognises that Lara hones her skills at Grange Table Tennis Club in Brightons, and that, as a result of her hard work, she is currently placed fifth in the women's ranking for Scotland; congratulates Lara on securing this additional doubles title recently, and wishes her the best of luck as she continues to progress within the top field of table tennis.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Jackie Dunbar*, David Torrance*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Colin Beattie*

***[S6M-12587](#) Roz McCall: Fife Alcohol Support Service Receives £20,000 National Lottery Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Fife Alcohol Support Service on receiving £20,000 from the National Lottery, which will help its ongoing work with families affected by foetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD); understands that the FASD Fife project helps those affected by the lifelong condition, which, it believes, can be the result of just one alcoholic drink during pregnancy; considers that Fife is one of very few areas to have this service available in the local area; recognises that FASD Fife will use the funding to facilitate peer support sessions, and to provide one-to-one support and education on the importance of the condition over the next 12 months; understands that, in the last year, the project has directly helped to improve life outcomes for many people affected in many ways, including supporting an affected adult to retain her job by working to implement reasonable adjustments within her employment, and helping a birthing mother to overcome her fear of stigmatisation, and wishes the project continued success in the years ahead.

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***[S6M-12585](#) Willie Coffey: Independent Bookshop of the Year**—That the Parliament commends The Book Nook in Stewarton, East Ayrshire, on being honoured as Independent Bookshop of the Year for Scotland, at The British Book Awards 2024; understands that the bookshop owner, Sarah Frame, was shocked to win as she was shortlisted twice before in 2021 and 2022; notes that Sarah runs a jam-packed calendar full of free events, such as book clubs for all ages where you will get a free drink and author signings, which keeps the community support thriving; considers that the wonderful work that Sarah does to engage adults and children of all ages in reading is a truly wonderful achievement, and sends a massive well done to The Book Nook.

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***[S6M-12583](#) Alasdair Allan: Commending the Work of the Western Isles Rape Crisis**

Centre—That the Parliament praises the work carried out by staff and volunteers at Western Isles Rape Crisis Centre (WIRCC); understands that the charity organisation, which is based in Stornoway and is a part of the wider Rape Crisis Scotland network, offers advice and support to anyone over the age of 13 who has experienced sexual violence in the Western Isles; believes that the support groups available to women throughout each month have provided a safe space for them, whilst encouraging women to explore their creativity and take part in health and wellbeing classes; notes that the group provides an advocacy service, allowing for comfort and guidance to be made available to anybody seeking their help, from the moment that they consider reporting a crime to the police right up to the conclusion of the legal process; recognises one of the group's main aims of increasing knowledge within the community in order to prevent sexual violence from occurring, and thanks it for what it sees as its continued contribution to helping survivors in the local area.

Supported by: Emma Harper*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*

***[S6M-12582](#) Jackie Dunbar: Police Scotland Trial Tagging Spray in Aberdeen**—That the Parliament welcomes what it sees as the innovative trialling of a synthetic DNA tagging spray by Police Scotland to tackle crime and antisocial behaviour in Aberdeen; understands that officers across Seaton, Tillydrone, Northfield, Mastrick and Torry will be equipped with a single-use, hand-held, and near-invisible spray, which leaves a unique, long-lasting stain that officers can detect with the use of ultraviolet lights; understands that the SelectaDNA tagging spray will be used against antisocial users of bicycles, scooters, e-bikes and motor bikes, in order to provide an irrefutable forensic link to a specific crime; acknowledges that the spray has already been tested by Police Scotland in Edinburgh, which resulted in antisocial motorcycle calls falling by 60%, and wishes Police Scotland all the best in its efforts to reduce crime and antisocial behaviour.

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***[S6M-12581](#) Evelyn Tweed: 10th Anniversary of Debt Awareness Week**—That the Parliament notes the 10th anniversary of Debt Awareness Week, which aims to highlight the causes of debt and the help that is available for people experiencing problem debt; acknowledges research by Citizens Advice Scotland, which shows that over 660,000 people in Scotland have seen their mental health and wellbeing affected by debt; understands that research by the Mental Health Foundation recently found that a third of adults in Scotland (34%) had relied on unsecured debt to pay essential living costs in the last 12 months, that around one in eight people (12%) had accumulated debt of more than £3,000, and more than half of those who had taken on this kind of debt (56%) were very or slightly worried about paying it back; believes that the cost of living crisis, with sustained increases in the cost of energy, food and household items, has pushed people who were just about managing into debt; understands that research by the charity StepChange shows that there are five common reasons why people do not seek help for debt worries, even during the ongoing cost of living crisis; further understands that these barriers include a lack of understanding around what debt advice is, anxiety and mental health, impacts on credit file, lack of time, and a sense of shame around loved ones, and understands that there are sources of advice and support available to help people experiencing problem debt, including StepChange and Citizens Advice.

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***[S6M-12580](#) Elena Whitham: McKinstry Company Raises £1,000 for RNLI Girvan Lifeboat—** That the Parliament applauds the McKinstry Company's office in Girvan for raising £1,000 for the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) Girvan Lifeboat; understands that this money was raised by offering clients a free will in return for offering a donation of at least £50 to the RNLI; considers that running an RNLI lifeboat station comes with a considerable cost, and that this money from the McKinstry Company will go to keeping the station operational and ready to save lives at sea; thanks the McKinstry Company for this initiative, which contributes to the local community, and commends the RNLI, which, it understands, has saved 146,277 lives since its founding 200 years ago.

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***[S6M-12579](#) Sarah Boyack: Celebrating 30 Years of the Scottish Indian Arts Forum—** That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Indian Arts Forum (SIAF), a registered Scottish charity, on completing 30 years in 2024; understands that SIAF is devoted to inspiring and empowering ethnic communities through advancing arts and culture as a platform to enhance equality and active citizenship; acknowledges the support given by the City of Edinburgh Council, Consul General of India, Edinburgh, and MSPs, along with other funders and sponsors that are helping SIAF in its cause; acknowledges and appreciates SIAF for bringing the community together by organising various multicultural events throughout the year, including active engagement with various schools and organisations like HMP Edinburgh; considers that SIAF has been supporting the community by organising various fundraising events, including support during the COVID-19 pandemic; supports SIAF's initiatives, and wishes it well for all future events and celebrations.

***[S6M-12578](#) Sarah Boyack: Recognising South Asian Stories at National Museums Scotland—** That the Parliament congratulates National Museums Scotland and Networking Key Services (NKS) on *South Asian Stories*, which is a project to create new interpretations for objects in the museum's collection, including unveiling South Asian cultures and lifestyles, particularly in the context of South Asian connections within the framework of colonial history; understands that this project aims to increase representation from, and supports the inclusion of local South Asian audiences; recognises what it sees as the participatory practices that are employed by the organisations as a way of amplifying unique perspectives on the collection, and applauds the introduction on 15 March 2024 of a new trail through the museum, which features objects selected by the participants and shares the memories and knowledge connected to them with visitors.

***[S6M-12577](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Restaurant, Mother India's Café, Celebrates 20 Years in Business—** That the Parliament congratulates Mother India's Café restaurant, in the west end of Glasgow, on celebrating its 20th year in business; understands that Asif Ali has run Mother India's Café, on Argyle Street, since 2004 as part of the family's restaurant group; further understands that the café opened as an extension of the Mother India brand, which was started by his brother, and believes that the Indian-style tapas concept café, borrowing the Spanish tradition of serving lots of small dishes, has built a loyal customer base over the years, and promotes the best of authentic Indian cuisine.

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***[S6M-12575](#) John Swinney: Congratulating The Loft Restaurant—** That the Parliament congratulates The Loft Restaurant in Bridge of Tilt, near Pitlochry, on being named the Romantic

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Restaurant of the Year at the Scottish Restaurant Awards 2024; acknowledges what it sees as the venue's exceptional achievement in receiving five-star reviews on TripAdvisor and being selected from a competitive field of nine restaurants across Tayside, Fife, and Stirling; recognises the dedication and hard work of owners, Adrian and Nicoletta Musat, who have led the restaurant to victory for the second consecutive year, attributing their success, it understands, to the combination of attentive service, an intimate setting, and a classic menu that champions the best of Scottish produce, all of which contribute to the establishment's romantic ambiance; commends the Musats for their continued commitment to excellence since taking over The Loft Restaurant in 2016, and wishes the restaurant all the best for the coming season.

***[S6M-12564](#) Finlay Carson: Dumfries and Galloway Woodlands Gains Lottery Funding—**

That the Parliament congratulates Dumfries and Galloway Woodlands after it was awarded £194,190 from the National Lottery Heritage Fund towards a project that aims to increase its capacity and accelerate towards organisational sustainability; understands that the initiative brings together a range of partners, including organisations and individuals that want to support trees, habitat and the people that depend upon them locally; recognises that Dumfries and Galloway Woodlands is registered as a not-for-profit organisation that aims to provide a response to the climate and nature crisis by creating a better understanding and appreciation of the natural heritage; understands that the National Lottery Heritage Fund has distributed £960 million of funding to more than 4,900 projects across Scotland since it was established in 1994, including £7,941,078 to a total of 124 projects in Galloway and West Dumfries over the same period, and wishes both Dumfries and Galloway Woodlands and the National Lottery Heritage Fund continued success in the coming months ahead as they invest more funding into museums, parks, natural environments and historic places.

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***[S6M-12563](#) Murdo Fraser: Perthshire Business Recognised for Promoting Disability Employment—**

That the Parliament congratulates a Perthshire business, which has been recognised for promoting disability employment; notes that Abernethy-based Clotie McToot Dumplings has been shortlisted for a Small Business Award at the Department for Work and Pension (DWP) Disability Confident Awards; understands that the baking business, which specialises in clotie dumplings, has supported the employment of disabled people by engaging with the DWP, support workers, and families to address any negative attitudes to disability employment; further understands that 80% of the bakery's staff have a disability, and that there is a waiting list for other disabled people who want to join them to work for the business, and wishes Clotie McToot Dumplings all the best with the Disability Confident Awards and for the future.

***[S6M-12553](#) Ariane Burgess: Commending the Staffin Community Trust for Harbour**

Construction Initiative—That the Parliament commends the Staffin Community Trust (SCT) for its outstanding efforts in leading the construction of a new harbour; recognises that a significant milestone was marked with the commencement of onshore construction works on 11 March 2024; notes that the SCT has successfully obtained licensing and planning approvals from Marine Scotland and the Highland Council; highlights the collaborative efforts of the harbour project steering group; celebrates what it sees as this significant step forward for the Staffin community, and recognises the tireless support and commitment demonstrated by both the steering group members and the SCT board over the past few years; acknowledges the comprehensive vision behind the harbour project, which aims to address the reported long-standing deficiencies in

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infrastructure that have disadvantaged the economic potential of the Staffin region, and notes that the new harbour will provide essential amenities such as secure boat storage, sheltered berthing, and improved access for the benefit of the local fishermen and aquaculture businesses, as well as local tourism, which it considers will contribute to the diversification of the local economy.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S6M-12562](#) Liam Kerr: Jennifer Emmanuel of Aberdeen Wins Foundation Apprentice of the Year at Scottish Apprenticeship Awards 2024 (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12561](#) Craig Hoy: Black Bull Wins Local Food and Drink Award at Rural Oscars (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Paul Sweeney*, Brian Whittle*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Greene*, Sue Webber*, Sharon Dowey*

[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: Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Foyso Choudhury*, Alex Rowley*

[S6M-12557](#) Clare Adamson: On Pointe Dance Academy Fundraising (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*, Jackie Dunbar*, Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stephanie Callaghan*

[S6M-12556](#) Clare Adamson: Newmains and District Gala Day Fundraising (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stephanie Callaghan*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stephanie Callaghan*

[S6M-12554](#) Jackie Dunbar: Brimmond School Awarded Top UNICEF Accolade (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12547](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Errogie Church Stained Glass Window Project (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Murdo Fraser*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jeremy Balfour*, Craig Hoy*, Sharon Dowey*

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[S6M-12546](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Groam House Museum Project, Bringing Our Collections Home (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Murdo Fraser*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jeremy Balfour*, Craig Hoy*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-12545](#) Alexander Stewart: The Late Mr John Hood, Former Captain of the 7th Perth Boys' Brigade (St John's Kirk) (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Murdo Fraser*, Jamie Greene*, Sharon Dowey*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12543](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating Helensburgh Rugby Club on securing an ASDA Foundation Grant of £635 (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-12542](#) Craig Hoy: East Lothian Triumphs in The Sunday Times Best Place to Live Guide (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Sharon Dowey*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Bill Kidd*, Maggie Chapman*, Colin Beattie*, Jackie Dunbar*, David Torrance*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Gillian Mackay*, Stuart McMillan*, Kenneth Gibson*, Mark Ruskell*

[S6M-12540](#) Richard Leonard: Supporting the Further Education Workforce (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Monica Lennon*, Carol Mochan*, Alex Rowley*

[S6M-12539](#) Craig Hoy: Scottish Seabird Centre Awarded Grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Sharon Dowey*, Mark Ruskell*

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

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Jeremy Balfour*

[S6M-12537](#) Liam Kerr: Portlethen Academy Pupil, Ansagan Kilimov, Wins Foundation Apprentice of the Year Award (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Sharon Dowey*, David Torrance*

[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: Paul Sweeney*

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

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Stephanie Callaghan* R, John Swinney*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-12533](#) Liam Kerr: Aberdeen Teenager, Filip Cegar, Raises over £5,500 for Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital (RACH) (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*, Jamie Greene*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-12532](#) Pam Gosal: Phoenix Girls FC Receives £500 Grant from Asda Foundation (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Jamie Greene*, Sharon Dowey*

[S6M-12531](#) Murdo Fraser: Perthshire Community Sports Facilities Receive Almost £200,000 Funding from Sportscotland (lodged on 19 March 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Greene*, Edward Mountain*, Sue Webber*, Alex Rowley*, Pam Gosal*, Sharon Dowey*, David Torrance*

[S6M-12529](#) Tess White: Raising Awareness of Endometriosis Action Month in March 2024 (lodged on 18 March 2024)

New Support: Mark Ruskell*

[S6M-12527](#) Sharon Dowey: Asda Ayr Donates £3,200 to Local Concerns (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12526](#) Sharon Dowey: Asda Girvan supports Oshay's Brain Domain CIC (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12525](#) Monica Lennon: Hamilton District Youth Theatre Celebrates 35 Years of Entertainment (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S6M-12522](#) Clare Adamson: Wishing Craigneuk's Community Champion, Patricia Parvin, a Happy Retirement (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12520](#) Brian Whittle: DART Secures Another Award for The Corner (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12515](#) Alexander Burnett: Asda Foundation Grants Awarded to Aberdeenshire North Foodbank and Huntly and Gordon Rural Action (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12514](#) Liz Smith: Anna Wells Winter Munro Round (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

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[S6M-12513](#) Beatrice Wishart: Celebrating the 72nd Shetland County Drama Festival (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12512](#) Tess White: Edzell Woods Community Trust Secures Future Funding from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12511](#) Tess White: North East Volunteers Attend RNLi 200th Anniversary Service of Thanksgiving in London (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12510](#) Michael Marra: University of Dundee Included in Cancer Grand Challenges (lodged on 18 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12509](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Art Exhibition, 10 Years in the Baking (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Mark Ruskell*

[S6M-12507](#) Elena Whitham: Pollinator Friendly Symington (lodged on 15 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12506](#) Brian Whittle: Asda Kilmarnock Donates £1,200 to Local Organisations (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12505](#) Brian Whittle: Kilmarnock Tennis Club to Build First Padel and Pickleball Courts in East Ayrshire (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12504](#) Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen Student Show Select Bridge of Don Men Shed as Charity Partner (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

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

New Support: Gillian Mackay*, Jackie Dunbar*, Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stephanie Callaghan*, David Torrance*

[S6M-12500](#) Collette Stevenson: Congratulations to the Greenhills Bar, Winners of the PubAid Community Support Hero Awards (Scotland) (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*

[S6M-12498](#) Pam Gosal: Helensburgh Savoy Celebrates 40 Years of Music and Entertainment (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle*

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[S6M-12496](#) Pam Gosal: Helensburgh Round Table Re-emerges as Helensburgh Events and Reinvestment Trust (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12495](#) Alexander Burnett: North East Schools Triumph at Greenpower International Finals 2023 (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Douglas Ross*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Edward Mountain*, Jackie Dunbar*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-12493](#) Craig Hoy: Andrew Bissell Joins Board of UK's Small Business Council (lodged on 14 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12490](#) Craig Hoy: Asda Foundation Grants in East Lothian (lodged on 13 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12485](#) Finlay Carson: Double Triumph as Scott and Robert Win at Lantra Scotland ALBAS (lodged on 13 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12484](#) Finlay Carson: RNLI Celebrates 200 Years of Saving Lives at Sea (lodged on 13 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12482](#) Gordon MacDonald: New Indoor Tennis Centre Opens at Heriot-Watt University (lodged on 13 March 2024)

New Support: Ivan McKee*, Collette Stevenson*, Jeremy Balfour*, Foysoyl Choudhury*, Sue Webber*

[S6M-12480](#) Colin Beattie: Musselburgh RFC Awarded Sportscotland Funding (lodged on 13 March 2024)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*

[S6M-12465](#) Maggie Chapman: International Day of Women Judges 2024 (lodged on 12 March 2024)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*

[S6M-12451](#) Kenneth Gibson: Ordination of the Right Reverend Father Francis Dougan as Bishop of Galloway (lodged on 13 March 2024)

New Support: John Swinney*

[S6M-12449](#) Douglas Ross: Save Our Surgeries - Burghead and Hopeman (lodged on 11 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12448](#) Pam Gosal: Ramadan Mubarak 2024 (lodged on 11 March 2024)

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New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12447](#) Pam Gosal: Helensburgh Coach Wins at the British Drug Free Powerlifting Association's National Single Lift Championships (lodged on 11 March 2024)

New Support: Maurice Golden*

[S6M-12427](#) Tess White: Scotland Can't Wait: Parkinson's Support (lodged on 18 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12390](#) Alasdair Allan: World Day of Prayer 2024 (lodged on 05 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12383](#) Liam Kerr: Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2024 (lodged on 05 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12382](#) Jackie Dunbar: Purple Day 2024 (lodged on 05 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12370](#) Monica Lennon: Belgium Becomes First European Country to Recognise Ecocide as an International Crime (lodged on 04 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12366](#) Beatrice Wishart: Shetland and Fair Isle Awarded Important Marine Mammal Area Status (lodged on 04 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12361](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Success at the Current Archaeology Awards (lodged on 01 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12351](#) Rona Mackay: Lenzie Academy Pupils Highlight Valuable Work of Families Outside (lodged on 01 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12344](#) Liam Kerr: Camphill School Launches Inclusive Outdoor Sensory Adventure and Learning Playground with Funding from UK Government (lodged on 29 February 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12342](#) Collette Stevenson: Shining a Light on Domestic Abuse in LGBT+ History Month (lodged on 05 March 2024)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*

[S6M-12340](#) Carol Mochan: Protecting Mothers in Palestine on International Women's Day (lodged on 29 February 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12332](#) Kevin Stewart: ControlAI Campaign (lodged on 29 February 2024)

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New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[**S6M-12325**](#) **Claire Baker: International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda** (lodged on 29 February 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[**S6M-12298**](#) **Kevin Stewart: Grampian Housing Association** (lodged on 28 February 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[**S6M-12296**](#) **Keith Brown: Congratulations to Connect on its Fifth Anniversary** (lodged on 28 February 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[**S6M-12292**](#) **Tess White: NHS Grampian to Benefit from Dietitian's Push on Recycling Plastics** (lodged on 27 February 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

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

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*, Maggie Chapman*, Mark Ruskell*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 27 March 2024

Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Energy

- Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has undertaken to measure the extent of economic inactivity in Scotland post-COVID-19 pandemic. ([S6O-03260](#))
- Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to support the creation of new jobs at the Chapelcross site near Annan. ([S6O-03261](#))
- Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the importance of Prestwick Airport as a strategic asset for Ayrshire and Scotland. ([S6O-03262](#))
- Russell Findlay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will undertake an evaluation of the potential benefits of small modular nuclear reactors within Scotland's energy provision. ([S6O-03263](#))
- Collette Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of UK Government policies on its vision for a wellbeing economy in Scotland. ([S6O-03264](#))
- Mark Griffin:** [Not Lodged]
- Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the former chairman of Prestwick Airport resigned his post to lead a bid to purchase the airport. ([S6O-03266](#))
- Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any progress towards meeting its target of reducing food waste by 33% by 2025. ([S6O-03267](#))

Finance and Parliamentary Business

- Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact that stagnation has had on Scotland's public finances, in light of the final report of the Resolution Foundation's The Economy 2030 Inquiry, which found that the UK is a decade and a half into a period of stagnation. ([S6O-03268](#))
- Kate Forbes:** To ask the Scottish Government how it has allocated the funding raised through ScotWind option fees in the 2024-25 Scottish Budget. ([S6O-03269](#))
- Evelyn Tweed:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has made towards the goals of the Freedom of Information Improvement Plan 2024. ([S6O-03270](#))
- Sue Webber:** [Not Lodged]
- Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government how many premises in South Lanarkshire currently receive rates relief through the Small Business Bonus Scheme. ([S6O-03272](#))
- Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government at what specific annual income any individual would start to pay more income tax in Scotland than they would elsewhere in the UK under its new Scottish income tax levels. ([S6O-03273](#))
- Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government when its review of capital spending will be complete. ([S6O-03274](#))
- Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what analysis it has undertaken of the impact of its 2024-25 Budget on the Highlands and Islands region. ([S6O-03275](#))

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Transport

- 1. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to ensure that rail travel is safe. ([S6O-03276](#)) R
- 2. Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide an update on when it will make a decision on the continued ban on the consumption of alcohol at all times on trains, in light of ScotRail's confirmation in evidence to the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee that the consultation findings have been passed to Transport Scotland. ([S6O-03277](#))
- 3. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government how many citizens, including residents of the Cunninghame South constituency, have accessed free public transport through the national concessionary scheme in the last year. ([S6O-03278](#))
- 4. Colin Smyth:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to support the reversal of the reported reduction of bus services in Dumfries and Galloway. ([S6O-03279](#))
- 5. Ivan McKee:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the decision by Strathclyde Partnership for Transport to take forward plans to franchise bus services. ([S6O-03280](#))
- 6. Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had regarding the proposed re-instatement of a direct ferry link between Rosyth and Zeebrugge. ([S6O-03281](#))
- 7. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of Strathclyde Partnership for Transport's recommendations for the future delivery of the regional bus network. ([S6O-03282](#))
- 8. Karen Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last engaged with commercial bus operators, such as Stagecoach, regarding bus provision in areas like the Banffshire and Buchan Coast constituency. ([S6O-03283](#))

General Questions selected for answer on 28 March 2024

- 1. Fergus Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will reconsider its decision to pause capital funding for NHS Highland in respect of completion of the refurbishment of Grantown Health Centre, in light of reports that these works were nearly completed and that the pause of the contract may lead to additional costs in excess of the notional sum saved. ([S6O-03284](#))
- 2. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how it is supporting the museum sector. ([S6O-03285](#))
- 3. Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government how many children aged 16 and under have been prescribed puberty suppressing hormones through NHS Scotland since 2014. ([S6O-03286](#))
- 4. Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to support the mental wellbeing of asylum seekers accommodated in hotels in Scotland. ([S6O-03287](#))
- 5. Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Act 2022. ([S6O-03288](#))
- 6. Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what action it is taking to support tenants, in light of reports of accelerating rents. ([S6O-03289](#))
- 7. Kevin Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government how many children in Aberdeen have been lifted out of poverty since the inception of the Scottish Child Payment. ([S6O-03290](#))

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8. Bill Kidd: To ask the Scottish Government what recent work it has undertaken under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Contingency Planning) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 in relation to any potential nuclear event in Scotland, in light of reports that nuclear warheads are routinely transported by road across the country. ([S6O-03291](#))

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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 20 March 2024

[S6W-26241](#) Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government how many people in each local authority area received support through services funded through the Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund in 2023, and what assessment it has made of the number of children, young people and family members in total that were supported.

[S6W-26255](#) Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to reduce waiting times at the Sandyford Gender Identity Clinic, and when it anticipates that waiting times will improve for patients.

[S6W-26282](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish a plan to progress the reform recommendations set out in the report, *Lessons Learned – resetting national collective bargaining in the colleges sector*, in light of it being two years, on 25 March 2024, since the finalised report was published.

[S6W-26288](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-26010 by Fiona Hyslop on 18 March 2024, which job-related and professional training courses, which amounted to £58,408.55, were completed in (a) 2021-22 and (b) 2022-23.

[S6W-26289](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-26010 by Fiona Hyslop on 18 March 2024, how many job-related and professional training courses, which amounted to £58,408.55, were completed in (a) 2021-22 and (b) 2022-23.

[S6W-26290](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-26010 by Fiona Hyslop on 18 March 2024, how many employees were involved in job-related and professional training courses, which amounted to £58,408.55, in (a) 2021-22 and (b) 2022-23.

[S6W-26291](#) Graham Simpson: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-26010 by Fiona Hyslop on 18 March 2024, what the nature of the other sundry payments, which amounted to £48,792.82, was in (a) 2021-22 and (b) 2022-23.

[S6W-26292](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what training has been offered to primary care staff on the history of transvaginal mesh complications and support for patients who require surgery for pre or post operative vaginal mesh removal.

[S6W-26295](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what work it is undertaking with local authorities to ensure that healthy foods are both (a) available and (b) affordable within the most deprived communities.

[S6W-26296](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what measurements it is currently using to assess its Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan.

[S6W-26297](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how many money advice workers have been employed in the most deprived communities in each of the last five years.

[S6W-26298](#) Tess White: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the progress of the Family Justice Modernisation Strategy, published in September 2019, and whether it plans to further reform family justice, including custodial arrangements for children.

[S6W-26299](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the value of youth work within the school environment.

[S6W-26300](#) Brian Whittle: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-26130 by Gillian Martin on 19 March 2024, as part of its work to explore other avenues with the onshore renewables industry to maximise benefits flowing into communities, whether it has

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specifically considered maintaining community benefit schemes and community shared ownership agreements as a condition of the sale or transfer of all onshore renewables projects.

[S6W-26301](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what joint training is currently offered to teachers and youth workers across Scotland.

[S6W-26302](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what targeted training is currently offered to teachers to help them to assess, monitor and improve the health and wellbeing of pupils.

[S6W-26303](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what work it is undertaking to ensure that a more preventative approach to the health and wellbeing of young people is being adopted within communities across all government portfolio areas.

[S6W-26304](#) John Swinney: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made on the implementation of the Scottish Wild Salmon Strategy.

[S6W-26305](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what recent review it has undertaken of the provision of sexual health and wellbeing services for young people.

[S6W-26306](#) John Swinney: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to measures to increase the wild salmon population through stocking initiatives.

[S6W-26307](#) John Swinney: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to any implications of recent flooding events for wild salmon populations.

[S6W-26308](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what work it is doing with territorial NHS boards to develop best practice guidelines on communicating alternative pathways to primary care to the public.

[S6W-26309](#) Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what evidence it has gathered to assess the public's understanding of the self-referral routes to various primary care services.

[S6W-26310](#) Tess White: To ask the Scottish Government, further to its consultation in 2017 on updating the School Premises (General Requirements and Standards) (Scotland) Regulations 1967, whether it still plans to update these regulations, and, if so, whether it will provide details of the anticipated timeframe.

[S6W-26311](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to S5W-31031 by Joe FitzPatrick on 24 August 2020, whether it will provide an update on how many visits the NHS Lyme disease webpage has had since it was created.

[S6W-26312](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what it is doing to (a) raise awareness of and (b) improve (i) diagnosis and (ii) treatment of Lyme disease.

[S6W-26313](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what public awareness campaigns it (a) has held and (b) is planning in 2024 on Lyme disease, including its prevention and symptoms.

[S6W-26314](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is taking to ensure that visitors to parks and other areas for outdoor recreation are aware of the risk of Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases.

[S6W-26315](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government what measures it has taken to improve medical professionals' understanding, recognition and treatment of Lyme disease.

[S6W-26316](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government how many people in Scotland have Lyme disease.

[S6W-26318](#) Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-11374 by Aileen Campbell on 28 September 2017, whether it will provide an update on what preventative action (a) Health Protection Scotland and (b) each NHS board has taken to warn of tick-related health conditions; what (i) posters, leaflets and other information have been issued and (ii) events have been organised on this topic (A) routinely and (B) since 2017, and what analysis it has carried out or plans of the effectiveness of this.

[S6W-26319](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the needs of care experienced young people are not specifically addressed in its publication, *Creating Hope Together: Scotland's Suicide Prevention Action Plan 2022-2025*.

[S6W-26325](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government what data it collects about care experienced young people's school (a) attendance, (b) achievement, (c) attainment and (d) positive destinations; how any such data is analysed, and when it will next be reviewed.

[S6W-26326](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many children and young people from a different legal jurisdiction are currently in a care setting in Scotland, and how it ensures that the rights of any such children or young people under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) are upheld.

[S6W-26327](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government how many children and young people have died in the care of a Scottish local authority prior to their 18th birthday since 2018.

[S6W-26330](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government how many young offenders currently being held in a young offenders institution are (a) 16 and (b) 17 years old.

[S6W-26331](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government which body has the responsibility for monitoring the use of seclusion and restraint in schools, and how it will ensure that this data is collected consistently across all 32 local authorities.

[S6W-26332](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government what support it is providing to schools to reduce the use of seclusion and restraint.

[S6W-26333](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government when it expects statutory guidance for the use of seclusion and restraint in schools to be in place.

[S6W-26334](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the status of each of the five prevention pathways in its Ending Homelessness Together action plan.

[S6W-26335](#) Martin Whitfield: To ask the Scottish Government how its coordinates homelessness prevention across government for (a) care experienced young people and (b) veterans.

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New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New Bills introduced or reprinted on 20 March 2024

Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2 (SP Bill 27A) (Government Bill)

Members' Bills Proposals

Proposals for Members' Bills

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

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

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Final Proposal

Rhoda Grant: Proposed Right to Food (Scotland) Bill—Proposal for a Bill to incorporate the human right to food into Scots law and provide for a body to be responsible for oversight and reporting. (lodged 21 February 2024)

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which is accessible online via the website page referred to above. The summary, and individual responses, may also be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe).

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Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 27 March 2024
Stage 1 report – Rural Affairs and Islands Committee (5th Report, 2024)

Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 20 March 2024
Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Budget (Scotland) (No. 3) Bill (G)

Passed, 27 February 2024

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

Stage 2 completed, 7 February 2024

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 20 March 2024

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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 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 26 March 2024

Stage 1 report – Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee (2nd Report, 2024)

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

Stage 2 (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*](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))

Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 6 February 2024

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

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 13 March 2024

Lead committee – Net Zero, Energy and Transport

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 29 February 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)

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

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

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 22 February 2024

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 21 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)), 21 March 2024

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 19 March 2024

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 20 March 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (78th Report, 2023)

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)

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 21 March 2024

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (21st Report, 2024)

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

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

Lodged on 19 December 2023

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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 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 19 March 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)

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

Lodged on 22 November 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 22 February 2024

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (2nd Report, 2024)

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 13 March 2024

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[National Bus Travel Concession Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (25 January 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 14 March 2024

[Social Security \(Up-rating\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (26 January 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Social Security Up-rating \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (26 January 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 20 March 2024

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2023 Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (1 February 2024) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

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)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 24 March 2024

Lead Committee report due by 18 March 2024

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/35\)](#) (5 February 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Sandeel \(Prohibition of Fishing\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/36\)](#) (5 February 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

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Lead Committee report due by 25 March 2024

[Local Government Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/37\)](#) (8 February 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[National Health Service \(Optical Charges and Payments and General Ophthalmic Services\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/38\)](#) (8 February 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2000 \(Codes of Conduct for Members of certain Scottish Public Authorities\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/39\)](#) (8 February 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Education \(Scotland\) Act 1980 \(Modification\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/40\)](#) (8 February 2024) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to annulment 28 March 2024
Lead Committee report due by 25 March 2024

[Act of Sederunt \(Fees of Messengers-at-Arms and Sheriff Officers\) \(Amendment\) 2024 \(SSI 2024/41\)](#) (9 February 2024) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[The Packaging Waste \(Data Reporting\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/42\)](#) (9 February 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[The National Health Service \(Common Staffing Method\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/43\)](#) (9 February 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[The Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/44\)](#) (9 February 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[The Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland \(Cancellation of Registration and Relevant Requirements\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/45\)](#) (9 February 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[The Building \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/46\)](#) (9 February 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment 29 March 2024
Lead Committee report due by 25 March 2024

[Bankruptcy \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/48\)](#) (15 February 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

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)

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

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

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[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)

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

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

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Other Documents

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Annual Report on the operation of the UK Internal Market 2023-2024 (OIM/2024/01) laid under section 33(5) of the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020

Climate Change Committee: Progress in reducing emissions in Scotland 2023 Report to Parliament (SG/2024/43) laid at the request of a member of the Scottish Government and not under any laying power

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Compendium of Case Reports for March 2024 (SPSO/2024/03) laid under Sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

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