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# Business Bulletin

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## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

There are no meetings today.

### Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Meeting of the Parliament

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There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 17 December 2025

### Tuesday 6 January 2026

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions

**followed by** Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee Debate: Legal Aid

**followed by** Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee Debate: Petition PE2018: Recognise the value of swimming pools and provide financial relief to help keep pools open

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business: Emma Harper: Fuelling the Future: Recognising Anaerobic Digestion's Role in Scotland's Net Zero Transition

### Wednesday 7 January 2026

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business: Tim Eagle: Supporting Scotland's Bridges

### Thursday 8 January 2026

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

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**followed by** Members' Business: Claire Baker: Non-fatal Strangulation Laws and Intimate Partner Homicides

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Financial Resolution: Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Tuesday 13 January 2026

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Scottish Budget 2026-27

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill

**followed by** Financial Resolution: Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Wednesday 14 January 2026

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic; Finance and Local Government

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Thursday 15 January 2026

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

**12:00 pm** First Minister's Questions

**followed by** Members' Business

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Portfolio Questions: Climate Action and Energy, and Transport

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Stage 1 Debate: Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

## Future Committee Meetings

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

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

<https://www.parliament.scot/chamber-and-committees/committees>

### Finance and Public Administration Committee

6 January 2026

1st Meeting, 2026

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

1. **Declaration of interests:** Patrick Harvie will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Budget Scrutiny 2026-27:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Jackson Carlaw, Member, Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body;  
David McGill, Clerk/Chief Executive, Kerry Twyman, Director of Finance and Resilience, and Andrew Munro, Head of Internal Audit, Scottish Parliament.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Investment Zones Relief) (Scotland) Order 2026 [draft] from—  
Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance, Laura Parker, LBTT Policy Lead, Directorate for Tax and Revenues, Liam Farrow, Head of Regional Economic Policy, and Laura Wilkinson, Lawyer, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** Ivan McKee (Minister for Public Finance) to move—

S6M-20212—That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Investment Zones Relief) (Scotland) Order 2026 [draft] be approved.

5. **Finance (No.2) Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will take evidence on a legislative consent memorandum from—  
Ivan McKee, Minister for Public Finance and Merlin Kemp, Joint Head of Foresight and Capability Unit, Scottish Government.

### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Joanne McNaughton, at [FPA.committee@parliament.scot](mailto:FPA.committee@parliament.scot).

### Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

6 January 2026

1st Meeting, 2026

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

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
- Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
  
[Criminal Legal Aid and Assistance by Way of Representation \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) (SSI 2026/Draft)
- Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
  
[Conservation of Salmon \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/390)
- Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—  
  
[Scottish Parliament Elections \(Returning Officer Fees and Charges\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/394)
- UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
- Quarterly report:** The Committee will consider a draft report for the parliamentary quarter from 9 September to 17 November 2025.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Greg Black on 86266 or at [Greg.Black@parliament.scot](mailto:Greg.Black@parliament.scot)

### **Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 6 January 2026 1st Meeting, 2026**

The Committee will meet at 11:00AM in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the [Hydrolysis \(Scotland\) \(No. 1\) Regulations 2026](#) and on the [Hydrolysis \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2026](#) from—  
Jenni Minto, Minister for Public Health and Women's Health, Katrina McNeill, Team Leader - Burial and Cremation, and Marie Penman, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.



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3. **Subordinate legislation:** Jenni Minto (Minister for Public Health and Women's Health) to move—

[S6M-20005](#)— That the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee recommends that the Hydrolysis (Scotland) (No. 1) Regulations 2026 be approved.

[S6M-20006](#)— That the Health, Social Care and Sport Committee recommends that the Hydrolysis (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2026 be approved.

4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—

[Burial and Cremation \(Applications and Registers\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)

[Common Services Agency \(Membership and Procedure\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#)

5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Alex Bruce on 85229 or at [Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot](mailto:Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot)

### **Criminal Justice Committee 7 January 2026 1st Meeting, 2026**

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

1. **Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—  
Pam Gosal, Member in Charge of the Bill, Roz Thomson, Principal Clerk, Non-Government Bills Unit, and Ailidh Callander, Senior Solicitor, Legal Services Office, Scottish Parliament; Charlie Pound, Head of Policy and Research, Scottish Conservative MSP Group.
2. **Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (In Private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.
3. **Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill (In Private):** The Committee will consider a revised draft Stage 1 report.
4. **Work programme (In Private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie on 85931 or at [Stephen.Imrie@parliament.scot](mailto:Stephen.Imrie@parliament.scot)

## Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

7 January 2026

1st Meeting, 2026

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

- 1. Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to review evidence on the Draft Climate Change Plan in private at item 3 and at future meetings.
- 2. Draft Climate Change Plan:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Professor Roxane Andersen, Theme leader, Peatlands, University of the Highlands and Islands;  
Dr Emma Hinchliffe, Director, IUCN UK Peatland Programme;  
Peter Hutchinson, Head of Peatland Programme and Strategy, NatureScot;  
Dr Emily Taylor, Director, Crichton Carbon Centre;  
Hannah Wheatley, Senior Economist, Future Economy Scotland.  
and then from—  
Stuart Goodall, Chief Executive, Confor;  
Jo Ellis, Head of Planning and Environment, Forestry and Land Scotland;  
Willie McGhee, Board Member, Community Woodlands Association;  
David Robertson, Director of Investment and Business Development, Scottish Woodlands.  
and then from—  
Dr Alessandro Gimona, Senior Landscape Scientist and Dr Ruth Mitchell, Biodiversity and Ecosystems Group Leader, James Hutton Institute;  
Alan McDonnell, Convener of LINK's Woodlands Group, Scottish Environment LINK;  
Dr Mike Perks, Principal Scientist, Climate Change, Forest Research.
- 3. Draft Climate Change Plan:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

### Proposed future business

For further information, contact the clerk to the Committee, Emma Johnston on 85225 or at [emma.johnston@parliament.scot](mailto:emma.johnston@parliament.scot)

## Economy and Fair Work Committee

7 January 2026

1st Meeting, 2026

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

- 1. Draft Climate Change Plan:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Professor Paul de Leeuw, Director, Robert Gordon University Energy Transition Institute;  
Stacey Dingwall, Head of Policy and External Affairs (Scotland), Federation of Small Businesses;  
David Thomson, Chief Executive, Food and Drink Federation Scotland;  
Professor Karen Turner, Director of the Centre for Energy Policy, University of Strathclyde;  
Richard Woolley, Head of Energy and Climate Change, Chemical Industries Association.

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2. **Draft Climate Change Plan (In Private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.

3. **Work programme (In Private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

### **Proposed future business**

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Anne Peat on 85182 or at [anne.peat@parliament.scot](mailto:anne.peat@parliament.scot)

## **Education, Children and Young People Committee**

**7 January 2026**

**1st Meeting, 2026**

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the [Education \(Scotland\) Act 2025 \(Consequential Provisions\) Regulations 2026](#) [draft] and the [Official Statistics \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2026](#) [draft] from—

Jenny Gilruth, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills and Jaxon Parish, Qualifications Scotland Policy Team Leader, Education Reform Directorate, Scottish Government;  
Judith Brown, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate.

2. **Subordinate legislation:** Jenny Gilruth, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills to move—S6M-19851—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the [Education \(Scotland\) Act 2025 \(Consequential Provisions\) Regulations 2026](#) [draft] be approved.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** Jenny Gilruth, Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills to move—S6M-19852—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the [Official Statistics \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2026](#) [draft] be approved.

4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the [Cross-border Placement of Children \(Requirements, Effect and Enforcement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) [draft] from—

Natalie Don-Innes, Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise, Louisa Brown, Kinship Care and Fostering Team Leader, and Rachael Wilson, Team Leader, Children's Residential Care Unit, Scottish Government;  
Claire Montgomery, Solicitor, Scottish Government Legal Directorate.

5. **Subordinate legislation:** Natalie Don-Innes Minister for Children, Young People and The Promise to move—S6M-19990—That the Education, Children and Young People Committee recommends that the [Cross-border Placement of Children \(Requirements, Effect and Enforcement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026](#) [draft] be approved.

6. **Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill (In Private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.

7. **Evidence Session (In Private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard at its meeting on the 17th December 2025.

### **Proposed future business**

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For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Pauline McIntyre on 85252 or at [Pauline.McIntyre@parliament.scot](mailto:Pauline.McIntyre@parliament.scot)

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## Motions

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

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

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
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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

**\*[S6M-20268](#) Alexander Burnett: Fair Share of Funding for Public Services—**That the Parliament notes calls for fairer funding to be allocated among Scotland's 32 local authorities and 14 NHS boards; further notes reports that Aberdeenshire Council is the fourth lowest funded local authority in Scotland, receiving less government funding per capita than the Scottish average; believes that NHS Grampian is the second lowest funded NHS board per head of population, is reportedly facing a deficit of nearly £50 million, has just 1.4 beds per 1,000 people, and has one of the fastest growing elderly populations in Scotland; considers that rural and island communities cover large geographical areas, which come with unique challenges and require significant resources, particularly with regard to infrastructure maintenance, service delivery and issues that arise from extreme weather; recognises concerns that local services are under immense pressure, and notes the view that it is important to ensure that communities are properly resourced to enable them to continue to have access to local services that meet their needs, including reliable public transport, local schools and health and social care services.

Supported by: Dr Sandesh Gulhane\*, Liam Kerr\*

**\*[S6M-20264](#) David Torrance: Creative Coven—**That the Parliament congratulates Rowan Morrison, and all at the Creative Coven, for exceeding their Kickstarter goal for their latest project WITCH - The Book of Remembrance; notes that this one-of-a-kind memorial publication features a huge range of poetry, art and prose to honour all those in Scotland accused and executed for the crime of witchcraft; understands that the Creative Coven tirelessly raises awareness of the witch persecutions in Scotland and has held two national days of remembrance in Fife and the event, Weaving Creative Threads, in Edinburgh; recognises that what it considers an innovative exhibition, *Voices and Visions of the Witch*, took place for three months in Fife as a creative response to what it sees as one of the most unjust human rights abuses in the past, and commends the Creative Coven for its commitment and dedication to honouring all those who lost their lives in what was a very dark period of Scotland's history.

**\*[S6M-20263](#) David Torrance: Sportscotland Scottish Sports Awards 2025—**That the Parliament congratulates Martin Christie from Kirkcaldy on his outstanding achievement in winning the award of Volunteer of the Year at the sportscotland Scottish Sports Awards 2025; commends Martin's incredible 20-year history of volunteering and the many leadership roles he has undertaken at local golf clubs in the area; notes that Martin has a 32-year membership in golf clubs and, in partnership with the Fife Golf Trust, Martin developed a new six-hole golf course; appreciates that, in 2020, Martin established the charity, Dunnikier Park Community Golf, with a focus in accessibility and inclusion,

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engaging all members of the community, regardless of age or ability, to take part in a wonderful activity that, not only strengthens their physical health, but provides positive emotional health and wellbeing; acclaims what it sees as Martin's pioneering work in introducing Park Golf in Scotland; notes that the course in Dunnikier is the first of its kind in the UK, and applauds the scope of Martin's commitment to facilitating a workable model for changing people's lives through golf, including at and through schools, care homes, Alzheimer Scotland, the Salvation Army, Young Carers, EasyP, Step by Step, Sporting Memories, Phoenix Futures, The Fairway, Nourish Support Centre and Autism Scotland, with over 1,000 games played in 2025.

**\*S6M-20262 David Torrance: Lang Toun Cycles Community Bike Shop**—That the Parliament congratulates Greener Kirkcaldy's social enterprise community bike shop, Lang Toun Cycles, on celebrating five years on Kirkcaldy High Street; notes that nearly 4,000 bikes have been refurbished or repaired by it since its work began; believes that encouraging people to travel actively has huge benefits for health and wellbeing, the natural environment and society as a whole; welcomes its work to make cycling accessible to all in the sale of affordable, refurbished bikes, the Bairns Bike Library and the e-bike loan schemes for the public and NHS staff, and understands that these activities have saved around 64,500kg of CO2, the equivalent of taking 41 petrol cars off the road.

## Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*S6M-20267 Michelle Thomson: Celebrating Braes High School's Success in CyberFirst Girls Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates Braes High School on placing in the top 10 in Scotland in the CyberFirst Girls Competition; recognises that CyberFirst Girls Competition is a prestigious national award for S2 girls that aims to inspire those interested in technology to pursue a career in cyber security; further recognises that the competition is a team event that allows participants to tackle challenges in areas such as cryptography, logic, artificial intelligence and networking; acknowledges that as well as covering subjects which are consistent with the Curriculum for Excellence Computer Science syllabus, the competition contains some advanced cyber topics to stretch the lateral thinking and additional cyber knowledge of the teams; congratulates the students of Braes High School on this outstanding achievement, and wishes them the very best in their future studies.

Supported by: Dr Pam Gosal MBE\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Bill Kidd\*, Brian Whittle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, David Torrance\*

**\*S6M-20266 Alexander Burnett: Celebrating Mary Watt's Service to the British Red Cross**—That the Parliament congratulates Mary Watt on her contribution to the British Red Cross Shop in Banchory; notes that Mary, at 87 years old, has volunteered for 26 years, regularly working and stepping in whenever needed; acknowledges her role in mentoring volunteers and supporting the day-to-day running of the shop; recognises that Mary has been a valued member of the team and a familiar face to customers; wishes her well in her retirement, and thanks her for her years of dedicated service to the community.

Supported by: Tess White\*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane\*, Douglas Ross\*, Brian Whittle\*, Monica Lennon\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Liam Kerr\*, Murdo Fraser\*

**\*S6M-20261 Paul McLennan: Recognition of Sunamp's 2025 Institute of Physics Business Innovation Award**—That the Parliament congratulates Sunamp Ltd, the East Lothian-based heat battery and thermal energy storage innovator, on being named a Business Innovation Award winner by the Institute of Physics in 2025 in recognition of its development of groundbreaking compact thermal storage technology that significantly enhances heat transfer efficiency and energy storage for high flow rate hot water applications; notes the importance of Sunamp's pioneering latent heat battery technology, which uses advanced phase change materials to store and release thermal energy in a more compact and efficient form compared with conventional hot water cylinders, supporting energy efficiency and net-zero heating solutions; understands that this achievement reflects Scotland's



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growing strength in clean tech innovation, advanced manufacturing and physics-based engineering; recognises the contribution of Sunamp's skilled workforce and research partnerships to Scotland's economy and climate ambitions, and wishes the company continuing success in growing its global impact and advancing sustainable energy technology.

Supported by: Karen Adam\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Clare Haughey\*, Jamie Hepburn\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, David Torrance\*

**\*S6M-20260 Paul McLennan: Recognition of Rab Moran's BEM for Services to the Community in Haddington**—That the Parliament congratulates Mr Robert James “Rab” Moran of Haddington on being awarded the British Empire Medal (BEM) in the 2025 King’s Birthday Honours for his services to the community of Haddington, East Lothian; understands that Mr Moran has given many years of dedicated voluntary service across a range of local initiatives, helping to improve the environment through his work with community gardening and Blooming Haddington, supporting social inclusion activities such as Our Community Kitchen, and playing an active role in the Haddington and District Community Council, as well as assisting at local events and projects that benefit residents of all ages; believes that his tireless commitment reflects the best of civic spirit and volunteerism in communities across Scotland; commends him for his significant contribution to enhancing the quality of life in Haddington, and wishes him well in his continuing community endeavours.

**\*S6M-20259 Kevin Stewart: 50 Years of Befriend a Child**—That the Parliament celebrates 50 years of Befriend a Child; notes that, since 1975, the organisation, which is based in Aberdeen city centre, has been dedicated to supporting children and young people across Aberdeen city and Aberdeenshire who are growing up in difficult life circumstances, through befriending, mentoring, family support and youth club programmes; understands that Befriend a Child has been celebrating its Golden Anniversary throughout 2025 with numerous events, including the Barbie Boozy Brunch fundraiser, a civic reception at Aberdeen Town House, a Golden Anniversary Ball and the 50th Birthday Summer Party; believes that the organisation’s work has helped countless numbers of children and young people reach their full potential throughout its 50 years of operation; thanks all the staff and volunteers, past and present, for all their hard work and dedication, and wishes the organisation well with all its future endeavours.

Supported by: Clare Haughey\*, Jamie Hepburn\*, Karen Adam\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, David Torrance\*

**\*S6M-20258 Rhoda Grant: Food Insecurity in Remote Rural Communities: The Lived Experience of Older Adults**—That the Parliament notes the publication of the academic report, *Food Insecurity in Remote Rural Communities: The Lived Experience of Older Adults*, which explores older adults’ lived experiences of the food environment in remote, rural Highland communities; acknowledges the research findings that remote rural older adults face high prices, limited food choice, transport challenges, disruption to long food supply chains and social isolation; recognises the strength of local community networks, including lunch clubs, local hubs and shared online shopping arrangements, in improving food access and social connection; welcomes the contribution of volunteers, third sector organisations, community food initiatives and local retailers in sustaining these networks, and calls on the Scottish Government to work with local authorities, NHS boards, community organisations and the retail sector to progress the policy recommendations contained in the report.

Supported by: Sarah Boyack, Martin Whitfield\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Carol Mochan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Elena Whitham\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**\*S6M-20257 Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Five U18 Pupils from West Scotland Region Selected for Youth Football Scotland's Centenary Shield Team**—That the Parliament congratulates five students from the West Scotland region on being selected for Youth Football Scotland's U18s squad for this year's Centenary Shield; notes that Leo Easdon and Remo Margiotto, of Turnbull High Bishopbriggs, Ben Nelson, of Bishopbriggs Academy, Mitchell Spence, of Douglas Academy in Milngavie, and Sam Robinson, of Johnstone High School, have all been successful; understands that the international

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tournament is an annual event for U18 schoolboys, with teams from all home nations, with Scotland, England, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland all participating; acknowledges that the competition was established in 1973 to celebrate the Scottish Football Association's centenary, and features a round-robin format; notes that Scotland won it in 2025, and wishes the Scotland team every success in retaining the shield.

Supported by: Annie Wells\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane\*, Colin Beattie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Brian Whittle\*, Liam Kerr\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**\*S6M-20256 Michael Marra: Congratulating Ben Lawrence on Charlie Malone Prize**—That the Parliament congratulates Ben Lawrence on receiving the inaugural Charlie Malone Prize from Abertay University; notes that the award was named after Dundee City Councillor Charlie Malone, who was a former lecturer at the institution and passed away in 2024; believes that Charlie Malone was well known locally as a campaigner for the community he served; understands that Ben received the award for outstanding positive impact in the local community; further understands that Ben is a recent LLB Law graduate from Abertay University who served as director of TayPer, a student-led organisation that aims to improve access to legal support within the community; recognises that Abertay University continues to attract and educate individuals with a community-focused worldview, and wishes Ben every success following his graduation from Abertay University.

Supported by: Colin Beattie\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

**\*S6M-20247 John Mason: Scotland at The World Cup 2026**—That the Parliament warmly welcomes the qualification of the Scotland men's national football team for the 2026 FIFA World Cup; congratulates the entire squad on its achievement and places on record its particular appreciation for head coach, Steve Clarke, who becomes the first manager in Scotland's history to lead the men's national team to three consecutive major international tournaments; expresses deep concern regarding several issues surrounding the 2026 tournament; condemns the creation of the FIFA Peace Prize and its award to US President, Donald Trump; notes that this decision has reportedly prompted public criticism and at least one formal complaint alleging a breach of FIFA's political neutrality obligations; expresses disappointment at the SFA's decision to appoint Barrhead Travel as its official travel partner, noting reports from 2014 that senior management at the company attempted to politically influence staff against voting for Scottish independence; notes with concern what it sees as the excessively high pricing of match tickets and associated travel costs; is of the view that it will prevent many loyal Scotland supporters of ordinary means from attending, while enabling those with significant disposable wealth who, it believes, should be contributing more to Scottish society rather than prioritising luxury trips; expresses concern regarding the mandatory water breaks introduced during matches, which have been implemented regardless of actual weather conditions and have reportedly been scheduled to maximise opportunities for advertisers to secure broadcast slots, and calls on FIFA, the SFA and all relevant authorities, to reflect on these concerns and to ensure that future tournaments are governed with greater integrity, transparency and affordability for supporters.

**\*S6M-20242 Edward Mountain: Fin Graham wins Para Athlete of the Year at Scottish Sport Awards 2025**—That the Parliament congratulates Fin Graham on winning the Para Athlete of the Year category at sportscotland's Scottish Sport Awards 2025; recognises Fin's many fantastic achievements in cycling, including winning one gold and one silver medal at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games, and two silver medals at the Tokyo 2020 Games, as well as winning eight world titles; understands that Fin, who is from Strathpeffer, fell in love with cycling at the age of four, that he began competing in mountain biking three years later and, with the help of the Great Britain Cycling Team development programme, has gone from strength to strength ever since; acknowledges that the past 18 months have been particularly successful for the 26-year-old athlete, with his first Paralympic title in the C3 Road Race, a silver medal in the C3 Individual Pursuit, becoming the first para-athlete in history to win a fourth consecutive C3 road race world title, and more medals at the 2025 UCI Para-cycling Track World Championships in Rio de Janeiro; celebrates that Fin was also appointed an MBE in the 2025 New Year Honours list for services to cycling, and wishes Fin the very best of luck as he prepares for the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow in 2026.



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Motions   Glusadan				

**\*[S6M-20241](#) Edward Mountain: Ann Roy Named Technical Official at the Year at Scottish Sports Awards 2025**—That the Parliament congratulates Ann Roy on winning the Technical Official of the Year category at sportscotland's Scottish Sports Awards 2025; understands that Ann has made an outstanding contribution to sailing in Scotland and that she is Scotland's only female national race officer; notes that in the 2024-25 season alone, Ann officiated at eight major events, including the RYA Scotland Winter Championships, Topper Nationals, Flying Fifteen Nationals, 49er Nationals, and the RYA Youth National Championships, and that her efforts helped deliver over 180 races, involving more than 700 boats and boards and over 650 sailors; recognises the dedication that Ann displays, regularly volunteering her time at RYAS regattas, helping to create a high-quality environment for developing athletes; understands that her involvement provides young sailors with exposure to world-class race management; celebrates Ann as a role model and mentor for many in the sport, and that she aspires to become Scotland's first international race officer; applauds Ann on her recent award and achievement, and wishes her plain sailing in the future.

**[S6M-20074](#) John Mason: Support for Girlguiding Policy that Excludes Biological Males from Joining**—That the Parliament affirms what it sees as the recent wise decision by Girlguiding UK to ban trans girls and trans young women from joining its groups; notes that this change follows a Supreme Court ruling on the interpretation of sex in equality law, and believes that this policy strengthens the principles of inclusion and equality for girls and young women that Girlguiding has upheld for many years; recognises what it sees as the protection that this decision will provide for young people and their families; notes that Girlguiding has stated that it made this decision "with a heavy heart" but believes that many Girl Guides and their leaders will agree with this decision; considers that biological sex cannot be changed and that it is more important than gender identity, and thanks the organisation for standing firm on what it considers is a sensible approach, while fully reaffirming the opportunities for friendship, adventure and personal development that Girlguiding provides.

Supported by: Michelle Thomson, Jeremy Balfour, Edward Mountain, Murdo Fraser, Douglas Ross

**\*[S6M-20074.1](#) Jamie Greene: Support for Girlguiding Policy that Excludes Biological Males from Joining**—As an amendment to motion S6M-20074 in the name of John Mason (Support for Girlguiding Policy that Excludes Biological Males from Joining), leave out from "affirms" to end and insert "regrets that there is a lack of universal guidance for public bodies and private organisations to assist them in interpreting the complex legal landscape of equalities legislation with regards to the transgender community; considers that decisions being made by governing bodies are not universally consistent or supported by all members of those organisations; notes with concern reports of draft Equality and Human Rights Commission guidance, which suggest that individuals may be excluded from single-sex spaces based solely on their appearance; regrets what it sees as inferences that the simple presence of a transgender person presents an intrinsic universal risk to others; believes that there is an urgent need for the UK Government to publish updated, clear and workable guidance that both complies with domestic legislation and respects internationally recognised human rights standards to which the UK is party; expresses regret at what it sees as the ongoing and increasing exclusion of transgender individuals from everyday life activities that they were previously able to enjoy peacefully and safely, and which the rest of the population often takes for granted, and calls on politicians to be mindful of the tone and language used when discussing a marginalised community that, it considers, already faces substantial abuse and attack, and which deserves access to the most basic of human services and facilities, like anyone else in society."

## Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S6M-20255](#) Clare Adamson: Recognising the 50th Anniversary of the Society of Chief Officers of Trading Standards in Scotland** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Marie McNair\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Monica Lennon\*, Liam McArthur\*, Karen Adam\*, Miles Briggs\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Jamie Hepburn\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth

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Motions   Gluasadan				

Gibson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, David Torrance\*

[S6M-20254](#) **Bill Kidd: Peace Process in Turkey** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*

[S6M-20253](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Sasco Art Wins Helensburgh's Best Christmas Window Display 2025** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Annie Wells\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Liam Kerr\*, Craig Hoy\*, Brian Whittle\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20252](#) **Douglas Ross: Mortlach Memorial Hall Benefits from £20,000 Grant** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Annie Wells\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Liam Kerr\*, Craig Hoy\*, Brian Whittle\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20251](#) **Marie McNair: Colpi Ice Cream Wins Highly Recommended Award** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Ross Greer\*

[S6M-20250](#) **Clare Adamson: Celebrating the Generosity of Local Organisations Supporting Wishaw and Cragneuk** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20249](#) **Clare Adamson: Newmains Community Trust Recognised as Best Community Development Initiative 2025** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Hepburn\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20248](#) **Fulton MacGregor: Congratulations to Inaya Uddin for Young Coach of the Year Award and Contribution to Grassroots Sport in Coatbridge and Chryston** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Brian Whittle\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20246](#) **Evelyn Tweed: Celebrating Nature Restoration Fund Awards for Local Projects** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Hepburn\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20245](#) **Evelyn Tweed: Forth Valley College Student Annalise Clark Named Rising Star at ECI Training and Development Awards** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Hepburn\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20244](#) **Evelyn Tweed: Kilted Photographer Wins at British Photography Awards** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Hepburn\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20243](#) **Evelyn Tweed: Celebrating 50 Years of Europa Music** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Jamie Hepburn\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20240](#) **Evelyn Tweed: Celebrating the 49th Birthday of Stons Boutique** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Jamie Hepburn\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20239](#) **Evelyn Tweed: Congratulating Winners of Stirling Business Awards** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Jamie Hepburn\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

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[S6M-20238](#) **Alex Cole-Hamilton: The Conviction of British Citizen and Pro-democracy Publisher, Jimmy Lai** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20237](#) **Kevin Stewart: Research from the University of Aberdeen on Autism** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20236](#) **Davy Russell: Parliament Celebrates The Machan Trust's Breakfast with Santa** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20234](#) **Douglas Ross: Pearl Hamilton Retires After Decades of Service to Moray Customers** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher\*, Annie Wells\*, Liam Kerr\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20233](#) **Roz McCall: Martin Christie of Kirkcaldy Named Volunteer of the Year at Sportscotland Scottish Sport Awards 2025** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20232](#) **Alexander Burnett: Marking 10 Years Since Storm Frank** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Murdo Fraser\*, Annie Wells\*, Douglas Ross\*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE\*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20231](#) **Rona Mackay: ASN School Woodland View Triumphs at Scottish Sports Awards 2025** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20229](#) **Pauline McNeill: Clydesdale Cricket Club Named Club of the Year at the Scottish Sports Awards 2025** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Bob Doris\*, Annie Wells\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20228](#) **Pauline McNeill: Celebrating Andy Brown's Achievement at the Scottish Sports Awards 2025** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Annie Wells\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20227](#) **Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Woodland View ASN School in Kirkintilloch Wins School of the Year at Sportscotland Scottish Sports Awards 2025** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20224](#) **Mark Ruskell: Mid-Scotland and Fife Projects Win Big with National Lottery Funding** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20221](#) **Christine Grahame: Promoting Respect and Safety for Public Transport Workers** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20220](#) **Marie McNair: Dalmuir Barclay Church Community Pantry Receive Funding Award** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Karen Adam\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bob Doris\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Clare Haughey\*, Jamie Hepburn\*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\* R, David Torrance\*

[S6M-20219](#) **Marie McNair: Clydesider Magazine Receives Funding for Multimedia Content Creators** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

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New Support: Karen Adam\*, Miles Briggs\*, Bob Doris\*, Kevin Stewart\*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE\*, Bill Kidd\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, David Torrance\*

[S6M-20217](#) **Monica Lennon: Recognition of John D'Ambrosio on Winning Sportscotland Janice Eaglesham Disability Coach of the Year Award** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20211](#) **Claire Baker: Levenmouth Academy's Team Enable Achieves Second Place in the TechFest Innovation in Action National Competition** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20210](#) **Claire Baker: Celebrating Kirkcaldy Orchestral Society on its Shortlisting for the Royal Philharmonic Society's Inspiration Award** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20207](#) **Jackson Carlaw: Condemnation of Antisemitic Murder of 15 Jewish People in Australia** (lodged on 17 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Ross Greer\*, Ariane Burgess\*, Maggie Chapman\*, Mark Ruskell\*

[S6M-20205](#) **Clare Adamson: Lanarkshire Celebrates Truck & Tractor Charity Light Run** (lodged on 16 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20204](#) **Clare Adamson: Scottish Opera's Dragon of the Western Sea Tours Motherwell and Wishaw Schools** (lodged on 16 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20198](#) **Clare Adamson: Motherwell and Wishaw Rotary Club Brings Festive Cheer with Santa Visit** (lodged on 16 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20193](#) **Michelle Thomson: Grandmaster David Bailey Achieves Ninth Dan** (lodged on 16 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20188](#) **Liam McArthur: Congratulating Orkney Triathlon Club on Being Named Club of the Year** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20187](#) **Neil Bibby: Recognising the Work of the Renfrewshire Bereavement Network Service in Paisley** (lodged on 16 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20186](#) **Humza Yousaf: Congratulating Wilma McHardy on Her Retirement as Asda Govan's Community Champion** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20178](#) **Tim Eagle: Supporting Scotland's Bridges** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*, Tess White\*

[S6M-20177](#) **Foyso Choudhury: South Queensferry Celebrated at NHBC Pride in the Job Regional Awards** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20171](#) **George Adam: St Mirren - Premier Sports Cup Winners 2025** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

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[S6M-20170](#) **Alex Cole-Hamilton: Celebrating Edinburgh Zoo's Climate Action Award** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20168](#) **Brian Whittle: Women's Shed Kilmarnock Secures Grant from the National Lottery** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20165](#) **Brian Whittle: Robertson Show Society Benefits from a National Lottery Award** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20163](#) **Brian Whittle: Galston Community Development Trust Receives National Lottery Funding** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20162](#) **Brian Whittle: Unpaid Carers Benefitting from National Lottery Funding** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20161](#) **Brian Whittle: Campbell Street Area Tenants and Residents Association Benefits from National Lottery Awards** (lodged on 12 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20158](#) **Annie Wells: Glasgow Comedian Stanley Baxter Dies Aged 99** (lodged on 12 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*, Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20156](#) **Michelle Thomson: Falkirk Council Gardener Named Employee of the Year at Keep Britain Tidy Green Flag Awards 2025** (lodged on 12 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20155](#) **Emma Harper: Recognition of Citizens Advice Service in Dumfries and Relocation to New Premises** (lodged on 12 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20149](#) **Paul McLennan: Gifford Community Woodland Recognised with National Forestry Awards** (lodged on 12 December 2025)

New Support: Jamie Hepburn\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20148](#) **Paul McLennan: North Berwick RNLI Volunteers Praised for Lifesaving Rescue** (lodged on 18 December 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Bill Kidd\*, Brian Whittle\*, Tess White\*, Jeremy Balfour\*

[S6M-20140](#) **Alexander Burnett: Scottish Men's Sheds Association Wins National Award** (lodged on 11 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20139](#) **Alexander Burnett: Aberdeen Academic Wins Lifetime Achievement Award in Hydrology** (lodged on 11 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20130](#) **Evelyn Tweed: Congratulations to Tegan Cook on Her Fundraising Efforts** (lodged on 12 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*



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[S6M-20113](#) **Annie Wells: Glasgow Community Champion of the Year Honoured** (lodged on 11 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20112](#) **Annie Wells: Glasgow Boy Honoured for Courage and Community Spirit** (lodged on 16 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20060](#) **Maggie Chapman: Palestine Action Hunger Strikers** (lodged on 11 December 2025)

New Support: Gordon MacDonald\*

[S6M-20048](#) **Jamie Hepburn: Caulders Garden Centres Awards Success** (lodged on 8 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20045](#) **Clare Adamson: Congratulating Lanarkshire Nurses on Receiving the Queen's Nurse Award** (lodged on 8 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20044](#) **Clare Adamson: Commending Specsavers Wishaw for Its Christmas Gift Bank Initiative** (lodged on 8 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20043](#) **Clare Adamson: Clyde Valley Blackhawks and Pathway Church Spreads Festive Joy Across Wishaw** (lodged on 8 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20038](#) **Craig Hoy: Congratulating Kathy Gilchrist** (lodged on 5 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20033](#) **Fulton MacGregor: Asda Foundation Support for Coatbridge Community Groups** (lodged on 4 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20028](#) **Liam McArthur: Orkney's Young Rugby Teams Come Out on Top** (lodged on 4 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-20018](#) **Alexander Burnett: Dominic Clutterbuck Named Tradesperson of the Year** (lodged on 15 December 2025)

New Support: Liam Kerr\*

[S6M-20001](#) **Clare Haughey: First Nest Housing Pods Arrive at Harriet Gardens, Rutherglen** (lodged on 2 December 2025)

New Support: Tess White\*

[S6M-19453](#) **Kenneth Gibson: Ardrossan's Georgie Hyslop, 17, Wins Pride of Britain Award** (lodged on 28 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19438](#) **Bob Doris: Thanks and Farewell to Pauline Ellison, Scottish Partnership for Palliative Care** (lodged on 28 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19437](#) **Liam McArthur: Wishing Simon Brown from the Orkney Library and Archive a Happy Retirement** (lodged on 28 October 2025)

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New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19434](#) **Annie Wells: New Friday Drop-in Sessions Bring Hope to Glasgow's Mental Health Community** (lodged on 28 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19433](#) **Annie Wells: Glasgow Community Creates Tribute in Southern Necropolis to Lost Babies** (lodged on 28 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19432](#) **Annie Wells: Sterling Home Glasgow Supports CHAS this Christmas** (lodged on 28 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19431](#) **Miles Briggs: 45 Years of the Eric Liddell Community in Edinburgh** (lodged on 28 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19425](#) **Monica Lennon: Celebrating the NHS Lanarkshire TESS Service Receiving an Autism Accreditation Specialist Award** (lodged on 27 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19424](#) **Kenneth Gibson: Celebrating the 100th Birthday of Dalry's Robert Anderson** (lodged on 27 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19423](#) **Sarah Boyack: Congratulating the Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith, Project on Shortlisting in the 2025 SURF Awards for Best Practice in Community Regeneration** (lodged on 27 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19419](#) **Tim Eagle: W Reid Butchers Secure Gold at Traditional Steak Pie Awards** (lodged on 27 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19418](#) **Alexander Stewart: Clackmannanshire Men Drive 2,900 Miles for Andy's Man Club** (lodged on 27 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19415](#) **Douglas Ross: Thorabella Wins Diversified Farm of the Year Award** (lodged on 24 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19414](#) **Stuart McMillan: Bridget Donnelly, Age Scotland's Community Champion 2025** (lodged on 24 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19413](#) **Marie McNair: Bankie BMX Club Nurtures Best Riders in Britain** (lodged on 24 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19409](#) **Stuart McMillan: Creative Regeneration's Vision for Former Sugar Refinery in Greenock** (lodged on 24 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19394](#) **Paul O'Kane: New Monument to Honour Second World War US Pilot Unveiled in Howwood** (lodged on 27 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*

[S6M-19372](#) **Sharon Dowey: Celebrating the Growth of Women’s Participation in Shooting Sports** (lodged on 21 October 2025)

New Support: Sue Webber\*



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## Questions

### Written Questions

#### Written Questions lodged on 19 December 2025

[S6W-42616](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-42078 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 9 December 2025, by what date the review of facilities across its estate will be completed.

[S6W-42617](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-42078 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 9 December 2025, what monitoring of NHS boards is being undertaken to ensure compliance with the law following the Supreme Court judgement.

[S6W-42618](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, following the Supreme Court judgment that sex, for the purposes of the Equality Act 2010, is biological, whether it considers that a woman needs to complain to her employer before action is taken to follow the law.

[S6W-42619](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-42080 by Angela Constance on 9 December 2025, whether all 21 transgender people in the prison estate are housed in the women's prison estate.

[S6W-42620](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-42077 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 9 December 2025, whether there are minutes taken and papers considered by the Working Group on the Supreme Court Judgement and, if so, by what date these will be published.

[S6W-42621](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-42077 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 9 December 2025, whether it will list the membership of the Working Group on the Supreme Court Judgement.

[S6W-42622](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-42077 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 9 December 2025, on what dates the Working Group on the Supreme Court Judgement has met.

[S6W-42623](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-42079 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 9 December 2025, and in light of reports that there is no restriction on the Scottish Ministers in relation to commenting on civil cases before the courts, for what reason the First Minister is not meeting For Women Scotland.

[S6W-42624](#) **Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-42082 by Angela Constance on 9 December 2025, for what reason it is not commenting on civil court proceedings, and what specifically is stopping it from doing so.

[S6W-42673](#) **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to its response to the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee 1st Report 2025, *Follow-up inquiry into salmon farming in Scotland* (SP Paper 720), what specific "burden" it considers would arise from implementing the recommendation that all fish mortality data be made public; which Scottish Government directorate, agency or public body would bear that burden; what additional tasks or functions would be required to implement the recommendation; what assessment has been made of the associated costs, resource implications or operational impacts, and what analysis or evidence was used to reach the conclusion that publication of this data would constitute a "burden".

[S6W-42688](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will enable appropriate parliamentary scrutiny of changes to the mackerel and herring Economic Link arrangements, in light of these being announced one day prior to a parliamentary recess.

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[S6W-42689](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact on smaller pelagic vessels of increasing the Economic Link landing requirement for mackerel and herring from 55% to 70% with effect from 1 January 2026.

[S6W-42690](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the decision to amend the mackerel and herring Economic Link requirement was announced on 18 December 2025, in light of the change coming into force on 1 January 2026.

[S6W-42691](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what consultation took place with pelagic catching sector representatives regarding the revised mackerel and herring Economic Link requirement, and when that consultation concluded.

[S6W-42692](#) **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to the cumulative impact on the pelagic sector of quota reductions alongside the revised mackerel and herring Economic Link landing requirements.

[S6W-42713](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the potential impact on the Scottish economy, what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding what the status is of the memorandum of understanding signed with MingYang in 2021, and whether it remains active.

[S6W-42738](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how many formal complaints have been raised by its civil servants regarding hybrid working directives since October 2025, also broken down by how many claims have been (a) upheld and (b) rejected.

[S6W-42744](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that the increased demand for temporary accommodation for immigrants does not displace low-income households already on waiting lists.

[S6W-42747](#) **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that communities experiencing rapid population increases due to immigration receive adequate support to maintain cohesion and public confidence in services.

[S6W-42748](#) **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports regarding poor housing standards experienced by seasonal farm workers, what consideration it has given to implementing section 315(6) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987.

[S6W-42749](#) **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the reasons for all-sector new housing completions and starts not having recovered to their pre-2007-08 financial crisis trend of around 25,000 homes per annum.

[S6W-42750](#) **Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will undertake an analysis of the operation of the thrice-weekly rail link between the Port of Liverpool and the Mossend EuroTerminal in North Lanarkshire since it was established in 2018, regarding what effect it has had on displacing container shipping volumes from the Port of Greenock on the River Clyde, which reportedly has the capacity to handle a throughput of 100,000 TEU per year.

[S6W-42751](#) **Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to bring forward regulations to bring section 75 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2025 into force.

[S6W-42752](#) **Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it is aware that its guidance on adopting a "light touch" approach to regulation of landlords is reportedly being cited as justification by the Highland Council to explain why no rent penalty notices and fiscal reports have been issued over an 18-month period from July 2022.

[S6W-42756](#) **Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government how many Pension Age Winter Heating Payments it expects will remain to be paid by 31 December 2025.

[S6W-42757](#) **Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government how many Pension Age Winter Heating Payments (a) had been and (b) were still to be paid, by 30 November 2025.

[S6W-42758](#) **Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government how many Pension Age Winter Heating Payments (a) had been and (b) were still to be paid, by 19 December 2025.

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[S6W-42759](#) **Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on what urgent action can be put in place to protect budgets for children's speech and language therapy services in NHS Forth Valley in 2026.

[S6W-42760](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the quality, completeness and reliability of the new data used in the revised social care funding formula, including how that data was validated, whether any known limitations were identified, and, if so, how those limitations were communicated to the Settlement and Distribution Group and COSLA leaders prior to approval of the revised approach.

[S6W-42761](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government whether directors of finance or officials raised any concerns about the quality or suitability of the new data used in the revised social care funding formula, and, if so, how those concerns were addressed before the proposal was put to COSLA leaders for approval.

[S6W-42762](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of whether the new data underpinning the revised social care funding formula accurately reflects demographic pressures and service delivery costs in rural local authorities, and how this was tested before the formula was agreed.

[S6W-42763](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any financial impact of the revised social care funding formula, including the estimated gross gain or loss prior to the application of any floor mechanism, for each local authority.

[S6W-42764](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the approval of the revised social care funding approach, whether it will provide information on how COSLA leaders were able to make an informed decision in the absence of clear, council-by-council impact assessments, and what information was provided to support their decision.

[S6W-42765](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration was given to the stability of the local government funding system, as required under the Settlement and Distribution Group's remit, when proposing changes that may result in significant year-on-year losses for individual local authorities.

[S6W-42766](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government when officials first became aware that census data from 2001 and 2011 continued to be used in the social care funding formula after more recent census data was available, and what action was taken at that point.

[S6W-42771](#) **Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the financial impact of the revised social care funding formula on Scottish Borders Council, including the estimated gross loss prior to the application of any floor mechanism.

[S6W-42774](#) **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government which NHS boards offer thumb carpometacarpal joint replacement surgery.

[S6W-42775](#) **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure equitable access to (a) thumb carpometacarpal joint replacement surgery and (b) other surgical procedures across all NHS boards.

[S6W-42776](#) **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance exists to ensure consistency in surgical treatment options for patients with thumb arthritis across Scotland.

[S6W-42777](#) **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact on (a) recovery times and (b) long-term function of thumb carpometacarpal joint replacement surgery not being offered to patients and fusion surgery being undertaken instead.

[S6W-42778](#) **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to the potential economic impact on patients who may face a prolonged recovery and loss of function due to limited surgical options in NHS Lanarkshire.

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[S6W-42779](#) **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what arrangements are in place to enable patients in NHS Lanarkshire to be referred to other NHS boards for thumb carpometacarpal joint replacement surgery, and how many such referrals there have been in each of the last five years.

[S6W-42780](#) **Paul O'Kane:** To ask the Scottish Government what further consideration it has given to a fireworks licensing scheme or restrictions on the days on which fireworks can be supplied and used.

[S6W-42781](#) **Paul O'Kane:** To ask the Scottish Government what further action it is taking to address the problematic use of fireworks.

## New Bills and Accompanying Documents

### New accompanying documents printed on 19 December 2025

**UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (As amended at Stage 2)**—A revised version of the Explanatory Notes has been printed (SP Bill 60A-EN) (Government Bill)

**UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (As amended at Stage 2)**—A supplementary version of the Delegated Powers Memorandum has been printed (SP Bill 60A-DPM) (Government Bill)

**UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (As amended at Stage 2)**—A supplementary version of the Financial Memorandum has been printed (SP Bill 60A-FM) (Government Bill)

## New Subordinate Legislation

### Subject to negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 19 December 2025 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Public Bodies \(Joint Working\) \(Integration Joint Boards\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/405\)](#)

Laid under Section 69(5) of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2015

## Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 2 completed, 25 November 2025

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

### **Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 8 January 2026

*Stage 1 Report – Finance and Public Administration Committee (13th Report, 2025)*

### **Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 14 January 2026

*Stage 1 Report - Education, Children and Young People Committee (10th Report, 2025)*

### **Children (Withdrawal from Religious Education and Amendment of UNCRC Compatibility Duty) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 16 December 2025

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

### **Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 24 June 2025

### **Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Economy and Fair Work Committee), 14 January 2026



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*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 8 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

### **Contract (Formation and Remedies) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 3 February 2026

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 28 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

### **Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 13 January 2026

*Stage 1 Report – Rural Affairs and Islands Committee (12th Report, 2025)*

### **Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture)), 18 December 2025

### **Digital Assets (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 17 December 2025

*Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (81st Report, 2025)*

### **Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Passed, 16 December 2025

### **Ecocide (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 9 December 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (70th Report, 2025)*

### **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.*

### **Freedom of Information Reform (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 27 November 2025

*Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (79th Report, 2025)*

### **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.*

### **Greyhound Racing (Offences) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 12 November 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (52nd Report, 2025)*

### **Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 10 December 2025

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

### **Non-Domestic Rates (Liability for Unoccupied Properties) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 27 November 2025



## Non-surgical Procedures and Functions of Medical Reviewers (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 16 December 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (91st Report, 2025)*

## Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 7 January 2026

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (56th Report, 2025)*

## Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 7 January 2026

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 15 January 2026

*Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (80th Report, 2025)*

## Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 7 January 2026

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (53rd Report, 2025)*

## Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Passed, 16 December 2025

## Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill (M)

Stage 1 completed, 13 November 2025

*Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

## Tertiary Education and Training (Funding and Governance) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 3 December 2025

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

## UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 6 January 2026

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 15 January 2026

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 8 January with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

## Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 Report (Social Justice and Social Security Committee) published, 19 December 2025

## 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>

## Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill LCM-S6-64

Lodged on 25 September 2025

Meeting (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 16 December 2025

*Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (89th Report, 2025)*

## Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill LCM-S6-60

Lodged on 12 June 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 June 2025  
Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025  
*Report – Lead committee (Education, Children and Young People) (8th Report, 2025)*

**Crime and Policing Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-57c**  
Lodged on 19 December 2025

**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)*

**Northern Ireland Troubles Bill LCM-S6-68**  
Lodged on 11 December 2025  
*Lead committee - Criminal Justice*

**Pension Schemes Bill LCM-S6-65**  
Lodged on 26 September 2025  
Meeting of the Parliament, 17 December 2025  
*Report - Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (6th Report, 2025)*  
*Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (78th Report, 2025)*

**Public Office (Accountability) Bill LCM-S6-66**  
Lodged on 31 October 2025  
*Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration*  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (87th Report, 2025)*

**Railways Bill LCM-S6-69**  
Lodged on 12 December 2025

**Sentencing Bill LCM-S6-67**  
Lodged on 26 November 2025  
Meeting of the Parliament, 18 December 2025  
*Report - Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (13th Report, 2025)*

**Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-61b**  
Lodged on 17 December 2025

**Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill LCM-S6-62**  
Lodged on 27 August 2025  
Meeting of the Parliament, 9 December 2025  
*Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (9th Report, 2025)*  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (73rd Report, 2025)*

**Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a**  
Lodged on 28 March 2025  
Meeting of the Parliament, 29 May 2025  
*Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (3rd Report, 2025)*  
*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (29th Report, 2025)*

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

**Made Affirmative Instruments**

**Subject to approval by 15 December 2025**

[Representation of the People Act 1983 Remedial \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/353\)](#) (18 November 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

**Affirmative Instruments**

**Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 4 January 2026**

[Companies Act 2006 \(Scottish public sector companies to be audited by the Auditor General for Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (14 November 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 10 January 2026**

[Official Statistics \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (20 November 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 11 January 2026**

[Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products \(Fruit and Vegetables\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (21 November 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 14 January 2026**

[Education \(Scotland\) Act 2025 \(Consequential Provisions\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (20 November 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 15 January 2026**

[Cross-border Placement of Children \(Requirements, Effect and Enforcement\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (25 November 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 23 January 2026**

[Hydrolysis \(Scotland\) \(No. 1\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (3 December 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Hydrolysis \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (3 December 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

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## Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 24 January 2026

[National Bus Travel Concession Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (4 December 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

## Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 2 February 2026

[Land and Buildings Transaction Tax \(Investment Zones Relief\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (10 December 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

## Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 3 February 2026

[Civic Government \(Scotland\) Act 1982 \(Licensing of Non-surgical Procedures\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (10 December 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

## Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 4 February 2026

[Animal Health \(Fixed Penalty Notices\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (11 December 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

## Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 8 February 2026

[Criminal Legal Aid and Assistance by Way of Representation \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (15 December 2025) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (15 December 2025) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

## Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 10 February 2026

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Local Taxation Chamber \(Rules of Procedure and Composition\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (17 December 2025) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) Order 2026 \(SI 2026/Draft\)](#) (17 December 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Scotland Act 1998 \(Modification of Schedule 5\) Order 2026 \(SI 2026/Draft\)](#) (17 December 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

## Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 11 February 2026

[Domestic Abuse \(Protection\) \(Scotland\) Act 2021 \(Consequential and Supplementary Amendments\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (18 December 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

## Negative instruments

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**Subject to annulment by 19 December 2025**  
**Lead Committee report due by 15 December 2025**

[The Charities Accounts \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/341\)](#) (10 November 2025)  
(Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 7 January 2026**  
**Lead Committee report due by 5 January 2026**

[Disclosure \(Scotland\) Act 2020 \(Commencement No. 6, Consequential Amendment, Saving and Transitional Provision\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/352 \(C. 26\)\)](#) (17 November 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 14 January 2026**  
**Lead Committee report due by 12 January 2026**

[Burial and Cremation \(Applications and Registers\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/360\)](#) (24 November 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 21 January 2026**  
**Lead Committee report due by 19 January 2026**

[National Health Service \(General Dental Services\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/380\)](#) (1 December 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 29 January 2026**  
**Lead Committee report due by 26 January 2026**

[Education \(Scotland\) Act 2025 \(Consequential Provisions\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/385\)](#) (5 December 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 1 February 2026**  
**Lead Committee report due by 26 January 2026**

[Common Services Agency \(Membership and Procedure\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/387\)](#) (8 December 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Conservation of Salmon \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/390\)](#) (8 December 2025)  
(Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 11 February 2026**  
**Lead Committee report due by 9 February 2026**

[Removing from Heritable Property \(Form of Charge\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/402\)](#) (18 December 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

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[Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. \(Decrees for Removing from Heritable Property\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/403\)](#) (18 December 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Scottish Secure Tenancies \(Proceedings for Possession\) \(Form of Notice\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/404\)](#) (18 December 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/406\)](#) (18 December 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment by 12 February 2026**  
**Lead Committee report due by 9 February 2026**

[Public Bodies \(Joint Working\) \(Integration Joint Boards\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/405\)](#) (19 December 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

## Documents subject to parliamentary control

**Lead Committee report due by 19 December 2025**

[Draft Code of Practice: The Non-Party Campaigner Campaign Expenditure \(Scottish Parliament Elections\) Code of Practice 2025 \(SG/2025/289\)](#) (10 November 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)



## New Documents

## Committee Reports

[Criminal Justice Committee, 14th Report, 2025 \(Session 6\) Report on Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2026/27 \(SP Paper 944\)](#), publication date: 19 December 2025

[Social Justice and Social Security Committee, 11th Report, 2025 \(Session 6\) Stage 1 report on the Wellbeing and Sustainable Development \(Scotland\) Bill \(SP Paper 946\)](#), publication date: 19 December 2025

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

## Legislative Consent Memorandum

The following memorandum was lodged on 19 December 2025—

Angela Constance, Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Crime and Policing Bill (UK Parliament legislation) (LCM-S6-57c)

## Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 19 December 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Act 2018: Scottish Ministers' Report to Parliament 2025 (SG/2025/105)** laid under Section 8 of the Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Act 2018

**Highlands and Islands Airports Limited Annual Report and Accounts to 31 March 2025 (SG/2025/240)** laid under section 34 of the Civil Aviation Act 1982

**Puirt-adhair na Gàidhealtachd is nan Eilean Earranta An Aithisg Bhliadhnail is Cunntasan gu 31 Mart 2025 (SG/2025/241)** laid under section 34 of the Civil Aviation Act 1982

**Scottish Pubs Code Adjudicator – Statement of Expenditure - FY2024-2025 (SG/2025/57)** laid under Section 22 (5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000 and Part 4 of the Tied Pubs (Scotland) Act 2021

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