

Thursday 29 May 2025

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Today's Business

### Meeting of the Parliament

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

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

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-17419 Michelle Thomson: 30 Years on from the Bosnian Genocide in Srebrenica

**2:30 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:30 pm** Portfolio Questions  
Social Justice

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: Galloway and Ayrshire National Park Proposal

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: NHS Grampian

**followed by** Ministerial Statement:  
Responding to RAAC in the Public Sector  
Across Scotland

**followed by** Legislative Consent Motion:  
Tobacco and Vapes Bill - UK Legislation

**followed by** Business Motions

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**4:50 pm** Decision Time

### Committee Meetings

**8:45am** Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

**9:00am** Social Justice and Social Security Committee

**9:30am** SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review Committee

**1:00pm** Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

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### 11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

### 11:40 am General Questions

- 1. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the improvements to the A75. ([S6O-04720](#))
- 2. Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it has introduced in the last year to improve road safety across the Highlands and Islands. ([S6O-04721](#))
- 3. Pauline McNeill:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the roadworks on the M8 in Glasgow will be completed by 2026. ([S6O-04722](#))
- 4. Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government what feedback it has received from organisations, including sport and social clubs, regarding changes in the protecting vulnerable groups scheme as a result of the Disclosure (Scotland) Act 2020. ([S6O-04723](#))
- 5. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government how its policies to support Scottish culture and heritage ensure that the contribution of prominent figures, such as trade unionist, Michael McGahey, can be honoured. ([S6O-04724](#)) **R**
- 6. Collette Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government how its Budget aims to benefit people in East Kilbride. ([S6O-04725](#))
- 7. Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the education secretary has had with NHS boards and local authorities regarding the levying of fees for hospital teaching costs for children who routinely attend independent schools. ([S6O-04726](#))
- 8. Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that rape victims who request free court transcripts under the pilot scheme are waiting seven months on average to receive their transcript. ([S6O-04727](#))

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

- 1. Russell Findlay:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04118](#))
- 2. Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04119](#))
- 3. Patrick Harvie:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-04120](#))
- 4. Clare Adamson:** To ask the First Minister whether he will provide an update on the Scottish Government's latest engagement with the UK Government regarding its plans for the winter fuel payment and any implications for the Scottish Government's work to deliver a universal Pension Age Winter Heating Payment in Scotland. ([S6F-04125](#))
- 5. Stephen Kerr:** To ask the First Minister, in light of it being almost five years since the Scottish Government committed to spending £60 million to renew every play park in Scotland and of reports that less than half of the funding has been spent, what action the Scottish Government is taking to ensure that children do not miss out on renewed facilities. ([S6F-04139](#))
- 6. Monica Lennon:** To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government is taking to maintain its policy aim of keeping pace with the EU on environmental protection. ([S6F-04140](#))

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**7. Willie Rennie:** To ask the First Minister for what reason there has reportedly been no financial agreement between the Scottish Funding Council and the University of Dundee, in light of the alternative financial recovery plan being launched four weeks ago. ([S6F-04138](#))

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

**[S6M-17419](#) Michelle Thomson: 30 Years on from the Bosnian Genocide in Srebrenica**—That the Parliament recognises the 30th anniversary of the Bosnian genocide in Srebrenica in which 8,372 innocent civilians were murdered by Bosnian Serb forces; remembers the victims who suffered violence, torture and brutality in what it believes to be the single largest act of ethnic cleansing in Europe since the Second World War; understands that 54 individuals have been prosecuted to date for their role in the massacre but considers that many more were involved in creating the culture and environment, which led to the genocide in Srebrenica, through their use of hate speech, oppression, discrimination and propaganda against the Bosnian Muslim population; praises the work of Mothers of Srebrenica, which, it understands, engaged in protests and other acts of public defiance to demand that the mass graves be found and the victims identified; believes that, to date, more than 7,000 of the reported missing from Srebrenica have been accounted for and buried in marked graves; commends the work of Beyond Srebrenica, whose efforts through its programme, Lessons of Srebrenica, challenge hate and intolerance using the lessons learned from the 1995 Srebrenica genocide, ensuring that they are better understood and prevented in the future; considers that genocide, recognised as an international crime usually carried out during war, is complex to stop and notes the belief that all world leaders must pledge to eradicate it, but that individuals can challenge hate and intolerance, which it considers are the root causes of many conflicts, and reflects on the atrocities of the Srebrenica genocide 30 years on.

## 2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

## 2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

### Social Justice

**1. Kevin Stewart:** [Not Lodged] ([S6O-04728](#))

**2. Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to support transgender people following the recent Supreme Court ruling, in light of reported concerns from transgender people, and their friends, family and allies that it undermines the rights and risks the personal safety of transgender individuals. ([S6O-04729](#))

**3. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what assistance it plans to provide to homeowners affected by reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete in their properties, in light of recent reports that offers from local authorities may result in unaffordable mortgage costs. ([S6O-04730](#))

**4. Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what work Social Security Scotland is undertaking to improve its communication with applicants for Child Disability Payment. ([S6O-04731](#))

**5. Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will meet with the Equality and Human Rights Commission regarding its recently published consultation on updating the Code of

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Practice for services, public functions and associations, following the recent Supreme Court ruling. ([S6O-04732](#))

**6. Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government what research has been undertaken into any impact of the Scottish Child Payment on food poverty. ([S6O-04733](#))

**7. Graham Simpson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what actions it is taking to end the housing emergency. ([S6O-04734](#))

**8. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions its Population Taskforce had with the UK Government regarding the proposals in the white paper on immigration, in advance of its publication. ([S6O-04735](#))

**followed by Ministerial Statement: Galloway and Ayrshire National Park Proposal**

**followed by Ministerial Statement: NHS Grampian**

**followed by Ministerial Statement: Responding to RAAC in the Public Sector Across Scotland**

**followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Tobacco and Vapes Bill - UK Legislation**

**[S6M-17708 Jenni Minto: Tobacco and Vapes Bill - UK Legislation](#)**—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Tobacco and Vapes Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 5 November 2024, and subsequently amended relating to age verification in relation to tobacco and vaping products etc, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament and alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

**followed by Business Motions**

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**4:50 pm Decision Time**

## Committee Meetings

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

### Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 18th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 8:45 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Ofcom:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Cristina Nicolotti Squires, Group Director, Broadcasting and Media Group, and Glenn Preston, Director, Scotland, Ofcom.
3. **BBC:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Hayley Valentine, Director, BBC Scotland;  
Rhodri Talfan Davies, Director of Nations, BBC;  
Luke McCullough, Corporate Affairs Director, Nations BBC and Head of Corporate Affairs, BBC Scotland.
4. **Annual report:** The Committee will consider a draft annual report for the parliamentary year from 13 May 2024 to 12 May 2025.

### Social Justice and Social Security Committee 17th Meeting, 2025

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 5 in private.
2. **Eradicating Child Poverty:** The Committee will take evidence from—  
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Julie Humphreys, Director Tackling Child Poverty & Social Justice, and Ann McKenzie, Unit Head, Tackling Child Poverty Policy Unit, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the [Social Security \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \[draft\]](#) from—  
Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Ruth Steele, Unit Head, Social Security Futures, and Kirsten Simonnet-Lefevre, Solicitor, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** Shirley-Anne Somerville (Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice) to move—  
S6M-17467—That the Social Justice and Social Security Committee recommends that the Social Security (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.
5. **Eradicating Child Poverty:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under item 2.

### SPCB Supported Bodies Landscape Review Committee 13th Meeting, 2025

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

1. **SPCB supported bodies landscape review (in private):** The Committee will consider the approach to its draft report.

## Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 17th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 1.00 pm in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Housing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2 (Day 6).

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## Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 28 May 2025

### Tuesday 3 June 2025

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Ministerial Statement: A Just Transition for Aberdeen and the North East

**followed by** Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee Debate: Public Participation Inquiry

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-17004 Rhoda Grant: Combatting Commercial Sexual Exploitation

### Wednesday 4 June 2025

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business

Justice and Home Affairs

Education and Skills

**followed by** Scottish Government Debate: Empowering Entrepreneurs and Innovators

**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-16094 Bob Doris: Celebrating 50 Years of Summerston

### Thursday 5 June 2025

**11:40 am** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**11:40 am** General Questions

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

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**12:45 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business — S6M-17428 Karen Adam: Thomas Blake Glover, Fraserburgh's International Legacy

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## Tuesday 10 June 2025

**2:00 pm** Time for Reflection

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**followed by** Topical Questions (if selected)

**followed by** Stage 3 Proceedings: Care Reform (Scotland) Bill

**followed by** Committee Announcements

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**7:00 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

## Wednesday 11 June 2025

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

**followed by** Scottish Labour Party Business

**followed by** Business Motions

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**5:10 pm** Decision Time

**followed by** Members' Business

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

## Thursday 12 June 2025

**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: Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

**followed by** Scottish Government Business

**followed by** Business Motions

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**5:00 pm** Decision Time



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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.

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- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
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- 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-17699](#) Bill Kidd: Dementia Awareness Week, 2 to 8 June 2025**—That the Parliament notes that Dementia Awareness Week 2025 takes place between 2 and 8 June; understands that every annual Dementia Awareness Week focuses on raising awareness of dementia and improving the lives of people living with dementia, their families and carers; further understands that this year's event promotes the importance of maintaining friendships and social connections at every step of a person's dementia progression; believes that staying connected, listening and showing kindness can bring comfort, joy and a sense of belonging to people with dementia; recognises the significant role that friends play in helping to keep memories alive, reduce loneliness and support people with dementia, as well as their carers, friends and family; commends the work of organisations such as Alzheimer Scotland, which, it believes, plays a vital role in supporting those living with dementia, and encourages people across Scotland to engage in events being held in their communities to mark Dementia Awareness Week as part of a collective effort to remove stigma, raise awareness and improve services.

**\*[S6M-17684](#) Paul O'Kane: Neilston FC Wins West of Scotland League Second Division Title**—That the Parliament understands that Neilston FC, a community club based in Neilston, East Renfrewshire, has won the West of Scotland League Second Division title; further understands that this title win secured Neilston FC's promotion to the First Division; congratulates the manager, Andy Whiteford, his management team, the players and all the club staff for contributing to this impressive achievement; believes that this title win demonstrates the team's determination and resilience after experiencing the disappointment of relegation last season; congratulates the fans of Neilston FC who have shown their support for the team and players throughout the season; commends the current group of Neilston FC players for winning what is the fifth title in the club's history; wishes the team the very best of luck for next season, and hopes that it continues to have more success and more historic moments going forward.

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**\*[S6M-17677](#) Alexander Stewart: World No Tobacco Day 2025**—That the Parliament marks World No Tobacco Day, which was established by the World Health Organization (WHO) and takes place on 31 May 2025; commends the health charities, ASH Scotland and Asthma + Lung

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UK Scotland, for raising awareness about the "Unmasking the Appeal: Exposing Industry Tactics on Tobacco and Nicotine Products" theme for this year's campaign, and for working to amplify the voices of young people across Scotland who are speaking out to stop what it considers predatory industry marketing tactics, such as using sweet and fruit flavours, sleek designs, attractive packaging and digital media campaigns to glamorise addictive and health harming nicotine products; expresses concern that, since 21,559 S2 and S4 pupils answered questions about smoking and vaping in the Scottish School Adolescent Lifestyle and Substance Use Survey (SALSUS) in 2018, and 25,411 S2 and S4 pupils replied regarding use of tobacco and e-cigarettes in the Health and Wellbeing Census of 2021-22, there has been no further robust national data to track and identify emerging trends in children's use of tobacco, vapes or nicotine pouches, and looks forward to hearing the views of young people about what it sees as disreputable industry tactics geared towards maintaining substantial profits at the cost of the current and next generation's health on World No Tobacco Day.

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**\*S6M-17676 Evelyn Tweed: 55th Birthday of Blair Drummond Safari and Adventure Park—**

That the Parliament congratulates Blair Drummond Safari and Adventure Park on its 55th birthday; understands that the park, which first opened in 1970, has made substantial contributions to the local Stirling community and economy; notes that the park celebrated the occasion over the weekend of 17-18 May 2025 with a birthday event in the park, which was warmly received by visitors; commends the park staff for their continued hard work and care for the animals and making the park a safe and inclusive place for all, and wishes them the best in all of their future endeavours.

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**\*S6M-17674 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Police Scotland Officers in Edinburgh—**That the Parliament praises the recent work of Police Scotland, particularly officers in Edinburgh, in tackling the reported surge in serious organised crime over the last few months; recognises what it sees as the need for increased patrols, including high-visibility patrols, on the streets and increased investigations into incidents, which may relate to heightened wider activity across several regions, and commends the officers' acts of efficiency and bravery when coming into contact with these incidents and organised crime groups.

**\*S6M-17668 Karen Adam: Fundraiser of the Year at the Moray and Banffshire Heroes**

**Awards—**That the Parliament applauds Emma Byrne from Buckie, Banffshire and Buchan Coast, on being named Fundraiser of the Year at the Moray and Banffshire Heroes Awards, which were held at the Banff Springs Hotel, in recognition of her outstanding efforts in raising over £40,000 for local cancer support groups over the past 18 months: believes that her fundraising efforts have significantly benefited organisations such as the Buckie and District Cancer Support Group, providing vital support to those affected by cancer in the community; commends Emma's role as a nursery assistant at St Peter's nursery, where she continues to inspire those around her, and celebrates Emma's compassion, and dedication, which, it believes, exemplify the very best of community spirit and resilience in Banffshire and Buchan Coast.

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**\*[S6M-17667](#) Karen Adam: Moray and Banffshire Primary School Teacher of the Year**—That the Parliament congratulates Caroline Ferguson of Findochty Primary School on being named Primary School Teacher of the Year at the 2025 Moray and Banffshire Heroes Awards, which were held at the Banff Springs Hotel; recognises what it sees as Caroline’s outstanding commitment to her pupils’ learning and wellbeing, including her efforts to foster a love of reading and create inclusive, screen-free opportunities for social connection; further recognises her heartfelt dedication expressed in her words “this is for the children”, which, it believes, captures the spirit of her teaching; commends the whole staff team at Findochty Primary School for its ongoing work to deliver high-quality education, nurture young minds, and create a warm, welcoming school community, and celebrates this richly deserved recognition as a testament to the transformative impact of great teachers and schools across Banffshire and Buchan Coast.

**\*[S6M-17666](#) Karen Adam: Carer of the Year at Moray and Banffshire Heroes**—That the Parliament congratulates Elaine Robertson of Aberchirder on being named Carer of the Year at the Moray and Banffshire Heroes Awards, which were held at the Banff Springs Hotel; recognises Elaine’s more than two decades of dedication to the care sector, where, it understands, she has consistently gone above and beyond to support those she works with; commends her commitment to promoting dignity, independence, and inclusion, and celebrates Elaine’s compassion, professionalism, and the positive impact that it believes she continues to make in communities across Banffshire and Buchan Coast.

**\*[S6M-17665](#) Emma Harper: Carers Centre Dumfries**—That the Parliament congratulates the Carers Centre Dumfries on 30 years of partnership in providing a service that supports anyone that cares for a relative or friend; understands that the service provides reliable information and appropriate advice, and a valuable practical and emotional support lifeline to all carers, which includes a dedicated young carers space that enables children and young people to meet; understands that the mission of the service is to challenge and raise awareness of what it sees as the inequalities that carers experience and ensure that they have access to support and services that matter to them; recognises that over 14,000 new carers have registered since the launch of the service, with 560 new carers registering every year, and that these individuals are provided with a service that improves the outcomes of the carers in Dumfries and Galloway; notes that the Carers Centre was originally established in 1996 to support the carers in the local area of Dumfries, where the team of two staff members has now grown into a strong team of 20, who support adults, young people and young adult carers, and wishes all the team every success in the future.

**\*[S6M-17664](#) Jackie Baillie: Welcoming the Launch of St Andrew’s First Aid’s National Campaign, Taking the Fear Out of First Aid**—That the Parliament recognises the findings of a recent YouGov survey commissioned by St Andrew’s First Aid (SAFA), Scotland’s only dedicated first aid charity, which states that 61% of people in Scotland who were polled fear doing something wrong in a first aid emergency, 58% of people polled worry about making the situation worse, and nearly half of people polled (46%) cite a lack of training as a barrier to intervening; notes that, according to the survey, only 12% of respondents felt very confident in responding to an emergency, despite 91% recognising the importance of first aid training; further notes with concern that 7% of adults in Scotland reported having been in a situation where they could have provided first aid but chose not to, a figure that, it believes, when considered alongside the reported 3,200 annual out-of-hospital cardiac arrests in Scotland and survival rate of fewer than one in 10, could represent more than 200 potentially preventable deaths each year; welcomes the launch of SAFA’s national campaign, Taking the Fear Out of First Aid, which seeks to address this issue by raising awareness, reducing public fear, and increasing confidence and skills in first aid, and

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encourages MSPs, local authorities, schools, workplaces and community organisations to support the campaign and promote first aid learning across Scotland.

**\*S6M-17659 Tim Eagle: 50th Anniversary of Comhairle nan Eilean Siar**—That the Parliament congratulates Comhairle nan Eilean Siar on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; recognises what it sees as the significant role that the council has played since its establishment in 1975 in representing and serving the communities of the Western Isles; acknowledges the unique cultural, linguistic, and geographic heritage of the islands; commends the council for its ongoing efforts to promote economic development, safeguard the Gaelic language, support sustainable communities, and preserve the natural environment; recognises what it sees as the challenges faced by remote and island communities; celebrates the commitment and dedication of past and present councillors and staff in delivering local services, and wishes Comhairle nan Eilean Siar continued success in the years ahead.

*The Member has provided the following Gaelic translation:*

Gu bheil a' Phàrlamaid a' cur meal-a-naidheachd air Comhairle nan Eilean Siar air a 50mh ceann-bliadhna; gu bheil i ag aithneachadh na pàirt cudromaich a bh' aig a' chomhairle na beachd bho chaidh a stèidheachadh ann an 1975 ann a bhith a' riochdachadh agus a' frithealadh choimhearsnachdan nan Eilean Siar; ag aithneachadh dualchas cultarail, cànanach agus cruinne-eòlasach sònraichte nan eilean, agus gu bheil i a' moladh na comhairle airson a h-oidhirpean leantainneach gus leasachadh eaconamach a bhrosnachadh, a' Ghàidhlig a dhìon, taic a chumail ri coimhearsnachdan seasmhach, agus an àrainneachd nàdarra a ghleidheadh; gu bheil i ag aithneachadh nan dùbhlannan a tha na beachd mu choinneamh choimhearsnachdan iomallach agus eileanach, agus gu bheil i a' comharrachadh dealas agus dìcheall chomhairlichean agus luchd-obrach san àm a dh'fhalbh agus san latha an-diugh ann a bhith a' libhrigeadh sheirbheisean ionadail; gu bheil i a' guidhe soirbheachas leantainneach do Chomhairle nan Eilean Siar sna bliadhnaichean ri teachd.

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**\*S6M-17657 Karen Adam: Beyond Srebrenica National Schools Competition**—That the Parliament congratulates Finlay, Kellan, and Nikolas, pupils of the Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies (RMPS) department at Banff Academy in Banffshire and Buchan Coast, on receiving national recognition in the Beyond Srebrenica National Schools Competition; warmly congratulates Finlay, an S4 pupil, on being named overall Senior Phase winner for his moving and thoughtful piece of writing on the Bosnian Genocide, and for being awarded a place on a fully-funded visit to Bosnia, including to the Srebrenica Memorial Centre; recognises the powerful and empathetic contributions of S3 pupils Kellan and Nikolas, who also received special commendation; understands that the competition honours the importance of justice, remembrance, and understanding through the lens of the Srebrenica genocide; believes that this outstanding achievement is not only a testament to the compassion, dedication, and insight of the pupils, but also to the ethos of Banff Academy and the high-quality teaching and guidance provided by its staff; further believes that education is key to ensuring the horrors of Bosnia are never repeated, by fostering awareness, empathy, and a commitment to human rights in future generations, and welcomes the recognition that all three pupils will receive at the Scottish Parliament on 29 May 2025, White Armband Day, as a reflection of their dedication to memory, justice and global citizenship.



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**\*[S6M-17652](#) Douglas Lumsden: Congratulating Lord Gove of Torry**—That the Parliament congratulates Michael Gove on being created Lord Gove of Torry; understands that the title honours the Torry community, his late father, Ernest, whose fishing business once landed its catch in the shadow of the Torry Battery, and his mother Christine; notes his christening at St Fittick's Church and his Aberdeen journey through Sunnybank and Kittybrewster primaries to Robert Gordon's College, before he swapped King Street for Fleet Street as a trainee at the *Press & Journal*; acknowledges his lifelong affection for Aberdeen Football Club, trusting that memories of the Red Army surging up the Merkland Road End and the spirit of Gothenburg '83 will accompany him to the red benches of the House of Lords; notes the cultural span of Aberdeen from Pittodrie to O'Neill's off Belmont Street, whose dance floor has already felt the full flourish of his footwork, and wishes Lord Gove of Torry every success as he undertakes his new duties.

**\*[S6M-17649](#) Jackie Dunbar: Denis Law Legacy Trail Officially Open**—That the Parliament welcomes the official opening of the Denis Law Legacy Trail, which was unveiled on 24 May 2025 in the Printfield area of the Aberdeen Donside constituency; understands that the 10-point trail is a walking route through the local community and will celebrate Denis Law's life, career and impact on Aberdeen; acknowledges the efforts of Councillor Neil Copland, who first proposed the creation of the trail and has since actively worked to make the project a reality, with the trail being developed in collaboration with the Denis Law Legacy Trust, Robert Gordon University's Gray's School of Art, Aberdeen City Council and Denis's family; notes that the trail was designed and delivered by Fine Day Studio in collaboration with New Practice; understands that, on the day, there were workshops for families in the Printfield play area, games and activities organised by the Denis Law Legacy Trust, and workshops by Fine Day Studio and the Robert Gordon University Mobile Art School, and commends the efforts of all who have been involved in bringing the Denis Law Legacy Trail to fruition. **R**

Supported by: Karen Adam, Audrey Nicoll, Murdo Fraser, Miles Briggs, Elena Whitham, Jeremy Balfour, David Torrance, Rona Mackay, Bill Kidd, Colin Beattie, Annabelle Ewing, Bob Doris, Stuart McMillan\*, Douglas Ross\*, Evelyn Tweed\*

## Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**[S6M-17669.2](#) Miles Briggs: A New Plan for Scotland's Teaching Workforce** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Roz McCall\*

**[S6M-17662](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Congratulations to Tottenham Hotspur Football Club on Winning the 2025 UEFA Europa League Final** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17658](#) Alexander Burnett: Congratulating the Aberdeenshire West Businesses Shortlisted for the North East Scotland Food and Drink Awards 2025** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*, Roz McCall\*, Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17656](#) Maggie Chapman: Welcoming Home the Stoney Express for Summer 2025** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Evelyn Tweed\*, Elena Whitham\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Colin Beattie\*

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**S6M-17654 Maggie Chapman: Aberdeen Arts Centre Campaign** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Douglas Lumsden\*

**S6M-17651 Humza Yousaf: Celebrating the Nethercraigs Football Camps** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Bob Doris\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Miles Briggs\*, Marie McNair\*, Foyso Choudhury\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Colin Beattie\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17650 Ross Greer: Calling for a Recall of the Flamingo Land Loch Lomond Resort Proposal** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Monica Lennon\*, Liz Smith\*, Colin Smyth\*

**S6M-17646 Tim Eagle: Recognising Robert Kincaid's Donation to Marine Science Education** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*, Miles Briggs\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Craig Hoy\*, Douglas Ross\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Brian Whittle\*, Pam Gosal\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Meghan Gallacher\*, Roz McCall\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Colin Beattie\*, Annie Wells\*, Russell Findlay\*

**S6M-17645 Jackie Dunbar: Boards & Beans Officially opens in Aberdeen Donside** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan\*, Douglas Lumsden\*

**S6M-17644 Liam McArthur: Orbital Marine Power Welcomes Nova Scotian Delegation to Orkney** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**S6M-17642 John Mason: Walk to School Week 2025** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**S6M-17641 Murdo Fraser: The 12th Anniversary of Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Liam McArthur\*, Neil Bibby\*, Edward Mountain\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tim Eagle\*, Roz McCall\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Brian Whittle\*

**S6M-17637 Mercedes Villalba: Recognising International Day for Biological Diversity** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17636 Pam Gosal: Janet Marshall of Helensburgh Receives Scotland Regional Recognition Award by SSAFA** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*, Edward Mountain\*, Craig Hoy\*, Tim Eagle\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Brian Whittle\*

**S6M-17634 Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen International Airport to Host Sixth Annual Midnight Runway Run** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

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New Support: Stuart McMillan\*

**[S6M-17633](#) John Mason: Defending Scotland's Social Model** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-17632](#) Claire Baker: Isla Gear's Petition on Early Detection and Pancreatic Cancer UK's Unite. Diagnose. Save Lives. Campaign** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Murdo Fraser\*, Miles Briggs\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Tim Eagle\*, Monica Lennon\*, Brian Whittle\*, Mercedes Villalba\*

**[S6M-17631](#) Rachael Hamilton: Euroquiz 2025 Final – Celebrating Educational Achievement and Cultural Understanding** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17629](#) Rachael Hamilton: Supporting the Work of My Name's Doddie Foundation and the Success of Doddie Aid 2025** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby\*, Jamie Halcro Johnston\*, Roz McCall\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17628](#) Karen Adam: 100 Years of Findochty Town Hall** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17627](#) Karen Adam: Queen's Guide Award** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17625](#) Alexander Burnett: The Boat Inn Nominated for National Pub & Bar Award** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17624](#) Tim Eagle: 19th Annual Women's Cancer Challenge in Stornoway** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Rhoda Grant\*, Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17623](#) John Mason: Water Saving Week 2025** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17622](#) Tim Eagle: Tarbert Academy Pupil Organises Career Talk with Scottish Canals** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17621](#) Tim Eagle: Darren Clark Wins Young Fisherman of the Year Award** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17620](#) Karen Adam: Buckie Rovers Mental Health Support** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*



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**[S6M-17618](#) Alexander Stewart: Three Young People from Clackmannanshire Make the Finals of Young Scot Awards** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17617](#) Alexander Stewart: Alloa Primary Teacher to Complete CATERAN YOMP for Army Charity** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17616](#) Alexander Stewart: Hundreds Walk in the Wee County to Raise Awareness for Dementia Month** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17605](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank Pupil Named Young Musician of the Year** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17604](#) Finlay Carson: The Gralloch 2025 Attracts Huge Numbers to Galloway Forest Park** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17603](#) Alexander Burnett: Marcus Humphrey Celebrates 60 Years of Contribution to the Aboyne Highland Games** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17601](#) Liam Kerr: Celebrating WM Donald's Family Business of the Year Award at the Northern Star Business Awards 2025** (lodged on 27 May 2025)

New Support: Jamie Halcro Johnston\*

**[S6M-17600](#) Murdo Fraser: Tayside and Strathearn Help for Ukraine** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*

**[S6M-17599](#) Keith Brown: Congratulations to Hibernian Women's Football Club on Winning Scottish Women's Premier League** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17595](#) Mark Ruskell: STUC's New Report, The Next Stop: The Case for Publicly Owned Buses in Scotland** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Mercedes Villalba\*

**[S6M-17593](#) Ruth Maguire: 24-hour Challenge at Stevenson's Ardeer Golf Course** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17592](#) Ruth Maguire: Kilwinning Primary Pupil Reaches Final of the Voicebox Competition** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*

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**[S6M-17591](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Capital Allstars Cheer and Dance, Edinburgh** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17590](#) Emma Roddick: Recognising Action for Brain Injury Week 2025 and Headway, the Brain Injury Association** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17589](#) Ben Macpherson: Congratulating Rohan Seilman of A.R.Ts Afternoon on Scottish Charity Awards Nomination** (lodged on 19 May 2025)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17587](#) Ben Macpherson: Congratulating Hibernian on SWPL 2025 Title Win** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17579](#) Sharon Dowey: Beat the Street Carrick Success** (lodged on 20 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17574](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Welcoming the Breathing Space Bench to Uddingston Station** (lodged on 20 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17573](#) Clare Adamson: Team CVHS Kiltwalk 2025** (lodged on 20 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17568](#) Ariane Burgess: Congratulations to Tighean Innse Gall on Becoming Living Wage Employers** (lodged on 19 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17561](#) Christine Grahame: Peeblesshire Foodbank** (lodged on 19 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17554](#) Kenneth Gibson: Congratulations to the Village Inn, Fairlie, on Winning the CAMRA Pub of the Year Award** (lodged on 16 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17553](#) Claire Baker: Clackmannanshire and Stirling Community Link Worker Team Wins National Award** (lodged on 16 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17552](#) Michelle Thomson: 5G Connectivity for Scotland** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Colin Beattie\*, Pam Gosal\*, John Mason\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Sandesh Gulhane\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Miles Briggs\*, Brian Whittle\*, Ruth Maguire\*

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**[S6M-17550](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Commending South Lanarkshire University Health and Social Care Partnership's Family Nurse Practitioner Programme** (lodged on 16 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17540](#) Pauline McNeill: Increasing Risk of Famine in Palestine** (lodged on 16 May 2025)

New Support: Bob Doris\*

**[S6M-17536](#) Ash Regan: Congratulating Dawn Craig on Winning Outstanding Community Link Worker of the Year** (lodged on 20 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17528](#) Colin Beattie: Lisbon Maru Sinking, 1942** (lodged on 19 May 2025)

New Support: Oliver Mundell\*

**[S6M-17523](#) Jeremy Balfour: National Epilepsy Week and Epilepsy Scotland's "A Seizure That Stole a Future" Campaign** (lodged on 21 May 2025)

New Support: Stephen Kerr\*, Jackie Dunbar\*

**[S6M-17510](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating Alfredo Nutini on his Retirement from Paisley Chip Shop** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17500](#) Bill Kidd: Congratulates the Association of Chinese Entrepreneurs and Saltire and Alum** (lodged on 13 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17492](#) Miles Briggs: Volunteer Edinburgh at 25** (lodged on 12 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17490](#) Jackie Dunbar: Police Dog Zeus Receives National Bravery Award for Protecting Public** (lodged on 22 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17472](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Celebrating Highlands and Islands' Success in the Gold School Sport Awards** (lodged on 09 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17462](#) Willie Coffey: European Union of Music Youth Winner** (lodged on 09 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17445](#) Michael Matheson: Falkirk Football Club Secures Promotion to the Scottish Premiership** (lodged on 14 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17438](#) Patrick Harvie: Becky Sikasa, Scottish Act of the Year 2025** (lodged on 07 May 2025)

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New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17435](#) Claire Baker: Culross Primary School Wins in the Fife Category of a UK-wide The Big Walk and Wheel Competition** (lodged on 07 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17427](#) Rhoda Grant: An t-Eilean Wins Prestigious Award** (lodged on 07 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17411](#) Edward Mountain: 80th Anniversaries of Victory in Europe (VE) Day and Victory over Japan (VJ) Day** (lodged on 06 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17402](#) Alexander Stewart: Scottish Veterans Awards 2025** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17401](#) Liam Kerr: Archie Foundation in Aberdeen Celebrates Success of its 2025 Variety Show** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17393](#) Clare Haughey: Kirsty Anderson Receives NASS Silver Changemaker Award** (lodged on 02 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17388](#) Alexander Burnett: Aberdeenshire London Marathon Runners** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17386](#) Pam Gosal: Bishopbriggs Academy, East Dunbartonshire, Named 12th in High School League Table** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17385](#) Pam Gosal: Bocclair Academy, East Dunbartonshire, Named Seventh in Top 10 High Schools in Scotland** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17376](#) Pam Gosal: Bearsden Academy, East Dunbartonshire, Named Sixth in Top 10 High Schools in Scotland** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17372](#) Liam Kerr: Farm Stop Wins the We Too! Inclusive Outdoor Attraction Award** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17371](#) Jackson Carlaw: Williamwood High School Receives Outstanding Education Scotland Report** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

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**S6M-17370 Bob Doris: Burgh Hall's Trust Secures Return of First World War Commemorative Plaque to Maryhill** (lodged on 06 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17369 Sharon Dowey: Robert Honeyman Runs London Marathon in Aid of Ayrshire Cancer Support** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17368 Sharon Dowey: Monkton Milers Wins Jog Scotland Club of the Year** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17367 Pam Gosal: Trash Free Trails Organises Community Clean-up** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17366 Pam Gosal: Congratulating Derek Hazlett's Gold at the British Karate Federation's 4 Nations Championship** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17364 Alexander Stewart: Clackmannan Distillery Commended** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17361 Clare Adamson: Shannon Wilson, Kelly Wilson and Chloe Wilson Complete the Glasgow Kiltwalk** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17359 Pam Duncan-Glancy: Congratulating Research Into Inflammatory Arthritis Centre Versus Arthritis (RACE) on 10 Years of Arthritis Research** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17357 Elena Whitham: Auchinleck Talbot Wins West of Scotland Cup** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17356 Kenneth Gibson: Celebrating World Championship Success of the Charlene and Siobhan Dance Academy** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17355 Colin Beattie: Gold School Sport Award for Lasswade Primary School** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**S6M-17354 Emma Harper: The Life of Jane Elizabeth Taylour** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

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**[S6M-17353](#) Beatrice Wishart: Liberation Convoy Sails from Norway to Shetland to Mark VE Day 80th Anniversary** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17351](#) Kenneth Gibson: Celebrating 30 Years of COAST and Marine Protection on Arran** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17350](#) Clare Adamson: Kirsty Rafferty Wins Unsung Hero Award** (lodged on 25 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17349](#) Michelle Thomson: Lesley Anne Derks Shortlisted in the Scottish Landscape Awards 2025.** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17348](#) Marie McNair: St Margaret of Scotland Hospice Celebrates 75 years of Care** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17346](#) Kenneth Gibson: Congratulating the Garnock Valley Men's Shed on its Relaunch** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17340](#) Pam Gosal: Lenzie Academy Receives Gold Sportscotland School Sport Award** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17339](#) Kevin Stewart: Microplastics in Chewing Gum Research** (lodged on 30 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17338](#) Jackson Carlaw: The Malletsheugh Wins Innovative Menu of the Year Award** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17337](#) Jackson Carlaw: Two Busby Pubs Shortlisted at National Awards Ceremony** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17336](#) Jackson Carlaw: Eaglesham Garage Wins Two Car Dealer Awards** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17335](#) Jackson Carlaw: St Ninian's High School Pupils Achieve Swimming Teaching Qualification** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*



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**[S6M-17328](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Stepps Primary School on Winning Gold at the School Sport Awards** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17327](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating St Bartholomew's RC Primary School on Winning Gold at the School Sport Awards** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17326](#) Fulton MacGregor: Congratulating Pentland Primary School in Coatbridge on Winning Gold at the School Sport Award** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17324](#) Paul O'Kane: The Village of Neilston Celebrates its 200th Neilston Show** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17318](#) Annie Wells: Cerebral Palsy Scotland Receives £1,000 Boost from Benefact Group's Movement for Good Awards** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17317](#) Annabelle Ewing: Celebration of Alex Burns MBE** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17316](#) Annabelle Ewing: Congratulating St Patrick's Primary School, Lochgelly** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17315](#) Annabelle Ewing: Minnie Simpson, Knitting for Ukraine** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17313](#) Elena Whitham: Coylton Primary School Achieves Gold School Sport Award** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17312](#) Rona Mackay: Lenzie Academy Re-accredited with Gold by Sportscotland** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17309](#) Bill Kidd: Congratulations to Scotstoun Primary School** (lodged on 02 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17307](#) Finlay Carson: Hardgate and Springholm Primaries Gain Gold Sport Status** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17305](#) Alexander Stewart: Welcoming Forth Valley College Funding Award** (lodged on 28 April 2025)

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New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17303](#) Fulton MacGregor: The Passing of Dr Sarah Nelson OBE** (lodged on 28 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17302](#) Foysol Choudhury: Recognising the Work of the Anne Frank Trust Scotland** (lodged on 28 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17300](#) John Mason: World Immunisation Week 2025** (lodged on 28 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17299](#) Marie McNair: Golden Jubilee Manager Treks to Everest to Raise Funds for the Beatson** (lodged on 28 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17298](#) Marie McNair: Old Kilpatrick Food Parcels Reach Third Anniversary** (lodged on 28 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17297](#) Marie McNair: Allander Dental Care Celebrates 30 Years Serving Patients in Milngavie** (lodged on 28 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17291](#) Kenneth Gibson: UNESCO Awards Official Global Geopark Status to Arran** (lodged on 25 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17290](#) Clare Adamson: Celebrating the 33rd Annual Festival of Youth Rugby at Dalziel Park** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17289](#) Emma Harper: International Nurses Day 2025** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17287](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Congratulating Maryhill-based Glasgow Tool Library on Transformation of New Arts Hub** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17286](#) Kenneth Gibson: Motherland Spice Crowned Best of Ayrshire at Curry Awards Again** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17284](#) Willie Coffey: Kilmarnock Rugby Club League Winners** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*



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**[S6M-17281](#) Clare Adamson: David Haggerty's London Marathon Run for Whizz Kidz** (lodged on 25 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17278](#) Clare Adamson: Gold School Sport Award for Newmains Primary School** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17277](#) Colin Beattie: Gurkha Bar and Restaurant Wins at the Scottish Curry Awards 2025** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17276](#) Colin Beattie: Bombay Lounge Wins at the Scottish Curry Awards 2025** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17275](#) Willie Rennie: Fife Thistle AFC 30th Anniversary** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17274](#) Tim Eagle: Moray Pooch Becomes First to Scale all of Scotland's Summits** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17273](#) Rona Mackay: Emma Walsh, Aged 12, Honoured at Scottish First Aid Awards** (lodged on 23 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17259](#) Roz McCall: Dunfermline Cheesemonger Wins Two Awards** (lodged on 23 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17258](#) Jackie Dunbar: New Electric Bus Fleet for Aberdeen** (lodged on 23 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17257](#) Miles Briggs: Kathryn Bryce Announced as Player of the Tournament at ICC Women's Cricket World Cup Qualifier** (lodged on 23 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17255](#) Jackie Dunbar: Curl Aberdeen Celebrates 20th Anniversary** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17249](#) Stuart McMillan: 60th Anniversary of the Scottish Law Commission** (lodged on 24 April 2025)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Jackie Dunbar\*, Audrey Nicoll\*, Stephanie Callaghan\*, Murdo Fraser\*, David Torrance\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Elena Whitham\*, John Mason\*, Bill Kidd\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Marie McNair\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Brian Whittle\*, Liam McArthur\*, Colin Beattie\*

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**[S6M-17248](#) Douglas Lumsden: Celebrating the Revitalisation of the Oldmeldrum Legion**  
(lodged on 28 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17246](#) Clare Haughey: International Day of the Midwife** (lodged on 23 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17245](#) Stuart McMillan: Recognising the Work of the Beacon Arts Centre and Dance for Parkinson's** (lodged on 23 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17240](#) Liam McArthur: Orkney Teen, Harry Mowat, Organises 10k Walk for Mental Health Charity, Soma's Light** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17238](#) Liam McArthur: Kirkwall Powerlifter, Aimee Guthrie, Wins Gold at British Powerlifting Junior Championships** (lodged on 01 May 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17229](#) Gillian Mackay: Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland Locum Psychiatry Survey – Report & Recommendations** (lodged on 22 April 2025)

New Support: Douglas Ross\*

**[S6M-17224](#) Bill Kidd: 2026 Marks 20 Years of LINKES Meeting the Needs of the Community**  
(lodged on 23 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17203](#) Jackie Baillie: Michael and Anna Curley Retire after 26 Years of Serving the Helensburgh Community** (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17195](#) Alexander Burnett: River Dee Trust and Fishery Board Celebrates Halfway Point in One Million Trees Campaign** (lodged on 29 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17193](#) Jackie Baillie: Congratulating the Save the Tower Campaign Group on its Successful Application to the Scottish Land Fund** (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17185](#) Pam Gosal: Congratulating Scottish Asian Counselling Services** (lodged on 16 April 2025)

New Support: Ruth Maguire\*

**[S6M-17004](#) Rhoda Grant: Combatting Commercial Sexual Exploitation** (lodged on 01 April 2025)

New Support: Liz Smith\*

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## Oral Questions

### Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 04 June 2025

#### Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business

- 1. Emma Roddick:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding improving the process for bringing forward orders under section 104 of the Scotland Act 1998. ([S6O-04736](#))
- 2. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had regarding its support for humanitarian assistance, in light of reports of the increasing number of deaths in Gaza. ([S6O-04737](#))
- 3. Jamie Halcro Johnston:** [Not Lodged]
- 4. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government when the constitution secretary last met, and will next meet, with UK Government ministers. ([S6O-04739](#))
- 5. Elena Whitham:** To ask the Scottish Government what its assessment is of the impact of the MalDent Project on oral health policy in Malawi. ([S6O-04740](#))
- 6. Douglas Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will propose the scheduling of time for a parliamentary debate or statement on the works at Union Bridge on the A96 in Keith, in light of reports that ongoing delays have resulted in the trunk road being reduced to one lane with traffic lights for almost a year. ([S6O-04741](#))
- 7. Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has any further plans to widen its review into Creative Scotland. ([S6O-04742](#))
- 8. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the economic importance of festivals to local communities. ([S6O-04743](#))

#### Justice and Home Affairs

- 1. Annabelle Ewing:** [Not Lodged]
- 2. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to modernise family law and ensure the efficient functioning of the civil court system. ([S6O-04745](#))
- 3. Pam Gosal:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the roll-out of the Caledonian System. ([S6O-04746](#))
- 4. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports that the number of serious assaults committed by teenagers has increased in the past five years. ([S6O-04747](#))
- 5. Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide further detail regarding the reasons why it is not planning a broader review of the statutory grounds for fatal accident inquiries, in light of the previous review of statutory grounds being undertaken nearly a decade ago and reports of growing public concern over preventable deaths outside of custody settings. ([S6O-04748](#))
- 6. Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on using the powers outlined in the International Criminal Court (Scotland) Act 2001 to prosecute nationals and residents of the UK residing in Scotland who have committed war crimes. ([S6O-04749](#))

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**7. Roz McCall:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to its commitment that no young person under the age of 18 should be imprisoned, what discussions it has had with the Scottish Sentencing Council regarding reviewing the *Sentencing young people* guideline, which states that all sentencing options, including imprisonment, remain open to the court. ([S6O-04750](#))

**8. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on funding for the CashBack for Communities programme. ([S6O-04751](#))

## Education and Skills

**1. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with UHI Perth in relation to its funding position. ([S6O-04752](#))

**2. Kevin Stewart:** [Not Lodged]

**3. Alex Rowley:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what support it is providing to teachers to help deal with behaviour in classrooms. ([S6O-04754](#))

**4. Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on what it is doing to address violence in schools. ([S6O-04755](#))

**5. Alexander Burnett:** To ask the Scottish Government when the children's minister last met with Aberdeenshire Council to discuss nursery closures. ([S6O-04756](#))

**6. Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that pupils with additional support needs receive consistent and adequate support. ([S6O-04757](#))

**7. Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the scale of online bullying in schools. ([S6O-04758](#))

**8. Ben Macpherson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is working with universities and placement schools to support the mental health and wellbeing of student teachers. ([S6O-04759](#))

## General Questions selected for answer on 05 June 2025

**1. Colin Beattie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress of the A720 Sheriffhall roundabout project. ([S6O-04760](#))

**2. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to part 5 of the Housing (Scotland) Bill, when the homelessness prevention pilots will commence. ([S6O-04761](#))

**3. Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding the impact of the increase to employer national insurance contributions on the third sector in Scotland. ([S6O-04762](#))

**4. Foyso Choudhury:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how it is working to reduce the average time families spend in temporary accommodation. ([S6O-04763](#))

**5. Maggie Chapman:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recently published report by the Just Transition Commission, *A Just Transition for Aberdeen and the North East*. ([S6O-04764](#))

**6. Collette Stevenson:** [Not Lodged]

**7. Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on ScotRail driver recruitment and training programmes, in light of reports of previous service reductions being attributed to staffing shortages. ([S6O-04766](#))

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**8. Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it is giving to local authorities to enable them to implement their Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategies. ([S6O-04767](#))

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## Written Questions

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

### Written questions lodged on 28 May 2025

**S6W-37028 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the First Minister endorsed comments suggesting that the UK Government (a) would nationalise the Grangemouth oil refinery if it were located in England and (b) is "happy to see" the refinery "wither", and, if so, for what reason, and whether this reflects official Scottish Government policy.

**S6W-37380 Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding any contingencies that have been identified for maintaining electricity system security of supply in Scotland under any potential zonal pricing scenarios that result in lower generation margins within individual zones.

**S6W-37437 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its reported comments that, while it engages regularly with cross-party groups (CPGs), "they are informal groupings of MSPs and other people and groups with an interest in a specific subject which are not part of the formal parliamentary structure for scrutinising government", what its position is on the efficacy of CPGs in bringing stakeholders' concerns to its attention, and what responsibilities or obligations it considers it has to act on any such concerns.

**S6W-37655 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what the current average waiting times are for treatment for gynaecological cancers and how these compare with the waiting times for treatment for other types of cancer.

**S6W-37656 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is addressing any gap in information provision for people with gynaecological cancers, in light of reported findings that they are less likely to receive the information required to care for themselves at home.

**S6W-37657 Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve the care experiences of people with gynaecological cancers, in light of reported findings that they are less likely to rate their overall cancer care positively compared with the national average.

**S6W-37746 Douglas Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6O-04664 by Jenny Gilruth on 15 May 2025, whether it will provide the information requested regarding which of the portfolio questions taken in the Chamber on 24 April 2025 raised matters that fall within the specific responsibilities of the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Skills, as listed on the Scottish Government website, in light of reported concerns about her missing the session for reasons not related to her ministerial duties.

**S6W-37847 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason its commitment to end long-term institutional care for adults with learning disabilities and complex care needs by March 2024 has not been met.

**S6W-37853 Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding progress on the mutual recognition of professional qualifications with Ukraine.

**S6W-37878 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential economic benefits of adopting a Singapore-style long-term development strategy focused on growth, innovation and business competitiveness.

**S6W-37879 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding its potential applicability in Scotland, what analysis it has undertaken of Singapore's low-tax regime, and whether it will consider measures to make Scotland a more competitive destination for business and talent.



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**S6W-37880 Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to address the reported productivity gap between Scotland and other economies, such as Singapore, where productivity per worker has reportedly been estimated to be nearly 75% higher.

**S6W-37887 Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the Climate Change Committee's projection of a 36% reduction in cattle and sheep numbers by 2045, how it would manage any such reduction while maintaining rural economic viability.

**S6W-37893 Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on what role local authorities will play in delivering land use change and emissions reductions.

**S6W-37896 Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that any land use changes align with its (a) biodiversity and (b) water quality goals.

**S6W-37901 Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to incentivise farmers to diversify into (a) renewable energy, (b) agroforestry and (c) nature restoration.

**S6W-37902 Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on what role public procurement will play in supporting lower carbon diets.

**S6W-37903 Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that low-carbon farming practices are accessible to small and tenant farmers.

**S6W-37904 Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to engage with the public on the benefits of land use change and sustainable agriculture.

**S6W-37905 Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to monitor the uptake of low-carbon farming technologies and practices across different regions.

**S6W-37915 Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-35571 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 18 March 2025, whether it will provide an update on its engagement with the Scotland Office regarding the proposed order under section 104 of the Scotland Act 1998 relating to changing marriages to civil partnerships.

**S6W-37918 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government when it will recommence the GP sustainability loan scheme.

**S6W-37919 Jackie Baillie:** To ask the Scottish Government how many GP practices are not currently participating in the national digital dermatology pathway.

**S6W-37920 Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government what the current average time taken for a decision to be made on planning applications is.

**S6W-37921 Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many staff are currently employed in local authority planning services, and how many staff were employed in 2015.

**S6W-37922 Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on how many current vacancies there are in local authority planning services.

**S6W-37923 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether NHS Scotland plans to roll-out the new gonorrhoea vaccine, which is being made available to eligible and high risk groups in England from August 2026.

**S6W-37924 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the sale of Prestwick Airport to a new owner or the timescales around its potential return to the private sector.

**S6W-37925 Lorna Slater:** To ask the Scottish Government what national guidance it has issued to NHS boards on the provision of blood testing facilities for people self-medicating gender hormones, in light of reports of long waiting times for gender identity care through the NHS.

**S6W-37926 Lorna Slater:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been allocated to NHS boards in 2025-26 for providing gender identity care.

**S6W-37927 Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide copies of all technical reports and test results in full from the investigation into the presence of radon at Inverness Justice Centre.

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**S6W-37928 Jamie Greene:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to support partners to reduce any widespread disruptive gatherings on coastal communities and beaches during seasonal warm weather and bank holidays, in light of reports of such gatherings resulting in antisocial behaviours, violence and serious incidents.

**S6W-37932 Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it undertook that resulted in it determining that CalMac should be directly awarded the Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Services contract without an open tender process, in light of it stating that directly awarding the contract for the Small Vessel Replacement Programme to Ferguson Marine would present a legal risk.

**S6W-37948 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what policies and procedures are in place regarding the storage, use, and disposal of tissue samples from non-suspicious deaths, and what safeguards exist to ensure that the consent and rights of the next of kin are respected.

**S6W-37949 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider removing non-suspicious deaths from the remit of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.

**S6W-37950 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to expand the use of non-invasive post-mortem technologies, such as CT scanners, for non-suspicious deaths.

**S6W-37951 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any potential data privacy implications of retaining DNA and tissue samples without explicit consent, particularly in relation to compliance with existing privacy and data protection legislation.

**S6W-37952 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance it provides to local authorities on enabling people to apply for a Blue Badge without using an online application, and how it ensures that non-digital routes are clearly publicised and accessible.

**S6W-37953 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on the average processing time for Blue Badge applications in the Scottish Borders, and how this compares with other local authority areas.



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## Amendments

### Amendments to Bills lodged or withdrawn on 28 May 2025

#### Care Reform (Scotland) Bill — Stage 3

##### After section 39A

**Jeremy Balfour**

**1** After section 39A, insert—

##### <Duty of relevant bodies in relation to carers

- (1) The Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 26, insert—

##### “CHAPTER 3

##### DUTY OF RELEVANT BODIES IN RELATION TO CARER

##### **26A Duty of relevant bodies to promote support take-up for carers**

- (1) A specified relevant body, in the exercise of its functions, must—
  - (a) consider if a carer may be eligible to receive financial or other support from another relevant body, and
  - (b) take such steps as it considers appropriate to promote take-up of that financial or other support to the carer.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations specify the relevant bodies to which subsection (1) applies.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision in relation to the duty under subsection (1), including—
  - (a) a process for a relevant body to identify a carer’s eligibility to receive support,
  - (b) a process for information to be shared between specified relevant bodies about a carer to promote take-up of financial or other support,
  - (c) such other provision as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (4) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative procedure.”.>

#### Land Reform (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

##### Section 1

**Tim Eagle**

**389** In section 1, page 1, line 23, leave out <sections 44B and 44C> and insert <section 44B>

**Tim Eagle**

**390** In section 1, page 2, leave out lines 7 and 8

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**Tim Eagle**

- 391** In section 1, page 2, line 9, leave out <communities> and insert <a community body within the vicinity of the land>

**Tim Eagle**

- 392** In section 1, page 2, line 13, at end insert—
- <(1A) For the purposes of subsection (1)(b), “community body” means a community body within the meaning of section 34 of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003.>

**Tim Eagle**

- 393** In section 1, page 2, leave out lines 29 and 30 and insert—
- <(4) The Scottish Ministers must prepare and publish guidance on other information that a land management plan is to contain, including how the owner is managing or intends to manage the land in a way that contributes towards—
- (a)>

**Tim Eagle**

- 394** In section 1, page 2, leave out lines 31 and 32

**Ariane Burgess**

- 395** In section 1, page 2, line 34, at end insert—
- <(e) how, in relation to the land, the owner, if applicable, intends to comply with the Scottish Ministers’ principles for responsible investment in natural capital.>

**Tim Eagle**

- 396** In section 1, page 2, line 34, at end insert—
- <(4) Regulations under section 44A must provide that, where a community body or individual member of a community is acting unreasonably when engaging with the owner as required under subsection (1)(b)—
- (a) the owner may report the matter to the Commission, and
- (b) if satisfied that the community body or individual has acted unreasonably, the Commission must discharge the owner of the obligation described in subsection (1)(b).>

**Tim Eagle**

- 397** In section 1, page 2, line 35, leave out from beginning to end of line 4 on page 3

**Tim Eagle**

- 398** In section 1, page 3, line 6, at beginning insert <Subject to subsection (3A),>

**Tim Eagle**

**399** In section 1, page 3, line 6, at beginning insert <Subject to subsection (3B),>

**Rachael Hamilton**

**400** In section 1, page 3, line 6, at beginning insert <Subject to subsection (3C),>

**Tim Eagle**

**401** In section 1, page 3, line 15, leave out <25%> and insert <33%>

**Tim Eagle**

**402** In section 1, page 3, line 15, at end insert—

<(3A) This section does not apply to land which is mainly used for agriculture purposes.>

**Tim Eagle**

**403** In section 1, page 3, line 15, at end insert—

<(3B) This section only applies if—

- (a) there is not a disclosure statement or management plan in relation to the land, and
- (b) the owner has not engaged with a community body in the vicinity of the land in relation to the management of the land within the last 5 years.>

**Rachael Hamilton**

**404** In section 1, page 3, line 15, at end insert—

<(3C) This section does not apply to land owned by a new entrant, for the period of 10 years beginning with the day after the land is transferred to the new entrant.

(3D) For the purposes of this section, a “new entrant” means the owner of a land holding who, on the day the land is transferred, is—

- (a) setting up as head of the holding of a new or existing farming business for the first time, or
- (b) within a year of starting an agricultural business.>

**Mark Ruskell**

**49A** As an amendment to amendment 49, line 4, leave out <250 metres> and insert <10 miles>

**Mark Ruskell**

**49B** As an amendment to amendment 49, line 10, leave out <250 metres> and insert <10 miles>

**Tim Eagle**

**405** In section 1, page 4, line 5, at end insert—

<(6A) The Commission must prepare and publish guidance on what constitutes a composite holding for the purposes of this section.

(6B) In preparing the guidance under subsection (6A), the Commission must consult such

persons as the Commission considers appropriate.>

**Tim Eagle**

**406** In section 1, page 4, line 7, at end insert—

<(8) In subsection (3B)—

“community body” means a community body within the meaning of section 34 of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003,

“disclosure statement” means any requirement imposed on a land owner to disclose information about the owner’s land.>

**Tim Eagle**

**407** In section 1, page 4, line 37, leave out <such period as the Commissioner may specify> and insert <the period of 90 days beginning with the day on which the Commissioner makes the request for the additional information>

**Tim Eagle**

**408** In section 1, page 5, line 34, leave out <make> and insert <reach>

**Tim Eagle**

**409** In section 1, page 5, line 36, leave out <make> and insert <reach>

**Tim Eagle**

**410** In section 1, page 5, line 37, leave out <made> and insert <reached>

**Tim Eagle**

**411** In section 1, page 5, line 38, leave out from beginning to end of line 2 on page 6

**Mark Ruskell**

**412** In section 1, page 6, line 4, at end insert—

**<44HA Sanctions for breach of obligation: subsidies**

(1) Subsection (2) applies where the Commissioner has—

- (a) determined, following an investigation under this Chapter, that a person has committed a breach of obligations, and
- (b) imposed a fine on the person under section 44G or 44H (which has not been overturned on appeal under section 44I).

(2) The Scottish Ministers must notify the person that committed the breach that, should there be any further breaches of obligations under this Chapter—

- (a) any agricultural subsidies provided to the person will be recovered,
- (a) any agricultural subsidies due to be provided to the person will be withheld, and
- (b) the person will not be eligible for any further agricultural subsidies,

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by virtue of regulations made under section 12(2) of the Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Act 2024.

- (3) The Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Act 2024 is modified by subsection (4).
- (4) In section 12 (refusal or recovery of support where in the public interest)—
  - (a) in subsection (2), in the opening words, for “may” substitute “must”,
  - (b) after subsection (2), insert—
 

“(2A) Regulations under subsection (2) must specify that powers under subsection (1) must be exercised in respect of persons on whom a fine has been imposed under section 44G or 44H of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2025 on more than one occasion.”.>

### Mark Ruskell

**413** In section 1, page 6, line 4, at end insert—

#### **<44HA Sanctions for breach of obligation: financial assistance**

- (1) Subsection (2) applies where the Commissioner has—
  - (a) determined, following an investigation under this Chapter, that a person has committed a breach of obligations, and
  - (b) imposed a fine on the person under section 44G or 44H (which has not been overturned on appeal under section 44I).
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must not provide any financial assistance to the person that committed the breach for the period of 5 years beginning with the day on which the fine was imposed.>

### Tim Eagle

**414** In section 1, page 6, line 24, leave out <make> and insert <reach>

### Tim Eagle

**415** In section 1, page 6, line 27, leave out <make> and insert <reach>

### Tim Eagle

**416** In section 1, page 6, line 29, leave out <makes> and insert <reaches>

### Mark Ruskell

**97A** As an amendment to amendment 97, line 21, leave out <may> and insert <must>

### Tim Eagle

**417** In section 1, page 8, line 13, insert at end—

- <(2) Before laying before the Scottish Parliament for approval a draft of regulations under this section, the Scottish Ministers must—
  - (a) lay a draft of the regulations before the Scottish Parliament for a period of 120 days, of

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which no fewer than 60 days must be days which the Scottish Parliament is not dissolved or in recess, and

- (b) seek the views of a committee of the Scottish Parliament whose remit includes matters relating to land reform for the time being appointed by virtue of the standing orders.”.>

## Section 2

### Tim Eagle

- 418 In section 2, page 8, line 30, after <body> insert <, given written confirmation under section 34(4),>

### Tim Eagle

- 419 In section 2, page 12, line 37, at end insert—

<(c) other land, or transfers of land, specified by the Scottish Ministers in regulations.>

### Tim Eagle

- 420 In section 2, page 13, line 3, after <if> insert <—

- (a) they consider that it would be in the public interest to do so, or  
(b)>

### Tim Eagle

- 421 In section 2, page 13, line 36, leave out from <, or> to end of line 37

### Tim Eagle

- 422 In section 2, page 13, line 38, leave out <1,000> and insert <5,000>

### Tim Eagle

- 423 In section 2, page 14, leave out lines 4 to 27

### Mark Ruskell

- 127A As an amendment to amendment 127, line 4, leave out <250 metres> and insert <10 miles>

### Mark Ruskell

- 127B As an amendment to amendment 127, line 10, leave out <250 metres> and insert <10 miles>

### Rachael Hamilton

- 128A As an amendment to amendment 128, line 16, leave out <or effect, or one of the main purposes or effects> and insert <, or one of the main purposes>

## Section 3

**Tim Eagle**

**424** In section 3, page 15, line 9, leave out <“46L,”> and insert <“46H(2)(c), 46L,”>

**Tim Eagle**

**425** Leave out section 3

## Section 4

**Tim Eagle**

**426** In section 4, page 16, leave out lines 14 and 15

**Tim Eagle**

**427** In section 4, page 16, line 15, at end insert—

### **<67DA Prohibition not to apply where not in public interest to make lotting decision**

- (1) The prohibition under section 67C does not apply in relation to a purported transfer of land if the Scottish Ministers determine it would not be in the public interest for a lotting decision to be made in relation to the land.
- (2) The Scottish Ministers may be regulations make further provision about determinations under subsection (1).>

**Tim Eagle**

**428** In section 4, page 17, line 20, leave out <1,000> and insert <2,500>

**Rachael Hamilton**

**429** In section 4, page 17, line 32, at end insert—

<(e) the area of the land referred to in sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) is contiguous.>

**Tim Eagle**

**430** In section 4, page 17, line 37, leave out from <, or> to end of line 1 on page 18

**Tim Eagle**

**431** In section 4, page 18, leave out lines 6 to 16

**Mark Ruskell**

**147A** As an amendment to amendment 147, line 4, leave out <250 metres> and insert <10 miles>

**Mark Ruskell**

**147B** As an amendment to amendment 147, line 10, leave out <250 metres> and insert <10 miles>

**Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

**432** In section 4, page 18, line 34, at end insert—

- <(2) A transfer of land that is owned by the Scottish Ministers is an exempt transfer for the purposes of sections 67C and 67D.>

**Tim Eagle**

**433** In section 4, page 18, line 34, at end insert—

## <CHAPTER 1A

### OFFER TO BUY BEFORE LOTTING DECISION

#### **67JA Offer to buy before lotting decision**

- (1) Ministers may offer to buy land to which section 67G applies before making a lotting decision if satisfied it is in the public interest to do so.
- (2) An offer under subsection (1) must be to buy the land at market value.>

**Tim Eagle**

**434** In section 4, page 19, line 21, at end insert—

- <(3) When making a valid application under this section, the owner or, as the case may be, the creditor may include a plan setting out the proposed lots of the land to be transferred.>

**Rachael Hamilton**

**435** In section 4, page 19, line 39, at end insert—

- <(4) A request under this section does not constitute action with a view to a transfer of the land for the purposes of section 46B(1)(b) where the purported transfer of the land is to a crofter or sitting tenant.>

**Tim Eagle**

**436** In section 4, page 20, leave out lines 1 to 16

**Tim Eagle**

**437** In section 4, page 20, line 1, leave out <Expedited> and insert <Emergency>

**Tim Eagle**

**438** In section 4, page 20, line 2, leave out <may> and insert <must>

**Tim Eagle**

**439** In section 4, page 20, line 9, at end insert—

- <(2A) A lotting decision must be made under this section no later than 7 days after a valid request was made to Ministers.>



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**Tim Eagle**

440 In section 4, page 20, line 9, at end insert—

<(2A) A lotting decision must be made under this section within the period specified by Ministers in regulations.>

**Tim Eagle**

441 In section 4, page 20, line 21, after <community> insert <in the vicinity of the land>

**Tim Eagle**

442 In section 4, page 20, line 21, after <community> insert <significantly>

**Tim Eagle**

443 In section 4, page 20, line 23, at end insert—

<(1A) When making a lotting decision under this section, Ministers must have regard to—

- (a) any environmental designations relating to the land,
- (b) any contractual arrangements relating to the land.>

**Tim Eagle**

444 In section 4, page 20, line 25, at end insert—

<(2A) If a plan setting out the proposed lots has been included in an application under section 67K(3), then Ministers must specify those lots under subsection (2) unless they consider it would not be reasonable to do so.>

**Tim Eagle**

445 In section 4, page 20, line 33, after <community> insert <in the vicinity of the land>

**Tim Eagle**

446 In section 4, page 20, leave out lines 35 and 36

**Tim Eagle**

447 In section 4, page 20, line 38, at end insert—

<(c) if a community body has registered an interest in the land.>

**Tim Eagle**

448 In section 4, page 21, leave out lines 33 to 37

**Tim Eagle**

449 In section 4, page 21, leave out lines 33 to 37 and insert—

<(c) if there has been a previous application for a review, it is made more than 6 months after that Ministers received that previous application.>

**Tim Eagle**

**450** In section 4, page 22, line 29, at end insert—

**<67RA Compensation following review**

- (1) If a new lotting decision under section 67R is substantially the same as the original lotting decision, the Scottish Ministers must compensation the owner, or creditor in a standard security having a right to sell the land, for any lost value during the relevant period.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), the “relevant period” means the period between the day on which a valid application to review the lotting decision is received by Ministers under section 67P and the date that the new lotting decision is made under section 67R.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may, by regulations, make further provision about the payment of compensation under this section.
- (4) In this section, “new lotting decision” and “original lotting decision” are to be construed in accordance with section 67R.>

**Tim Eagle**

**451** In section 4, page 22, line 31, leave out <may> and insert <must>

**Tim Eagle**

**452** In section 4, page 22, line 32, leave out <only>

**Tim Eagle**

**453** In section 4, page 23, line 10, after <person> insert <jointly>

**Tim Eagle**

**454** In section 4, page 23, line 10, after <Ministers> insert <and the owner, or creditor in a standard security having a right to sell the land,>

**Tim Eagle**

**455** In section 4, page 23, line 13, at end insert—

- <(5A) If Ministers and the owner, or creditor in a standard security having a right to sell the land, cannot agree on the appointment of the valuer, the valuer is to be appointed by the Chair of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors.>

**Tim Eagle**

**456** In section 4, page 23, line 35, leave out <consider making> and insert <make>

**Tim Eagle**

**457** In section 4, page 24, line 16, at end insert—

- <(aa) if a plan setting out proposed lots has been included in an application under section 67K(3), replace the lotting decision with a decision that the land be transferred in

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accordance with those lots,>

### Tim Eagle

**165A** As an amendment to amendment 165, line 2, after <consult> insert <—

- (a) a person who is an accredited valuer of land,
- (b)>

### Tim Eagle

**458** In section 4, page 25, line 5, at end insert—

- <(5) Before laying before the Scottish Parliament for approval a draft of regulations under this section, the Scottish Ministers must—
  - (a) lay a draft of the regulations before the Scottish Parliament for a period of 120 days, of which no fewer than 60 days must be days which the Scottish Parliament is not dissolved or in recess, and
  - (b) seek the views of a committee of the Scottish Parliament whose remit includes matters relating to land reform for the time being appointed by virtue of the standing orders.>

### After section 4

### Mercedes Villalba

**174B** As an amendment to amendment 174, line 26, at end insert—

- <(2A) In this section, the “public interest” includes the desirability of—
  - (a) achieving a more diverse ownership of land, including more community ownership of land,
  - (b) protecting and enhancing relevant human rights,
  - (c) furthering sustainable development,
  - (d) securing a just transition to net zero, including a greater proportion of community owned energy,
  - (e) advancing community wealth building,
  - (f) protecting and restoring biodiversity and natural processes, including protecting and furthering animal welfare,
  - (g) increasing community agency on matters seen as important to them,
  - (h) ensuring an adequate supply of affordable housing and of workspace for employment,
  - (i) enabling the repopulation or settlement of land,
  - (j) enabling the creation of new crofts, and land and agricultural tenancies,
  - (k) contributing to food security and food system resilience, and
  - (l) ensuring adherence to the terms of the Land Rights and Responsibilities Statement (published under the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016).>

## Mercedes Villalba

459 After section 4, insert—

### <Transfer of large landholdings in the public interest: compulsory purchase

- (1) The Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified by subsection (2).
- (2) After Part 2 insert—

#### “67Z1 Power to acquire land where transfer not in the public interest

Where the Scottish Ministers consider under section 67Z that a purported transfer of land would not be in the public interest, they may compulsorily acquire some or all of the land to which the purported transfer relates if they consider that it—

- (a) would be in the public interest, and
- (b) would be more likely to secure the sustainable development of the area concerned than would be the case if they did not compulsorily acquire some or all of the land.”.
- (3) The Acquisition of Land (Authorisation Procedure) (Scotland) Act 1947 is modified by subsection (4).
- (4) In section 1 (procedure for compulsory purchase of land), in subsection (1), after paragraph (e) insert—

“(eza) by the Scottish Ministers under section 67Z1 of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003.”.>

## Section 5

### Tim Eagle

460 In section 5, page 25, line 25, after <insert “> insert <67DA(2),>

### Tim Eagle

461 In section 5, page 25, line 25, after <insert “> insert <67M(3B),>

### Tim Eagle

462 In section 5, page 25, line 25, after <insert “> insert <67RA(3),>

## Section 6

### Tim Eagle

463 In section 6, page 26, line 20, at end insert—

- <(c) agriculture, and
- (d) traditional land management.”.>

### Ariane Burgess

464 In section 6, page 27, line 18, at end insert—

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<(ba) to keep under review emerging problems in the operation of natural capital markets,>

### Tim Eagle

**465** In section 6, page 27, line 23, at end insert—

- <(2) The Land and Communities Commissioner must exercise the Commissioner's functions with a view to encouraging good relations between landlords and tenants.>

### After section 6

### Ross Greer

**466** After section 6, insert—

#### <Land and buildings transaction tax

- (1) The Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Scotland) Act 2013 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 26A (additional amount: transactions relating to second homes etc.) insert—

#### **“26B Additional amount: transactions relating to large land holdings**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, make provision to increase the amount of tax chargeable in respect of transactions, the subject-matter of which consists of or includes the acquisition of ownership of a large holding of land, by the additional amount mentioned in subsection (2).
- (2) The additional amount is an amount prescribed by the Scottish Ministers in regulations under subsection (1) exceeding the amount specified in paragraph 4(2) of schedule 2A.
- (3) In subsection (1), a “large holding of land” means—
  - (a) a single holding, or
  - (b) a composite holding,
 that exceeds 1,000 hectares in area.
- (4) For the purposes of this section—
  - (a) a single holding is the whole of a contiguous area of land in the ownership of one person or set of persons,
  - (b) a single holding (“holding A”) forms part of a composite holding with another (“holding B”) if the conditions in subsection (5) are met,
  - (c) a composite holding may consist of any number of single holdings.
- (5) The conditions referred to in subsection (4)(b) are that—
  - (a) a boundary of holding A is (wholly or partly) contiguous with a boundary of holding B, and
  - (b) the owner of holding A is either—
    - (i) also the owner of another single holding that forms part of a composite holding of which holding B forms part, or
    - (ii) connected to the owner of another single holding that forms part of a

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composite holding of which holding B forms part.

- (6) For the purposes of subsection (5)(b)—
  - (a) one person is connected to another person if—
    - (i) they are both companies in the same group,
    - (ii) one has a controlling interest in the other, or
    - (iii) a person holds a controlling interest in them both,
  - (b) companies are in the same group if they are, or are included in a number of, companies which, by virtue of section 170 of the Taxation and Chargeable Gains Act 1992, together form part of a group for the purposes of sections 171 to 181 of that Act,
  - (c) one person (“person A”) has a controlling interest in another (“person B”) if regulations under section 39 provide that person A is to be treated as having a controlling interest in person B.
- (7) Regulations under subsection (1) may modify—
  - (a) this Act,
  - (b) the additional amount in subsection (2),
  - (c) the definition of “large holding of land” in subsection (3).”.
- (3) In section 68 (subordinate legislation), in subsection (3), after paragraph (a) insert—
 

“(aa) section 26B(1),”.>

**Ariane Burgess**

**467** After section 6, insert—

## **<PART**

### PRIORITY ACCESS TO LAND FOR COMMUNITY ENERGY

#### **Priority access to land for community energy**

- (1) The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 is modified by subsections (2) and (3).
- (2) In section 82 (asset transfer requests: decisions), after subsection (4), insert—
 

“(4A) The authority must exercise the function under subsection (2) in a manner which prioritises community ownership of green energy assets.”
- (3) After section 97, insert—

## **“PART 5A**

### PRIORITY ACCESS TO LAND FOR COMMUNITY ENERGY

#### **97A Priority access to land for community energy**

- (1) Publicly-owned land must not be offered for lease unless—
  - (a) reasonable steps have been taken to identify any local community body that wishes to develop renewable energy on the land, and
  - (b) any local community body identified under paragraph (a) is informed of the intention to offer the land for lease and invited to express interest in leasing the



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land.

- (2) If any expressions of interest are received under subsection (1)(b), the land must be leased to one of those bodies provided that the body—
  - (a) meets the requirements set out in section 34 (in relation to a community body) or section 71 (in relation to a crofting community body) of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003,
  - (b) can demonstrate that the body is working with appropriate partners or consultants to provide the necessary expertise in relation to energy generation or energy storage projects,
  - (c) has a financial plan which demonstrates the body will be able to pay rent at a competitive rate to the public body which owns the land. ”
- (4) The Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified by subsections (5) and (6).
- (5) In section 51 (exercise of right to buy: approval of community and consent of Ministers), after subsection (3) insert—
 

“(3A) In assessing whether the proposed purchase is in the public interest under subsection (3)(d), Ministers must consider the public interest imperative of increasing community-owned green energy.”
- (6) In section 97H (criteria for consent), after subsection (4) insert—
 

“(4A) In deciding whether to consent to the application, Ministers must consider the public interest imperative of increasing community-owned green energy.”>

### Ariane Burgess

**468** After section 6, insert—

#### <PART

#### SCOTTISH LAND COMMISSION: STRATEGIC PLAN

#### Scottish land commission: strategic plan

- (1) The Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 8 (strategic plan), in subsection (3)(b), for “3 years” substitute “10 years”.>

### Ariane Burgess

**469** After section 6, insert—

#### <PART

#### COMMUNITY LAND FORUM

#### Scottish Ministers to establish a Community Land Forum

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, within 12 months of Royal Assent, establish a Community Land Forum.
- (2) The Community Land Forum is to be comprised of—
  - (a) local authorities,
  - (b) other public bodies whose work relates to housing, land ownership or community

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development,

- (c) such other agencies or organisations with an interest in housing, land ownership or community development as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (3) The role of the Community Land Forum is to identify appropriate areas of land that could be made available for community groups to build housing.>

**Ariane Burgess**

**470** After section 6, insert—

**<PART**

SCOTLAND'S LAND INFORMATION SERVICE

**Scotland's land information service**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, no later than 2 years after Royal Assent, deliver a comprehensive digital land and property information service which—
  - (a) adopts the design principles set out in, and
  - (b) reflects the functionality and priorities identified in,
 the report by the Digital Land and Property Information Service Taskforce to the Deputy First Minister dated 28 July 2015.
- (2) The service mentioned in subsection (1) must include information on—
  - (a) biodiversity status,
  - (b) cycle routes,
  - (c) flood records,
  - (d) land held under agricultural tenancies,
  - (e) locations of public services,
  - (f) ownership of land and property, including the transfer of ownership.
- (3) The service mentioned in subsection (1) may include information on any other matters related to land and property the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.>

**Ben Macpherson**

**471** After section 6, insert—

**<PART**

COMPULSORY SALE ORDERS

**Compulsory sale orders**

- (1) A local authority may, in relation to land within the authority's area which falls within subsection (2), make an order requiring the owner of land specified in the order to offer the land for sale (a "compulsory sale order").
- (2) That land is land which—
  - (a) has been vacant or derelict for a continuous period of at least three years prior to the date on which the compulsory sale order is made,
  - (b) is—

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- (i) of such type as may be specified, and
  - (ii) no greater in area than the maximum area specified,

for the purposes of this section by the Scottish Ministers by regulations.
- (3) A compulsory sale order may be made—
  - (a) on the authority's own initiative, or
  - (b) on an application by a community body.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, specify—
  - (a) by which method, and
  - (b) within which period,

an owner of land may be required to offer the land for sale as may be specified in a compulsory sale order.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers may, by regulations, make further provision in connection with compulsory sale orders.
- (6) Regulations under subsection (5) may in particular include provision about—
  - (a) circumstances in which a compulsory sale order may not be made,
  - (b) any consultation and notification that is to take place before a compulsory sale order may be made,
  - (c) information that is to be contained in a compulsory sale order,
  - (d) the ability of local authorities to require the giving of commitments by prospective purchasers as to the future use of land which is subject to a compulsory sale order,
  - (e) whether the owner may refuse to accept offers for land which is subject to a compulsory sale order,
  - (f) circumstances in which a local authority may, following the making of a compulsory sale order, make its own arrangements for the land subject to the order to be sold at public auction,
  - (g) a procedure for any community body which has had a request to a local authority to make a compulsory sale order refused to appeal against that decision,
  - (h) the maintenance by local authorities of registers of vacant or derelict land for the purposes of identifying land which may be made subject to a compulsory sale order.
- (6) In this section, “community body” means a body, whether or not formally constituted, established for purposes which consist of or include that of promoting or improving the interests of any communities (however described) present in the area in which the vacant or derelict land is situated.>

**Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

**472** After section 6, insert—

## **<PART**

### **COMMUNITY RIGHT TO BUY COMMON GOOD LAND**

#### **Community right to buy common good land**

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- (1) The Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) After Part 3A, insert—

### **“PART 3B**

#### COMMUNITY RIGHT TO BUY COMMON GOOD LAND

#### **97ZZ1 Regulations to make provision for the community right to buy common good land**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, make provision to establish a right for land which is held by the local authority as part of the common good (“common good land”) to be bought by a community body in the area of the authority.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) must include provision about—
  - (a) the definition of “community body” for the purposes of the right to buy common good land,
  - (b) the circumstances under which a community body may exercise a right to buy common good land,
  - (c) the process under which a community body may exercise a right to buy common good land,
  - (d) the duties which may apply to the community body upon exercising the right to buy.
- (3) Regulations under subsection (1) must not apply where the land is held by Aberdeen City Council, Dundee City Council, the City of Edinburgh Council or Glasgow City Council.
- (4) Regulations under subsection (1) may modify any enactment (including this Act).”.
- (3) In section 98 (general and supplementary provisions), in subsection (5), for “or 97N(1) or (3)” substitute “, 97N(1) or (3), or 97ZZ1(1)”.>

**Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

**473** After section 6, insert—

### **<PART**

#### COMMON LAND

#### **Register of common land**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, make provision—
  - (a) requiring information to be provided about—
    - (i) common mosses,
    - (ii) commonities,
    - (iii) Crown commons,
    - (iv) feuars land,
    - (v) village greens, and

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- (b) about the publication of that information in a public register kept by the Keeper of the Registers of Scotland.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) must include provision about—
  - (a) what information must be provided under the regulations (and the manner in which it is to be provided),
  - (b) the circumstances in which information must be provided under the regulations,
  - (c) publication of information required under the regulations (including the form of the register and the entry of the information in it).
- (3) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, make provision to require any land entered on the public register to be seized and managed by—
  - (a) a local authority to which the land falls (wholly or partly) within, or
  - (b) any other body the local authority considers appropriate.>

**Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

**474** After section 6, insert—

**<PART**

COMMON LAND

### **Repeal of Division of Commonties Act 1695**

The Division of Commonties Act 1695 is repealed.>

**Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

**475** After section 6, insert—

**<PART**

SCOTLAND'S LAND INFORMATION SERVICE

### **Scotland's land information service**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must—
  - (a) prepare a report on Scotland's land information service,
  - (b) publish and lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (2) The report under subsection (1) must include information on—
  - (a) the progress that has been made towards delivering a comprehensive service,
  - (b) the challenges to be overcome in delivering a comprehensive service,
  - (c) when the service is expected to be fully delivered.>

**Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

**476** After section 6, insert—

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## CROWN RIGHTS TO FORESHORE AND SEABED

### Crown ownership and rights to foreshore and seabed

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, make provision to—
  - (a) transfer ownership of each area of foreshore owned by the Crown to a local authority to which the land relates,
  - (b) transfer ownership of the territorial seabed owned by the Crown to the Scottish Ministers, and
  - (c) remove the legal presumption that an area of seabed or foreshore is owned by the Crown unless there is evidence that it has been otherwise acquired.
- (2) Regulations under subsection (1) may modify any enactment (including this Act).>

**Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

**477** After section 6, insert—

#### <PART

#### LAND REGISTER RULES

#### Land register rules: monetary consideration

- (1) The Land Register Rules etc. (Scotland) Regulations 2014 (S.S.I 2014/150) are modified as follows.
- (2) In regulation 12 (title sheets), after paragraph (2)(a) insert—
  - “(aa) where the consideration under paragraph (2)(a) includes a monetary consideration, the amount of that consideration, and”.>

**Rachael Hamilton**

**478** After section 6, insert—

#### <PART

#### FRAMEWORK FOR NATURAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT

#### Framework for natural capital investment

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, within 1 year of Royal Assent, prepare and publish an ethical framework for natural capital investment.
- (2) In preparing a framework under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers consult such persons as they consider having an interest in natural capital investment.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers must—
  - (a) publish the framework,
  - (b) lay a copy before the Scottish Parliament.>

**Ross Greer**

**479** After section 6, insert—

#### <PART

#### RATES TO BE LEVIED ON LAND

#### Valuation of crofts



- (1) The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 1A (valuation of shootings and deer forests), after paragraph (b) insert—  
“(c) crofts, in so far as situated in.”.
- (3) The title of section 1A becomes “**Valuation of shootings, deer forests, and crofts**”.>

**Ross Greer**

**480** After section 6, insert—

**<PART**

RATES TO BE LEVIED ON LAND

**Eligibility for relief from non-domestic rates: shootings**

- (1) The Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Act 2020 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 20, insert—

**“20A Eligibility for relief from non-domestic rates: shootings**

Any land holding which is entered separately on the valuation roll as a shooting under section 1A(a) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 is not eligible for any relief from the payment of non-domestic rates.”.>

**Ross Greer**

**481** After section 6, insert—

**<PART**

RATES TO BE LEVIED ON LAND

**Duty to ensure all land holdings are entered in the valuation roll**

- (1) The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 1, insert—

**“1ZA Duty to ensure all land holdings are entered in the valuation roll**

- (1) Each local authority must, by no later than 4 years after the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2025 receives Royal Assent, and thereafter at all times, ensure that every relevant land holding situated within the area of the local authority is entered into a valuation roll to be made up under section 1.
- (2) Where a local authority becomes aware that a relevant land holding within the area of the local authority is not included in the valuation roll, they must notify the relevant assessor.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2025 receives Royal Assent, make arrangements to support local authorities to be able to identify relevant land holdings which are not included in the valuation roll.
- (4) In this section—

“relevant land holding” means a land holding that is required to be entered in the valuation roll by virtue of any enactment,

“enactment” includes an Act of the Scottish Parliament and an

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instrument made under such an Act.”.>

**Ross Greer**

**482** After section 6, insert—

**<PART**

**RATES TO BE LEVIED ON LAND**

**Notification of land transfer to assessor**

- (1) The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 1 (the valuation roll and revaluation)—
  - (a) after subsection (5) insert—
 

“(5A) Where a relevant land holding is transferred to a new owner, the new owner must notify the assessor for the relevant valuation area of the land transfer.

(5B) Where an assessor has received a notification under subsection (5A)—

    - (a) the assessor must verify whether the land holding is included in the valuation roll, and
    - (b) if the land holding is not included in the valuation roll, the assessor must alter the roll by entering therein the holding.”,
    - (b) after subsection (6) insert—
 

“(8) In this section—

“relevant land holding” means a land holding that is required to be entered in the valuation roll by virtue of any enactment,

“enactment” includes an Act of the Scottish Parliament and an instrument made under such an Act.”.>

**Ross Greer**

**483** After section 6, insert—

**<PART**

**RATES TO BE LEVIED ON LAND**

**Removal of exemptions for land holdings to be entered in the valuation roll**

- (1) The Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act 1956 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 8D (power of Scottish Ministers to remove exempt status of lands and heritages)—
  - (a) before subsection (1) insert—
 

“(A1) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations make provision requiring all land holdings falling within subsection (2) to be entered in the valuation roll, except those which comprise—

    - (a) domestic dwellings,
    - (b) embassies, consulates and trade missions,
    - (c) foreign military bases,

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- (d) public parks,
- (e) public roads and bridges,
- (f) sewers.

(A2) For the avoidance of doubt, such regulations must provide that all land holdings are to be required to be entered in the valuation roll where they comprise—

- (a) agricultural land and buildings,
- (b) automated teller machines (ATMs) in rural areas,
- (c) bee keeping,
- (d) fishing and fish farms,
- (e) forestry and woodlands,
- (f) microgeneration plants and machinery (up to 50 kilowatts of renewable generation, or up to 45 kilowatts for combined heat and power),
- (g) offshore premises (including pipelines).”,

(b) in subsection (2), after “lands and heritages” insert “, or land holdings.”.>

**Ross Greer**

**484** After section 6, insert—

#### **<PART**

#### RATES TO BE LEVIED ON LAND

#### **Additional surcharge: vacant land**

- (1) The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966 is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 24B (certain lands to be treated as unoccupied), insert—

#### **“24C Additional surcharge: vacant land**

If it appears to the rating authority that part of any land holding included in the valuation roll is vacant, the authority may levy a rate greater than that which would ordinarily be levied.”.>

**Ross Greer**

**485** After section 6, insert—

#### **<PART**

#### CARBON EMISSIONS LAND TAX

#### **Carbon emissions land tax**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the end of the period of 90 days beginning with the day after Royal Assent, initiate a consultation on the introduction of a tax on holdings of land based on the carbon emissions from that land (a “carbon emissions land tax”).
- (2) In carrying out the consultation, the Scottish Ministers must consult such persons as they consider appropriate.

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- (3) The Scottish Ministers must, before the end of the period of one year beginning with the day after Royal Assent, publish proposals for the introduction of a carbon emissions land tax.
- (4) Before the end of the period of 40 days beginning with the day after proposals under subsection (3) are published, the Scottish Ministers must lay a statement before the Scottish Parliament setting out how they intend to implement the proposals.>

**Tim Eagle**

**486** After section 6, insert—

#### **<PART**

#### COMMUNITY RIGHT TO BUY

##### **Review of community right to buy**

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, before the expiry of the period of 12 months beginning with the day after Royal Assent, undertake a review of the operation of the community right to buy under Part 2 of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003.
- (2) The review under subsection (1) must include consideration of whether existing processes could be used to allow for a community in the vicinity of land to pre-register an interest in that land.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after the completion of the review, the Scottish Ministers must—
  - (a) prepare and publish a report on the review,
  - (b) lay a copy of the report before the Scottish Parliament. >

**Ariane Burgess**

**373** *Withdrawn*

#### **Section 7**

**Tim Eagle**

**487** Leave out section 7

#### **Schedule**

**Mairi Gougeon**

**488** In the schedule, page 67, line 3, at end insert—

#### **<PART**

#### SMALL LANDHOLDINGS AND SMALL LANDHOLDERS

##### *Leases of small landholdings*

A1(1) A small landholding—

- (a) is the land which is comprised in a lease to which this schedule applies, and
  - (b) includes any right held or to be held by the tenant under the lease alone or in common with others in pasture land or common grazings.
- (2) This schedule applies to a lease if—

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- (a) the lease—
  - (i) is entered into after this paragraph comes into force,
  - (ii) is not a sub-lease, and
  - (iii) includes a term that the lease is one to which this schedule applies, or
- (b) immediately before the coming into force of this paragraph, the tenant under the lease is a landholder for the purposes of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Acts 1886 to 1931.
- (3) Where the small landholding is subject to a lease mentioned in sub-paragraph (2)(b), the land comprised in the lease on the day on which this paragraph comes into force includes any site which, immediately before that day, is deemed to be part of the holding to which the lease applies under section 26(1) of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Act 1911.

*Persons who may be small landholders*

- A2(1) A small landholder is the tenant under a lease of a small landholding.
- (2) A small landholder must be an individual.

*Land which may not be, or be part of, a small landholding*

A3(1) A small landholding may not comprise or include the following—

- (a) land which is situated in any of the crofting counties,
- (b) land which is not—
  - (i) agricultural or pastoral land, or
  - (ii) the site of a dwelling-house, or any building or other structure pertaining to the dwelling-house,
- (c) garden ground pertaining to a dwelling-house, the site of which is not comprised in the holding,
- (d) land which is the site of, forms access to or surrounds an ancient monument or other object of historical or archaeological interest,
- (e) land which is or forms part of an allotment under Part 9 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.
- (2) A small landholding—
  - (a) may not be comprised only of land mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(b)(ii),
  - (b) may include such land whether or not it is contiguous to the other land of which the holding is comprised.
- (3) Nothing in sub-paragraph (1)(b) prevents land comprising or included in a small landholding ceasing to be agricultural or pastoral land in accordance with a diversification agreement or an authorised diversification proposal.
- (4) In this paragraph—
  - “authorised diversification proposal” is to be construed in accordance with paragraph 16(3),
  - “crofting counties” is to be construed in accordance with section 61 of the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993,
  - “diversification agreement” means an agreement under paragraph 6(2).

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### *Size of small landholding*

- A4(1) A small landholding must not exceed 20 hectares, unless sub-paragraph (2) applies.
- (2) This sub-paragraph applies where—
- (a) the lease of the holding is one mentioned in paragraph A1(2)(b), and
  - (b) the area of the holding immediately before this paragraph comes into force exceeds 20 hectares.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations modify this paragraph so as to—
- (a) substitute a different area for the area for the time being mentioned in sub-paragraph (1),
  - (b) provide for land which is to be left out of account in calculating the size of a holding for the purposes of this paragraph.
- (4) Where sub-paragraph (2) applies, the lease may not be varied so as to add to the subjects of the lease unless, following the variation, the area of the holding would not exceed the area for the time being mentioned in sub-paragraph (1).>

### **Mairi Gougeon**

- 489 In the schedule, page 68, line 1, leave out <where the landholder is a new holder,>

### **Mairi Gougeon**

- 490 In the schedule, page 69, leave out lines 1 to 3

### **Mairi Gougeon**

- 491 In the schedule, page 78, line 8, leave out <the landholder is a new holder> and insert <sub-paragraph (3) applies>

### **Mairi Gougeon**

- 492 In the schedule, page 78, line 11, leave out from <In> to <means> and insert <This sub-paragraph applies where, immediately before the coming into force of paragraph A1, the tenancy is held by>

### **Mairi Gougeon**

- 493 In the schedule, page 86, line 3, leave out <the Landholders Acts do> and insert <this schedule does>

### **Mairi Gougeon**

- 494 In the schedule, page 86, line 28, leave out from second <the> to end of line 29 and insert <this schedule applies.>

### **Mairi Gougeon**

- 495 In the schedule, page 88, line 19, leave out <the Landholders Acts do> and insert <this schedule does>

### **Mairi Gougeon**

- 496 In the schedule, page 89, line 7, leave out from second <the> to end of line 8 and insert <this schedule



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applies.>

### Mairi Gougeon

**497** In the schedule, page 95, leave out lines 21 and 22

### Mairi Gougeon

**498** In the schedule, page 110, line 18, at end insert—

<Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993

- (1) The Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 3A (new crofts), for subsection (3)(a) substitute—

“(a) the tenancy of the holding is—

- (i) one to which section 32 of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Act 1911 (c.49) applies; or
- (ii) held under a lease to which the schedule of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2025 (small landholdings) applies; and”.>

### Mairi Gougeon

**499** In the schedule, page 110, leave out lines 22 to 24 and insert—

<Any term of a contract or agreement entered into by a small landholder purporting to deprive the small landholder of a right conferred on the small landholder by this schedule is void unless the contract or agreement is approved by the Land Court.>

### Mairi Gougeon

**500** In the schedule, page 110, line 30, leave out from <means> to end of line 31 and insert <has the meaning given by paragraph A2(1),

“small landholding” has the meaning given by paragraph A1(1).>

## After section 9

### Emma Harper

**501** After section 9, insert—

#### <Application to Tenant Farming Commissioner to inquire into breach of code of practice

- (1) The Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 29 (application to inquire into breach of code of practice)—
  - (a) in subsection (1)—
    - (i) the “or” immediately following paragraph (a) is repealed,
    - (ii) after subsection (b), insert—

“(c) is a near relative of a person mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b), or

(d) appears to the Tenant Farming Commissioner to represent the

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interests of landlords or tenants of agricultural holdings,”

(b) after subsection (6) insert—

“(7) The Scottish Ministers may, by regulations, define “near relative” for the purposes of this section.”.

(3) In section 30 (procedure for inquiry), in subsection (1), for paragraph (a) substitute—

“(a) the applicant is eligible to make an application under section 29(1),”.

(4) In section 126 (subordinate legislation), in subsection (2), after paragraph (a) insert—

“(aa) section 29(7),”.>

**Emma Harper**

**502** After section 9, insert—

**<Tenant Farming Commissioner: sanction for breach of code of practice**

(1) The Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 is modified as follows.

(2) After section 33 (report on inquiry), insert—

**“33A Sanction for breach of code of practice**

(1) Having determined in a report on an inquiry under section 33 that the code of practice has been breached, the Tenant Farming Commissioner may, by notice, impose a fine on the person that committed the breach.

(2) But the Commissioner may impose a fine under this section only if—

(a) the person that committed the breach has been given an opportunity to make an agreement with the Commissioner about what the person must do to remedy the breach and the person either—

(i) has refused to make an agreement, or

(ii) having made an agreement, has failed to fulfil it, or

(b) the Commissioner does not consider it appropriate to give the person that committed the breach an opportunity to remedy it, having regard to the person’s previous failure (or failures) to comply with the code of practice.

(3) The amount of a fine imposed under this section is to be determined by the Commissioner, but must not exceed £5,000.”.>

**After section 27**

**Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

**503** After section 27, insert—

**<PART**

**REPORTING ON LAND MANAGEMENT AND OWNERSHIP**

**Report on land management and ownership**

(1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of each reporting

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period—

- (a) prepare a report on—
    - (i) the matters specified in subsection (2),
    - (ii) the Scottish Ministers' analysis of any changes during the reporting period in—
      - (A) the extent of privately owned and publicly owned land,
      - (B) the concentration of privately owned land,
    - (iii) any other matters in relation to land management and ownership the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate, and
  - (b) publish and lay the report before the Scottish Parliament.
- (2) The report prepared under subsection (1) must include information, in relation to the reporting period, about—
- (a) applications to register a community interest in land under Part 2 of the 2003 Act, including any applications under section 39ZA,
  - (b) applications by crofting community bodies for consent to buy croft land under Part 3 of the 2003 Act,
  - (c) applications for consent to buy abandoned, neglected or detrimental land under Part 3A of the 2003 Act,
  - (d) applications for consent to buy land to further sustainable development under Part 5 of the 2016 Act,
  - (e) land management plans published in accordance with section 44B of the 2016 Act.
- (3) The information mentioned in paragraphs (a) to (d) of subsection (2) must include information on the outcomes of the applications.
- (4) In this section—
- “2003 Act” means the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003,
- “2016 Act” means the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016,
- “reporting period” means—
- (a) the period of 2 years beginning with the day after Royal Assent, and
  - (b) each subsequent period of 2 years.>

## Section 29

**Ben Macpherson**

- 504** In section 29, page 65, line 34, after <procedure:> insert <section (*Compulsory sale orders*)(2)(b), (4) and (5) and,>

**Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

- 505** In section 29, page 65, line 34, after <procedure:> insert <section (*Register of common land*)(1) and (3) and>

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### **Mairi Gougeon**

**506** In section 29, page 65, line 35, after <paragraphs> insert <A4(3),>

### **Monica Lennon**

**Supported by: Mercedes Villalba**

**507** In section 29, page 66, line 1, after <section> insert <(Crown ownership and rights to foreshore and seabed )(1) and>

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

Stage 1 completed, 13 May 2025

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### **Care Reform (Scotland) Bill (G) (introduced as the National Care Service (Scotland) Bill)**

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 10 June 2025

After Stage 2 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee), 27 May 2025

After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 20 May 2025

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Tuesday 3 June with the clerks in the Legislation Team* ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))

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

Introduced, 30 April 2025

*Lead committee – Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice*

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

Introduced, 2 April 2025

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*Lead committee – Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice*

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 2 April 2025

### **Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Criminal Justice Committee), 11 June 2025

*All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 5 June with the clerks in the Legislation Team ([legislationteam@parliament.scot](mailto:legislationteam@parliament.scot))*

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

Introduced, 14 May 2025

*Lead committee – Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture*

### **Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 Report (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee) published, 10 December 2024

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 21 May 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (26<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

### **Education (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 7 May 2025

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### **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.*

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

Introduced, 23 April 2025

*Lead committee – Rural Affairs and Islands*

### **Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 6) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 29 May 2025

### **Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee), 3 June 2025

### **Leases (Automatic Continuation etc.) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 27 May 2025

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 28 May 2025

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 29 April 2025

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

Introduced, 7 May 2025

*Lead committee – Criminal Justice*

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

Introduced, 20 May 2025

*Lead committee – Criminal Justice*

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

Passed, 20 May 2025

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

Introduced, 17 March 2025

*Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People*

### **Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 27 May 2025

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 11 March 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (62<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2024)*

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

Stage 1 completed, 27 March 2025

*Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team*

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### **Scottish Languages Bill (G)**

Stage 2 completed, 11 December 2024

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*Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (14<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 22 May 2025

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 20 May 2025

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 28 May 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (31<sup>st</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture)), 8 May 2025

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

Stage 2 completed, 2 April 2025



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After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 20 May 2025  
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## **Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Introduced, 27 March 2025

*Lead committee – Social Justice and Social Security*

## **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>

### **Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill LCM-S6-54**

Lodged on 12 March 2025

Meeting (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 6 May 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

### **Crime and Policing Bill LCM-S6-57**

Lodged on 16 May 2025

### **Data (Use and Access) Bill LCM-S6-52**

Lodged on 22 November 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 1 April 2025

*Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (2<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2025)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

### **Employment Rights Bill LCM-S6-53**

Lodged on 11 December 2024

*Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (6<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (16<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

### **Employment Rights Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-53a**

Lodged on 3 April 2025

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport), 27 May 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (32<sup>nd</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022

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

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

### **Planning and Infrastructure Bill LCM-S6-56**

Lodged on 27 March 2025

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 27 May 2025

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (34<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

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## **Product Regulation and Metrology Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-50a**

Lodged on 3 March 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 18 March 2025

*Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work*

## **Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) Bill LCM-S6-55**

Lodged on 21 March 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 6 May 2025

*Lead committee – Social Justice and Social Security*

## **Renters' Rights Bill LCM-S6-49**

Lodged on 24 September 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 19 February 2025

*Report – Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (9<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69<sup>th</sup> Report, 2024)*

## **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) (3<sup>rd</sup> Report, 2025)*

*Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (29<sup>th</sup> Report, 2025)*

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

### **Affirmative instruments**

**Subject to approval by 3 June 2025**

[Town and Country Planning \(Marine Fish Farming\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (25 April 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to approval by 8 June 2025**

[Restitution Fund \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (30 April 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Social Security \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (30 April 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

**Subject to approval by 9 June 2025**

[Regional Strategic Bodies and Regional Colleges \(Glasgow and Lanarkshire\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (1 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to approval by 10 June 2025**

[Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (2 May 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

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[Deposit and Return Scheme for Scotland \(Designation of Scheme Administrator\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (2 May 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

[Environmental Regulation \(Enforcement Measures\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (2 May 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to approval by 24 June 2025**

[Home Detention Curfew \(Amendment of Specified Time Periods\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/Draft\)](#) (16 May 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

**Subject to approval by 3 September 2025**

[Scottish Parliament \(Disqualification\) Order 2025 \(2025/Draft\)](#) (22 May 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

[Scottish Parliament \(Constituencies and Regions\) Order 2025 \(2025/Draft\)](#) (22 May 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

## Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment 26 May 2025**

**Lead committee report due by 19 May 2025**

[Coronavirus \(Recovery and Reform\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022 \(Saving Provisions\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/101\)](#) (1 April 2025) (Criminal justice Committee)

**Subject to annulment 28 May 2025**

**Lead committee report due by 26 May 2025**

[Disease Control \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/108\)](#) (3 April 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

**Subject to annulment 2 June 2025**

**Lead committee report due by 26 May 2025**

[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/112\)](#) (24 April 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[Firefighters' Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/113\)](#) (24 April 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Police Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/114\)](#) (24 April 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Teachers' Pensions \(Remediable Service\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/121\)](#) (24 April 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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**Subject to annulment 6 June 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 2 June 2025**

[Town and Country Planning \(Fees for Appeals\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/124\)](#) (28 April 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Town and Country Planning \(Fees for Applications\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/125\)](#) (28 April 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Town and Country Planning \(Fees for Local Reviews\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/126\)](#) (28 April 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

**Subject to annulment 9 June 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 2 June 2025**

[Education \(Fees and Student Support\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment and Revocation\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/136\)](#) (1 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Public Service Vehicles \(Registration of Local Services\) \(Local Services Franchises Transitional Provisions\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/137\)](#) (1 May 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 10 June 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 9 June 2025**

[Human Tissue \(Supply of Information about Transplants\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/139\)](#) (2 May 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 21 June 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 16 June 2025**

[Scotland Act 1998 \(Agency Arrangements\) \(Specification\) \(Recognition of Qualifications\) Order 2025 \(SI 2025/555\)](#) (13 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to annulment 23 June 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 23 June 2025**

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(2025/149\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Education \(Appeal Committee Procedures\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(2025/144\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Bankruptcy and Diligence \(Scotland\) Act 2024 \(Consequential Amendments and Forms\) Regulations 2025 \(2025/145\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

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[Valuation \(Proposals Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(2025/146\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Health Boards \(Membership and Procedure\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(2025/147\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Road Traffic \(Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area\) \(Highland Council\) Designation Amendment Order 2025 \(2025/148\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

**Subject to annulment 24 June 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 23 June 2025**

[Council Tax Reduction \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 3\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/150\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

[St Mary's Music School \(Aided Places\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/151\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Teachers' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/152\)](#) (15 May 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

**Subject to annulment 27 June 2025**  
**Lead committee report due by 23 June 2025**

[Seed \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(2025/154\)](#) (19 May 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Marketing of Fruit Plant and Propagating Material \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(2025/155\)](#) (19 May 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

## Document subject to parliamentary control

**Subject to approval by 23 June 2025**

[SPSO Statement Complaint Handling Principles](#) (23 April 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

The following report will be published on 29 May 2025—

Education, Children and Young People Committee, 6th Report, 2025 (Session 6): The Regional Strategic Bodies and Regional Colleges (Glasgow and Lanarkshire) Order 2025 [draft] (SP Paper 800)

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

### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 28 May 2025 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Independent report by a tribunal constituted under section 21 of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 to report into the fitness for office of a judicial office holder- part- time Sheriff John Halley** laid under section 24 of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014

**Lothian Valuation Joint Board Report to the Scottish Parliament on the number of Assessors and availability of resources 2025 (LVJB/2025/01)** laid under Section 24 of the Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Act 2020

**Renfrewshire Valuation Joint Board Report to the Scottish Parliament on the number of Assessors and availability of resources 2025 (RVJB/2025/01)** laid under Section 24 of the Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Act 2020

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