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Business Bulletin

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Chamber Desk Announcement

Chamber Desk Arrangements during the October Recess

During the October recess from 11 to 26 October 2025, the Chamber Desk will be open from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm, Monday to Thursday and 10.00 am to 3.30 pm on a Friday. Normal opening arrangements will resume on Monday 27 October.

Portfolio Questions and General Questions on 29 and 30 October 2025

Members are advised that the deadline for submitting names for Portfolio and General Questions on 29 and 30 October is 12 noon on Monday 20 October. Members who are selected will be advised by email on that day.

Members selected will have until 12 noon on Wednesday 22 October to submit their questions. The submitted questions will appear in the Business Bulletin on Monday 27 October.

The Portfolios will be Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic, and Finance and Local Government on Wednesday 29 October, and Climate Action and Energy, and Transport on Thursday 30 October.

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-18953 Ariane Burgess: Investing in Rail to Unlock the Wealth and Economic Potential of the Highlands

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions Social Justice and Housing

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scotland's

Prison Population

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Dog Theft

(Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-18736 Fulton MacGregor: Commending Give Blood 4 Good's Efforts to Secure Scotland's Blood Supply

Committee Meetings

- **9:00am** Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee
- **9.00am** Criminal Justice Committee, Health, Social Care and Sport Committee, Social Justice and Social Security Committee
- **9:30am** Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

- **1. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with the UK Government regarding the closure of any Jobcentres in Scotland. (S6O-05010)
- **2. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what the current state of readiness is for the upcoming ban on biodegradable municipal waste to landfill. (S6O-05011)
- **3. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government how it will ensure that Scotland remains at the forefront of hydrogen development and deployment. (S6O-05012)
- **4. Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide further details of the steps that it is taking to support innovation and entrepreneurship in Scotland. (S6O-05013)
- **5. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will commit to reintroducing the "shared cabin" policy as a condition of the next Northern Isles Ferry Services contract. (S60-05014)
- **6. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the climate action secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding how to encourage homeowners to decarbonise their properties as part of Scotland's ambition to achieve net zero by 2045. (S6O-05015)
- **7. Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures it has in place to ensure that public body officials do not misuse their position for personal gain. (\$60-05016)
- **8. Willie Rennie:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will change the college and university funding frameworks to reflect the hybrid nature of Scotland's Rural College, which has both higher and further education provision. (S6O-05017)

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

- 1. Russell Findlay: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S6F-04341)
- 2. Anas Sarwar: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S6F-04342)
- 3. Ross Greer: Question to be taken in Chamber. (S6F-04343)
- **4. Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the First Minister, regarding the potential impact on marginalised communities and public services in Scotland, what the Scottish Government's response is to UK Government proposals to introduce a mandatory digital ID scheme. (S6F-04356)
- **5. Liz Smith:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's position is on whether NHS Tayside should exempt legal claims by former patients of Professor Sam Eljamel from the three-year time-bar which is currently in place. (S6F-04345)
- **6. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to reported comments from the chair of the British Medical Association in Scotland, that Scotland's NHS is "dying before our eyes". (S6F-04352)

followed by Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

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S6M-18953 Ariane Burgess: Investing in Rail to Unlock the Wealth and Economic Potential of the Highlands—That the Parliament believes that the Highland Main Line is a crucial transport link supporting tourism, freight transport and many vibrant communities; understands with concern that, despite this, two thirds of the 118-mile line, which it considers to be a critical route, remains single track and diesel operated, resulting in journey times that are reportedly similar to those from the Victorian era; believes that this results in frequent delays and causes limited capacity for passengers and freight; notes what it sees as the economic opportunities that can be offered by expanding and improving the nation's rail network, including connecting communities and boosting sustainable freight capacity to support major industries, such as the whisky and forestry sectors in the Highlands; considers that the work of the Highland Main Line Community Rail Partnership has been fantastic in improving the rail network by finding uses for redundant buildings and supporting passenger services; acknowledges the work of Network Rail in exploring additional passing loops, and notes the view that the line should be electrified and dualled to develop more reliable and environmentally sustainable rail transport for communities in the Highlands and neighbouring regions, as well as inter-city commuters and tourists visiting the north of mainland Scotland.

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Grouping: Social Justice and Housing - Questions 5 and 7.

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- **1. Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the social justice secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding how to manage any growing funding gap created by higher spending on devolved benefits. (S6O-05018)
- **2. Kenneth Gibson:** To ask the Scottish Government, as part of the work of its Ministerial Population Taskforce, what action it will undertake to support people to have larger families, should they want more children. (S6O-05019)
- **3. Paul Sweeney:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update regarding the work that Social Security Scotland is engaging in to support veterans in accessing its services. (\$60-05020)
- **4. Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government how many Greenock and Inverclyde constituents currently receive Social Security Scotland benefits. (S6O-05021)
- **5. Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with residents in Tillicoultry who were evacuated from their homes two years ago when reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete was discovered. (S6O-05022)
- **6. Alex Rowley:** To ask the Scottish Government what the key barriers are to tackling Scotland's housing emergency. (S6O-05023)
- **7. Keith Brown:** To ask the Scottish Government when the housing secretary will meet with those constituents from Tillicoultry affected by reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete, following the commitment to do so that was made in early August. (S6O-05024)
- **8. Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government how much of the £20 million Housing Infrastructure Fund that was launched in 2016, as part of the 10-year Aberdeen City Region Deal, has been spent. (S6O-05025)

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followed by Ministerial Statement: Scotland's Prison Population

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill

<u>S6M-19121</u> Maurice Golden: Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill.

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

Scotland's Blood Supply—That the Parliament commends the charitable work of Give Blood 4 Good (GB4G), which was founded in 2019 in memory of Patrick Smith, an Edinburgh student who passed away and who was a passionate advocate for blood donation; understands that GB4G was established to address a significant gap in the number of young people becoming blood donors, and to encourage a new generation to step forward; recognises what it sees as the effectiveness of its educational initiatives, including the Young Ambassador Programme for high school students, which uses e-learning and hands-on activities to inform and engage students; believes that this programme not only educates young people on the lifesaving importance of blood donation but also provides them with transferable skills that can be used on CVs and university applications; understands that each blood donation has the potential to save or improve up to three lives; welcomes the charity's work, and recognises the importance of blood donation in Coatbridge and Chryston and across Scotland.

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Committee Meetings

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

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee 25th Meeting, 2025

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

1. Transparency of Intergovernmental activity and its implications for parliamentary scrutiny: The Committee will take evidence from—

Professor Thomas Horsley, Professor of Law, University of Liverpool;

Professor Nicola McEwen, Professor of Public Policy, University of Glasgow;

Professor Colin Reid, Professor of Public and Environmental Law, University of Dundee:

David Thomson, Chief Executive, Food and Drink Federation Scotland;

Dr Paul Anderson, Senior Lecturer in International Relations and Politics, Liverpool John Moores University.

Criminal Justice Committee
26th Meeting, 2025 (Session 6),
Health, Social Care and Sport Committee
26th Meeting, 2025 (Session 6),
Social Justice and Social Security Committee
25th Meeting, 2025 (Session 6)
2 October 2025

The Committees will meet at 9:00 am in the Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2).

- **1. Decision on taking business in private:** The Committees will decidewhether to take item 3 in private.
- 2. Reducing drug deaths in Scotland and tackling problem drug use: TheCommittees will take evidence from—

Dr Saket Priyadarshi, Associate Medical Director and Senior Medical Officer, Glasgow Alcohol and Drug Recovery Services;

Kelda Gaffney, Interim Assistant Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership;

Tricia Fort, Chair, Calton Community Council;

Steve Baxter, Corporate Security and Investigations Manager, Wm Morrison Supermarkets Limited.

and then from-

Maree Todd, Minister for Drugs & Alcohol Policy and Sport, and Maggie Page, Unit Head for Drugs Strategy, Scottish Government;

Dr Tara Shivaji, Consultant in Public Health Medicine - Drugs, Alcohol, Public Health Scotland.

Reducing drug deaths in Scotland and tackling problem drug use: The Committees will
review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting and consider their approach for the legacy
paper.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee 17th Meeting, 2025

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

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- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.
- 2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Councillors) Regulations 2025 [draft], the Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Commons) Regulations 2025 [draft], and the Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Lords) Regulations 2025 [draft] from—

Graeme Dey, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans, Ailsa McKeever, Parliament and Legislation Unit, Iain Hockehull, Head of Elections Team, and Jordan McGrory, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.

- 3. **Subordinate legislation:** Graeme Dey, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans to move—S6M-18743—That the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee recommends that the Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Commons) Regulations 2025 be approved.
- 4. **Subordinate legislation:** Graeme Dey, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans to move—S6M-18744—That the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee recommends that the Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Lords) Regulations 2025 be approved.
- 5. **Subordinate legislation:** Graeme Dey, Minister for Parliamentary Business and Veterans to move—S6M-18745—That the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee recommends that the Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Councillors) Regulations 2025 be approved.
- 6. **Consideration of guidance:** The Committee will consider guidance on legislative consent.

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Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 1 October 2025

Tuesday 7 October 2025

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Criminal Justice Modernisation and Abusive Domestic Behaviour Reviews (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-19090 Jamie Greene: Addressing the Postcode Lottery of Early Learning and Childcare Provision

Wednesday 8 October 2025

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business Justice and Home Affairs

followed by Opposition Business: Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

followed by Ministerial Statement: Secure Accommodation – Capacity and Future of Secure

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:40 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-18931 Edward Mountain: Bowel Cancer Screening

Thursday 9 October 2025

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-18752 Clare Adamson: Breast Cancer Now Awareness Day 2025 and Wear It Pink

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

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followed by Ministerial Statement: Youth Mental Health Support

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Planning and Infrastructure Bill - UK Legislation

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 28 October 2025

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Land Reform (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

9:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 29 October 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 Stage 3 Proceedings: Land Reform (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

9:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 30 October 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: Climate Action and Energy, and Transport

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill

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Future Committee Meetings

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

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Motions

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

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

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

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

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

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

*S6M-19183 Pam Gosal: 10 Years of the Disclosure Scheme—That the Parliament recognises that 1 October 2025 marks 10 years since the introduction of the Disclosure Scheme for Domestic Abuse Scotland, which allows anyone with concerns about their partners to ask Police Scotland whether that person has a history of abuse; understands that, since then, 35,847 applications have been made, with 19,867 disclosures issued, representing 55% of all requests; recognises that this scheme can be life-saving for potential victims of domestic abuse, the majority of whom are women; expresses concern over the reported prevalence of domestic abuse in Scotland with almost 64,000 incidents recorded in 2023-24, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to do more to eliminate the scourge of domestic abuse from society in the West Scotland region and across the country.

Supported by: Annie Wells*, Craig Hoy*, Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Douglas Ross*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

*S6M-19187 Ivan McKee: Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act (Record Keeping)
Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft]—That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act (Record Keeping) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Shona Robison*

*S6M-19186 Ivan McKee: Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act (Postponement of Tax Pending a Review or Appeal) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft]—That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act (Postponement of Tax Pending a Review or Appeal) Amendment Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Shona Robison*

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*S6M-19185 Ivan McKee: Scottish Aggregates Tax (Administration) Regulations 2025 [draft]—That the Finance and Public Administration Committee recommends that the Scottish Aggregates Tax (Administration) Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Shona Robison*

*S6M-19184 Kevin Stewart: University of Aberdeen Asthma Treatment Research—That the Parliament welcomes the news that scientists at the University of Aberdeen have discovered a potential new therapeutic target for treating asthma symptoms; notes that the research, which uses animal models, has identified that blocking the action of specific protein molecules that are strongly associated with inflammation and tissue damage was able to reverse scarring in lungs, leading to better results than current treatments; understands that asthma affects more than seven million people in the UK and contributed to 1,465 deaths in the UK in 2022; believes that this research may pave the way for new treatments for several other diseases as well as asthma, including chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), chronic heart disease and cirrhosis of the liver; congratulates Dr Tara Sutherland, lecturer of immunology, who led the research at the University of Aberdeen in collaboration with scientists at the University of Manchester, and hopes that this is the beginning of a breakthrough in treating asthma and other chronic conditions.

Supported by: Audrey Nicoll*, Alasdair Allan*, Paul McLennan*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Marie McNair*, Edward Mountain*, David Torrance*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Hepburn*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Clare Haughey*

*S6M-19182 Clare Adamson: Julie McCarthy Completes Walk of Hope—That the Parliament recognises Julie McCarthy for completing the Walk of Hope at Strathclyde Country Park; notes that Julie, who worked as a primary school teacher in Motherwell, was diagnosed with a glioblastoma in 2023; commends Julie on completing the Walk of Hope to raise vital funds for research into finding a cure for the disease; understands that over 150 individuals dressed in pink took part in the 5km walk through Strathclyde Country Park, raising £19,000 for the Brain Tumour Research charity to fund research at the Scottish Brain Tumour Research Centre of Excellence, and commends all who participated in the walk to raise crucial funds for cancer research.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Miles Briggs*, Kevin Stewart*, David Torrance*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Hepburn*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*

*S6M-19181 Clare Adamson: North Lanarkshire Federation of Tenants and Residents' Macmillan Coffee Morning—That the Parliament recognises that North Lanarkshire Federation of Tenants and Residents raised £1,502.61 from its Macmillan Coffee Morning, which was held in the Dalziel Building in Motherwell on 25 September 2025; notes that the annual Macmillan Coffee Mornings bring people together over coffee and cake to raise vital funds to help people with cancer to live life as fully as they can; recognises the efforts of the staff, volunteers and all those who participated; thanks them all for their time and dedication, which contributed to raising an impressive sum; recognises what it sees as the life-changing work of Macmillan Cancer Support in providing emotional, practical, physical and financial support to individuals and families at every stage of their cancer experience; commends Macmillan for helping to bring together communities and raise money to support people living with cancer, and thanks North Lanarkshire Federation of Tenants and Residents for its fundraising efforts.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Hepburn*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*

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*S6M-19180 Clare Adamson: Artisan Finalist at Scottish Whisky Awards 2025—That the Parliament congratulates Artisan, in Wishaw, on reaching the final of the Scottish Whisky Awards 2025, in the Scotch Whisky Bar of the Year category; notes that the event highlights the best of Scotland's whisky sector; believes than Artisan has been a favourite for many throughout Lanarkshire since 2008, for both its food and extensive selection of over 1,300 whiskies; recognises the commitment from proprietors Derek and Fiona in promoting the high quality of food and drink Scotland has to offer, and wishes Artisan and all the finalists the very best in the awards.

Supported by: Rona Mackay*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*, David Torrance*, Clare Haughey*, Colin Beattie*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul McLennan*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*, Edward Mountain*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*

*S6M-19179 Siobhian Brown: First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions and Members of the Police Appeals Tribunal) Regulations 2025 [draft] —That the Criminal Justice Committee recommends that the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions and Members of the Police Appeals Tribunal) Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Angela Constance*

*S6M-19178 Siobhian Brown: Regulation of Care (Child Contact Services) (Equality) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 [draft]—That the Criminal Justice Committee recommends that the Regulation of Care (Child Contact Services) (Equality) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Angela Constance*

*S6M-19177 Siobhian Brown: Regulation of Care (Child Contact Services) (Scotland) Order 2025 [draft]—That the Criminal Justice Committee recommends that the Regulation of Care (Child Contact Services) (Scotland) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Angela Constance*

*S6M-19176 Graeme Dey: Absent Voting at Scottish Parliament and Local Government Elections (Signature Refresh) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2025 [draft]—That the Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee recommends that the Absent Voting at Scottish Parliament and Local Government Elections (Signature Refresh) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2025 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: John Swinney*

*S6M-19175 Annie Wells: Boost for Glasgow Amputees as Charity Secures Backing—That the Parliament notes the recent £1,500 donation from the Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust to Finding Your Feet, Scotland's only dedicated amputee charity; further notes that the donation will support wellbeing activities for people living with limb difference in Glasgow; understands that this funding will help to cover the costs of counselling, volunteer coordination and travel support for amputees who might otherwise struggle to participate; recognises the vital work of Finding Your Feet since its founding in Glasgow in 2014 by quadruple amputee Cor Hutton, including its counselling, peer support, hospital visits and fitness programmes, which now support over 1,400 individuals across Scotland; acknowledges the difference that this funding will make in enabling amputees to rebuild confidence, reduce isolation and gain independence, and congratulates both Finding Your Feet and the Allied Vehicles Charitable Trust for their partnership in improving the lives of people living with limb absence.

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*S6M-19174 Clare Adamson: Motherwell South Parish Church's Macmillan Coffee Morning—That the Parliament congratulates Motherwell South Parish Church on its successful Macmillan Coffee Morning; commends all involved in raising over £1,500 for an important cause; notes that Macmillan Coffee Mornings raise funds to support almost 3.5 million people across the UK who live with cancer; recognises what it sees as the life-changing work of Macmillan Cancer Support in providing emotional, practical, physical and financial support for individuals and families at every stage of their cancer experience, and commends the commitment from Motherwell South Parish Church to supporting Macmillan and its vital work.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Alasdair Allan*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul McLennan*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*, Monica Lennon*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Hepburn*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*

*S6M-19173 Clare Adamson: 150 Years of Overtown Parish Church—That the Parliament congratulates Overtown Parish Church on its 150th anniversary and community celebration; recognises the efforts of all involved in organising a celebration to display the talents of the community through activities, including gardening, baking and arts and crafts, as well as organising a fun tent and activities for children; commends Overtown Parish Church for embracing and welcoming the whole community during its celebrations and recognising the many talents throughout the parish, and wishes Overtown Parish Church all the best for the future.

Supported by: David Torrance*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Kevin Stewart*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*, Jeremy Balfour*, Jamie Hepburn*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Monica Lennon*

*S6M-19171 Bob Doris: Outstanding Service to the 90th Glasgow Girls' Brigade—That the Parliament congratulates Rosemary Nimmo and Margaret Harvey for their outstanding service over many years as captain and vice-captain of the 90th Glasgow Girls' Brigade; notes that the 90th Glasgow Girls' Brigade has provided a range of enjoyable and rewarding activities for generations of girls from the Summerston area and beyond, and that Rosemary and Margaret have dedicated a combined total of 84 years of service to the Girls' Brigade, serving as captain and vice-captain for 47 and 37 years respectively; commends both women for their remarkable contributions over decades; thanks them for providing young women with many opportunities to develop a range of important life skills over the years, while always seeking to keep activities accessible, fun and affordable to all participants; offers its best wishes to Rosemary and Margaret for the future, and believes that their legacy will ensure that the 90th Glasgow Girls' Brigade goes from strength to strength for many years to come.

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Annie Wells*, Miles Briggs*, Paul McLennan*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Evelyn Tweed*, Audrey Nicoll*, Monica Lennon*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Jamie Hepburn*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*

*S6M-19170 Paul Sweeney: What I Need In Life (WIN) Shortlisted for Prestigious Regeneration Award—That the Parliament congratulates Routes to Work South on What I Need in Life (WIN) being shortlisted in the Removing Barriers to Employability category of what it sees as the prestigious 2025 SURF Awards for Best Practice in Community Regeneration, which identify and celebrate best practice, innovation and achievement in interventions that improve Scottish communities.

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*S6M-19169 Tess White: Launch of Montrose Urban Guerillas (MUGs) Volunteer Initiative—
That the Parliament welcomes the launch of the Montrose Urban Guerillas, known locally as
MUGs, which is a new volunteer-led initiative under the umbrella of the ProMo - Montrose
Development & Improvement project; recognises the group's mission to enhance and revitalise
outdoor spaces across Montrose through creative and community-driven action; acknowledges the
commitment of local volunteers who are giving their time and energy to improve the town's
environment, from planting and painting to tidying and transforming public areas; notes what it
sees as the innovative and inclusive spirit of the project, which encourages residents to take pride
in their surroundings and contribute to the wellbeing and appearance of their community, and
wishes the MUGs and the wider ProMo initiative every success as they continue to aim to make a
visible and lasting difference across Montrose.

*S6M-19168 Colin Beattie: Crolla's Italian Kitchen Named Best Italian Establishment—That the Parliament congratulates Crolla's Italian Kitchen on being named best Italian establishment at the 11th Food Awards Scotland; understands that this award recognises the hard work and efforts of those committed to always providing the country with the freshest of products and amazing delights; commends the work of all the staff at Crolla's Italian Kitchen, and wishes them the best for the future.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Audrey Nicoll*, David Torrance*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Stephanie Callaghan*

*S6M-19167 Mercedes Villalba: Land Ownership in the Public Interest—That the Parliament notes with concern what it sees as the damaging effects of the concentration of land ownership in a small number of private hands; acknowledges the Scottish Land Commission's finding that concentrated ownership can hamper local economic development and harm communities across Scotland; notes the Scottish Government's stated commitment to increasing diversity of land ownership; understands that there is currently no statutory requirement for the public interest be considered on land sales or transfers in Scotland; notes the continuing acquisition of land by private interests, including the capital investment firm Gresham House, which is now reportedly the second largest landowner in Scotland, and calls on the Scottish Government to make lotting decisions subject to a public interest test that ensures that land is owned and managed for the benefit of the people of Scotland.

*S6M-19166 Monica Lennon: Celebrating World Menopause Day by Commending the College Sector's Policy—That the Parliament, in marking World Menopause Day 2025, commends college employers for working in partnership with trade unions to develop and implement a Scotland-wide menopause policy; believes that, since its launch three years ago, the policy has provided vital support to staff experiencing severe menopause and perimenopause symptoms; acknowledges the framework it has established for practical measures, such as hybrid working, flexible hours and cooler office environments; welcomes the policy's role in destigmatising menopause and boosting communication through initiatives including menopause champions, support sessions and manager training, and notes what it sees as its positive impact in helping staff remain in their roles, and enabling colleges to continue delivering the world-class education that students deserve. R

Supported by: Colin Beattie*, Paul McLennan*, Bill Kidd*, Jamie Hepburn*, Annie Wells*, Elena Whitham*, Carol Mochan*, Jeremy Balfour*

*S6M-19165 Humza Yousaf: Congratulating Priesthill United Reformed Church—That the Parliament congratulates Priesthill United Reformed Church on its recently awarded grant from the

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Asda Foundation; recognises the ongoing efforts of church volunteers in working with children and young people, supporting communities, fighting injustice and supporting church members in the Greater Pollok area; applauds the work that they do to raise awareness of events and opportunities in the community, and wishes them success in the future.

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*S6M-19164 Sandesh Gulhane: The Piper Whisky Bar in Glasgow Wins Best Bar or Pub Award—That the Parliament congratulates the Piper Whisky Bar in Glasgow upon winning the best bar or pub award at the West of Scotland Thistle Awards 2025; understands that the regional final of the awards took place at the Radisson Blu Hotel, in Glasgow, on 25 September and that the awards are an annual celebration of excellence in tourism and hospitality; recognises that the bar, which overlooks George Square, is known for its warm welcome, atmosphere, central location and whisky selection; commends all of the team at the bar who work hard to create a Scottish experience for locals and tourists alike; further commends them for achieving success in the midst of what it sees as challenging times in the industry, and wishes the team all the best for the continued success of the bar in the future.

*S6M-19163 Pam Gosal: Robert Marshall completes 100th West Highland Way Walk—That the Parliament congratulates Robert Marshall, who will turn 70 in November 2025, on completing the West Highland Way for the 100th time; recognises this as an extraordinary milestone, given that the route spans 96 miles from Milngavie to Fort William and is one of Scotland's most iconic long-distance trails; commends Robert's perseverance, dedication and love for Scotland's landscapes; acknowledges his outstanding fundraising efforts, having raised thousands of pounds for the West Highland Way Trust, helping to support and maintain the route for future generations, and wishes Robert many more safe and fulfilling journeys on the West Highland Way in the years ahead.

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*S6M-19162 Sandesh Gulhane: The Tall Ship Glenlee on the River Clyde Named Best Visitor Attraction—That the Parliament congratulates the Tall Ship Glenlee, on the River Clyde, upon being named best visitor attraction at the West of Scotland Thistle Awards 2025; understands that the ceremony for the regional final of the awards took place at the Radisson Blu Hotel, in Glasgow, on 25 September and that the awards are an annual celebration of excellence in tourism and hospitality; recognises that the competition judges praised the Tall Ship for its community collaborations and partnerships, which are positively feeding into the regeneration of the wider local area; commends the hard work and dedication of all of the staff at the Tall Ship, who offer a variety of events and activities all year round; further commends the surrounding community who support the attraction, helping to preserve the maritime history of the area, and wishes the team all the best for the continued success of the attraction.

*S6M-19161 Sandesh Gulhane: Mae MacInnes of Mharsanta Wins Rising Star Award at West of Scotland Thistle Awards—That the Parliament congratulates Mae MacInnes of Mharsanta Restaurant and Bar, upon winning the rising star award at The West of Scotland Thistle Awards 2025; understands that the awards ceremony took place at the Radisson Blu Hotel, in Glasgow, on 25 September and that the awards are an annual celebration of excellence in tourism and hospitality; recognises that Mae is the general manager of Mharsanta Restaurant and Bar, which is situated in Glasgow's Merchant City, and that as well as running the day-to-day operations of

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the restaurant, Mae has played a crucial role in delivering the restaurant's award winning "Taste of Scotland" dining experience and has lead a team to deliver the "Make Travel Matter" experience as part of VisitScotland and the Travel Corporation's decarbonisation project; believes that Mae, originally from Skye, is inspirational, having started work in hospitality at the age of 13 and worked her way up to leading the teams behind successful and impactful projects in the industry, and wishes Mae all the best for the future.

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*S6M-19160 Christine Grahame: Earlston in Bloom Winner as Keep Scotland Beautiful celebrates 25th Anniversary —That the Parliament congratulates Earlston in Bloom on winning the large village trophy at the 2025 Beautiful Scotland Awards; recognises the dedication of volunteers who work year-round to make Earlston bright, colourful and welcoming and carry out litter picks with local residents and schoolchildren; acknowledges the vital support of helpers, sponsors and donors who make these projects possible; notes that the Beautiful Scotland initiative encourages healthy competition, inspiring communities to achieve excellence and care for their surroundings; welcomes the 2025 awards, marking the 25th anniversary of Keep Scotland Beautiful and highlighting a theme on nature and biodiversity, and commends Earlston in Bloom for its outstanding contribution to its community and for setting a shining example for others to follow.

*S6M-19159 Annie Wells: Piper Whisky Bar Recognised for Outstanding Hospitality—That the Parliament congratulates the Piper Whisky Bar on being recognised in the best bar or pub category at the West of Scotland Thistle Awards 2025; notes what it sees as the bar's outstanding contribution to Glasgow's hospitality and tourism sector, its celebration of Scotlish hospitality and its creation of a welcoming and inclusive environment for both locals and visitors; acknowledges the dedication, creativity and hard work of the team behind the bar, whose professionalism and commitment to excellence enhance Scotland's hospitality and tourism industry; believes that this award reflects the importance of supporting local businesses, promoting Scotland's food and drink offerings and fostering cultural engagement for residents and visitors alike, and recognises the significance of such accolades in encouraging innovation, high standards and continued excellence across Glasgow and the wider West of Scotland region.

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*S6M-19158 Annie Wells: Elements Recognised as West of Scotland's Top Dining

Experience—That the Parliament congratulates Elements restaurant in Bearsden on winning the best eating experience award at the West of Scotland Thistle Awards 2025; recognises what it sees as the restaurant's outstanding contribution to Scotland's culinary and hospitality sector, its commitment to delivering high-quality, sustainable and locally sourced produce and its creation of exceptional fine dining experiences that combine creativity, innovation and international culinary influences; acknowledges the dedication, skill and passion of the team behind Elements, whose professionalism and expertise have been integral to the restaurant's rapid rise and continued success, including recognition in the Michelin Guide and through other prestigious awards; notes what it sees as the restaurant's positive impact on the local community, including the creation of new employment opportunities, investment in accessible and welcoming facilities and engagement with local producers and suppliers; believes that the award reflects not only the excellence of the

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food and service provided but also the commitment to fostering inclusive, memorable and highquality experiences for all diners; recognises the significance of such accolades in celebrating innovation, leadership and achievement within Scotland's hospitality sector, and further acknowledges the role of Elements in enhancing what it sees as Glasgow's and the West of Scotland's reputation for world-class cuisine, hospitality and tourism.

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*S6M-19157 Annie Wells: Mae MacInnes of Mharsanta Wins Rising Star Award at West of Scotland Thistle Awards—That the Parliament congratulates Mae MacInnes, of Mharsanta Restaurant and Bar, on being presented with the rising star award at the West of Scotland Thistle Awards 2025; recognises what it sees as the restaurant's outstanding contribution to Glasgow's hospitality and culinary scene, including its immersive dining experiences and engagement in initiatives promoting sustainable tourism and decarbonisation; acknowledges the dedication, leadership and innovation demonstrated by the team in delivering high-quality hospitality experiences both on-site and in partnership with wider cultural and tourism organisations; notes that this accolade highlights the importance of fostering talent, supporting professional development in the hospitality sector and inspiring the next generation of Scotland's hospitality and tourism workforce, and understands that awards such as the rising star play a key role in celebrating excellence, creativity, and commitment within Glasgow's vibrant hospitality industry.

*S6M-19155 Christine Grahame: Promoting Independence for Neurodiverse Young People in the Scottish Borders—That the Parliament welcomes the Borders Additional Needs Group receiving £246,283 in funding from the National Lottery; notes that the funding will support neurodiverse young people aged 16 to 25 in their transition to adulthood and more independent living; recognises the organisation's whole-family and person-centered approach to providing practical and emotional support to families of children with additional support needs, and commends its dedicated youth programmes and peer support initiatives that help young people reach their full potential.

*S6M-19154 Annie Wells: DF Concerts & Events Recognised for Inclusive Live Music Experience with TRNSMT Festival—That the Parliament congratulates DF Concerts & Events on being honoured with the inclusion award at the West of Scotland Thistle Awards 2025 for its work on the TRNSMT Festival and other live experiences; recognises what it sees as the organisation's outstanding efforts to create accessible, welcoming and inclusive environments for all attendees and participants; believes that this accolade reflects the dedication of staff and the wider stakeholder network in ensuring that live music events are enjoyable and accessible for people of all abilities; acknowledges the TRNSMT festival's contribution to Glasgow's cultural and music scene and its role in promoting inclusion, participation and positive experiences for audiences, and understands that the award highlights the importance of accessibility and inclusion in Scotland's events and tourism sector.

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*S6M-19153 Annie Wells: Celtic Connections Triumphs at West of Scotland Thistle
Awards—That the Parliament congratulates Celtic Connections on winning the outstanding
cultural event or festival award at the West of Scotland Thistle Awards 2025; recognises what it
sees as the festival's outstanding contribution to Glasgow's cultural life and its reaffirmation of the

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city's status as a UNESCO City of Music; notes that the festival, now in its 32nd year, delivers around 300 events across 25 venues over 18 days, showcasing a diverse range of genres from traditional Celtic and acoustic music to jazz, indie, blues, orchestral, experimental and more; acknowledges that Celtic Connections welcomes artists from around 20 countries, bringing international talent and collaboration to Glasgow's stages; understands that the festival attracts around 110,000 visitors and involves approximately 1,200 musicians and artists, creating significant cultural and economic benefits for the city; notes the introduction of a new under-26 membership, ensuring that the festival remains accessible to young audiences and continues to inspire the next generation of music lovers, and recognises Celtic Connections for its ongoing innovation, ambition and commitment to making Glasgow a global centre for music and cultural exchange.

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*S6M-19149 Pam Gosal: Sheila Gilmore of VisitArran Wins Individual of the Year at Visit Scotland Thistle Awards 2025—That the Parliament congratulates Sheila Gilmore of VisitArran on being named the Individual of the Year at the VisitScotland Thistle Awards 2025; recognises what it sees as her outstanding personal contribution to promoting Arran as a destination and supporting the island's tourism businesses; notes her long-standing commitment to strengthening community and industry links; commends Sheila for her dedication and leadership, and wishes her continued success in her work championing tourism on the Isle of Arran.

Supported by: Douglas Lumsden, Annie Wells, Miles Briggs, Alexander Stewart, Sandesh Gulhane, Jeremy Balfour, Paul McLennan, Murdo Fraser, Douglas Ross, Brian Whittle, Bill Kidd, Neil Bibby*, Annabelle Ewing*, Craig Hoy*, Tim Eagle*, Edward Mountain*

*S6M-19140 Gordon MacDonald: St Joseph's RC Primary School Secures Gold School Sport Award by Sportscotland—That the Parliament congratulates St Joseph's RC Primary School, which is in the Edinburgh Pentlands constituency, on being given a sportscotland Gold School Sport Award; understands that the award is in recognition of the school's achievements in putting sport at the heart of its planning, practice and ethos; believes that this highlights the excellent practice at St Joseph's RC Primary School, increasing young people's opportunities and engagement in physical education, school sport, leadership and life-long participation in sport, and commends the efforts of the school staff and pupils in securing this award.

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*S6M-19126 Michelle Thomson: National Lottery Community Fund Grants for Falkirk East Groups —That the Parliament congratulates eight community groups across the Falkirk East constituency on being awarded National Lottery Funding grants in the last six months up to September 2025; celebrates that £5,589 was awarded to Grangemouth Band of Brothers to run a mental health group for the next two years, £9,140 was awarded to Friends of Inchyra Park to run gardening projects community events for 15 months, £19,426 was awarded to Under the Trees Ltd to provide nature based activities in the Stirling area for a year, £147,892 was awarded to KLSB Community Group to employ an operations manager to oversee the development and delivery of activities, £10,000 was awarded to Slamannan Action Group to run Brunch & Blether for the Slamannan community for a year, £15,000 was awarded to Power Station to upgrade its heating system, £15,089 was awarded to The Falkirk Braes Grange Centre to create fully accessible toilet

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facilities, and finally £20,000 was awarded to Laurieston Community Hall at The Thrums to refurbish and equip its hall to deliver community needs and events; notes that the National Lottery Community Fund from The National Lottery awards funding to support communities and grassroot organisations to thrive and ensure that what it sees as important community facilities and events are started or maintained; congratulates all eight groups who were awarded grants for their projects, and looks forward to seeing the projects come to fruition in due course.

*S6M-19095 Monica Lennon: UNISON Delegation Brings Aid and Solidarity to Kharkiv in Ukraine—That the Parliament commends what it sees as the courage and solidarity of Tracy Ann Miller, secretary, and Carolyn Casey, treasurer, of the UNISON Lothian Health and Social Care Branch, William Shearer, chair of the UNISON North Lanarkshire Branch and Stephen Smellie, secretary of the UNISON South Lanarkshire Branch, who led the first Scottish trade union delegation to visit Kharkiv, in Ukraine, since the illegal full-scale Russian invasion in February 2022; understands that Kharkiv, which is located just 30 miles from the Russian border, continues to suffer daily drone and missile attacks targeting civilians, hospitals, schools and vital infrastructure; applauds the delegation's commitment to delivering financial aid and solidarity on behalf of UNISON members to support public service trade unionists operating under war-time conditions; notes the delegation's dedicated fundraising efforts to support humanitarian and trade union activity in Ukraine; encourages all trade unionists, parliamentarians and members of the public to support what it sees as this vital mission and to stand in solidarity with workers in Ukraine, and affirms its ongoing support for peace, justice and international solidarity in the face of aggression. R

*S6M-19054 Tess White: NHS Tayside's Outstanding Waste Reduction Achievement—That the Parliament congratulates NHS Tayside on its significant progress in reducing its environmental impact through what it sees as exemplary waste management initiatives; notes that NHS Tayside has reduced its general waste by an impressive 56%, far surpassing the national target of 15 percent, and that no general waste is now sent to landfill, helping to protect the environment for future generations; commends the catering team for their efforts in reducing food waste by 47%, exceeding the national target of 33%; recognises the organisation's continued commitment to sustainability through its goal of ensuring that 70% of domestic waste is recycled or composted by 2025; acknowledges the introduction of communal waste stations in non-clinical areas and the removal of personal waste bins by many teams, encouraging better waste segregation and recycling behaviours; notes that recycling bins are now available across NHS Tayside to support responsible waste disposal by staff, patients and visitors alike, and applauds the leadership of NHS Tayside Chief Executive, Nicky Connor, and the dedication of all staff for their role in these achievements and their ongoing commitment to building a greener future for Tayside.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

<u>S6M-19152</u> Annie Wells: Celebrating The Tall Ship Glenlee Winning Best Visitor Attraction Award (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Annabelle Ewing*

<u>S6M-19151</u> Michelle Thomson: NHS Forth Valley Nurses Kiltwalk (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Annabelle Ewing*

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<u>S6M-19150</u> Annie Wells: Dogs Trust Glasgow Launches Fun and Flexible Fundraising Challenge (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Stuart McMillan*

<u>S6M-19148</u> Pam Gosal: Auchrannie Resort Wins Employer of the Year at Visit Scotland Thistle Awards 2025 (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Craig Hoy*, Colin Beattie*, Paul McLennan*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Douglas Ross*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Kenneth Gibson*, Edward Mountain*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*

<u>S6M-19147</u> Pam Gosal: Bellevue Farm, Arran Farm Tours and Experiences Wins Best Outdoor or Adventure Experience at Visit Scotland Thistle Awards 2025 (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*

<u>S6M-19146</u> Pam Gosal: The Bonnie Barns Wins Best Self-Catering or Unique Stay at Visit Scotland Thistle Awards 2025 (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Annie Wells*, Alexander Stewart*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Craig Hoy*, Edward Mountain*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*

<u>S6M-19145</u> Annie Wells: Rugby and STEM - a Partnership Making a Lasting Impact (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Stuart McMillan*

<u>S6M-19144</u> Pam Gosal: Cameron House Wins Best Hotel Experience at Visit Scotland Thistle Awards 2025 (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

<u>S6M-19143</u> Annie Wells: Milton Food Hub Awarded Funding to Strengthen Local Services (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Paul Sweeney*, Craig Hoy*, Kevin Stewart*

<u>S6M-19142</u> Mercedes Villalba: Udny Community Trust Regeneration (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*, Paul Sweeney*

<u>S6M-19141</u> Pam Gosal: Elements Restaurant in Bearsden Wins Best Eating Experience at West of Scotland Thistle Awards 2025 (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Paul McLennan*, Tim Eagle*, Annabelle Ewing*, Paul Sweeney*, Douglas Lumsden*, Craig Hoy*, Edward Mountain*

S6M-19133 Pam Gosal: Creative Regeneration Greenock Receives £197,200 from Scottish Land Fund Grant (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Paul Sweeney*, Craig Hoy*, Tess White*

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<u>S6M-19132</u> Bill Kidd: Scottish Book Trust Wins American Library of Congress Literacy Award (lodged on 30 September 2025)

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

<u>S6M-19131</u> Michelle Thomson: Falkirk East's Success at Keep Scotland Beautiful Awards **2025** (lodged on 30 September 2025)

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

<u>S6M-19130</u> Michelle Thomson: Bo'ness' Heather McCann Music Recipient of Eilidh's Trust Grant (lodged on 30 September 2025)

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

<u>S6M-19129</u> David Torrance: **10 Years of Macauley's Fruit & Veg Merchant** (lodged on 30 September 2025)

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

<u>S6M-19127</u> Maurice Golden: Scottish Retail Consortium's Planning for Nature – Nature Progress Report 2025 (lodged on 30 September 2025)

New Support: Paul McLennan*, Tim Eagle*, Paul Sweeney*, Liam McArthur*, Jeremy Balfour*, Michelle Thomson*, Willie Rennie*

S6M-19125 Maggie Chapman: Solidarity with the National Union of Journalists (NUJ) Members at STV (lodged on 29 September 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark*, Paul Sweeney*, Jackie Dunbar*

<u>S6M-19124</u> Katy Clark: Protecting Scotland's Fire Service (lodged on 29 September 2025) New Support: Paul Sweeney*

<u>S6M-19122</u> Annie Wells: WIN Project Shortlisted for SURF Award (lodged on 29 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Tim Eagle*, Tess White*

<u>S6M-19120</u> David Torrance: Burntisland Hedgehog Haven Celebrated at BBC Make a Difference Awards (lodged on 29 September 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Annabelle Ewing*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Mark Ruskell*

<u>S6M-19119</u> Stephen Kerr: International Religious Freedom Day, 27 October 2025 (lodged on 29 September 2025)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Tim Eagle*

<u>S6M-19118</u> Stephen Kerr: Passing of President Russell M Nelson (lodged on 29 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

<u>S6M-19117</u> David Torrance: Celebrating Liza Quin's BBC Make a Difference Award (lodged on 29 September 2025)

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New Support: Annabelle Ewing*, Paul Sweeney*, Annie Wells*, Audrey Nicoll*, Tess White*, Stuart McMillan*

<u>S6M-19114</u> Audrey Nicoll: Dominic Dargie Wins Summit Saltire Award (lodged on 29 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

<u>S6M-19113</u> Jackie Baillie: Centenary of the Invention of Television (lodged on 26 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*

<u>S6M-19112</u> Ross Greer: Ardrossan South Beach Community Space Shortlisted for SURF Award (lodged on 26 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

<u>S6M-19111</u> Emma Harper: Recognition of South of Scotland Community Housing and Midsteeple Quarter's SURF Awards Shortlisting (lodged on 26 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

<u>S6M-19109</u> Christine Grahame: UN International Day of Older Persons 2025 (lodged on 26 September 2025)

New Support: John Mason*, David Torrance*, Audrey Nicoll*, Annabelle Ewing*, Stuart McMillan*

<u>S6M-19105</u> Carol Mochan: Recognising Anji Sandhu's Awareness-raising of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (lodged on 26 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19100</u> Karen Adam: Buchanhaven School in Peterhead Wins Sportscotland Gold School Sport Award (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*

September 2025) Paul McLennan: Celebrating 20 Years of Belhaven Bikes in Dunbar (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19092</u> Bob Doris: Rani and Harwans Dheer's 45 Years of Service to the Cadder Community (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19091</u> Douglas Lumsden: STV Ending North News Bulletin (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19090</u> Jamie Greene: Addressing the Postcode Lottery of Early Learning and Childcare Provision (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*

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<u>S6M-19089</u> Pauline McNeill: What I Need in Life Shortlisted for Regeneration Award (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19087</u> Carol Mochan: Alloway Railway Tunnel Shortlisted in Creative Regeneration Category at SURF Awards (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, David Torrance*

S6M-19085 Marie McNair: Cholangiocarcinoma Awareness (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19084</u> Sue Webber: Dame Judith Hackitt Accepts Honorary Fellowship from the Association for Project Safety (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19083</u> Liam McArthur: Leah Hunter Nominated for Young Vet of the Year Award by British Veterinary Association (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

S6M-19082 Craig Hoy: Congratulating Our Place in Annan (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19080</u> Paul Sweeney: Retirement of Professor Sir Anton Muscatelli as Principal and Vice-Chancellor at the University of Glasgow (lodged on 29 September 2025)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

<u>S6M-19079</u> Alexander Burnett: Huntly Development Trust Shortlisted for National Regeneration Award (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Tess White*

<u>S6M-19078</u> Bob Doris: Celebrating 50 Years of the Scottish Federation of Housing Associations (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19076</u> Stuart McMillan: Celebrating Inverclyde Chamber of Commerce ICON Awards **2025 Winners** (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*, Tess White*

S6M-19075 Tim Eagle: Highland and Islands Blood Bikes (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19073</u> Sandesh Gulhane: Celebrating Success at the 2025 SURF Awards (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19071</u> David Torrance: Congratulations to K107FM on Five National Community Radio Awards Nominations (lodged on 25 September 2025)

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New Support: Audrey Nicoll*, Annabelle Ewing*, Tess White*

<u>S6M-19068</u> George Adam: University of the West of Scotland Named University of the Year for Social Inclusion 2026 (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19064</u> Keith Brown: Congratulation to Sauchie Juniors Academy (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19063</u> Stephen Kerr: Commending NHS Forth Valley on its Adoption of the BE FAST Stroke Recognition Tool in Accident and Emergency Services (lodged on 29 September 2025)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Tim Eagle*, Tess White*

<u>S6M-19062</u> Sandesh Gulhane: Parkinson's Scottish International Open 2025 (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19061</u> Rona Mackay: Tribute to Community Champion Ivor McClure (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Bob Doris*, Stuart McMillan*, Audrey Nicoll*

<u>S6M-19060</u> Fulton MacGregor: Recognition of Dyslexia Awareness Week Scotland 2025 (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19056</u> Emma Harper: Commending the NHS Dumfries and Galloway Resuscitation Team (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19051</u> Evelyn Tweed: Centenary of the Stirling Guide Hut (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19050</u> Evelyn Tweed: SPICE Awards Success for the Maharaja Indian Restaurant in **Stirling** (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19049</u> Evelyn Tweed: Fallin Boxer, Alan Perrie, Competes in the World Championships (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19048</u> Evelyn Tweed: Recognising the Service of Ros Dingwall (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

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<u>S6M-19047</u> Evelyn Tweed: Blair Drummond Safari Park Receives Fourth Tripadvisor Travellers' Choice Award (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19046</u> Evelyn Tweed: 125th Anniversary of the Steamship Sir Walter Scott (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19045</u> Evelyn Tweed: Joint Initiative by Start Up Stirling and Forth Valley College (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19044</u> Evelyn Tweed: Callander Jazz and Blues Festival's 20th Anniversary (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19038</u> Annie Wells: Three Quarters of a Century of Bowling and Community Spirit at Whitecrook (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-19032</u> Paul O'Kane: Johnstone Primary School Raises Over £2,000 for Beatson Cancer Charity (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19031</u> Emma Roddick: Celebrating Órla Ní Eadhra's Success in the 2025 Great British Sewing Bee (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19029</u> Emma Roddick: Celebrating Sophie Boyne's Win at Highland's Got Talent (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19028</u> Paul O'Kane: Neilston Family-run Business Shares 60-year Milestone (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19024</u> Meghan Gallacher: Congratulating the Firefighters from Green Watch and Youth Volunteers at Falkirk Community Fire Station (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19020</u> Claire Baker: Congratulating Fife Gingerbread on Shortlist of Family Approach Project in 2025 SURF Awards for Best Practice in Community Regeneration (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-19019</u> Alasdair Allan: Thanking Leverburgh RNLI Crews (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*, David Torrance*

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<u>S6M-19018</u> Roz McCall: Fife Gingerbread Family Approach Shortlisted for Prestigious Regeneration Award (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19016</u> Miles Briggs: Congratulating the Central and East Thistle Awards 2025 (lodged on 24 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19013</u> Kevin Stewart: Union Terrace Gardens Shortlisted for Andrew Doolan Award (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19012</u> Jeremy Balfour: Welcoming the Release of the 2024 Scottish Household Survey Results (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19011</u> Ariane Burgess: National Lottery Heritage Fund Award to St Conan's Kirk (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19010</u> Ariane Burgess: End of PFI Contract and Handover of New Craigs Hospital to NHS Highland (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-19006</u> Paul McLennan: Farewell to Rev John Vischer and the Union of Haddington Churches (lodged on 23 September 2025)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

<u>S6M-18999</u> Marie McNair: The National Lottery Community Fund Awards Funding to Charities and Community Groups (lodged on 22 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*

<u>S6M-18997</u> Marie McNair: Clydebank Nursery Praised by Inspectorate (lodged on 22 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*

S6M-18994 John Mason: Defibrillators British Heart Foundation (BHF) Community (lodged on 22 September 2025)

New Support: Gordon MacDonald*, David Torrance*, Paul McLennan*, Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Kenneth Gibson*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sandesh Gulhane* **R**, Monica Lennon*, Annie Wells*, Annabelle Ewing*, Douglas Ross*, Audrey Nicoll*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Tim Eagle*, Kevin Stewart*, Pam Gosal*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Colin Beattie*

<u>S6M-18993</u> Jeremy Balfour: Scottish Disability Sport: A Call to Action (lodged on 22 September 2025)

New Support: Elena Whitham*, Carol Mochan*

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S6M-18960 James Dornan: Led By Donkeys Arrests (lodged on 25 September 2025)

New Support: David Torrance*

S6M-18931 Edward Mountain: Bowel Cancer Screening (lodged on 16 September 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark*

<u>S6M-18851</u> Alex Rowley: Remembering Scotland and Celtic Goalkeeper John Thomson (lodged on 19 September 2025)

New Support: Neil Bibby*, David Torrance*

<u>S6M-18822</u> Annie Wells: Scottish Sports Futures, Inspiring City Awards 2025 Winner (lodged on 11 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-18741</u> Emma Harper: Support for the Solway Coast and Marine Project (SCAMP) in Stranraer (lodged on 04 September 2025)

New Support: Katy Clark*

<u>S6M-18721</u> Colin Beattie: Bombay Lounge, Dalkeith, Wins Best Indian Takeaway in Scotland Award (lodged on 03 September 2025)

New Support: Tess White*

<u>S6M-18639</u> Rona Mackay: International FASD Day and the Need for Awareness (lodged on 01 September 2025)

New Support: Emma Harper

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Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 08 October 2025

Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business

- **1. Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of its relations with the British-Irish Parliamentary Assembly. (\$60-05026)
- **2. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government how it is supporting organisations engaged in humanitarian work. (S60-05027)
- **3. Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support libraries within local communities. (S6O-05028)
- **4. Clare Haughey:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the implementation of its international strategy, how and by what mechanisms it is engaging with the governments of other European nations. (S60-05029)
- **5. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what representations NGOs have made to it regarding its work to support humanitarian assistance in Palestine. **(S60-05030)**
- **6. Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding its role in proposing the scheduling of parliamentary business, how it can help ensure that parliamentary time is used constructively for the remainder of this parliamentary session. (S60-05031)
- **7. Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the veterans minister has had with ministerial colleagues regarding the role of local authorities in maintaining Commonwealth War Graves to a national standard. (S6O-05032)
- **8. Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government how it supports the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo in relation to its overseas tours and performances, in light of their reported contribution to the Tattoo's reputation and economic impact in Scotland. (S6O-05033)

Justice and Home Affairs

- **1. Evelyn Tweed:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to improve access to legal aid for survivors of domestic abuse. (S6O-05034)
- **2. Michael Marra:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reports of rising levels of knife crime in Dundee over the summer, how it is supporting Police Scotland and local partners to prevent and reduce incidents of violent crime. (S6O-05035)
- **3. Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on legal enforcement measures being taken with regard to retailers committing age of sale offences when selling age-restricted items, such as vapes and cigarettes. (\$60-05036) R
- **4. Bob Doris:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it can take to address the misuse of ebikes and off-road vehicles, in light of reported concerns that it is a growing community safety issue. **(S6O-05037)**
- **5. Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure there is appropriate policing cover for communities in Dumfriesshire. (S60-05038)
- **6. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any impact of sustained overcrowding in prisons on suicide and self-harm prevention. **(S60-05039)**

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7. George Adam: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide further details of the findings in the recent report on the CashBack for Communities programme. (S6O-05040)

8. Kevin Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what actions Police Scotland is taking to deal with problem street drinkers. (S6O-05041)

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 09 October 2025

Education and Skills

- **1. Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the publication of its revised guidance on supporting transgender pupils in schools, whether it can guarantee that, effective immediately, single-sex spaces, including toilets and changing rooms, have been made available to all girls during school hours. (S6O-05050)
- **2. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the reported jobs and cuts crisis in further and higher education. (S6O-05051)
- **3. Jackie Dunbar:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the education secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding how to support people in Aberdeen to gain the skills and qualifications needed for the energy transition, to ensure that north east Scotland has a world-leading workforce. (S6O-05052)
- **4. Douglas Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it considers the percentage of students earning an A, B or C in Higher History fluctuated by 27.6% between 2023 and 2025. (S60-05053)
- **5. Jamie Halcro Johnston:** To ask the Scottish Government what challenges are faced by those delivering education across the Highlands and Islands. (S6O-05054)
- **6. Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to recent reports of a rise in recorded bullying incidents in schools. (S60-05055)
- **7. James Dornan:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made in further widening access to university education for people in the most disadvantaged communities. (S6O-05056)
- **8. Martin Whitfield:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact on youth work provision of its budget decisions, in light of the most recent YouthLink Scotland survey indicating that the majority of young people accessing youth work do so through the voluntary sector. (S6O-05057)

General Questions selected for answer on 09 October 2025

- **1. Katy Clark:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the decision by Strathclyde Partnership for Transport to progress with proposals for bus franchising. (S6O-05042)
- **2. Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what scoping work it has undertaken regarding dualling and electrifying the Highland Main Line. (S6O-05043)
- **3. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the *Housing Statistics for Scotland Quarterly Update: New Housebuilding and Affordable Housing Supply to end June 2025.* (\$60-05044)
- **4. Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of it being Scottish Women and Girls in Sport Week, what financial progress has been made against its 2021-22 Programme for

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Government commitment to double its investment in sport to £100 million by the end of the current parliamentary session. (S60-05045)

- **5. Alex Rowley:** To ask the Scottish Government what rights patients have when their local medical centre has been deemed unfit for purpose by their NHS board. (S60-05046)
- **6. Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with Glasgow City Council regarding its proposals for an "at-city-boundary congestion charge" and a toll on the Clyde Tunnel. (S6O-05047)
- **7. Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the proposed ferry route between Rosyth and Dunkirk. (\$60-05048)
- **8. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of the energy price cap increase on fuel poverty in Scotland. (S60-05049)

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Written Questions

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

Government Initiated Questions are initiated by the parliament Government in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

Government initiated questions lodged on 01 October 2025

<u>S6W-40907</u> **Bob Doris**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on progress against its Heat in Buildings Strategy.

<u>S6W-40918</u> Jackie Dunbar: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the establishment of Qualifications Scotland and His Majesty's Inspectorate of Education in Scotland following the Education (Scotland) Act 2025 receiving Royal Assent.

Written questions lodged on 01 October 2025

<u>S6W-40799</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it has not implemented updated guidance for all public authorities to ensure compliance with the Supreme Court judgment in the case, For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers.

<u>S6W-40800</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Equality and Human Rights Commission since April 2025.

<u>S6W-40801</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether biological sex determines legal sex for the purposes of the law.

<u>S6W-40802</u> Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government when it plans to publish updated guidance for all public authorities that is consistent with the Supreme Court judgment in the case, For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers.

<u>S6W-40803</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to prevent further costs to the public purse as a result of tribunal cases in relation to non-compliance with the Supreme Court judgment in the case, For Women Scotland Ltd v The Scottish Ministers.

<u>S6W-40804</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has received any legal advice regarding its obligations to implement laws on single-sex spaces and services.

<u>S6W-40805</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on how any delay in implementing laws on single-sex spaces and services is compatible with its equality objectives.

<u>S6W-40806</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it will take to reassure women that their rights under laws on single-sex spaces and services are protected.

<u>S6W-40857</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the potential (a) environmental and (b) economic impact on Scotland of any breakdown of the Gulf Stream and its associated currents, and what action it has carried out to prepare for any such eventuality.

<u>S6W-40867</u> **Pam Gosal:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to educate young people, primarily children, about the need to provide online consent and raise their awareness of the risks of not providing this.

<u>S6W-40876</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government who will make up its delegation to the COP30 climate conference in Brazil in November 2025, and what their priorities will be.

<u>S6W-40877</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government whether, at the COP30 climate conference in Brazil in November 2025, it will make new commitments to the Climate Justice Fund in support of the communities most affected by climate change in the Global South.

<u>S6W-40878</u> **Monica Lennon**: To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to engage with the (a) Under 2 Coalition and (b) Regions 4 network at the COP30 climate conference in Brazil in

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November 2025, and how such involvement could help it to achieve its goals in relation to climate change.

<u>S6W-40879</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will meet representatives of the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Campaign at the COP30 climate conference in Brazil in November 2025.

<u>S6W-40894</u> Jeremy Balfour: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the park being managed by Historic Environment Scotland (HES) and regulated under the Holyrood Park Regulations 1971, what discussions it has had, or plans to have, with HES regarding by what date Duddingston Low Road in Holyrood Park can be fully re-opened; what work is required to allow it to do so; how much it would cost to carry out this work, and whether it agrees in principle that the road should be fully reopened.

<u>S6W-40895</u> Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-40202 by Neil Gray on 25 September 2025, how long it gave NHS boards to submit bids for the newly announced recurrent funding for specialist support for long COVID, myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome and other similar conditions.

<u>S6W-40896</u> **Mercedes Villalba:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the sale of charitable assets by the Clan Donald Lands Trust under section 33 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, and what its response is to the findings of the investigation by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) into the sale, which concluded that the trustees made decisions within the powers set out in the charity's governing document and had acted in accordance with their legal duties as charity trustees, with no further action by OSCR being required.

<u>S6W-40898</u> **Mercedes Villalba:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact of (a) the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003, (b) the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016, (c) the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 and (d) concentrated land ownership on (i) local economic development, (ii) local sustainable development, (iii) community wealth building, (iv) community ownership and (v) an inclusive economy.

<u>S6W-40902</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the finding in the report, *Abattoir Users Survey 2025*, that "across England, Wales and the UK overall, the average distance [travelled to the nearest abattoir] fell within the 31-40 mile range" but that, in Scotland, it fell "into the 61-70 mile bracket". **R**

<u>S6W-40903</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how much funding has been (a) allocated to and (b) distributed from the Small Producers Pilot Fund in each year since it was established in December 2023. **R**

<u>S6W-40904</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how many new small-scale abattoirs have been built as a result of funding from the Small Producers Pilot Fund in each year since it was established in December 2023. **R**

<u>S6W-40905</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how many small-scale abattoirs have closed in each year since 2021. **R**

<u>S6W-40906</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the finding in the report, *Abattoir Users Survey 2025*, that "58% of respondents believed their business would not be profitable without selling direct to consumers or through local markets". **R**

<u>S6W-40908</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what the rate of support in foster carers allowances is in each local authority area.

<u>S6W-40909</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been delivered in foster carers allowances in each local authority area since 1999.

<u>S6W-40910</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to improve access to pharmacies at weekends.

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<u>S6W-40911</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what out-of-hours pharmacy services are available for vulnerable patients to access prescriptions at weekends.

<u>S6W-40912</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many prescriptions have been issued by weekend pharmacy services in each year since 1999, broken down by NHS board. <u>S6W-40913</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how much has been committed to flood defence schemes in each year since 1999.

<u>S6W-40914</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government what the projected cost is of the Musselburgh Flood Defence Scheme.

<u>S6W-40915</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government how many modern language teachers, broken down by language taught, each local authority has employed in each year since 2007.

<u>S6W-40916</u> **Douglas Lumsden:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had since 1 January 2024 with accommodation providers contracted by the UK Government, regarding the accommodation in Scotland of people seeking asylum, including those providing floating accommodation, broken down by the (a) name of provider and (b) dates of engagement.

<u>S6W-40946</u> **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the Innovation Investment Programme, which was announced in the National Innovation Strategy and expected to be delivered in early 2024, is not in place.

<u>S6W-40947</u> **Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government by what date it will publish the National Productivity Programme, which was referred to in the National Innovation Strategy in 2023.

<u>S6W-40949</u> **Pam Gosal:** To ask the Scottish Government what personal information, for example, address and phone number, are participants in the Caledonian System, which is a behavioural change programme for men convicted of domestic abuse offences, required to provide, and what requirement there is for them to provide an update should any these details change.

<u>S6W-40951</u> **Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is regarding whether all NHS workers working on night shift should be entitled to at least one hot meal per shift. <u>S6W-40952</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what advice and recommendations it has received, and from whom, regarding the proposed Nature Conservation Order to protect the Parallel Roads of Lochaber Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) at Achnabobane.

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 4 November 2025

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 29 October with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 5 June 2025

Lead committee - Finance and Public Administration

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Education, Children and Young People)), 17 September 2025 Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 9 September 2025

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 30 September 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (55th Report, 2025)

Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy and Fair Work)), 24 September 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (50th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 7 October 2025

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (63rd Report, 2025)

Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands)), 24 September 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69th Report, 2025)

Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee, evidence (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture)), 4 September 2025

Digital Assets (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 30 September 2025

Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 2 October 2025

Stage 1 Report – Rural Affairs and Islands Committee (7th Report, 2025)

Ecocide (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 30 September 2025

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

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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

Freedom of Information Reform (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 4 September 2025 Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 30 September 2025

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 December 2022

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

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

Introduced, 23 April 2025

Lead committee – Rural Affairs and Islands

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

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Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 30 September 2025

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 30 September 2025

Stage 3 (proceedings, meeting of the Parliament), 28 October 2025

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 29 October 2025

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Tuesday 7 October with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 30 October 2025

Stage 1 Report – Rural Affairs and Islands Committee (8th Report, 2025)

Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 25 June 2025

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 25 June 2025 Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 30 September 2025

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

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

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

Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 9 October 2025

Stage 1 Report – Health, Social Care and Sport Committee (7th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 2 (evidence (Education, Children and Young People Committee)), 10 September 2025

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

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

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 19 June 2025 Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (44th Report, 2025)

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

Stage 1 completed, 25 September 2025

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

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 Report (Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee) published, 25 September 2025

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

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Passed, 17 September 2025

Wellbeing and Sustainable Development (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 25 September 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (54th Report, 2025)

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Bill LCM-S6-59

Lodged on 12 June 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

Report – Lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments) (2nd Report, 2025)

Animal Welfare (Import of Dogs, Cats and Ferrets) Bill LCM-S6-58

Lodged on 3 June 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 17 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

Lead committee – Rural Affairs and Islands

Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill LCM-S6-64

Lodged on 25 September 2025

Lead committee – Net Zero, Energy and Transport

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

Lodged on 12 March 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

Report – Lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice) (2nd Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (27th Report, 2025)

Bus Services (No. 2) Bill LCM-S6-63

Lodged on 5 September 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 10 September 2025

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

Lodged on 12 June 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 24 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 26 June 2025

Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (8th Report, 2025)

Crime and Policing Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-57b

Lodged on 1 August 2025

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 1 October 2025

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (67th Report, 2025)

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Employment Rights Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-53b

Lodged on 14 August 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 4 September 2025

Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (6th Report, 2025)

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

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022

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

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

Pension Schemes Bill LCM-S6-65

Lodged on 26 September 2025

Planning and Infrastructure Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-56a

Lodged on 13 August 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 9 October 2025

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (11th Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (61st Report, 2025)

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

Lodged on 21 March 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 3 June 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 25 June 2025

Report – Lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security) (5th Report, 2025)

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) (9th Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (69th Report, 2024)

Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill LCM-S6-61

Lodged on 24 July 2025

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 30 September 2025 Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 16 September 2025

Terminally III Adults (End of Life) Bill LCM-S6-62

Lodged on 27 August 2025

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 23 September 2025 Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 23 September 2025

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 May 2025

Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (3rd Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (29th Report, 2025)

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<u>Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 (Scottish Carbon Budgets) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (19 June 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 6 October 2025

Social Security (Cross-border Provision, Case Transfer and Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (24 June 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 10 October 2025

<u>Winter Heating Assistance (Pension Age) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (25 August 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (28 August 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to approval by 27 October 2025

Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Lords) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (2 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Councillors) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (2 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Scottish Parliament (Disqualification of Members of the House of Commons) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (2 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to approval by 28 October 2025

Free-Range Poultrymeat Marketing Standards (Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (3 September 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

Subject to approval by 30 October 2025

<u>Carer's Assistance (Miscellaneous and Consequential Amendments, Revocation, Transitional and Saving Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (5 September 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 10 November 2025

Equality Act 2010 (Specification of Public Authorities) (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (16 September 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

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Subject to approval by 11 November 2025

<u>First-tier Tribunal for Scotland General Regulatory Chamber (Police Appeals) (Procedure)</u> Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (17 September 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

<u>First-tier Tribunal for Scotland General Regulatory Chamber Police Appeals and Upper Tribunal for Scotland (Composition) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (17 September 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

<u>First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Transfer of Functions and Members of the Police Appeals Tribunal)</u> <u>Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (17 September 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to approval by 13 November 2025

<u>Scottish Aggregates Tax (Administration) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (19 September 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act (Postponement of Tax Pending a Review or Appeal)

<u>Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft)</u> (19 September 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act (Record Keeping) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (19 September 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Subject to approval by 16 November 2025

Absent Voting at Scottish Parliament and Local Government Elections (Signature Refresh) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (22 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to approval by 17 November 2025

Regulation of Care (Child Contact Services) (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (23 September 2025) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Regulation of Care (Child Contact Services) (Equality) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (23 September 2025) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to approval by 19 November 2025

Budget (Scotland) Act 2025 Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/Draft) (25 September 2025) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

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<u>Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes (Amendment) Order 2025 (SI 2025/678)</u> (18 June 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment 2 October 2025 Lead committee report due by 29 September 2025

<u>Firefighters' Pensions (Remediable Service) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/187) (20 June 2025) (Criminal Justice Committee)</u>

Subject to annulment 7 October 2025 Lead committee report due by 6 October 2025

<u>Teachers' Pensions (Remediable Service) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/197)</u> (25 June 2025) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

Subject to annulment 10 October 2025 Lead committee report due by 6 October 2025

Council Tax Reduction (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) (No. 4) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/212) (24 July 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Personal Injuries (NHS Charges) (Amounts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/239) (29 August 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Offshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing Methods) (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/240) (1 September 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 29 October 2025 Lead committee report due by 27 October 2025

National Health Service (Common Staffing Method) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/244) (4 September 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

<u>Plant Health (Export Certification) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2025 (SSI 2025/241)</u> (4 September 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Motor Vehicles (Competitions and Trials) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/245) (4 September 2025) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to annulment 5 November 2025 Lead committee report due by 3 November 2025

Council Tax (Dwellings and Part Residential Subjects) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/249) (11 September 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

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Redemption of Heritable Securities (Excluded Securities) (Scotland) Order 2025 (SSI 2025/251) (11 September 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment 12 November 2025 Lead committee report due by 10 November 2025

National Health Service Superannuation and Pension Schemes (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/259) (18 September 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Sports Grounds and Sporting Events (Designation) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2025 (SSI 2025/262) (18 September 2025) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 16 November 2025 Lead committee report due by 10 November 2025

Representation of the People (Absent Voting at Local Government Elections) (Scotland)

Amendment Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/263) (22 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment 20 November 2025 Lead committee report due by 17 November 2025

Rural Support (Simplification and Improvement) (Data Publication) (Scotland) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/274) (26 September 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Council Tax Reduction (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) (No. 5) Regulations 2025 (SSI 2025/275) (26 September 2025) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Documents subject to parliamentary control

<u>Draft Code of Practice: The Non-Party Campaigner Campaign Expenditure (Scottish Parliament Elections) Code of Practice 2025 (SG/2025/214)</u> (16 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

<u>Draft statutory guidance on imprints for non-party campaigners at Scottish Parliamentary elections and council elections in Scotland (SG/2025/215)</u> (16 September 2025) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

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The following petition was lodged by the Parliament on 30 September 2025:

PE2188: Extend the National Entitlement Card scheme to include ferry travel for people aged 60 and over https://petitions.parliament.scot/petitions

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Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 1 October 2025—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 69th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Delegated Powers in the Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill at Stage 1 (SP Paper 881)

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 70th Report, 2025 (Session 6): Delegated Powers in the Ecocide (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 (SP Paper 882)

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 document was laid before the Parliament on 1 October 2025 and is not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Scotland's Colleges 2025: A briefing prepared for the Auditor General for Scotland (AGS/2025/8) laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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