

Business Bulletin

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Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

9:30 pm Decision Time

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9:00am Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

9:30am Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee

9:30am Economy and Fair Work Committee

9:30am Education, Children and Young People Committee

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10:00am Criminal Justice Committee

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Constitution, External Affairs and Culture, and Parliamentary Business

- 1. Fulton MacGregor:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides to the Outdoor Arts, Circus and Spectacle sector. ([S6O-05419](#))
- 2. Tess White:** To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures value for money when allocating funding within the Constitution, External Affairs and Culture portfolio. ([S6O-05420](#))
- 3. Brian Whittle:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture has had with ministerial colleagues regarding how to ensure that Scotland maximises the cultural legacy benefits of the 2026 Summer of Sport. ([S6O-05421](#))
- 4. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the five National Performing Companies are essential infrastructure investment and whether the funding that it provides to them is sufficient. ([S6O-05422](#))
- 5. Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will propose the scheduling of time for a ministerial statement on the written case for the Scottish Ministers and Lord Advocate in the judicial review of the Scottish Prison Service policy for the management of transgender people in custody, including how many times women's rights are mentioned. ([S6O-05423](#))
- 6. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it holds on the diversity and socio-economic background of audiences attending performances by the National Performing Companies. ([S6O-05424](#))
- 7. Gordon MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent engagement it has had with the Arctic Circle Assembly. ([S6O-05425](#))
- 8. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met the United States Consul General in Edinburgh to discuss Scotland's international strategy. ([S6O-05426](#))

Justice and Home Affairs

- 1. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government how its draft Budget 2026-27 will support community justice services. ([S6O-05427](#))
- 2. Finlay Carson:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of access to justice services in rural areas. ([S6O-05428](#))
- 3. Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the current occupancy levels and total operational capacity across the Women's Community Custody Unit estate. ([S6O-05429](#))
- 4. Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs last met with For Women Scotland to discuss the protection of women's sex-based rights. ([S6O-05430](#))
- 5. Emma Roddick:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the construction and operational timeline for the new HMP Highland. ([S6O-05431](#))

6. Edward Mountain: To ask the Scottish Government what additional resources are being provided to Police Scotland in relation to asylum seekers being housed at Cameron Barracks in Inverness. ([S6O-05432](#))

7. Ruth Maguire: To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the prison estate is segregated by sex. ([S6O-05433](#))

8. Evelyn Tweed: To ask the Scottish Government how its draft Budget 2026-27 supports the prevention of gender-based violence. ([S6O-05434](#))

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals

S6M-20561 Anas Sarwar: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals—That the Parliament condemns the culture of secrecy and cover-up that has hidden the truth from patients, families and campaigners and denied them justice in many NHS scandals in Scotland in recent years; recognises that, as the Scottish Hospitals Inquiry draws to a close, many serious questions remain regarding the decision-making process and the role of the Scottish Government; considers that political decision making should be considered by the inquiry, and calls for the Scottish Ministers to authorise the immediate full disclosure and preservation of all communications connected to the contaminated water and inadequate ventilation system and the premature opening of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, as well as any subsequent communications relating to the handling of the infection and its cover-up.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

S6M-20561.1 Neil Gray: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals—As an amendment to motion S6M-20561 in the name of Anas Sarwar (The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals), leave out from “condemns” to end and insert “pays tribute to the brave patients, families and whistleblowers who have campaigned tirelessly for justice in the Scottish Hospitals Inquiry; recognises the pain, trauma and grief faced by patients and their families at the heart of this inquiry, and notes that the inquiry was established in 2019 to ensure that every individual impacted is able to get the truth that they deserve; notes the fundamental importance of the independence of inquiries, which are enshrined in legislation, under the control of an independent chair, and which operate transparently, reaching conclusions that are not to be influenced by ministers or other vested interests, and agrees, therefore, that the independent Scottish Hospitals Inquiry Chair must be given the time and space to consider all the available evidence.”

S6M-20561.2 Brian Whittle: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals—As an amendment to motion S6M-20561 in the name of Anas Sarwar (The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals), insert at end “; notes with concern the impact on patients, staff and others resulting from the ongoing questions about the safety of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital; calls on the Scottish Government to provide clear and explicit guarantees to the public that any issues raised by patients, families and whistleblowers are listened to and fully investigated; believes that the repeated lack of candour by both NHS boards and the Scottish Government in respect of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital and other scandals is unacceptable; further believes that this lack of openness has placed a greater burden on patients, families and NHS staff and contributed to a growing loss of public trust, and calls, therefore, on Nicola Sturgeon to request to make a personal statement, with questions and answers, to the Scottish Parliament, given her role as Cabinet Secretary for Health and First Minister during the construction and opening of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital.”

S6M-20561.3 Gillian Mackay: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals—As an amendment to motion S6M-20561 in the name of Anas Sarwar (The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals), insert at end “; acknowledges that recent revelations surrounding the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital will have been distressing for patients, their families and staff;

understands that this could create uncertainty and fear regarding the safety of Scotland's hospitals and negatively impact staff morale; recognises that patient privacy has to be given the greatest consideration in the publication of any materials, and calls for the Scottish Government to outline how it will urgently restore confidence into the services delivered by NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde."

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill – UK Legislation

S6M-20550 Jim Fairlie: Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill - UK Legislation—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 14 May 2025, and subsequently amended, relating to clauses 1 to 5, 10, 11(2) to 11(5), 12 to 20 and the schedule, so far as these matters fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament and alter the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill

S6M-20549 Gillian Martin: Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill—That the Parliament agrees that the Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill be passed.

followed by Business Motions

S6M-20569 Graeme Dey: Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 3 February 2026

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

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

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.15 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 4 February 2026

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

followed by Motion on Reconsideration of a Bill: European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.40 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 5 February 2026

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Climate Action and Energy, and Transport

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Ecocide (Scotland) Bill

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Non-surgical Procedures and Functions of Medical Reviewers (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 10 February 2026

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

7.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 11 February 2026

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands; Health and Social Care

followed by Scottish Labour Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 12 February 2026

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice and Housing

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Budget (Scotland) (No. 5) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 2 February 2026, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

S6M-20570 Graeme Dey: Stage 1 Timetable—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 6 February 2026.

S6M-20572 Graeme Dey: Stage 2 Timetable—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Contract (Formation and Remedies) (Scotland) Bill at stage 2 be completed by 6 February 2026.

S6M-20574 Graeme Dey: Stage 2 Timetable—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill at stage 2 be completed by 20 February 2026.

S6M-20571 Graeme Dey: Stage 2 Timetable—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill at stage 2 be completed by 20

February 2026.

S6M-20573 Graeme Dey: Stage 2 Timetable—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill at stage 2 be completed by 20 February 2026.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

S6M-20575 Graeme Dey: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Investment Zones Relief) (Scotland) Order 2026 [draft] be approved.

S6M-20576 Graeme Dey: Suspension of Standing Orders—That the Parliament agrees that, for the purposes of consideration of the supplementary legislative consent memorandum on the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill, Rules 9B.3.5 and 9B.3.6 of Standing Orders are suspended.

9:30 pm Decision Time

Committee Meetings

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

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

4th Meeting, 2026

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

1. Decision on taking business in private: The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.

2. Draft Climate Change Plan: The Committee will take evidence from—

Mairi Gougeon, Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands, Brendan Callaghan, Interim Chief Executive, Scottish Forestry, Tim Ellis, Deputy Director, Future Environment, and John Kerr, Head of Agriculture Policy, Scottish Government.

3. Subordinate legislation: The Committee will take evidence on the [Sea Fish \(Prohibition on Fishing\) \(Firth of Clyde\) Order 2026](#) (SSI 2026/10) from—

Esther Brooker, Senior Advocacy Officer, Scottish Environment LINK;
Dr Robin Cook, Honorary Senior Research Fellow, Strathclyde University;
Rea Cris, Public Affairs Manager, Open Seas;
Alex Watson Crook, Projects Manager, Sustainable Inshore Fisheries Trust;
Megan Hamill, Trustee, Community of Arran Seabed Trust;
Alastair Hamilton, Chair of the NW Coast, Regional Inshore Fisheries Groups Network;
Professor Michael Heath, Professor in Mathematics and Statistics, University of Strathclyde;
Sean McIlwraith, Static Fisherman and Kenneth MacNab, Mobile Fisherman;
Elaine Whyte, Executive Secretary, Clyde Fishermen's Association.

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

[Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(Agricultural Products\) \(Consequential Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025](#) (SSI 2025/407)

5. Draft Climate Change Plan (In Private): The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

6. Subordinate legislation: The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee

3rd Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:30AM in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

1. Decision on taking business in private: The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.

2. Consideration of continued petitions: The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—

PE1946: To call on the Scottish Government to pay all charges for homeless temporary accommodation;

PE2143: Introduce legislation to require all landlords to tackle damp and mould to specified standards;

PE1985: Evaluate Garages to Homes Developments;

PE2018: Recognise the value of swimming pools and provide financial relief to help keep pools open;

PE2020: Provide fertility treatment to single women;

PE2025: Improve the support available to victims of domestic violence, who have been forced to flee their home;

PE2061: Require solicitors to ensure capacity of vulnerable individuals by having a medical professional co-sign legal documents;

PE2062: Introduce a National Screening Programme for Prostate Cancer;

PE2107: Use more money recovered from the proceeds of crime to support community-based charities that train animals to assist in the detection of drugs;

PE2139: Automatic expulsion for children charged with committing a crime against another child;

PE2141: Support the neurodiverse community by providing funding for psychoeducation;

PE2148: Improve Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services to Adult Mental Health Services transition; and

PE2155: Improve support for people trying to give up e-cigarettes and vaping.

3. Work programme: The Committee will consider its work programme.

Economy and Fair Work Committee 4th Meeting, 2026

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

- 1. Draft Climate Change Plan (In Private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter.
- 2. Work programme (In Private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Education, Children and Young People Committee

4th Meeting, 2026

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

- 1. Universities:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Dan Cutts, Joint Chair, Aberdeen University UCU branch, Melissa D'Ascenzo, Joint President, Dundee University UCU branch, and Sophia Woodman, President, Edinburgh University UCU branch, UCU;
Stewart Forrester, Unite Senior Representative, Strathclyde University.
- 2. Evidence Session (In Private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1
- 3. Work programme (In Private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Public Audit Committee

4th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 9:30AM in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

- 1. Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 in private.
- 2. Administration of Scottish income tax 2024/25:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Richard Robinson, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;
Gareth Davies, Comptroller and Auditor General and Peter Morland, Director - Financial Audit, National Audit Office.
- 3. Administration of Scottish income tax 2024/25:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Richard Robinson, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland.
- 4. Legacy paper:** The Committee will consider an approach to its draft legacy paper.
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark MacPherson, Audit Director, Audit Scotland.
- 5. Legacy paper:** The Committee will consider and agree its approach to its draft legacy paper.
- 6. Administration of Scottish income tax 2024/25:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
- 7. Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Criminal Justice Committee

4th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 10:00AM in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

- Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
- Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—

[Firefighters' Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025](#) (SSI 2025/406)

- UK subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating in a devolved area as set out in the following UK statutory instrument proposal—

North Atlantic Salmon Conservation and North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission Privileges and Immunities Revocation Regulations 2026

- Prevention of Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Bill (In Private):** The Committee will consider a draft Summary of Evidence on the Bill.
- Draft Climate Change Plan (In Private):** The Committee will consider a draft letter to the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee.
- Work programme (In Private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 21 January 2026

Thursday 29 January 2026

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business: Kenneth Gibson: Holocaust Memorial Day 2026, Bridging Generations

2:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:15 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Greyhound Racing (Offences) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Fruit and Vegetables) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 [draft]

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:25 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Michelle Thomson: Building Links with Bhutan

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5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

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

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

Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee

29 January 2026

4th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 8:30AM in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

- 1. Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
- 2. Historic Environment Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Angus Robertson, Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture and Kenneth Hogg, Director for Culture and External Affairs, Scottish Government.
- 3. Budget Scrutiny 2026-27: funding for culture:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Lucy Casot, Chief Executive Officer, Museums Galleries Scotland;
Councillor Rick Bell, Resource Spokesperson and Mathew Sweeney, Chief officer, COSLA;
Steven Roth, Executive Director, Scottish Ballet;
Billy Garrett, Director of Culture, Tourism and Events, Glasgow Life.
- 4. Evidence Session:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda items 2 and 3.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, James Johnston on 85215 or at james.johnston@parliament.scot

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

29 January 2026

4th Meeting, 2026

The Committee will meet at 8:30AM in T4.60-CR6 The Livingstone Room

- 1. Scottish Parliament (Recall and Removal of Members) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Catherine Fergusson on 85186 or at catherine.fergusson@parliament.scot

Social Justice and Social Security Committee**29 January 2026****4th Meeting, 2026**

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

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 6, 7 and 8 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on:
[The Domestic Abuse \(Protection\) \(Scotland\) Act 2021 \(Consequential and Supplementary Amendments\) Regulations 2026 \[draft\]](#)
[The Removing from Heritable Property \(Form of Charge\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/402\)](#)
[The Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. \(Decrees for Removing from Heritable Property\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/403\)](#)
[The Scottish Secure Tenancies \(Proceedings for Possession\) \(Form of Notice\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/404\)](#) from—
Màiri McAllan, Cabinet Secretary for Housing, Pauline Brice, Housing Policy Manager, Yvette Sheppard, Head of Rented Sector Unit, and Craig McGuffie, Solicitor, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Màiri McAllan (Cabinet Secretary for Housing) to move—

S6M-20309—That the Social Justice and Social Security Committee recommends that the Domestic Abuse (Protection) (Scotland) Act 2021 (Consequential and Supplementary Amendments) Regulations 2026 [draft] be approved.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—

[The Removing from Heritable Property \(Form of Charge\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/402\)](#)
[The Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. \(Decrees for Removing from Heritable Property\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2025 \(SSI 2025/403\)](#)
[The Scottish Secure Tenancies \(Proceedings for Possession\) \(Form of Notice\) Amendment Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/404\)](#)
[The Social Security \(Residence in an EEA State or Switzerland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/415\)](#)
5. **Scottish Fiscal Commission:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Professor Graeme Roy, Chair, Justine Riccomini, Commissioner, and Michael Davidson, Head of Social Security and Devolved Taxes, Scottish Fiscal Commission.
6. **Scottish Fiscal Commission:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard under item 5.
7. **Funeral Support Payment:** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry.
8. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Diane Barr on 85220 or at diane.barr@parliament.scot

Motions

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

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

Motions for debate

[S6M-20579 Jim Fairlie: Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products \(Fruit and Vegetables\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \[draft\]](#)—That the Parliament agrees that the Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Fruit and Vegetables) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 [draft] be approved.

Supported by: Mairi Gougeon*

[S6M-20561 Anas Sarwar: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals](#)—That the Parliament condemns the culture of secrecy and cover-up that has hidden the truth from patients, families and campaigners and denied them justice in many NHS scandals in Scotland in recent years; recognises that, as the Scottish Hospitals Inquiry draws to a close, many serious questions remain regarding the decision-making process and the role of the Scottish Government; considers that political decision making should be considered by the inquiry, and calls for the Scottish Ministers to authorise the immediate full disclosure and preservation of all communications connected to the contaminated water and inadequate ventilation system and the premature opening of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, as well as any subsequent communications relating to the handling of the infection and its cover-up.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie, Paul Sweeney*

[S6M-20561.3 Gillian Mackay: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals](#)—As an amendment to motion S6M-20561 in the name of Anas Sarwar (The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals), insert at end "; acknowledges that recent revelations surrounding the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital will have been distressing for patients, their families and staff; understands that this could create uncertainty and fear regarding the safety of Scotland's hospitals and negatively impact staff morale; recognises that patient privacy has to be given the greatest consideration in the publication of any materials, and calls for the Scottish Government to outline how it will urgently restore confidence into the services delivered by NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde."

[S6M-20561.2 Brian Whittle: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals](#)—As an amendment to motion S6M-20561 in the name of Anas Sarwar (The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals), insert at end "; notes with concern the impact on patients, staff and others resulting from the ongoing questions about the safety of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital; calls on the Scottish Government to provide clear and explicit guarantees to the public that any issues raised by patients, families and whistleblowers are listened to and fully investigated; believes that the repeated lack of candour by both NHS boards and the Scottish Government in respect of the Queen Elizabeth

University Hospital and other scandals is unacceptable; further believes that this lack of openness has placed a greater burden on patients, families and NHS staff and contributed to a growing loss of public trust, and calls, therefore, on Nicola Sturgeon to request to make a personal statement, with questions and answers, to the Scottish Parliament, given her role as Cabinet Secretary for Health and First Minister during the construction and opening of the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital."

***S6M-20561.1 Neil Gray: The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals**—As an amendment to motion S6M-20561 in the name of Anas Sarwar (The Role of Political Decision Making in NHS Scandals), leave out from “condemns” to end and insert “pays tribute to the brave patients, families and whistleblowers who have campaigned tirelessly for justice in the Scottish Hospitals Inquiry; recognises the pain, trauma and grief faced by patients and their families at the heart of this inquiry, and notes that the inquiry was established in 2019 to ensure that every individual impacted is able to get the truth that they deserve; notes the fundamental importance of the independence of inquiries, which are enshrined in legislation, under the control of an independent chair, and which operate transparently, reaching conclusions that are not to be influenced by ministers or other vested interests, and agrees, therefore, that the independent Scottish Hospitals Inquiry Chair must be given the time and space to consider all the available evidence.”

Supported by: Maree Todd*, Tom Arthur*, Jenni Minto*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S6M-20585 Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Walk Run Cycle East Dunbartonshire Awarded National Lottery Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates Walk Run Cycle East Dunbartonshire on securing £6,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund Scotland to support the continued delivery of its Pause and Reflect project; commends the charity for its dedication to enhancing wellbeing across East Dunbartonshire through the creation of quiet, reflective outdoor spaces; recognises that the project has already delivered beautifully crafted benches at Christine’s Way in Lenzie and within the Milton of Campsie Fairy Woods, with three additional benches now in production; acknowledges the charity’s ambition to expand the project even further, reflecting both its strong community leadership and its commitment to improving outdoor environments for residents; celebrates the positive impact Walk Run Cycle East Dunbartonshire continues to have on local health, connectedness and outdoor accessibility, and wishes the organisation every success.

***S6M-20584 Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Bearsden Young Athlete James Alexander Wins ClubSport Glasgow Individual Performance Award**—That the Parliament congratulates 17-year-old James Alexander, a young athlete from Bearsden and a member of the Garscube Harriers, on winning the Individual Performance Award at the ClubSport Glasgow Annual Awards 2025; notes that this accolade recognises a club athlete who has made an outstanding contribution to competitive sport and the wider sporting community; commends James not only for his athletic ability but also for the dedication and commitment which have been recognised by his coach and club, who highlighted both his promising future and his positive contribution to club life; celebrates the strong sense of community pride within Bearsden, which continues to encourage and support young athletes such as James, and wishes James every success in his future endeavours.

***S6M-20583 Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Milngavie Ski Racer, Jamie Thomson, Qualifies for European and World Cup Circuits**—That the Parliament congratulates Jamie Thomson of Milngavie, a 16-year-old alpine ski racer, on his continued progression through the UK para alpine development pathway; notes that Jamie, who learned to ski locally through Bearsden Snowsports Club and now competes as part of the GB Para Alpine Development Squad, is aiming to race on the European and World Cup circuits over the coming years; commends his outstanding achievements to date, including securing fifth place in the giant slalom at the German Para Nationals, where he was the youngest competitor in his classification, and for undertaking intensive training blocks in Austria as part of his preparation for FIS level competition; recognises the dedicated support provided by his family, coaching team, and the development programmes of Snowsport Scotland and GB Snowsport; celebrates the strong

community pride felt in Milngavie, which continues to champion its young athletes and their ambitions, and wishes Jamie success for all future competitions.

***S6M-20582 Christine Grahame: Young Speakers Scotland Public Speaking Final 2026**—That the Parliament congratulates the young people from Earlston High School in the Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale constituency who have reached the final of Young Speakers Scotland's national public speaking competition; notes that the Public Speaking Final will take place on 14 March 2026 at Nicolson Square Venues in Edinburgh; recognises the confidence, communication skills and dedication required to reach this stage of the competition; commends Young Speakers Scotland for providing opportunities for young people to develop their public speaking abilities and express their views, and wishes all participants the very best for the final.

***S6M-20581 Kevin Stewart: Aberdeen Central's Scottish Edge Awards Winner**—That the Parliament congratulates three Aberdeen-based businesses on receiving Scottish EDGE Awards to help with their development; notes that Brigid Bio received £150,000 in grants and loans to progress its work in pioneering the development of innovative immunotherapies for the treatment of life-threatening, drug-resistant fungal infections; understands that mycoBiologics Limited received £85,000 in grants and loans for developing new, safer, more effective therapy for hospitalised patients with deadly fungal infections; further understands that ZygoteLink Ltd received a £10,000 grant for its work transforming cattle breeding with SemenMart, an AI-driven platform enabling smarter genetic selection, trait prediction and sustainable herd productivity; notes that Scottish EDGE is a competition aimed at identifying and supporting Scotland's up-and-coming, innovative, high-growth potential entrepreneurial talent; hopes that these awards contribute towards the success of these businesses and the full development of their products, and wishes them all the very best of luck in their endeavours.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing*, Kenneth Gibson*, Miles Briggs*, Jamie Hepburn*, Bill Kidd*, Elena Whitham*, Brian Whittle*, David Torrance*, Karen Adam*

***S6M-20580 Kevin Stewart: University of Aberdeen Founders' Week**—That the Parliament welcomes the return of Founders' Week at the University of Aberdeen; notes that the week-long programme of events, running from 9 to 13 February 2026, marks the 531st anniversary of the University of Aberdeen's foundation in 1495, by William Elphinstone, Bishop of Aberdeen and Chancellor of Scotland, as King's College; understands that events will give members of the public the opportunity to explore groundbreaking research at the University through hands-on activities, as well as tours of the campus and visits to the Gallery at the Sir Duncan Rice Library and the Zoology Museum, and the prestigious Andrew Carnegie Lecture by Dr Suzanne O'Sullivan; believes that this event is a great way of celebrating the University of Aberdeen's long and illustrious history of teaching and research, and wishes everyone taking part all the very best with their endeavours.

Supported by: Michelle Thomson*, Karen Adam*, Clare Haughey*, Murdo Fraser*, Alasdair Allan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Evelyn Tweed*, Jamie Hepburn*, Miles Briggs*, Marie McNair*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*

***S6M-20578 Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Dementia Heroes Café Opens in Milngavie**—That the Parliament congratulates Arvind Salwan, founder of Dementia Heroes, on the opening of the weekly Dementia Café at Waitrose, Milngavie; recognises Arvind's tireless work supporting unpaid carers and people living with dementia across Scotland; commends the positive impact of Dementia Heroes cafés in Glasgow and the West of Scotland; acknowledges Arvind's advocacy on the lived experience panels of Dementia UK and Alzheimer's Research UK; pays tribute to his social entrepreneurship and innovative partnerships that bring together national and local organisations to build dementia-friendly communities, tackle stigma and support research; highlights the success of the Dementia Heroes' library dementia hour service in addressing health inequalities, particularly in socially deprived and minority communities, and recognises the value of his lived experience, dedicated to the memory of his late father, Sudershan Kumar Salwan, and the shared carers' values of love, compassion and empathy.

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***[S6M-20577](#) Clare Adamson: Acknowledging the Contributions of Sir Alexander Gibson and Lady Veronica Gibson to Scotland's Musical and Cultural Life**—That the Parliament acknowledges the cultural contribution to Scotland made by Sir Alexander Gibson on what would have been his 100th birthday; recognises that he was the first Scot to serve as Principal Conductor of the Scottish National Orchestra, a position that he held for 25 years; notes that he was the founder of Scottish Opera in 1962, Scotland's national opera company; recognises his lifelong mission to make classical music and opera accessible to all, and his dedication to nurturing musicians and singers to achieve their highest potential; acknowledges that his vision continues through the organisations that he shaped and led, which bring world-class opera and music to diverse audiences across Scotland, including the upcoming world premiere of *The Great Wave*, and recognises the contribution of his wife, Lady Veronica Gibson, who played a key role in Scottish Opera's development from its inception, and served as its President from 2013 until her death in 2022. **R**

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***[S6M-20576](#) Graeme Dey: Suspension of Standing Orders**—That the Parliament agrees that, for the purposes of consideration of the supplementary legislative consent memorandum on the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill, Rules 9B.3.5 and 9B.3.6 of Standing Orders are suspended.

***[S6M-20575](#) Graeme Dey: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Investment Zones Relief) (Scotland) Order 2026 [draft] be approved.

***[S6M-20574](#) Graeme Dey: Stage 2 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill at stage 2 be completed by 20 February 2026.

***[S6M-20573](#) Graeme Dey: Stage 2 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill at stage 2 be completed by 20 February 2026.

***[S6M-20572](#) Graeme Dey: Stage 2 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Contract (Formation and Remedies) (Scotland) Bill at stage 2 be completed by 6 February 2026.

***[S6M-20571](#) Graeme Dey: Stage 2 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill at stage 2 be completed by 20 February 2026.

***[S6M-20570](#) Graeme Dey: Stage 1 Timetable**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be completed by 6 February 2026.

***[S6M-20569](#) Graeme Dey: Business Programme**—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 3 February 2026

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

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

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill – UK Legislation

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.15 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 4 February 2026

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

followed by Motion on Reconsideration of a Bill: European Charter of Local Self-Government (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.40 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 5 February 2026

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Climate Action and Energy, and Transport

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Ecocide (Scotland) Bill

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Non-surgical Procedures and Functions of Medical Reviewers (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 10 February 2026

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

7.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 11 February 2026

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands; Health and Social Care

followed by Scottish Labour Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.10 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 12 February 2026

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Portfolio Questions: Social Justice and Housing

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Budget (Scotland) (No. 5) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 2 February 2026, in rule 13.7.3, after the word “except” the words “to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or” are inserted.

***S6M-20568 Graeme Dey: Revision to Business Programme**—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—

(a) Tuesday 27 January 2026—

delete

9.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

10.00 pm Decision Time

(b) Wednesday 28 January 2026—

after

followed by Motion on Legislative Consent: Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill – UK Legislation

insert

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill

delete

5.30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

and insert

9.30 pm Decision Time

(c) Thursday 29 January 2026—

delete

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Education and Skills

and insert

2.15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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after

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Greyhound Racing (Offences) (Scotland) Bill

insert

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Fruit and Vegetables) (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2026 [draft]

delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

5.25 pm Decision Time

***S6M-20565 Craig Hoy: Commending Dumfries High School**—That the Parliament commends Dumfries High School for its outstanding contribution to the local community through its December foodbank appeal for Apex Foodbank; notes that pupils, staff and families donated more than 2,000 food items and £1,178 in cash to support local people in need; recognises the generosity and community spirit shown by the school; acknowledges the vital role played by local foodbanks in supporting vulnerable individuals and families across Dumfries and Galloway, and congratulates Dumfries High School on another successful year of raising funds and food for the foodbank.

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***S6M-20564 Alexander Stewart: The Hive in Alloa Welcomes Almost £100,000 in National Lottery Funding**—That the Parliament welcomes the news that an Alloa youth centre, The Hive, which is located on the town's Mill Street, has received a welcome funding boost of almost £100,000 to continue its activities; understands that the money, from the National Lottery Fund's Young Start Scotland Awards, will maintain the centre's service provision for the next two years, including its popular Wasp Community Club, which is aimed at 10- to 17-year-olds, and expanding its programme to include a new focus on employability skills; believes that, over the funding period, the project is set to engage with around 600 young people; notes that it will do this with the help of 10 volunteers, who will play a vital role in delivery and peer support, which will be led by newly recruited youth workers alongside an existing key development worker; believes that, since opening its doors in place of the former Klub21 nightclub in May 2025, more than 250 young people have registered as members of The Hive, which organisers say highlights the "strong demand for safe, inclusive, and youth-led spaces in Alloa"; acknowledges that a large part of the initial work was carried out by a group of students from Alloa Academy, who helped with painting and redecorating the facility and providing ideas for what it should look like; commends everyone involved with gaining this funding for what it considers is as such an excellent and visionary project, and wishes the management, volunteers, workers and service users all the very best for The Hive's continued success well into the future.

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***S6M-20562 Maggie Chapman: A Play for Torry**—That the Parliament recognises and celebrates *A Play for Torry*, a community-led theatre production presented at Aberdeen Arts Centre and a venue in Torry, which reflects the voices, experiences and history of the Torry community in Aberdeen; congratulates and commends the artists, residents and organisers involved for demonstrating the power of locally rooted storytelling to strengthen cultural identity, social connection and civic pride;

acknowledges what it sees as the importance of accessible arts provision to demonstrate that communities across Scotland can see and be part of their lives and histories represented on stage; considers that community-led productions, such as *A Play for Torry*, often rely on limited and short-term funding despite delivering significant cultural and social value, and encourages continued and enhanced support for community-based theatre, including the funding necessary to enable productions of this kind to tour and be shared with audiences across Scotland, ensuring that the benefits of grassroots cultural work are felt well beyond their place of origin.

***S6M-20558 Maggie Chapman: WASPI Women February Campaign**—That the Parliament understands that the UK Government continues to refuse to compensate more than 3.5 million women born in the 1950s who were affected by the DWP's failure to properly inform them of State Pension age increases; believes that many women involved with the Women Against State Pension Inequality (WASPI) campaign, including those living in the North East region, had their retirement plans thrown into chaos and were left with next to no time to make alternative arrangements; understands that those affected were forced to spend what little savings they had and were denied the opportunity to make informed decisions, which, it believes, had significant ongoing impacts for many; believes that, despite an apology from ministers for mistakes made, the UK Government is still refusing to comply with the Parliamentary Ombudsman's instruction to compensate WASPI women; recognises that, through its Judicial Review, WASPI has forced the UK Government to retake the decision on compensation before 2 March 2026; believes that February 2026 will see WASPI's campaigning to encourage MPs of all parties to support their call, and urges the Scottish Government to highlight the importance of this decision to women in Scotland.

***S6M-20469 Paul McLennan: Commending the Courage of Palestine Action Hunger Strikers**—That the Parliament notes the reported conclusion of a prolonged hunger strike by three detained activists, Kamran Ahmed, Heba Muraisi and Lewie Chiaramello, who ended their protest after more than two months, with Muraisi reaching 73 days, Ahmed 66 days, and Chiaramello fasting on alternate days for 45 days; understands that the activists suspended their hunger strike following confirmation that Elbit Systems UK, a subsidiary of what is widely recognised as Israel's largest weapons manufacturer, had been denied a major UK Government defence contract, meeting what they described as one of their key demands; further understands that activist Umer Khalid remains on hunger strike; acknowledges the serious personal risk that they undertook, with reports noting that several strikers faced deteriorating health conditions during their protest, prompting urgent medical concern from supporters and observers; commends the activists for their commitment to this non-violent form of protest and for drawing public attention to issues surrounding arms manufacturing, government contracting and human rights in Palestine; believes that their actions inspired wider discussion about prison conditions, prolonged remand periods, and the right to peaceful political protest in the UK, including engagements between prison healthcare leadership and representatives of the hunger strikers, and expresses solidarity with all individuals engaging in peaceful activism to advance human rights and international justice.

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Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S6M-20560 Clare Haughey: Retiral of Brendan Rooney, Executive Director of Healthy n Happy Community Development Trust (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Stuart McMillan*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20559 Alasdair Allan: Stephen Libby Crowned Traitors' Champion (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Annie Wells*, Paul Sweeney*, Stuart McMillan*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20556 Christine Grahame: Welcoming Increased Funding for Scotland's Colleges (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Kevin Stewart*, Jamie Hepburn*, Karen Adam*, Bob Doris*, Clare Adamson*, Stuart McMillan*

S6M-20555 Tess White: Lothians Speak Their Name Memorial Quilt Scotland-Wide Tour (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20554 Tess White: Congratulating Mearns Academy on a Positive Inspection (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S6M-20553 Tess White: Paws on Plastic Receives The King's Award for Voluntary Services (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*

S6M-20552 Finlay Carson: John MacMillan Appointed MBE in Honours List (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Stuart McMillan*, Craig Hoy*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Clare Adamson*, Liam Kerr*, Brian Whittle*

S6M-20551 Finlay Carson: Kate Kaye Awarded British Empire Medal in Honours List (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Annabelle Ewing*, Miles Briggs*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Meghan Gallacher*, Annie Wells*, Douglas Ross*, Alexander Stewart*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Clare Adamson*, Liam Kerr*, Craig Hoy*, Brian Whittle*

S6M-20548 Liam Kerr: Recognising the Contribution of Jon Oakey, Chief Financial Officer for Port of Aberdeen, on his Retirement (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20547 Richard Leonard: Recognising Footballing Legend Billy Bremner (lodged on 26 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Paul Sweeney*, Carol Mochan*, Gillian Mackay*, Clare Adamson*, Brian Whittle*

S6M-20546 Kenneth Gibson: 100th Anniversary of John Logie Baird's First Television (lodged on 23 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20545 Kenneth Gibson: 250 Year Anniversary of Adam Smith's Wealth of Nations (lodged on 23 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20544 Kevin Stewart: The Return of NuArt to Aberdeen (lodged on 23 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20543 Kevin Stewart: Impact of the Energy Profits Levy on the North East Economy (lodged on 23 January 2026)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20542 Rona Mackay: Clyde Garage Doors Ltd of Kirkintilloch Triumphs at Business Awards (lodged on 23 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20540 Roz McCall: Stroke Prevention Day 2026 (lodged on 23 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Annie Wells*, Craig Hoy*, Alexander Stewart*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Liam McArthur*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Monica Lennon*, Meghan Gallacher*, Jeremy Balfour*, Annabelle Ewing*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Martin Whitfield*, Liam Kerr*, Karen Adam*, Audrey Nicoll*, Clare Adamson*, Stuart McMillan*, Mercedes Villalba*, Brian Whittle*

S6M-20539 Jackson Carlaw: Success of East Renfrewshire Cycling Initiative for Children

(lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20530 Michelle Thomson: Scottish Musician Jasmin Jet Named on Youth Music's Ones to Watch List for 2026 (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20529 David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Boys Club Double Celebration (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20528 Bill Kidd: Worsening Situation in Northern Syria (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20524 Tim Eagle: Erskine Veterans Activity Centre North in Forres Raises £12,400 (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20523 Tim Eagle: Forres Bluefins Secures Community Funding (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20522 Tim Eagle: Epic Tree Care is Most Trusted Trader for Second Year (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20521 Michael Marra: Publication of Level Up Scotland: A National Action Plan for the Scottish Games Sector (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20520 Tim Eagle: Celebrating the Careers of Moray Firth Credit Union Manager, Maggie Bell, and Supervisor, Linda Strathdee (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20518 Neil Bibby: Recognising the Economic Contribution of Scottish Professional Football (lodged on 21 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20517 Evelyn Tweed: Celebrating Local Winners of Sportscotland Scottish Sports Awards 2025 (lodged on 21 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20516 Evelyn Tweed: Congratulating Heather Hall on Receipt of a BEM (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20515 Kevin Stewart: Recognising the Efforts of Craig Stirrat (lodged on 21 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20514 Alexander Stewart: Welcoming the Return of Central Safe Drive, Stay Alive for 2026 (lodged on 21 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20513 Alexander Stewart: Ten Years of The Ladybird Tea Room in Alloa (lodged on 21 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20512 Emma Harper: Success of Big Burns Supper and Dumfries Carnival (lodged on 21 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20508 Claire Baker: Recognising Iwona Wrobel Being Named as the Latest Recipient of the Adam Smith 300 Enterprise Scholarship (lodged on 21 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

S6M-20507 Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Congratulating the Elders of the Lochside Union for being Awarded Certificates of Long Service (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20506 Jamie Greene: All In for the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20505 Dr Pam Gosal MBE: Clydebank Schoolgirl Cora Courtney Qualifies for the ADC IBC Youth International Ballet Competition in USA (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20504 Fulton MacGregor: Recognising the Economic Contribution of Scottish Professional Football (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20502 Alexander Burnett: Hollie Davidson Makes Six Nations History (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20497 Brian Whittle: Sport and Activity as a Force for Good (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Murdo Fraser*, Liz Smith*, Annabelle Ewing*, Meghan Gallacher*, Colin Beattie*, Dr Sandesh Gulhane*, Alexander Stewart*, John Mason*, Douglas Ross*, Annie Wells*, Elena Whitham*, Liam McArthur*, Bill Kidd*, Liam Kerr*, Dr Pam Gosal MBE*, Craig Hoy*, Miles Briggs*, David Torrance*

S6M-20494 Jackson Carlaw: 50th Anniversary of St Cadoc's Primary School and Nursery (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20493 Ross Greer: Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20492 Jackson Carlaw: Calderwood Lodge Receives Exemplary Education Scotland Report (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

S6M-20491 Tim Eagle: Moray Business Revives Rothes Brewery (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20489** Claire Baker: Recognising and Celebrating the 80th Anniversary of the Twinning Link between Burntisland and Flekkefjord, Norway](#) (lodged on 20 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20488** Bill Kidd: Scottish Hazards' 25th Annual Conference](#) (lodged on 21 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20483** David Torrance: Inaugural Awards at The British Horror Studio in Kirkcaldy](#) (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20480** Maggie Chapman: Dana Petroleum](#) (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Foysol Choudhury*

[**S6M-20479** Jackson Carlaw: Busby Primary School Reaches 150th Anniversary](#) (lodged on 16 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20478** Jackson Carlaw: Netherlee Takeaway Wins Fish and Chips Award](#) (lodged on 16 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20477** Emma Harper: Happy Faces Nursery and After School Club Awarded Excellent Grading by Care Inspectorate](#) (lodged on 16 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20476** Michelle Thomson: Grangemouth Runner Amy Meichan Receives Awards for Strathcarron Hospice 10k Success](#) (lodged on 16 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20474** Emma Harper: Outstanding Fundraising for Marie Curie](#) (lodged on 16 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20467** Paul McLennan: Commending St Andrew Blackadder Church for Raising £2,801 for Jamaica Hurricane Relief](#) (lodged on 19 January 2026)

New Support: Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20466** Paul McLennan: Celebrating Archerfield Walled Garden's £80,000 Milestone in Support of Reverse Rett](#) (lodged on 22 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*, Clare Adamson*

[**S6M-20463** Liam McArthur: St Magnus Cathedral Marks Holocaust Memorial Day with Moving Exhibition by Orkney-based Artist](#) (lodged on 15 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[**S6M-20462** Liam McArthur: Five S3 Pupils from Stromness Academy Earn £3,000 Grant for Local Charity Soma's Light](#) (lodged on 15 January 2026)

New Support: Tess White*

[**S6M-20329** Douglas Ross: Recognising Concerns Regarding Moray FLOW-Park](#) (lodged on 7 January 2026)

New Support: Emma Roddick*

[**S6M-20318** Kenneth Gibson: Holocaust Memorial Day 2026, Bridging Generations](#) (lodged on 7 January 2026)

New Support: Christine Grahame*

Questions

Written Questions

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

Government Initiated Questions lodged on 27 January 2026

S6W-43334 George Adam: To ask the Scottish Government what additional steps it is taking to support planning and the development of relationships between social work education providers and employers.

S6W-43354 Jackie Dunbar: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its plans to publish an updated Offshore Wind Policy Statement in 2025-26, as set out in its Green Industrial Strategy.

Written Questions lodged on 27 January 2026

S6W-43328 Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government what response or feedback was provided to the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs after she submitted a note of her private call with Professor Alexis Jay, in light of it subsequently being found to have breached the Ministerial Code.

S6W-43329 Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on the volume of whisky production that has been lost due to an inability to abstract water from the River Spey in each of the last five years.

S6W-43330 Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government what information it has on how any inability to abstract water from the River Spey impacted the production of Scotch whisky in 2025, and how many litres of whisky production were lost as a result.

S6W-43331 Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the evidence given by the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs to the Education, Children and Young People Committee on 17 December 2025, for what reason she answered "I do not think so. No, I do not" when asked if she believed that the private call that she held with Professor Alexis Jay should be investigated by the Independent Advisers on the Ministerial Code.

S6W-43332 Douglas Ross: To ask the Scottish Government when the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs (a) wrote-up the note of her private call with Professor Alexis Jay, and when the note was (b) submitted to her Private Office and (c) shared with (i) special advisers and (ii) other civil servants.

S6W-43333 Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government when it will begin the review of council tax arrears for victims of domestic abuse, as required by the Housing (Scotland) Act 2025.

S6W-43335 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what national guidance applies to the delivery of annual health checks for adults with learning disabilities, and whether these checks are expected to be offered within GP practices as standard, with home visits provided as a reasonable adjustment where required.

S6W-43336 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether home-based annual health checks for adults with learning disabilities are an adjustment of choice, or the default model of delivery, and how equity of access to GP practices is ensured in this regard.

S6W-43337 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what steps are taken to ensure consistent implementation of annual health checks for adults with learning disabilities across NHS boards and GP practices.

S6W-43338 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether routine annual thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH) testing is recommended for adults with Down syndrome as part of annual health checks, regardless of whether the individual is currently prescribed thyroid medication.

S6W-43339 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how GP practices are expected to support routine monitoring, such as blood tests, for adults with Down syndrome, and whether requiring families to request tests individually aligns with the intent of any national guidance.

S6W-43340 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what guidance exists for GP practices in relation to making reasonable adjustments under equality legislation to support adults with learning disabilities to attend GP premises, including allowing other NHS services, such as learning disability nursing teams, to use practice facilities where appropriate.

S6W-43341 Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is taking to minimise the risk of delays in the consenting appeals process for critical grid infrastructure.

S6W-43342 Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government what measures it is taking to ensure that it is on track to deliver the timely consent decisions for the critical grid upgrades that are needed to unlock Scotland's offshore wind potential.

S6W-43343 Maggie Chapman: To ask the Scottish Government whether the review of the legislative landscape of Scotland's care system, which is being led by Professor Kenneth Norrie, will explicitly include unaccompanied asylum seeking children and young people, including whether it will consider the specific legal and immigration related processes that affect their care, protection and long-term outcomes.

S6W-43344 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the impact on (a) environmental, (b) air and (c) water quality of the shutdown of the waste incinerator in East Tullos.

S6W-43345 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to (a) environmental, (b) air and (c) water quality as part of its assessment of energy from waste incineration facilities in Scotland.

S6W-43346 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration it has given to (a) local authority, (b) co-operative and (c) worker ownership as part of its assessment of energy from waste incineration facilities in Scotland.

S6W-43347 Mercedes Villalba: To ask the Scottish Government what recent communication it has had with (a) Aberdeen City Council, (b) Aberdeenshire Council, (c) Moray Council, (d) SEPA and (e) Energy From Waste (EfW) Ness regarding the shutdown of the waste incinerator in East Tullos.

S6W-43348 Bob Doris: To ask the Scottish Government what estimate it has made of the total cost of mitigating any impact in Scotland of UK Government policy decisions since 2007-08, also broken down by the amount spent in (a) each of the last five years and (b) since April 2025.

S6W-43350 Michael Marra: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with (a) Glasgow City Council and (b) Historic Environment Scotland in relation to supporting the preservation of the category A-listed Egyptian Halls.

S6W-43351 Michelle Thomson: To ask the Scottish Government what the impact might be for retail properties that are liable for the (a) basic and (b) intermediate rate in each of the next three years as a result of the proposed retail, hospitality and leisure sectors rates relief from April 2026, which was set out in its draft Budget 2026-27.

S6W-43352 Michelle Thomson: To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has received from representatives of the retail industry in response to the proposed retail, hospitality and

leisure sectors rates relief from April 2026, which was set out in its draft Budget 2026-27.

S6W-43353 Michelle Thomson: To ask the Scottish Government how many retail properties that are liable for the (a) basic and (b) intermediate property rate in 2026-27 will receive support from the proposed retail, hospitality and leisure sectors rates relief, which was set out in its draft Budget 2026-27.

S6W-43355 Murdo Fraser: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Scottish Retail Consortium's analysis of its draft Budget 2026-27, as set out in its Post-Budget submission to the Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee, that the new retail, hospitality and leisure sectors' rates relief "is less generous at every level than England's RHL relief", that the difference in the poundage rates is set to move from being a "gap ... to become a chasm", and overall that the relief "doesn't match the more competitive rates regime for retailers in England being introduced from April 2026".

S6W-43361 Fulton MacGregor: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to review the transplant pathways for people who have received the Fontan procedure and/or who are complex congenital heart disease patients, and what steps it is taking to help ensure that they do not need to travel outside Scotland to access what can be life-saving care.

S6W-43362 Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions ScotRail had with the Department for Transport regarding the issue of minimum railcard fares before 10.00 am for passengers in Scotland prior to the subsequent removal of peak fares from all ScotRail services.

S6W-43363 Ross Greer: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-42929 by Jenny Gilruth on 26 January 2026, what its position is on requiring schools to maintain a stock of spare adrenaline auto-injectors, in light of their importance in responding to a severe allergic reaction in a pupil who has not been diagnosed or experienced such a reaction previously.

S6W-43364 Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government when Ministers will engage with key local stakeholders, including the Caithness Health Action Team (CHAT), regarding the review of maternity services in Caithness, and what steps are being taken to ensure that such stakeholders are formally involved in the review process.

S6W-43365 Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on whether the Air Discount Scheme will be continued in its current form after March 2026.

New Bills and Accompanying Documents

New accompanying documents printed on 27 January 2026

Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (As amended at Stage 2)—A Supplementary Delegated Powers Memorandum (SP Bill 62A–DPM) have been printed. (Government Bill)

Amendments to Bills lodged on 27 January 2026**Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2****Before section 1****Natalie Don-Innes**

1 Before section 1, insert—

<Kinship care assistance

Kinship care needs assessment

- (1) The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 is amended by subsections (2) and (3).
- (2) After section 71, insert—

“71A Kinship care assistance: comprehensive needs assessment

- (1) A local authority must, in relation to a person falling within section 71(3) in the authority's area, offer to assess that person's kinship care assistance needs under this Part.
- (2) A person falling within section 71(3) in a local authority's area, may apply to the authority to request—
 - (a) an assessment of their kinship care assistance needs,
 - (b) a review of an existing assessment.”.
- (3) In section 73(3), after paragraph (c) insert—

“(ca) when or how a local authority is to assess a person's kinship care assistance needs,

(cb) when or how a local authority is to review an assessment of a person's kinship care assistance needs.”.
- (4) The Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 is amended by subsection (5).
- (5) In section 4 (provisions relating to performance of functions by local authorities), after “Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (asp 1)” insert “or section 71A of the Children and Young Persons (Scotland) Act 2014”.

Natalie Don-Innes

2 Before section 1, insert—

<Guidance in relation to kinship care assistance functions

- (1) The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 73, insert—

“73A Duty to have regard to guidance about the provision of kinship care assistance

- (1) A local authority must have regard to any guidance issued by the Scottish Ministers about—
 - (a) the discharge of functions conferred on it by this Part,
 - (b) matters arising in connection with the discharge of those functions.

- (2) Before issuing or revising any such guidance, the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) any person to which it relates, and
 - (b) such other persons as they consider appropriate.
- (3) As soon as practicable after issuing any guidance under this section (including a revised version), the Scottish Ministers must lay a copy before the Scottish Parliament.”.>

Natalie Don-Innes

3 Before section 1, insert—

<Kinship care assistance: power to require information-sharing by local authority

- (1) The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 73, insert—

“73B Kinship care assistance functions: information-sharing by local authority

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations require a local authority to provide them with information relating to functions conferred by this Part.
- (2) The information which a local authority may be required to provide under this section—
 - (a) includes, in particular, anonymised or aggregated information about—
 - (i) the number of kinship care assistance arrangements supported by the authority,
 - (ii) the types of assistance provided by the authority,
 - (iii) the effect of the assistance provided in terms of outcomes for children and their kinship carers,
 - (b) does not include information about individuals.
- (3) Regulations under this section may make provision about the manner and form in which the information is to be provided by a local authority.”.>

Jeremy Balfour

4 Before section 1, insert—

<Kinship care**Assistance in relation to kinship care**

- (1) The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 73 (kinship care assistance: further provision), after subsection (2), insert—

“(2A) An order under section 71(1) must specify that kinship care assistance provided to kinship carers must not be less than that which is provided to foster carers.”>

Section 1**Natalie Don-Innes**

5 In section 1, page 1, leave out line 21 and insert—

<(ia) attained the age of sixteen years on or after the day on which section 1(2) of the Children (Care, Care Experience and Services Planning) (Scotland) Act 2026 comes into force,
(ib) is less than twenty-six years of age,>

Natalie Don-Innes

6 In section 1, page 2, line 4, at end insert—

<(2ZB) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations modify subsection (2ZA)(b)(ia) to substitute, for the date for the time being specified there (however expressed), an earlier date.

(2ZC) Regulations made under subsection (2ZB) are subject to the negative procedure.”>

After section 2**Jeremy Balfour**

7 After section 2, insert—

<Aftercare for disabled children

(1) The Children (Scotland) Act 1995 is amended as follows.
(2) In section 29 (aftercare), after subsection (10) insert—

“(11) Without prejudice to the generality of subsections (1) and (2), a local authority must ensure a disabled person to whom those subsections apply receives support with the transition to adulthood.

(12) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations provide further details about how the duty in subsection (11) should be fulfilled consistently.
(13) Regulations made under subsection (12) are subject to the affirmative procedure.”>

Section 4**Jeremy Balfour**

8 In section 4, page 3, line 14, at end insert—

<() Regulations under subsection (1) must define “independent” for the purposes of subsection (2).>

Jeremy Balfour

9 In section 4, page 3, line 14, at end insert—

<() Regulations under subsection (1) must ensure that the rights of access to care experience advocacy services are conferred on an opt-in basis.>

Jeremy Balfour

10 In section 4, page 3, line 14, at end insert—

<() Regulations under subsection (1) must make provision to ensure care experience advocacy services are offered to those with a right of access at the earliest appropriate opportunity.>

After section 7**Fulton MacGregor**

11 After section 7, insert—

<CHAPTER**SUPPORT ETC FOR ADOPTION****Provision of post-adoption social work**

- (1) The Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 1 (duty of local authority to provide adoption service), in subsection (5), after paragraph (b) insert—

“(ba) ongoing specialist post-adoption social work.”>

Fulton MacGregor

12 After section 7, insert—

<CHAPTER**SUPPORT ETC FOR ADOPTION****Provision of peer support**

- (1) The Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 1 (duty of local authority to provide adoption service), in subsection (5), after paragraph (b) insert—

“(ba) peer support to such persons at different stages in the adoption process, including after an adoption has been concluded.”>

Fulton MacGregor

13 After section 7, insert—

<CHAPTER**SUPPORT ETC FOR ADOPTION****Sustainable funding for adoption support**

- (1) The Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 is amended as follows.

(2) In section 2 (carrying out of duties imposed by section 1), in subsection (1)—

- the word “and” immediately following paragraph (a) is repealed,
- after paragraph (a) insert—
“(aa) the desirability of ensuring sustainable funding for adoption support services to prevent adoption breakdown, and”.>

Fulton MacGregor

14 After section 7, insert—

<CHAPTER**SUPPORT ETC FOR ADOPTION****Adopted persons: care-experienced status**

- The Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 is amended as follows.
- In section 3 (adoption services: regulations)—
 - the existing provision becomes subsection (1),
 - after subsection (1), insert—
“(2) The Scottish Ministers must by regulations make provision to ensure that persons who have been adopted are recognised as having care-experienced status for the purposes of accessing relevant services and support, including access to mental health care services.”.
- In section 117 (orders and regulations), in subsection (5), after subparagraph (i) insert—
“(iza)section 3(2),”.>

Fulton MacGregor

15 After section 7, insert—

<CHAPTER**SUPPORT ETC FOR ADOPTION****Adoption breakdown: definition and data collection**

- The Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 is amended as follows.
- After section 79 (further consequences of placement and placement orders) insert—
“*Adoption breakdown*

79A Adoption breakdown: definition and data collection

The Scottish Ministers must by regulations provide for—

- a definition of “adoption breakdown”, and
- guidance for local authorities on the collection and sharing of information relating to adoption breakdown to enable—
 - accurate monitoring,
 - learning, and

(iii) prevention.”.

(3) In section 117 (orders and regulations), in subsection (5), in paragraph (a), after subparagraph (iii) insert—

“(iv) section 79A.”.>

Fulton MacGregor

16 After section 7, insert—

<CHAPTER**SUPPORT ETC FOR ADOPTION****Report on funding for therapeutic support**

(1) The Scottish Ministers must prepare and publish a report on the provision of funding for therapeutic support as an adoption support service under section 1 of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007.

(2) The report under subsection (1) must, in particular, include—

- (a) consideration of what funding support is available to adoption services to provide access to therapeutic support,
- (b) the Scottish Ministers’ recommendation as to whether there should be a national therapeutic support fund.>

Section 8**Natalie Don-Innes**

17 In section 8, page 7, line 1, after <service,> insert <or
(iii) a secure accommodation service,>

Natalie Don-Innes

18 In section 8, page 9, line 5, at end insert—
<() In section 105(1) (interpretation of Part 5), in paragraph (c) of the definition of “child”, for “and 78(2A) and (2B)” substitute “, 78(2A) and (2B), 78E(3) and 78F(2)”.>

After section 9**Natalie Don-Innes**

19 After section 9, insert—

<Services taking cross-border placements

(1) The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 is amended as follows.

(2) In section 105(1) (interpretation of Part 5), in the definition of “cross-border placement”, for “a residential establishment” substitute “residential accommodation”.>

After section 10**Natalie Don-Innes**

20 After section 10, insert—

<Allowances and other payments

Allowances and other payments

- (1) The Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 110 (allowances for care of certain children: regulations)—
 - (a) in subsection (1)—
 - (i) the words from “payments” to the end of the subsection become paragraph (a),
 - (ii) after that paragraph insert—

“(b) other payments by a local authority to foster carers.”,
 - (b) in subsection (3), after paragraph (e) insert—

“(f) requiring local authorities to publish the rates paid by them, in such manner and at such times as may be specified.”,
 - (c) after subsection (6) insert—

“(7) In this section, “foster carer” means a person approved as suitable to be a foster carer in accordance with the Looked After Children (Scotland) Regulations 2009 (S.S.I. 2009/210).”.
- (3) The section title of section 110 becomes “Allowances and other payments for care of certain children: regulations”.
- (4) The italic heading immediately before section 110 becomes “Care allowances and other payments: regulations”>

Natalie Don-Innes

21 After section 10, insert—

<Uprating of allowances

- (1) The Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 is amended by subsections (2) and (3).
- (2) In section 110 (allowances for care of certain children: regulations), after subsection (3) insert—

“(3A) Sections 86A and 86B of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 apply as if a rate of payment specified in regulations made under subsection (1)(a) was a relevant figure for the purposes of those sections.”.
- (3) In section 117 (orders and regulations), in subsection (5), paragraph (a), after sub-paragraph (iii) insert—

“(iv) section 110(1)(a) which make provision of a kind mentioned in subsection (3)(c) of that section,”
- (4) The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 is as amended by subsections (5) and (6).

(5) In section 73 (kinship care assistance: further provision)—

(a) after subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) Sections 86A and 86B of the Social Security (Scotland) Act 2018 apply as if a rate of payment specified in regulations mentioned in subsection (2B) was a relevant figure for the purposes of those sections.

(2B) The regulations are regulations made under section 71(2) that specify a rate of payment to be made to kinship carers.”,

(b) after subsection (4) insert—

“(5) In this section, “kinship carer” means a person approved as suitable to be a kinship carer in accordance with the Looked After Children (Scotland) Regulations 2009 (S.S.I. 2009/210).”.

(6) In section 99 (subordinate legislation), in subsection (2), after “section 68(3)(b)” insert—

“section 71(2), where provision of a kind mentioned in section 73(2B) is made”.>

Section 11

Natalie Don-Innes

22 In section 11, page 15, line 31, leave out <the functions to be carried out by the children’s hearing>

Natalie Don-Innes

23 In section 11, page 15, line 32, at beginning insert <the functions to be carried out by the children’s hearing>

Natalie Don-Innes

24 In section 11, page 15, leave out lines 34 to 36 and insert—

<() the National Convener is required to select three members of the Children’s Panel as members of the children’s hearing by virtue of section 6B(4)(b)(ii) or 6C(5)(b).>

Jeremy Balfour

25 In section 11, page 16, line 8, at end insert—

<(4AA) The Scottish Ministers must specify in regulations the functions of a the chairing member.

(4BB) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Natalie Don-Innes

26 In section 11, page 16, line 31, leave out from <decides> to end of line 35 and insert <is not required to select three members of the Children’s Panel as members of the children’s hearing by virtue of section 6C(5)(b).>

(1A) The National Convener must select one member of the Children’s Panel for the children’s hearing.

(1B) The member of the Children's Panel selected under subsection (1A) must be a chairing member. >

Natalie Don-Innes

27 In section 11, page 16, line 41, at end insert—

<6B Selection of additional members of children's hearing

(1) This section applies where—

- (a) a children's hearing is to be held in relation to a child by virtue of, or for the purposes of, this Act or any other enactment, and
- (b) the children's hearing consists of one member of the Children's Panel selected by the National Convener in accordance with section 6A ("the selected chairing member").

(2) The selected chairing member must, before the children's hearing is held, determine whether subsection (3) applies.

(3) This subsection applies where the selected chairing member considers that, in the circumstances of the case, it is appropriate for the functions which are to be carried out by the children's hearing to be carried out by a children's hearing consisting of three members of the Children's Panel.

(4) Where subsection (3) applies—

- (a) the selected chairing member must notify the National Convener of that fact, and
- (b) the National Convener must—
 - (i) select, in accordance with subsection (5), an additional two members of the Children's Panel as members of the children's hearing, or
 - (ii) where it is no longer practicable for the selected chairing member to chair the children's hearing, select in accordance with section 6 three members of the Children's Panel as members of the children's hearing.

(5) The National Convener must ensure that the children's hearing, so far as practicable—

- (a) includes both male and female members of the Children's Panel, and
- (b) consists only of members of the Children's Panel who live or work in the area of the local authority which is the relevant local authority for the child to whom the hearing relates.

(6) Where, following the selection of an additional two members of the Children's Panel as members of the children's hearing under subsection (4)(b)(i), the children's hearing includes more than one chairing member, the children's hearing is to be chaired by the selected chairing member unless—

- (a) the National Convener selects another chairing member to chair the hearing, or
- (b) the hearing agrees that another chairing member is to chair the hearing.

(7) In this section, "children's hearing" includes a pre-hearing panel.

6C Selection of members of children's hearing: determination by previous children's hearing

- (1) This section applies where a children's hearing is held in relation to a child.
- (2) Where there is no subsisting determination that subsection (3) applies, the chairing member of the children's hearing may, at the conclusion of the children's hearing, make a determination as to whether subsection (3) applies.
- (3) This subsection applies where the chairing member considers that, in the circumstances of the case, it is appropriate for the functions of any subsequent children's hearing falling with subsection (4) which requires to be arranged in relation to the child to be carried out by a children's hearing consisting of three members of the Children's Panel.
- (4) A children's hearing falls within this subsection if the functions to be carried out by the children's hearing consist solely of functions which are permitted to be carried out by one member of the Children's Panel.
- (5) Where the chairing member of the children's hearing determines under subsection (2) that subsection (3) applies—
 - (a) the chairing member must, as soon as reasonably practicable after making the determination, notify the National Convener of that fact, and
 - (b) the National Convener must, in relation to any subsequent children's hearing falling within subsection (4) which requires to be arranged in relation to the child, select in accordance with section 6 three members of the Children's Panel as members of the children's hearing.
- (6) Where there is a subsisting determination that subsection (3) applies, the chairing member of any subsequent children's hearing held in relation to the child may make a determination as to whether subsection (3) continues to apply.
- (7) Where the chairing member of a subsequent children's hearing determines under subsection (6) that subsection (3) no longer applies—
 - (a) the chairing member must, as soon as reasonably practicable after making the determination, notify the National Convener of that fact, and
 - (b) subsection (5)(b) ceases to apply.
- (8) In this section—

“children's hearing” includes a pre-hearing panel, and

“permitted” has the same meaning as in section 6.”.>

Natalie Don-Innes

28 In section 11, page 17, line 15, after <section> insert <89B(4A)(a),>

Natalie Don-Innes

29 In section 11, page 17, line 21, leave out <(1)> and insert <(1)(b)>

Natalie Don-Innes

30 In section 11, page 17, line 27, after <must> insert <—

- (a) if not satisfied that it is necessary for the protection, support, guidance, treatment or control of the child for a compulsory supervision order to be made, discharge the referral,
- (b) otherwise,>

Natalie Don-Innes

31 In section 11, page 17, line 34, leave out <91(1B)> and insert <91(1B)(b)>

Natalie Don-Innes

32 In section 11, page 17, line 40, leave out <(1)> and insert <(1)(a)>

Natalie Don-Innes

33 In section 11, page 18, line 9, leave out <91(1B)> and insert <91(1B)(b)>

Section 13**Natalie Don-Innes**

34 In section 13, page 19, leave out lines 26 and 27 and insert—

<()> for subsection (2) substitute—

“(2) The child must attend all or part of the children’s hearing if required to do so by—

- (a) that children’s hearing, or
- (b) a previous children’s hearing or pre-hearing panel held in relation to the child.”>

Natalie Don-Innes

35 In section 13, page 20, line 13, after <attend> insert <all or part of>

Natalie Don-Innes

36 In section 13, page 20, line 18, leave out subsection (6)

Natalie Don-Innes

37 In section 13, page 20, line 35, after <attend> insert <all or part of>

Natalie Don-Innes

38 In section 13, page 20, line 37, leave out from beginning to end line 2 on page 21

Natalie Don-Innes

39 In section 13, page 21, line 5, leave out from <“unless”> to <“if”> and insert <the words from “the hearing” to the end substitute “all or part of the hearing of the application if”>

Natalie Don-Innes

40 In section 13, page 21, line 19, after first <so> insert <under subsection (3)>

Natalie Don-Innes

41 In section 13, page 21, line 19, after second <so> insert <under subsection (2)>

Natalie Don-Innes

42 In section 13, page 21, line 21, leave out <the hearing under subsection (3)> and insert <all or part of the hearing under subsection (2)>

Natalie Don-Innes

43 In section 13, page 21, line 24, leave out from second <the> to <(3)> in line 25 and insert <all or part of the hearing on that day under subsection (2)>

Natalie Don-Innes

44 In section 13, page 21, line 29, leave out from <“unless”> to end of line 30 and insert <the words from “the hearing” to the end substitute “all or part of the hearing if required to do so by the sheriff.”>

Natalie Don-Innes

45 In section 13, page 21, line 30, at end insert—

<() after subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) Subsections (3) and (3A) of section 103 apply for the purposes of subsection (2) as they apply for the purposes of subsection (2) of that section.”>

Natalie Don-Innes

46 In section 13, page 21, line 35, after <attend> insert <all or part of>

Natalie Don-Innes

47 In section 13, page 22, line 3, leave out subsection (15)

Natalie Don-Innes

48 In section 13, page 22, line 24, leave out second <the>

Natalie Don-Innes

49 In section 13, page 22, line 25, leave out subsection (20)

Section 14**Jeremy Balfour**

50 In section 14, page 23, line 35, leave out <Principal Reporter considers appropriate> and insert <Scottish Ministers may specify in regulations>

Natalie Don-Innes

51 In section 14, page 24, leave out lines 21 to 26

Natalie Don-Innes

52 In section 14, page 24, line 30, after <maturity> insert <or, in the case of subsection (3)(b), any response received in relation to the offer made under subsection (3)(a)>

Jeremy Balfour

53 In section 14, page 24, line 35, at end insert—

<(9) Regulations under this section are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Natalie Don-Innes

54 In section 14, page 26, line 34, leave out <the matters mentioned in subsection (4)> and insert <one or more of the section 67 grounds specified in the statement of grounds>

Natalie Don-Innes

55 In section 14, page 27, leave out lines 6 to 9

Natalie Don-Innes

56 In section 14, page 28, line 24, leave out <where the child does not intend to attend,>

Natalie Don-Innes

57 In section 14, page 29, line 30, leave out <or 69F> and insert <, 69F or 71A>

Natalie Don-Innes

58 In section 14, page 29, line 30, at end insert—

<() after subsection (1A) insert—

“(1B) Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2) apply where an application to the sheriff is made by virtue of section 69D or 69E.”.>

Natalie Don-Innes

59 In section 14, page 29, line 30, at end insert—

<() In section 80 (determination of matter referred under section 79)—

(a) in subsection (2)—

(i) the words “the date fixed for the children’s hearing” become paragraph (a),

(ii) after that paragraph insert “, or

(b) where an application to the sheriff has been made under section 69D(2) or 69E(2), the date fixed for the hearing before the sheriff.”,

(b) in subsection (3), for “subsection (2)” substitute “subsection (2)(a)”.>

Natalie Don-Innes

60 In section 14, page 30, line 9, leave out <by the Principal Reporter> and insert <to the child by a person to whose views the grounds hearing consider it appropriate to have regard for the purposes of this subsection>

Natalie Don-Innes

61 In section 14, page 30, line 13, at end insert—
<(4A) Where subsection (3) does not apply by virtue of the child not having been given an explanation of the ground by any person to whose views the grounds hearing considers it appropriate to have regard for the purposes of that subsection, the grounds hearing must—
(a) require the Principal Reporter to arrange another grounds hearing, and
(b) subject to section 73(3), require the child to attend that hearing.>

Natalie Don-Innes

62 In section 14, page 30, line 14, after <apply> insert <for any other reason>

Natalie Don-Innes

63 In section 14, page 31, line 9, after <section> insert <89B(4A)(a) or>

Natalie Don-Innes

64 In section 14, page 31, line 16, after <must> insert <, in such manner as the chairing member considers appropriate in relation to the child>

Natalie Don-Innes

65 In section 14, page 31, line 26, after <must> insert <, in such manner as the chairing member considers appropriate in relation to each relevant person in relation to the child>

Natalie Don-Innes

66 In section 14, page 31, line 27, leave out <relevant person in relation to the child> and insert <such person>

Natalie Don-Innes

67 In section 14, page 32, leave out lines 3 to 6

Natalie Don-Innes

68 In section 14, page 35, line 23, after <section> insert <89B(4A)(a) or>

Natalie Don-Innes

69 In section 14, page 35, line 39, at end insert—

<() In section 96 (children's hearing to consider need for further interim compulsory supervision order), in subsection (1), for "a grounds hearing" substitute "or section 95A(3) a grounds hearing or, as the case may be, a children's hearing".>

Natalie Don-Innes

70 In section 14, page 36, line 24, leave out <(1)> and insert <(1)(a)>

Natalie Don-Innes

71 In section 14, page 36, line 25, leave out <(2)> and insert <(1A)>

Natalie Don-Innes

72 In section 14, page 36, line 32, leave out <(4)> and insert <(5)>

Natalie Don-Innes

73 In section 14, page 37, line 5, leave out <(5)> and insert <(4)>

After section 15**Natalie Don-Innes**

74 After section 15, insert—

<Relevant person's right to require review of compulsory supervision order

(1) The Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 is amended as follows.

(2) In section 79 (referral of certain matters for pre-hearing determination), in subsection (2), after paragraph (ba) insert—

“(baa) must refer for determination by a pre-hearing panel the matter of whether a request made by a relevant person in relation to a child for the Principal Reporter to initiate a review of a compulsory supervision order under section 132(3ZA) is frivolous or vexatious.”.

(3) After section 81A, insert—

“81AA Determination that review request by relevant person is frivolous or vexatious

(1) Subsection (2) applies where the Principal Reporter has referred to a meeting of a pre-hearing panel the matter of whether a request made by a relevant person in relation to a child for the Principal Reporter to initiate a review of a compulsory supervision order under section 132(3ZA) is frivolous or vexatious.

(2) The pre-hearing panel must discharge the children's hearing that is to be arranged as a result of the request if—

(a) there is no reason for the children's hearing to be arranged besides the request from the relevant person, and

(b) the pre-hearing panel determines that the request is frivolous or vexatious.”.

(4) In section 132 (right to require review)—

(a) in subsection (3), at the beginning insert “Except where subsection (3ZB) applies,”,

(b) after subsection (3), insert—

“(3ZA) Where subsection (3ZB) applies, the Principal Reporter must initiate a review of the compulsory supervision order if requested to do so by the relevant person mentioned in paragraph (a) of that subsection.

(3ZB) This subsection applies where—

- (a) a children's hearing has previously taken place by virtue of a relevant person in relation to the child requiring a review of the order under subsection (3),
- (b) the chairing member of the children's hearing made a determination at the conclusion of the hearing that the requiring of the review was frivolous or vexatious, and
- (c) that determination has not been revoked.

(3ZC) A determination mentioned in subsection (3ZB)(b) may be revoked by any subsequent children's hearing (including a pre-hearing panel) which takes place in relation to the child.”;

- (c) in subsection (4), in the opening words, after “reviewed” insert “by virtue of subsection (2), (3), (3ZA) or (3A)”.

Section 16

Natalie Don-Innes

75 In section 16, page 39, leave out lines 31 and 32

Natalie Don-Innes

76 In section 16, page 41, leave out lines 31 to 35

After section 16

Jeremy Balfour

77 After section 16, insert—

<Legal aid

Legal aid

- (1) The Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 28C (circumstances where children's legal aid automatically available)—
 - (a) in subsection (1)—
 - (i) the word “or” immediately following paragraph (e) is repealed,
 - (ii) immediately following paragraph (f), insert “, or”,
 - (iii) after paragraph (f) insert—

“(g) proceedings under Part 10 or 15 of the 2011 Act.”,
 - (b) in subsection (2)—
 - (i) the word “and” immediately following paragraph (d) is repealed,
 - (ii) immediately following paragraph (e) insert “, and”,
 - (iii) after paragraph (e) insert—

“(f) proceedings under Part 10 or 15 of the 2011 Act.”.

(3) Section 28D is repealed.>

After section 18

Natalie Don-Innes

78 After section 18, insert—

<Children's advocacy services: lack of age or capacity

- (1) The Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 122 (children's advocacy services), in subsection (7), after "assisting a child" insert "(whatever the child's age or capacity)".>

Natalie Don-Innes

79 After section 18, insert—

<Children's advocacy services: notification of hearings

- (1) The Children's Hearing (Scotland) Act 2011 is amended as follows.
- (2) After section 122, insert—

"122A Children's advocacy services provider to be notified of hearings

- (1) This section applies where—
 - (a) in relation to a child, a children's hearing is to be held by virtue of this Act or a hearing is to take place under Part 10, and
 - (b) the Principal Reporter is aware that children's advocacy services are being, or will be, provided in relation to the child in connection with the children's hearing or, as the case may be, hearing under Part 10.
- (2) The Principal Reporter must notify the person who is providing children's advocacy services in relation to the child of when and where the children's hearing or, as the case may be, hearing under Part 10 is to take place.".>

Jeremy Balfour

80 After section 18, insert—

<Children's advocacy services

- (1) The Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 122 (children's advocacy services), in subsection (2), after "child" insert ", at the earliest possible opportunity,">

Section 22

Natalie Don-Innes

81 In section 22, page 47, line 11, leave out <modified as follows> and insert <amended by subsections (2) to (12)>

Natalie Don-Innes

82 In section 22, page 49, line 24, at end insert—

<(13) The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 is amended by subsection (14).

(14) In section 59A (further provision in relation to registration of certain care services)—

- (a) in subsection (2)(b), for the words from “the persons” to the end substitute “the lead children’s services planning bodies in relation to each local authority area in which the service is to be provided.”,
- (b) subsection (3) is repealed,
- (c) after subsection (4), insert—

“(5) In subsection (2)(b), “lead children’s services planning bodies”, in relation to a local authority area, has the meaning given by section 7(1) of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014.”.>

After section 22**Nicola Sturgeon**

83 After section 22, insert—

<Outcomes of children’s services plans

(1) The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 is amended as follows.

(2) In section 9 (aims of children's services plan)—

- (a) in subsection (2), in paragraph (a)—
 - (i) the “and” immediately preceding sub-paragraph (iv) is repealed,
 - (ii) after sub-paragraph (iv) insert—

“() supports the delivery of local priorities and of such national outcomes, priorities and activities as the Scottish Ministers may by regulations prescribe, and

() promotes such outcomes in relation to the wellbeing of children in the area as the Scottish Ministers may by regulations prescribe.”,

(b) after subsection (2) insert—

“(3) Before making regulations under—

- (a) subsection (2)(a)(v), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (i) lead children’s services planning bodies,
 - (ii) such other persons as they consider appropriate,
- (b) subsection (2)(a)(vi), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (i) lead children’s services planning bodies for the area,
 - (ii) such other persons as they consider appropriate.”.

(3) In section 13 (reporting on children’s services plan), in subsection (1), paragraph (b), sub-paragraph (ii) is repealed>

Nicola Sturgeon

84 After section 22, insert—

<Process and review of children's services plans

- (1) The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 10 (children's services plan: process), after subsection (8) insert—
 - “(9) Where the Scottish Ministers or any of the other service providers have published a notice and statement under subsection (8), they must send a copy of the notice and statement to the lead children's services planning bodies in relation to the area.
 - (10) Where the lead children's services planning bodies receive a notice and statement under subsection (9), they must prepare and publish (in such manner as they consider appropriate) a response to the notice and statement.”.
- (3) In section 11 (children's services plan: review), after subsection (1) insert—
 - “(1A) Where a response is published under section 10(10) the lead children's services planning bodies may in consequence prepare a revised children's services plan.”.>

Nicola Sturgeon

85 After section 22, insert—

<Reporting of children's services plans

- (1) The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 13 (reporting on children's services plan)—
 - (a) after subsection (1) insert—
 - “(1A) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations prescribe other matters to be included in the report.”,
 - (b) after subsection (2) insert—
 - “(3) Before making regulations under subsection (1A), the Scottish Ministers must consult—
 - (a) lead children's services planning bodies,
 - (b) such other persons as they consider appropriate.”.>

Section 25**Natalie Don-Innes**

86 In section 25, page 50, line 9, at end insert—

<() The Scottish Ministers may by regulations amend section 29(2ZA)(b)(ia) of the Children (Scotland) Act so that, instead of referring to the day on which section 1(2) of this Act comes into force, it specifies the date on which that section actually came into force.>

Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill — Stage 2**Before section 1****Alasdair Allan**

1 Before section 1, insert—

<General functions of the Commission

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 1 (constitution and general functions of the Commission), in subsection (2)(a)(i), after “crofting” insert “and enforcing compliance with statutory duties”.>

Section 1**Jim Fairlie**

2 In section 1, page 2, line 1, after <3(2)> insert <of>

Rhoda Grant

3 In section 1, page 2, line 2, after <325> insert <(except in so far as the use of the croft for a use mentioned in paragraph (a)(ii) or (iii) of subsection (2) is incompatible with the croft being kept in accordance with such standards)>

Rhoda Grant

4 In section 1, page 2, line 18, at end insert—

<() in subsection (8), in the definition of “purposeful use”, in the opening words, after “and” insert “actively”,>

Rhoda Grant

5 In section 1, page 2, line 21, leave out <managed use which> and insert <actively managed use that is intended to provide an environmental benefit and>

Rhoda Grant

6 In section 1, page 2, line 21, after <the> insert <croft or the>

Rhoda Grant

7 In section 1, page 2, line 29, at end insert—

<but may not include the person engaging in a use for the purpose of the generation, transmission or storage of energy.>

Rhoda Grant

8 In section 1, page 2, line 31, leave out <or remove> and insert <, remove or exclude>

Jim Fairlie

9 In section 1, page 3, line 21, after <3(2)> insert <of>

Rhoda Grant

10 In section 1, page 3, line 23, after <325> insert <(except in so far as the use of the croft for a use mentioned in paragraph (a)(ii) or (iii) of subsection (3) is incompatible with the croft being kept in accordance with such standards)>

Section 4**Jim Fairlie**

11 In section 4, page 4, line 31, leave out <, 26DB>

Alasdair Allan

12 In section 4, page 5, line 28, after second <to> insert <—
(i) the Land Court, and
(ii)>

Jim Fairlie

13 In section 4, page 5, line 40, at end insert—

<(5) Where a notice is given to a person under subsection (1) and the Commission decline to do anything in relation to an application by virtue of subsection (3) the Commission must (as soon as reasonably practicable) notify the applicant of their decision to decline to do anything in relation to the application (and the reason for that decision).>

Jim Fairlie

14 In section 4, page 6, line 1, leave out <if representations are made> and insert <following expiry of notice period if no undertaking is given>

Jim Fairlie

15 In section 4, page 6, line 2, leave out from first <the> to end of line 3 and insert <, following a notice given under section 26C(1)—

(a) the period specified in section 26C(1)(b) has expired, and
(b) the relevant person has not given an undertaking to the Commission to comply with the duty.>

Jim Fairlie

16 In section 4, page 6, line 8, at end insert—

<(c) may, if the relevant person fails to make representations, infer that that failure constitutes acceptance by the person that the duty is not being complied with.>

Jim Fairlie

17 In section 4, page 6, line 9, after <with> insert <—
(a) if the Commission received representations within the period specified in section 26C(1)(b)>

Jim Fairlie

18 In section 4, page 6, line 13, at end insert—
<(b) if the Commission did not receive representations within the period specified in section 26C(1)(b) they may, before taking any action under section 26H or 26J, give the relevant person a further such notice.>

Jim Fairlie

19 In section 4, page 7, leave out lines 5 to 17

Jim Fairlie

20 In section 4, page 7, line 34, leave out <or 26DB>

Jim Fairlie

21 In section 4, page 7, line 39, at end insert—
<() in subsection (5), after “subsection” insert “(1A),”;
() in subsection (6), after “subsection” insert “(1A),”>

Section 5**Jim Fairlie**

22 In section 5, page 8, line 23, at end insert—
<(4) Where the Commission make an order under subsection (3), section 52A applies as if the decision to make the order were a decision of the Commission on an application to them under this Act.>

Section 6**Jim Fairlie**

23 In section 6, page 9, line 16, leave out <insert> and insert <substitute>

After section 6**Alasdair Allan**

24 After section 6, insert—
<Monetary penalties for non-compliance with crofting duties
(1) The 1993 Act is modified as follows.

(2) After section 59A insert—

“59B Power to make provision for imposing monetary penalties for non-compliance

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations—
 - (a) confer upon the Commission the power to impose and collect monetary penalties on persons who do not comply with such duties under this Act as are specified in the regulations,
 - (b) repeal or adjust any existing criminal offence and associated penalty for such duties, and
 - (c) make such further provision as they consider appropriate in connection with the imposition and collection of such penalties.
- (2) Regulations under this section must—
 - (a) provide for the imposition of a monetary penalty to be by way of written notice (a “penalty notice”),
 - (b) specify the amount of any penalty that may be imposed by the Commission,
 - (c) require penalties to be paid to the Commission,
 - (d) provide for the recovery of unpaid penalties as a civil debt,
 - (e) make provision about—
 - (i) a person’s right to appeal to the Land Court against a decision of the Commission to impose a penalty on the person, and
 - (ii) the grounds on which a person may appeal.
- (3) A penalty notice must include information as to—
 - (a) the grounds for imposing the penalty,
 - (b) the amount of the penalty,
 - (c) how payment may be made,
 - (d) the period within which payment must be made,
 - (e) rights of appeal, and
 - (f) the consequences of failure to make payment within the period specified.
- (4) The maximum monetary penalty that may be provided for in regulations under this section is to be no more than the maximum penalty that could be imposed in respect of an offence under level 1 on the standard scale.
- (5) Without limit to the generality of subsection (1)(c), regulations under this section may include provision—
 - (a) specifying the form of a penalty notice,
 - (b) about additional information which may or must be included in a penalty notice,
 - (c) about the circumstances in which a penalty notice may or may not be issued (including any test which must be satisfied before the Commission may do so),

- (d) about the withdrawal of penalty notices including when it is permissible, the effects of such withdrawal and the procedure by which the withdrawal is effected,
- (e) enabling the Commission to extend the period in which payment must be made in any particular case if the Commission considers it appropriate to do so,
- (f) about the methods by which penalties may be paid,
- (g) about the consequence of failing to make payment of the penalty within the period specified,
- (h) specifying additional procedure relating to decisions to impose a penalty or the issuing of penalty notices,
- (i) requiring the keeping of accounts and the preparation and publication of statements of account relating to penalties.

(6) Regulations under this section may also—

- (a) modify any enactment (including this Act),
- (b) make incidental, supplemental, transitional, transitory or saving provision, and
- (c) make different provision for different purposes.

(7) Before making regulations under this section, the Scottish Ministers must consult—

- (a) the Crofting Commission,
- (b) persons that they consider to be representative of the interests of crofters, and
- (c) any other person they consider appropriate.

(8) In this section, “the standard scale” has the meaning given by section 225(1) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995.”.

(3) In section 60 (regulations and orders), in subsection (3)(b), after “section 50(10)” (as inserted by section 18(7) of this Act) insert “, section 59B”>

Section 8

Alasdair Allan

25 In section 8, page 9, line 30, after <(1B)> insert <and sections 23(6A) and 26J(13)>

Alasdair Allan

26 In section 8, page 10, line 8, leave out from <and> to end of line 16 and insert—

- <(d) the crofter has, when submitting the application for consent to the Commission, given the landlord a copy of the application together with a notice—
 - (i) informing the landlord that the proposed assignee is a member of the crofter’s family, and

- (ii) indicating that the landlord may, before the expiry of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which notice is given, make representations to the Commission, and
- (e) the landlord of the croft has, during the period mentioned in paragraph (d)(ii), either consented to or not objected to the proposed assignation.”>

Before section 9

Alasdair Allan

27 Before section 9, insert—

<New crofts: power to determine applicant will become the owner-occupier crofter

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 3A, insert—

“3AZA New crofts: determination that applicant is to become the owner-occupier crofter

- (1) Subsection (2) applies in relation to an application made under section 3A(1) which—
 - (a) is made by an individual,
 - (b) relates to land which is not occupied, in whole or in part, by any tenant, and
 - (c) is accompanied by a statement of intent (which is a statement that the applicant wishes, if the Commission make a determination to exercise their power under section 3A(1) to constitute land as a croft, to become the owner-occupier crofter of the croft so constituted).
- (2) The procedure in section 3A continues to apply in relation to the application, but subject to the following modifications—
 - (a) the reference in subsection (5) to an application is to be read as including a reference to the statement of intent,
 - (b) the reference in subsection (6) to the application is to be read as including a reference to the statement of intent,
 - (c) as if for subsection (7) there were substituted—

“(7) After the period mentioned in subsection (6) has elapsed the Commission must—

- (a) determine whether to—

- (i) accept the application and in doing so—

- (A) exercise their power under subsection (1) to constitute the land as a croft, and

- (B) at the same time, determine that the applicant is to become the owner-occupier of the croft so constituted, or

- (ii) reject the application, and

- (b) give public notification of that determination.”,

(d) in subsection (8)—

- (i) the reference in paragraph (b) to the application is to be read as including a reference to the statement of intent,
- (ii) as if after paragraph (c) there were inserted—
 - “(d) whether the applicant is or will be ordinarily resident on, or within 32 kilometres of, the croft,
 - (e) whether the land is being or will be cultivated or put to any environmental use (within the meaning given in section 5C(8A)) or to such other purposeful use as is consented to under section 5C(4),
 - (f) any plan of the Commission approved and published under section 2C, and
 - (g) any other matter the Commission considers relevant.”,
- (e) subsection (9) is omitted.”.>

Section 9

Alasdair Allan

28 In section 9, page 10, line 24, leave out <“or> and insert <—

“(aa) the Commission determined the person to be an owner-occupier crofter at the time the land was constituted as a croft under section 3A (see section 3AZA), or>

Beatrice Wishart

29 In section 9, page 10, line 26, at end insert—

<() for subsection (2), substitute—

“(2) The first condition is that—

- (a) the person is the owner of a croft, and
- (b) if the person became the owner of the croft after the relevant date, the person is an individual.”,>

Alasdair Allan

30 In section 9, page 10, line 28, at end insert—

<() after paragraph (b), insert—

“(ba) is a successor in title to a person who was determined by the Commission to be the owner-occupier crofter of the croft at the time the land was constituted as a croft under section 3A,”,>

Beatrice Wishart

31 In section 9, page 10, line 29, leave out <“or> and insert <—

“(ca) purchased the croft from a non-natural person that became the owner of the croft after the relevant date having acquired the croft from the owner-occupier crofter of the croft or having purchased the croft from the constituting landlord (or is a successor in title to such a person who purchased the croft from the non-natural person), or>

Beatrice Wishart

32 In section 9, page 10, line 35, leave out <“or> and insert <—

“(ba) at any time since it was purchased by the non-natural person as mentioned in subsection (3)(ca), or>

Beatrice Wishart

33 In section 9, page 11, line 1, leave out <purpose of subsection (2),> and insert <purposes of subsections (2) and (3)—>

Jim Fairlie

34 In section 9, page 11, line 3, after <Sasines> insert <,

“relevant date” is the date on which section 9(2) of the Crofting and Scottish Land Court Act 2026 comes into force>

Alasdair Allan

35 In section 9, page 11, line 20, leave out <, as modified by subsection (3) of this section,>

Alasdair Allan

36 In section 9, page 11, leave out lines 24 to 30

Section 10**Beatrice Wishart**

37 Leave out section 10

After section 10**Alasdair Allan**

38 After section 10, insert—

<Power to make provision about the sale of owner-occupied crofts

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 29B, insert—

“*Transfer of owner-occupied crofts*

29C Power to make provision about the transfer of owner-occupied crofts

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision for or in connection with the transfer of owner-occupied crofts.

(2) Regulations under this section may, in particular, make provision—

- (a) specifying any conditions which must be met, by either by the purchaser or seller, prior to the transfer of an owner-occupied croft (including, for example, a requirement to obtain the prior consent of the Commission),
- (b) about the circumstances in which any condition specified may or may not apply in relation to such a transfer,
- (c) about the process for determining if such conditions are met including, for example—
 - (i) any requirement to give public notification of the proposed transfer,
 - (ii) the period during which, and manner in which, objections may be made, and
 - (iii) any particular matter to which regard must be had in making such a determination,
- (d) about the consequences of completing the transfer of the owner-occupied croft having failed to meet any condition specified (for example, the new owner does not become the owner-occupier crofter of the croft),
- (e) conferring functions on a person or persons of a description specified in the regulations,
- (f) about—
 - (i) a person's right to appeal to the Land Court against a decision of the Commission affecting the transfer of an owner-occupied croft, and
 - (ii) the grounds on which a person may appeal.

(3) Regulations under this section may also—

- (a) modify any enactment (including this Act),
- (b) make incidental, supplemental, transitional, transitory or saving provision, and
- (c) make different provision for different purposes.

(4) Before making regulations under this section, the Scottish Ministers must consult—

- (a) the Crofting Commission,
- (b) persons that they consider to be representative of the interests of owner-occupier crofters and crofters, and
- (c) any other person they consider appropriate.”.

(3) In section 60 (regulations and orders), in subsection (3)(b), after “section 5C(8B),” (as inserted by section 1(5) of this Act) insert “section 29C.”.

Section 11

Rhoda Grant

39 In section 11, page 12, line 16, after <not> insert <, unless they are satisfied that there are exceptional circumstances which merit it,>

Rhoda Grant

40 In section 11, page 12, line 24, after *<not>* insert *<*, unless they are satisfied that there are exceptional circumstances which merit it,*>*

After section 11**Alasdair Allan**

41 After section 11, insert—

<Authorisation by Land Court of acquisition of croft land: breach of duty

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 13 (authorisation by Land Court of acquisition of croft land), after subsection (2) insert—

“(2A) The Land Court—
 - (a) may, where it has received a copy of a notice given to the crofter by the Commission under section 26C(1), sist proceedings in respect of an application made under section 12(1) until the Commission confirm—
 - (i) they are satisfied that the duty is being complied with, or
 - (ii) any of the circumstances mentioned in section 26E(c), (d)(i), (e)(i) or (f)(i) apply, and
 - (b) must not make an order in accordance with subsection (1)(a) where it is satisfied by the Commission that the crofter is not complying with any of the duties mentioned in section 5AA, 5B or 5C.”.

Section 12**Jim Fairlie**

42 In section 12, page 12, line 35, leave out from beginning to end of line 3 on page 13

Jim Fairlie

43 In section 12, page 13, line 9, leave out subsections (4) and (5)

Section 14**Jim Fairlie**

44 In section 14, page 14, leave out lines 24 and 25 and insert—

<(b) either—

- (i) the period mentioned in section 12(5) of the 2010 Act, in relation to each registered croft, has expired with no application having been made to the Land Court under section 14(1) of that Act during that period, or
- (ii) if such an application was made—

(A) the application was abandoned, or

(B) the Court has disposed of the application by making an order under section 14(4)(b) of the 2010 Act or (as the case may be) by making no order under section 14(4)(b) of that Act, and>

Jim Fairlie

45 In section 14, page 14, line 27, leave out <(5)> and insert <deemed to be a croft by virtue of section 3(5)>

Jim Fairlie

46 In section 14, page 14, line 28, after <section> insert <—
(a) may be given subject to conditions (including, for example, that any specified land be conveyed),
(b)>

Jim Fairlie

47 In section 14, page 14, line 31, leave out <subsection (4)> and insert <this section>

Jim Fairlie

48 In section 14, page 15, line 2, leave out <subsection (4)> and insert <this section>

Jim Fairlie

49 In section 14, page 15, line 4, after <made> insert <or, if any conditions are specified in the direction, the date on which such conditions are satisfied>

Jim Fairlie

50 In section 14, page 15, line 8, leave out from <bring> to end of line 9 and insert <remap boundaries>

Jim Fairlie

51 In section 14, page 15, line 10, after <where> insert <an owner,>

Jim Fairlie

52 In section 14, page 15, line 18, after <The> insert <owner,>

Jim Fairlie

53 In section 14, page 15, line 20, leave out <crofter or owner-occupier> and insert <person>

Jim Fairlie

54 In section 14, page 15, line 21, leave out <crofters or owner-occupier crofters> and insert <persons>

Jim Fairlie

55 In section 14, page 15, line 29, at end insert—

<(aa) either—

- (i) the period mentioned in section 12(5) of the 2010 Act, in relation to the registered croft, has expired with no application having been made to the Land Court under section 14(1) of that Act during that period, or
- (ii) if such an application was made—
 - (A) the application was abandoned, or
 - (B) the Court has disposed of the application by making an order under section 14(4)(b) of the 2010 Act or (as the case may be) by making no order under section 14(4)(b) of that Act,>

Jim Fairlie

56 In section 14, page 15, leave out lines 30 to 36 and insert—

<(ba) the applicant has obtained the consent of—

- (i) any person the Commission considers has a relevant interest in the application, and
- (ii) any other person as may be specified in regulations made under subsection (9), and>

Jim Fairlie

57 In section 14, page 15, line 38, leave out <(5)> and insert <deemed to be a croft by virtue of section 3(5)>

Jim Fairlie

58 In section 14, page 16, leave out lines 1 to 15

Jim Fairlie

59 In section 14, page 16, line 15, at end insert—

<(6A) A direction under this section may be given subject to conditions (including, for example, that any specified land be conveyed).>

Jim Fairlie

60 In section 14, page 16, line 16, leave out <subsection (5)> and insert <this section>

Jim Fairlie

61 In section 14, page 16, line 19, leave out <subsection (5)> and insert <this section>

Jim Fairlie

62 In section 14, page 16, line 21, after <made> insert <or, if any conditions are specified in the direction, the date on which such conditions are satisfied>

Jim Fairlie

63 In section 14, page 16, line 24, at end insert—

<(9) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make further provision for the purposes of this section, including—

- (a) by specifying any persons, or descriptions of persons, whose consent must be obtained for the purposes of subsection (5)(b)(ii),
- (b) by specifying further persons, or descriptions of persons, who are entitled to make an application to the Commission for a direction that the boundary be remapped under this section,
- (c) by making different provision for different applicants, types of land or circumstances.>

Jim Fairlie

64 In section 14, page 16, line 36, column 2, leave out <crofter, or owner-occupier crofter, who applied for that direction> and insert <person who applied for that direction or, if the application was made jointly with other persons, those persons jointly>

Before section 15**Jim Fairlie**

65 Before section 15, insert—

<Common grazings: acquisition of shares with croft

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 3 (meaning of croft and crofter)—
 - (a) after subsection (4) insert—

“(4A) For the purposes of this Act, where a crofter has acquired the crofter’s entire croft, any right or land as is referred to in subsection (4) which is acquired by the crofter is to be deemed to form part of the croft.”,
 - (b) in subsection (5)(b), after “crofter” insert “or owner-occupier crofter”.
- (3) In section 12 (general provisions relating to the acquisition of crofts)—
 - (a) in subsection (3)(b)—
 - (i) the “or” immediately after sub-paragraph (i) is repealed,
 - (ii) after sub-paragraph (ii) insert “, or
 - (iii) has been deemed a croft by virtue of section 3(5)(b),”
 - (b) after subsection (3), insert—

“(3A) Despite subsection (3)(b), land comprising part of the common grazing which has been apportioned only for a period under section 52(10)(a) does not form part of the croft land.”.
- (4) In section 29A (letting of owner-occupied crofts)—
 - (a) after subsection (8) insert—

“(8A) A lease granted under this section includes, as a pertinent of that tenancy, any right in a common grazing held by the owner-occupier crofter.”,
 - (b) in subsection (9), the words “, by virtue of a lease granted,” are repealed.

(5) In section 48 (powers and duties of grazing committees), after subsection (7), insert—

“(8) For the avoidance of doubt, this section and any common grazings regulations made under it apply to grazing rights in the common grazings which are owned or held by an owner-occupier crofter as they apply to a share in the common grazing; and a reference to a crofter sharing in the common grazing is to be read accordingly.”>

Section 15

Jim Fairlie

66 In section 15, page 17, line 3, leave out <as follows> and insert <by subsections (1A) to (4)>

Jim Fairlie

67 In section 15, page 17, line 4, leave out subsection (2)

Jim Fairlie

68 In section 15, page 17, line 10, at end insert—

<(1A) After section 19C insert—

“19CA Deemed assignation of certain grazing rights

- (1) Subsection (2) applies to a transfer of an owner-occupied croft where—
 - (a) any rights or land of the kind referred to in section 3(4)(a) or (b) were not acquired as part of the croft, but
 - (b) the owner-occupier crofter holds those rights as a tenancy of a deemed croft in accordance with section 3(5)(a).
- (2) Any transfer of the owner-occupied croft includes an assignation of the tenancy of the deemed croft to the person who is acquiring the owner-occupied croft, unless—
 - (a) the transferor has first obtained the consent of the Commission to the division of the croft under section 19D, and
 - (b) the conveyance of the owner-occupied croft expressly provides otherwise.
- (3) For the avoidance of doubt, subsection (2) does not apply to any rights or land of the kind referred to in section 3(4)(a) or (b) which, prior to the croft’s acquisition, did not form part of the croft being transferred unless those rights or land form part of the same common grazing or area as those which were originally deemed to form part of the croft.”>

Jim Fairlie

69 In section 15, page 17, line 10, at end insert—

<() In section 19D (division of owner-occupied crofts), in subsection (8), after the definition of “original croft” insert—

““owner-occupied croft” includes—

- (a) any heritable right of grazing which pertains to the croft, and

(b) any rights or land which is held by the owner-occupier by virtue of section 3(5)(a),”.>

Jim Fairlie

70 In section 15, page 17, line 14, leave out <apportion> and insert <allocate>

Jim Fairlie

71 In section 15, page 17, line 23, leave out <3(5)> and insert <3(5)(a)>

Jim Fairlie

72 In section 15, page 17, line 26, after <share> insert <or the owner of the common grazings of which the share forms part>

Jim Fairlie

73 In section 15, page 18, line 26, at end insert—

<(5) The 2010 Act is modified by subsection (6).

(6) In section 11 (the registration schedule)—

(a) in subsection (2), after paragraph (b), insert—

“(ba) so far as not entered by virtue of paragraph (a), details of any rights or land of the kind referred to in section 3(4)(a) or (b) of the 1993 Act which form part of, pertain to, or are otherwise held in connection with the croft including, in particular, any right or land deemed to be a croft by virtue of section 3(5)(a) of the 1993 Act (and, if appropriate, a reference to the registration schedule of that deemed croft),

(bb) where the croft is a deemed croft by virtue of section 3(5)(a) of the 1993 Act, details (if any) of the croft to which it pertains or is held in connection with,”,

(b) in subsection (3), in paragraph (a), after “not” insert “(except to the extent required by subsection (2)(ba))”.>

Section 16**Jim Fairlie**

74 In section 16, page 18, line 30, leave out <insert> and insert <substitute>

Jim Fairlie

75 In section 16, page 18, line 33, leave out <must be held no earlier> and insert <may not be held more>

Section 18**Jim Fairlie**

76 In section 18, page 21, line 35, at end insert—

<but may not include using the land for the generation, transmission or storage of energy.>

Jim Fairlie

77 In section 18, page 22, line 2, leave out <or remove> and insert <, remove or exclude>

After section 20**Jim Fairlie**

78 After section 20, insert—

<*Commission's directions etc.*>

Power of Commission to correct inaccuracies in directions etc.

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) After section 58B insert—

“58C Correction of inaccuracies in directions etc.

- (1) This section applies where the Commission become aware of an inaccuracy in a direction, determination, decision or other document made, given or issued by them following the exercise of a function mentioned in subsection (5).
- (2) The Commission may vary the direction, determination, decision or other document to correct the inaccuracy if—
 - (a) what is needed to do so is manifest, and
 - (b) the conditions in subsection (3) are met.
- (3) The conditions are that the Commission—
 - (a) have given notice of their intention to vary the direction, determination, decision or other document to correct the inaccuracy to any person appearing to them to be affected by the variation at least 14 days in advance of the variation being made, and
 - (b) having had regard to any representations received within that 14 day period, are satisfied that—
 - (i) the original direction, determination, decision or other document has not been acted upon by any affected person in a way which indicates that the person has been misled by the inaccuracy, and
 - (ii) the proposed variation is not disputed by any affected person.
- (4) A notice under subsection (3)(a) must indicate that the person may, before the expiry of the period of 14 days beginning with the day on which notice is given to the person, make representations to the Commission.
- (5) The functions referred to in subsection (1) are—
 - (a) the constituting of land or a holding as a croft under section 3A(1) or (2),
 - (b) the giving of a direction enlarging a croft under section 4,
 - (c) the giving of a decrofting direction under section 24(2) or (3),
 - (d) the giving of a decrofting direction under section 24B(1),

- (e) the preparation of a reorganisation scheme under section 38(8)(a),
- (f) the giving of a direction that boundaries be adjusted under section 39A,
- (g) the giving of a direction that a boundary be remapped under section 39B,
- (h) the giving of a direction that land is to form part of a common grazing under section 51,
- (i) constituting land as a common grazing under section 51A,
- (j) the decision to apportion a common grazing under section 52(3) or (4).".>

Before section 21

Jim Fairlie

79 Before section 21, insert—

<Requirement to give Commission notice of change of ownership

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified as follows.
- (2) In section 17 (provisions supplementary to sections 13 and 15), subsection (7) is repealed.
- (3) After section 40A, insert—

“40B Requirement to give Commission notice of change of ownership

- (1) Subsection (2) applies in relation to the transfer (whether or not for valuable consideration) of the ownership of any land on which any of the following are situated—
 - (a) a croft,
 - (b) an owner-occupied croft,
 - (c) a common grazing.
- (2) The person who acquires the land must, within 1 month of ownership transferring, give notice to the Commission of the change of ownership.
- (3) The Commission may by notice given to the person who acquired the land require the person to provide the Commission with information relating to—
 - (a) the transfer of the ownership of the land, and
 - (b) any other matter the Commission may require.
- (4) Where the Commission—
 - (a) has cause to believe that a person has not complied with the duty in subsection (2), or
 - (b) are satisfied that the person has not complied with a requirement imposed under subsection (3),

the Commission may reject any objection submitted by the person in accordance with section 58A(4) in relation to an application, unless the failure mentioned in paragraph (a) or (as the case may be) paragraph (b) is remedied within the 28 day period following public notification of the application.

(5) Where the Commission reject an objection submitted by a person in accordance with section 58A(4) by virtue of subsection (4)—

- (a) the Commission must (as soon as reasonably practicable) notify the person of their decision to reject the objection (and the reason for that decision),
- (b) section 52A applies as if the decision to reject the objection were a decision of the Commission on an application to them under this Act.

(6) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision about when ownership is to be treated as transferred for the purposes of this section.”.>

Section 22

Jim Fairlie

80 In section 22, page 26, line 18, after <crofter> insert <or the crofter's nominee>

Jim Fairlie

81 In section 22, page 26, line 21, after <crofter> insert <(or the crofter's nominee)>

Jim Fairlie

82 In section 22, page 26, line 23, after <crofter> insert <(or the crofter's nominee)>

Section 23

Jim Fairlie

83 In section 23, page 27, leave out lines 6 and 7 and insert—

<“(d) neither—

- (i) payment of the fee payable in respect of such registration has been paid, nor
- (ii) arrangements satisfactory to the Keeper for payment of the fee have been made.”.>

Jim Fairlie

84 In section 23, page 27, line 13, leave out from <for> to end of line 15 and insert <paragraph (c) is repealed.>

Jim Fairlie

85 In section 23, page 27, line 21, leave out from <for> to end of line 23 and insert <paragraph (c) is repealed.>

Section 24

Beatrice Wishart

86 In section 24, page 27, line 29, leave out <14> and insert <21>

Section 26**Jim Fairlie**

87 In section 26, page 29, line 2, leave out from <, or> to end of line 3

Jim Fairlie

88 In section 26, page 29, line 31, leave out from beginning to end of line 7 on page 30

Jim Fairlie

89 In section 26, page 30, leave out lines 15 to 18

After section 27**Jim Fairlie**

90 After section 27, insert—

<Requirement for croft to be registered (miscellaneous provisions)

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified by subsection (2).
- (2) In section 52 (miscellaneous provisions as to common grazings etc.)—
 - (a) subsection (5A) is repealed,
 - (b) in subsection (5B), in the opening words, the words “by the crofter of a registered croft (other than a first registered croft)” are repealed,
 - (c) in subsection (12A), the words “by the crofter of a registered croft (other than a first registered croft)” are repealed.
- (3) The 2010 Act is modified by subsections (4) to (6).
- (4) In section 4(4) (first registration), paragraph (q) is repealed.
- (5) In section 10(4) (completion of registration), “or (q)” is repealed.
- (6) In schedule 2, in table 1, the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(q) is repealed.>

Jim Fairlie

91 After section 27, insert—

<Enlargement of croft: requirement for croft to be registered

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified by subsection (2).
- (2) In section 4 (enlargement of crofts)—
 - (a) subsection (3) is repealed,
 - (b) after subsection (4), insert—

“(4A) But the Commission may not make a direction under subsection (4) if, on the date on which the application for the direction was made, the croft was an unregistered croft.”,
 - (c) subsection (5) is repealed,

- (d) in subsection (6), in the opening words, for “in relation to a registered croft (other than a first registered croft)” substitute “under subsection (4)”,
- (e) subsection (8) is repealed.
- (3) The 2010 Act is modified by subsections (4) to (6).
- (4) In section 4(4) (first registration), paragraph (a) is repealed.
- (5) In section 10(4) (completion of registration), “(a),” is repealed.
- (6) In schedule 2, in table 1, the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(a) is repealed.>

Jim Fairlie

92 After section 27, insert—

<Exchange of croft or parts of crofts: requirement for croft to be registered

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified by subsection (2).
- (2) In section 4A (exchange of crofts or parts of crofts)—
 - (a) for subsection (2), substitute—

“(2) The Commission may not grant consent to the exchange of a croft unless it is satisfied that, on the date on which the application was made—

 - (a) the crofts being exchanged were registered crofts, and
 - (b) the consent mentioned in paragraph (a)(i) of subsection (1) was obtained.”,
 - (b) subsection (2A) is repealed,
 - (c) in subsection (2B)—
 - (i) in the opening words, for “In relation to a registered croft, or any part of such a croft, (other than a first registered croft)” substitute “Where the Commission grants consent to the exchange of a croft (or any part of a croft)”,
 - (ii) in paragraph (a), for “any consent of the Commission to the exchange of the croft” substitute “the consent”.
- (3) The 2010 Act is modified by subsections (4) to (6).
- (4) In section 4(4) (first registration), paragraph (b) is repealed.
- (5) In section 10(4) (completion of registration), “(b),” is repealed.
- (6) In schedule 2, in table 1, the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(b) is repealed.>

Jim Fairlie

93 After section 27, insert—

<Assignation of croft: requirement for croft to be registered

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified by subsection (2).
- (2) In section 8 (assignation of croft)—
 - (a) for subsection (1B) substitute—

“(1B) The Commission may not grant consent to the assignation of the crofter’s croft if, on the date on which the application for consent was made, the croft was an unregistered croft.”,

(b) subsection (6) is repealed,

(c) in subsection (6A), in the opening words, for “In relation to a registered croft (other than a first registered croft)” substitute “In relation to an assignation under this section”.

(3) The 2010 Act is modified by subsections (4) to (6).

(4) In section 4(4) (first registration), paragraph (c) is repealed.

(5) In section 10(4) (completion of registration), “(c),” is repealed.

(6) In schedule 2, in table 1, the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(c) is repealed.>

Jim Fairlie

94 After section 27, insert—

<Division of crofts and owner-occupied crofts: requirement for croft to be registered

(1) The 1993 Act is modified by subsections (2) and (3).

(2) In section 9 (division of croft)—

(a) for subsection (1A), substitute—

“(1A) The Commission may not grant consent to the division of the crofter’s croft if, on the date on which the application for consent was made, the croft was an unregistered croft.”.

(b) in subsection (3)—

(i) in the opening words, for “In relation to a registered croft (other than a first registered croft)” substitute “Where the Commission grants consent to the division of a croft”,

(ii) in paragraph (a), for “any consent of the Commission given under this section to a division of the croft” substitute “the consent”.

(3) In section 19D (division of owner-occupied crofts)—

(a) after subsection (2), insert—

“(2A) The Commission may not grant consent to the division of the owner-occupier’s croft if, on the date on which the application for consent was made, the croft was an unregistered croft.”,

(b) subsection (3) is repealed,

(c) in subsection (4)—

(i) in the opening words, for “In relation to a registered owner-occupied croft (other than an owner-occupied croft which is a first registered croft)” substitute “Where the Commission grants consent to a division of an owner-occupied croft by virtue of subsection (2)”,

(ii) in paragraph (a), for “any consent of the Commission given by virtue of subsection (2) to a division of the owner-occupied croft” substitute “the consent”.

- (4) The 2010 Act is modified by subsections (5) to (7).
- (5) In section 4(4) (first registration), paragraph (d) is repealed.
- (6) In section 10 (completion of registration)—
 - (a) subsection (7) is repealed,
 - (b) subsection (8) is repealed,
- (7) In schedule 2, in table 1—
 - (a) the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(d)(i) is repealed,
 - (b) the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(d)(ii) is repealed.>

Jim Fairlie

95 After section 27, insert—

<Resumption of croft or part of croft by landlord: requirement for croft to be registered

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified by subsection (2).
- (2) In section 20 (resumption of croft or part of croft by landlord)—
 - (a) for subsection (1ZA) substitute—

“(1ZA) But the Land Court may not authorise the resumption of the croft if, on the date on which the application under subsection (1) was made, the croft was an unregistered croft.”,
 - (b) in subsection (1ZB)—
 - (i) in the opening words, for “In relation to a registered croft, or part of such a croft, (other than a first registered croft)” substitute “In relation to an authorisation under subsection (1)”,
 - (ii) in paragraph (a), for “any authorisation under subsection (1)” substitute “the authorisation”.
 - (c) in subsection (1CA), in the opening words, for “In relation to a registered croft, or part of such a croft” substitute “For the purposes of subsection (1C)”,
 - (d) in subsection (1G)—
 - (i) in the opening words, for “In relation to a registered croft, or part of such a croft” substitute “Where the Land Court makes a determination under subsection (1F)”,
 - (ii) in paragraph (a) for “any determination under subsection (1F)” substitute “the determination”.
- (3) The 2010 Act is modified by subsections (4) to (6).
- (4) In section 4(4) (first registration), paragraph (g) is repealed.
- (5) In section 10(4) (completion of registration), “(g),” is repealed.
- (6) In schedule 2, in table 1, the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(g) is repealed.>

Jim Fairlie

96 After section 27, insert—

<Reversion of resumed land: requirement for croft to be registered

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified by subsection (2).
- (2) In section 21A (reversion of resumed land)—
 - (a) subsection (1A) is repealed,
 - (b) in subsection (1B)—
 - (i) in the opening words, for “land which, before being resumed as mentioned in subsection (1), was a registered croft (or part of such a croft)” substitute “an order under subsection (1) that land be resumed”,
 - (ii) in paragraph (a), for “an order under that subsection” substitute “the order”.
- (3) The 2010 Act is modified by subsections (4) to (6).
- (4) In section 4(4) (first registration), paragraph (h) is repealed.
- (5) In section 10(3)(a) (completion of registration), “(h),” is repealed.
- (6) In schedule 2, in table 1, the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(h) is repealed.>

Jim Fairlie

97 After section 27, insert—

<Decrofting in case of resumption or vacancy of croft: requirement for croft to be registered

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified by subsections (2) to (6).
- (2) In section 24 (decrofting in case of resumption or vacancy of croft)—
 - (a) for subsection (2ZA) substitute—

“(2ZA) But the Commission may not make a direction under subsection (2) if, on the date on which the landlord gives notice to the Commission, the croft was an unregistered croft.”,
 - (b) subsection (3B) is repealed,
 - (c) in subsection (3C)—
 - (i) in the opening words, for “registered croft (other than a first registered croft)” substitute “direction under subsection (2) or (3) (other than one under subsection (3) given by virtue of section 25(4) of this Act)”,
 - (ii) in paragraph (a), for “a direction under subsection (2) or (3) (other than one under subsection (3) given by virtue of section 25(4) of this Act)” substitute “the direction”.
- (3) In section 24B (Commission’s powers in relation to applications under section 24A), for subsection (3) substitute—

“(3) The Commission may not give a decrofting direction under subsection (1) if, on the date on which the owner-occupier made the application to the Commission under section 24A(1), the owner-occupier croft was unregistered.”.

- (4) In section 24C(4) (application of section 25 in relation to decrofting directions), in paragraph (d), for “(4ZA) to (4ZD)” substitute “(4ZB) and (4ZD)”.
- (5) In section 24D (effect of decrofting direction), subsection (3) is repealed.
- (6) In section 25 (provisions supplementary to s.24(3))—
 - (a) in subsection (1)—
 - (i) in paragraph (a), for “they” substitute “the application is made in respect of a registered croft and the Commission”,
 - (ii) in paragraph (b), after “part of a croft” insert “which is a registered croft and”,
 - (b) subsection (4ZA) is repealed,
 - (c) in subsection (4ZB), the words “in relation to a first registered croft” are repealed,
 - (d) subsection (4ZC) is repealed,
 - (e) in subsection (4ZD), in the opening words, for “The direction” substitute “In relation to a direction under section 24(3) which is made by virtue of an application under subsection (4), the direction”.
- (7) The 2010 Act is modified by subsections (8) and (9).
- (8) In section 4(4) (first registration), paragraph (l) is repealed.
- (9) In schedule 2, in table 1—
 - (a) the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(l)(i) is repealed,
 - (b) the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(l)(ii) is repealed,
 - (c) the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(l)(iii) is repealed.>

Jim Fairlie

98 After section 27, insert—

<Provisions as to right to sublet: requirement for croft to be registered

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified by as follows.
- (2) In section 27 (provisions as to right to sublet), for subsection (2) substitute—
 - “(2) A crofter may not sublet their croft unless—
 - (a) the croft is a registered croft, and
 - (b) the crofter has obtained the consent of the Commission.
- (2ZA) A sublease of a croft granted by a crofter in contravention of subsection (2) is null and void.
- (2ZB) But nothing in subsections (2) and (2ZA) precludes a crofter from subletting any dwelling-house or other building forming part of their croft to holiday visitors.”>

Jim Fairlie

99 After section 27, insert—

<Letting of owner-occupied crofts: requirement for croft to be registered

- (1) The 1993 Act is modified by subsection (2).
- (2) In subsection 29A (letting of owner-occupied crofts)—
 - (a) for subsection (2), substitute—

“(2) The Commission may not grant consent to the letting of an owner-occupied croft if, on the date on which the application for consent under subsection (1) was made, the owner-occupied croft was unregistered.”,
 - (b) in subsection (3)—
 - (i) in the opening words, for “Subject to subsection (8), in relation to a registered owner-occupied croft (other than an owner-occupied croft which is a first registered croft), or any part of such a croft” substitute “Where the Commission grants consent to the letting of a croft (or any part of a croft) under subsection (1)”,
 - (ii) in paragraph (a), for “any consent under subsection (1)” substitute “the consent”,
 - (c) subsection (7) is repealed,
 - (d) subsection (8) is repealed.
- (3) The 2010 Act is modified by subsections (4) to (6).
- (4) In section 4 (first registration), paragraph (o) is repealed.
- (5) In section 10(4) (completion of registration), “(o)” is repealed.
- (6) In schedule 2, in table 1, the entry relating to the making of an application as mentioned in section 4(4)(o) is repealed.>

Section 29**Jim Fairlie**

100 In section 29, page 33, line 35, at beginning insert <section 12(8) of>

Jim Fairlie

101 In section 29, page 34, line 12, after <or> insert <section 12(8) of>

Schedule 1**Jim Fairlie**

102 In schedule 1, page 40, line 38, at end insert—

<(1A) Sub-paragraphs (1B) to (1D) apply where no member is eligible to be designated as Deputy Chair.

(1B) The Scottish Ministers may appoint as a Deputy Chair (and member of the Court) a person who is eligible under paragraph 2(5)(a) to hold the office of Chair.

(1C) An appointment under sub-paragraph (1B) is for such period as the Scottish Ministers may determine.

(1D) Before making an appointment under sub-paragraph (1B), the Scottish Ministers must consult the Lord President of the Court of Session.>

Jim Fairlie

103 In schedule 1, page 41, line 5, leave out *<act in place>* and insert *<perform the duties>*

Jim Fairlie

104 In schedule 1, page 41, line 7, leave out *<at the direction of>* and insert *<during such vacancy or inability to act if requested to do so by>*

Jim Fairlie

105 In schedule 1, page 41, line 9, after *<(1)>* insert *<or, as the case may be, appointed under sub-paragraph (1B)>*

Jim Fairlie

106 In schedule 1, page 41, line 13, leave out *<Tenure of office and>*

Jim Fairlie

107 In schedule 1, page 42, line 11, at beginning insert *<Subject to any regulations made under paragraph 15(2)(a),>*

Jim Fairlie

108 In schedule 1, page 42, line 12, leave out from *<one>* to *<Chair>* in line 13 and insert *<or including a member described in sub-paragraph (3) (whether sitting alone or with others), is on appeal subject to review by such a member>*

Jim Fairlie

109 In schedule 1, page 42, line 14, at end insert—

<(3) The members are—

- (a) the Chair,
- (b) a Deputy Chair,
- (c) a member designated by the Chair for the purposes of this paragraph as being suitably qualified by virtue of the member—
 - (i) having held judicial office prior to becoming a member, or
 - (ii) otherwise having sufficient relevant legal experience to hear and determine cases alone, or
- (d) a member of the Lands Tribunal for Scotland appointed in accordance with section 2(2A)(a) of the 1949 Act who is hearing and determining proceedings and other matters by virtue of section 36(2) of this Act.>

Jim Fairlie

110 In schedule 1, page 42, line 29, leave out *<24(4)(b)>* and insert *<21(4)(b)>*

Jim Fairlie

111 In schedule 1, page 43, line 1, leave out <repeal> and insert <appeal>

Jim Fairlie

112 In schedule 1, page 43, line 3, leave out from <modify> to end of line 4 and insert <—

- (a) specify or describe matters in respect of which paragraph 10(2) is not to apply,
- (b) modify this Part of the schedule to adjust what is (or is not) within the competence and jurisdiction of the Court,
- (c) modify paragraph 30 in respect of the method by which any proceedings before the Court relating to such matters as are specified in the regulations are to be stated or appealed to the Court of Session.>

Jim Fairlie

113 In schedule 1, page 43, line 4, at end insert—

<() Before making regulations under this paragraph, the Scottish Ministers must consult—

- (a) the Lord President of the Court of Session, and
- (b) the Chair.>

Jim Fairlie

114 In schedule 1, page 43, line 7, after <Court> insert <or right of appeal (by whatever means) from the Court>

Jim Fairlie

115 In schedule 1, page 43, line 35, leave out <19(1)(a)> and insert <18(1)(a)>

Jim Fairlie

116 In schedule 1, page 44, line 14, leave out <or the Small Landholders (Scotland) Acts 1886 to 1931>

Jim Fairlie

117 In schedule 1, page 44, line 24, at end insert—

<*Small landholdings*

24A All matters, whether of fact or law, which arise under the Small Landholders (Scotland) Acts 1886 to 1931 or schedule 2 of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2025 (small landholdings).>

Jim Fairlie

118 In schedule 1, page 45, line 8, at end insert—

<(za) consult the Chair,>

Jim Fairlie

119 In schedule 1, page 45, line 12, leave out <Sub-paragraph (3) does> and insert <Paragraphs (a) and (b) of sub-paragraph (3) do>

Jim Fairlie

120 In schedule 1, page 45, line 15, leave out <section> and insert <paragraph>

Jim Fairlie

121 In schedule 1, page 45, line 18, leave out <section> and insert <paragraph>

Jim Fairlie

122 In schedule 1, page 46, line 18, leave out <paragraph 24> and insert <paragraphs 23 or 24A>

Jim Fairlie

123 In schedule 1, page 46, line 27, after <2016> insert <, or

(d) the transfer of the jurisdiction and functions of the Lands Tribunal for Scotland under section 36(1).>

Jim Fairlie

124 In schedule 1, page 46, leave out lines 28 to 30

Schedule 2**Jim Fairlie**

125 In schedule 2, page 50, line 36, leave out <insert> and insert <substitute>

Jim Fairlie

126 In schedule 2, page 50, line 39, after <crofter> insert <of a registered croft>

Jim Fairlie

127 In schedule 2, page 52, leave out line 5

Jim Fairlie

128 In schedule 2, page 54, line 30, after <remit),> insert <in subsection (1),>

Jim Fairlie

129 In schedule 2, page 54, line 31, at end insert—

<()> In schedule 1 (the Judicial Appointments Board for Scotland), after paragraph 16A, insert—
"Proceedings relating to the Scottish Land Court

16B(1) Sub-paragraph (2) applies where the Board is exercising any function under this Act in connection with a position mentioned in section 10(1)(b).

- (2) At least one member of the Scottish Land Court (“the Land Court”) is to take part in any proceedings relating to the function.
- (3) It is for the Chair of the Land Court to select a member of the Land Court to take part as mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) (which member may be the Chair).
- (4) Before making a selection under sub-paragraph (3), the Chair of the Land Court must consult the Chairing Member.
- (5) The person selected is to be treated as if a member of the Board for the purposes of—
 - (a) sections 11 to 15 and 17, and
 - (b) paragraphs 5, 12 and 13 of this schedule.
- (6) Sub-paragraph (7) applies if—
 - (a) the Board is exercising any function under this Act in connection with a position mentioned in section 10(1)(b),
 - (b) the Board authorises a person appointed under paragraph 13A(1) to assist it in relation to any proceedings relating to the function, and
 - (c) the person authorised to assist the Board in relation to the proceedings is a member of the Land Court.
- (7) The member of the Land Court selected under sub-paragraph (3) may elect not to take part in the proceedings in respect of which the member is also the person authorised to assist.
- (8) The Board may not make a determination under paragraph 15 which is inconsistent with this paragraph.
- (9) In this paragraph, “Chair of the Land Court” and references to a member of the Land Court are to be construed in accordance with paragraph 2 of schedule 1 of the Crofting and Scottish Land Court Act 2026.”.>

Jim Fairlie

130 In schedule 2, page 55, line 13, leave out <14> and insert <13>

Jim Fairlie

131 In schedule 2, page 55, line 24, at end insert—

<() In schedule 1 (listed tribunals)—

- (a) in Part 1, paragraph 6 is repealed,
- (b) in Part 2, sub-paragraph (6) of paragraph 13 is repealed.

() In schedule 2 (transfer-in of members), in paragraph 1(3), sub-paragraph (b) and the “or” immediately preceding it are repealed.>

New Subordinate Legislation

Subject to affirmative procedure

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on 27 January 2026 and are subject to the affirmative procedure—

[Civic Government \(Scotland\) Act 1982 \(Licensing of Skin Piercing and Tattooing\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 44(3) of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

[Public Services Reform \(Scottish Water\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 25(2)(b) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010.

Subject to negative procedure

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 27 January 2026 and is subject to the negative procedure—

[Children's Hearings \(Scotland\) Act 2011 \(Rules of Procedure in Children's Hearings\) Amendment Rules 2026 \(SSI 2026/30\)](#)

Laid under section 196 of the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011.

Withdrawal of instrument

The following instrument laid before the Parliament on 4 December 2025 was withdrawn on 27 January 2026—

[National Bus Travel Concession Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#)

Laid under section 52(3) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2005.

Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 2.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 2 completed, 25 November 2025

After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 27 January 2026

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

Budget (Scotland) (No. 5) Bill (G)

Introduced, 15 January 2026

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (9th Report, 2026)

Building Safety Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Finance and Public Administration Committee), 10 February 2026

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 4 February with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Education, Children and Young People Committee), 4 February 2026

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

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

Stage 2 completed, 16 December 2025

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

Commissioner for Older People (Scotland) Bill (M)

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

Community Wealth Building (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 21 January 2026

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

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

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

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

Crofting and Scottish Land Court Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee), 4 February 2026

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

Desecration of War Memorials (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 3 February 2026

Stage 1 Report – Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee (1st Report, 2026)

Digital Assets (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Economy and Fair Work Committee), 11 February 2026

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 5 February with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Dog Theft (Scotland) Bill (M)

Passed, 16 December 2025

Ecocide (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 5 February 2026

Stage 1 Report – Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee (4th Report, 2026)

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 Report (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee) published, 26 January 2026

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 December 2022

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

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

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 29 January 2026

*Stage 1 Report – Rural Affairs and Islands Committee (2nd Report, 2026)***Natural Environment (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 28 January 2026

*Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (11th Report, 2026)***Non-surgical Procedures and Functions of Medical Reviewers (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 5 February 2026

*Stage 1 Report – Health, Social Care and Sport Committee (2nd Report, 2026)***Prostitution (Offences and Support) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 3 February 2026

*Stage 1 Report – Criminal Justice Committee (2nd Report, 2026)***Restraint and Seclusion in Schools (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 29 January 2026

*Stage 1 Report – Education, Children and Young People Committee (2nd Report, 2026)***Schools (Residential Outdoor Education) (Scotland) Bill (M)**

Passed, 16 December 2025

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee), 29 January 2026

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

Passed, 20 January 2026

UEFA European Championship (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 15 January 2026

Visitor Levy (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 27 January 2026

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (7th Report, 2026)

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

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

Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-64b

Lodged on 12 January 2026

Meeting of the Parliament, 15 January 2026

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

Lodged on 21 January 2026

Crime and Policing Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-57c

Lodged on 19 December 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 20 January 2026
Lead committee - Criminal Justice

Cyber Security and Resilience (Network and Information Systems) Bill LCM-S6-70
Lodged on 6 January 2026
Lead committee – Economy and Fair Work

Finance (No. 2) Bill LCM-S6-71

Lodged on 7 January 2026

Meeting (evidence, lead committee (Finance and Public Administration)), 27 January 2026
Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (10th Report, 2026)

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)

Medical Training (Prioritisation) Bill LCM-S6-72

Lodged on 21 January 2026

Lead committee - Health, Social Care and Sport

Northern Ireland Troubles Bill LCM-S6-68

Lodged on 11 December 2025

Lead committee - Criminal Justice

Pension Schemes Bill LCM-S6-65

Lodged on 26 September 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 17 December 2025

Report - Lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning) (6th Report, 2025)
Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (78th Report, 2025)

Public Office (Accountability) Bill LCM-S6-66

Lodged on 31 October 2025

Lead committee – Finance and Public Administration

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (87th Report, 2025)

Railways Bill LCM-S6-69

Lodged on 12 December 2025

Meeting (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 20 January 2026

Lead committee - Net Zero, Energy and Transport

Sustainable Aviation Fuel Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-61b

Lodged on 17 December 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 28 January 2026

Report - Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (2nd Report, 2026)
Report - Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (4th Report, 2026)

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

Lodged on 27 August 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 9 December 2025

Report – Lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport) (9th Report, 2025)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (73rd Report, 2025)

Tobacco and Vapes Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-51a

Lodged on 28 March 2025

Meeting of the Parliament, 29 May 2025

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

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

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)**Affirmative Instruments****Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 11 January 2026**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 15 February 2026

[Food Supplements \(Magnesium L-threonate monohydrate\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (7 January 2026) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Land and Buildings Transaction Tax \(Co-ownership Authorised Contractual Schemes\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (7 January 2026) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

[Public Procurement \(India Trade Agreement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (7 January 2026) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 16 February 2026

[Animal Health \(Fixed Penalty Notices\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (8 January 2026) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Scottish Aggregates Tax \(Applicable Rate of Tax\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (8 January 2026) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

[Visitor Levy \(Local Authority Assessment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (8 January 2026) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Visitor Levy \(Reviews and Appeals\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (8 January 2026) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 17 February 2026

[Civic Government \(Scotland\) Act 1982 \(Licensing of Non-surgical Procedures\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (9 January 2026) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Visitor Levy \(Scotland\) Act 2024 Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (9 January 2026) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 20 February 2026

[Digital Waste Tracking \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (12 January 2026) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 21 February 2026

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme \(Amendment\) \(Extension to Maritime Activities\) Order 2026 \(SI 2026/Draft\)](#) (13 January 2026) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 22 February 2026

[Social Security \(Residence and Presence Requirements\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026.Draft\)](#) (14 January 2026) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 23 February 2026

[National Bus Travel Concession Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (15 January 2026) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 24 February 2026

[Antisocial Behaviour \(Fixed Penalty Offences\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (16 January 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Conservation of Habitats and Species \(Offshore Wind\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (16 January 2026) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 28 February 2026

[Early Removal of Prisoners from the United Kingdom \(Amendment of Specified Time Periods\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (20 January 2026) (Criminal Justice Committee)

[Social Security Up-rating \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (20 January 2026) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 1 March 2026

[Care Home Services \(Visits to and by Care Home Residents\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (21 January 2026) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Care Leaver Payment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (21 January 2026) (Education, Children and Young People Committee)

[Community Care \(Personal Care and Nursing Care\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (21 January 2026) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Investigation and Commencement of Repair \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (21 January 2026) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 2 March 2026

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2025 Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (22 January 2026) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 3 March 2026

[Absent Voting \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (23 January 2026) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

[Absent Voting \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (23 January 2026) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to approval; lead committee report due by 7 March 2026

[Civic Government \(Scotland\) Act 1982 \(Licensing of Skin Piercing and Tattooing\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (27 January 2026) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

[Public Services Reform \(Scottish Water\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/Draft\)](#) (27 January 2026) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 29 January 2026

Lead Committee report due by 26 January 2026

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

Subject to annulment by 1 February 2026

Lead Committee report due by 26 January 2026

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

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

Subject to annulment by 11 February 2026

Lead Committee report due by 9 February 2026

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

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

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

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

Subject to annulment by 12 February 2026

Lead Committee report due by 9 February 2026

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

Subject to annulment by 13 February 2026

Lead Committee report due by 9 February 2026

[Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(Agricultural Products\) \(Consequential Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/407\)](#) (22 December 2025) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

[Social Security \(Residence in an EEA State or Switzerland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2025 \(SSI 2025/415\)](#) (22 December 2025) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to annulment by 16 February 2026
Lead Committee report due by 9 February 2026

[Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/1\)](#) (8 January 2026) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment by 23 February 2026
Lead Committee report due by 16 February 2026

[Building \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/7\)](#) (15 January 2026) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

[Scottish Landfill Tax \(Administration\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/8\)](#) (15 January 2026) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

[Visitor Levy \(Interest on Unpaid Levy and Penalties\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/9\)](#) (15 January 2026) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment by 24 February 2026
Lead Committee report due by 23 February 2026

[Sea Fish \(Prohibition on Fishing\) \(Firth of Clyde\) Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/10\)](#) (16 January 2026) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment by 27 February 2026
Lead Committee report due by 23 February 2026

[Seed \(Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/13\)](#) (19 January 2026) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment by 2 March 2026
Lead Committee report due by 23 February 2026

[Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act \(Interest on Unpaid Tax and Interest Rates in General\) Amendment Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/17\)](#) (22 January 2026) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

[Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act \(Involved Third Party\) Amendment Order 2026 \(SSI 2026/18\)](#) (22 January 2026) (Finance and Public Administration Committee)

Subject to annulment by 3 March 2026
Lead Committee report due by 2 March 2026

[Education \(Scotland\) Act 1980 \(Modification\) Regulations 2026 \(SSI 2026/19\)](#) (23 January 2026)
(Education, Children and Young People Committee)

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Other Documents

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