

Tuesday 23 April 2024

Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Rt Rev Sally Foster-Fulton, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill

followed by Financial Resolution: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill

followed by Appointment of Members of the Standards Commission for Scotland

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-12841 Clare Haughey: Seventh Anniversary of the Two-child Benefit Cap

Committee Meetings

9:00am Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee

9:15am Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

9:30am Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee

9:30am Finance and Public Administration Committee

10:00am Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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1. Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government what potential impact the proposed Berwick Bank offshore windfarm not being included in the Contracts for Difference Allocation Round 6 will have on achieving Scotland's climate targets. ([S6T-01932](#))

2. Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reported statistics indicating that wet wipes contribute to up to 94% of sewer blockages, what assessment it has made of the potential impact on Scottish Water of the planned ban on wet wipes containing plastic, including whether water and sewerage charges will be reduced in the future as a result of the ban. ([S6T-01937](#))

3. Meghan Gallacher: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the LGBT Youth Scotland pilot programme to introduce youth clubs in schools. ([S6T-01938](#))

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill

[S6M-12922](#) **Angela Constance: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill—** That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill.

followed by Financial Resolution: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill

[S6M-12560](#) **Shona Robison: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution—** That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3A of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

followed by Appointment of Members of the Standards Commission for Scotland

[S6M-12910](#) **Maggie Chapman: Appointment of Members of the Standards Commission for Scotland—** That the Parliament agrees, under section 8 of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000, to appoint Morag Ferguson and Lezley Stewart as Members of the Standards Commission for Scotland.

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business Debate on the subject of—

[S6M-12841](#) Clare Haughey: Seventh Anniversary of the Two-child Benefit Cap—That the Parliament regrets to mark the seventh anniversary of the introduction by the UK Government of the two-child benefit cap, and the associated so-called rape clause; notes with alarm reports that over 87,000 children across Scotland are affected by the cap, including 3,610 in South Lanarkshire; further notes the work of the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, which reports that the poverty rate for children in families with three or more children was almost twice as high as the poverty rate for children in one- or two-child families in 2021-22, at 43% compared with 23% and 22% respectively, as a result of UK welfare policies such as the two-child benefit limit; highlights what it considers to be the contrast between the inhumane practices of the UK Government's Department for Work and Pensions and the compassionate approach of the Scottish Government's Social Security Scotland; understands that the Scottish Government has already spent more than £733 million over the last five financial years to mitigate UK Government welfare policies, despite what it sees as a remarkably challenging financial environment and the fiscal limitations of devolution; notes that the Scottish Child Payment and other devolved policies are forecast to keep up to 100,000 children in Scotland out of relative poverty in this financial year; further notes the view that Scotland should continue to build a social security system that is founded on dignity, fairness and respect, and notes the calls urging the UK Government to reverse the two-child benefit cap and what it regards as the other abhorrent and ineffective welfare reforms that have been implemented over more than a decade of austerity.

Committee Meetings

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

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 12th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Local government in Scotland: Financial bulletin 2022/23:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Jo Armstrong, Chair, and Andrew Burns, Deputy Chair, Accounts Commission;
Carol Calder, Audit Director, Blyth Deans, Senior Manager, and Lucy Jones, Audit Manager, Audit Scotland.
3. **Housing (Cladding Remediation) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the Bill at Stage 2.
4. **Local government in Scotland: Financial bulletin 2022/23:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 14th Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in T4.40-CR2 The Fairfax Somerville Room

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Climate Change Committee – Progress in reducing emissions in Scotland – 2023 Report to Parliament:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Chris Stark, Chief Executive, and Professor Keith Bell, Scotland Champion, Climate Change Committee.
3. **Climate Change Committee – Progress in reducing emissions in Scotland – 2023 Report to Parliament:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme and an initial approach to its scrutiny of the Land Reform (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 13th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5, 6 and 7 in private.
2. **Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Morna Grandison, Director of Interventions, Law Society of Scotland;
Gavin MacColl KC, Faculty of Advocates;
Dr Alisdair MacPherson, Senior Lecturer in Commercial Law, University of Aberdeen;
Professor Gareth Morgan, Charity Law Association;
and then from—
Morna Grandison, Director of Interventions, Law Society of Scotland;
Sandy Lamb, Partner, Lindsays;

Ken Pattullo, Partner, Begbies Traynor.

3. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Scottish Tribunals \(Listed Tribunals\) Regulations 2024](#) (SSI 2024/Draft)
4. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Plant Health \(Export Certification\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024](#) (SSI 2024/86)
[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024](#) (SSI 2024/102)
5. **Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the delegated powers provisions in this Bill after Stage 2.
6. **Committee correspondence:** The Committee will consider correspondence received from the Minister for Parliamentary Business.
7. **Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier in the meeting.

Finance and Public Administration Committee 14th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Aggregates Tax and Devolved Taxes Administration (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 10th Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T1.60-CR4 The Clerk Maxwell Room

1. **Public petitions: PE01787** The Committee will consider the following continued petition—
The use of Makaton sign language in the legal system.
2. **Suicide Prevention in Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Rob Gowans, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Health and Social Care Alliance Scotland (the ALLIANCE);
Neil Mathers, Executive Director, Samaritans Scotland;
John Gibson, Chief Executive Officer, The Canmore Trust;
Dan Farthing, Head of Suicide Prevention, Scottish Action for Mental Health (SAMH);
Jason Schroeder, Chief Executive Officer, Scottish Men's Sheds Association;
Rebecca Hoffman, National Policy Lead, LGBT Health and Wellbeing;
Aidan Mitchell, Policy and Public Affairs Officer, Change Mental Health;
Dr Richmond Davies, Head of Public Health Analytics and Intelligence, Public Health Scotland.
3. **Suicide Prevention in Scotland (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 2.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 17 April 2024

Wednesday 24 April 2024

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

9:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-12394 David Torrance: MS Awareness Week 2024

Thursday 25 April 2024

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-12727 Liam Kerr: The Need for New Railway Stations North of the Central Belt

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions
Education and Skills

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Children (Care and Justice) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 30 April 2024

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 1 May 2024

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Energy; Finance, Deputy First Minister Responsibilities and Parliamentary Business

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 2 May 2024

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions: Transport

followed by Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee Debate: Petition PE1887: Create an Unborn Victims of Violence Act

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

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

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

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

Education, Children and Young People Committee

24 April 2024

12th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Additional Support for Learning Inquiry (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Pauline McIntyre on 85252 or at Pauline.McIntyre@parliament.scot

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

24 April 2024

10th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Sea Fisheries (Remote Electronic Monitoring and Regulation of Scallop Fishing) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (2024/draft) from—
Ilan Gatt, Chief Executive, Scottish Pelagic Fishermen's Association;
Elspeth Macdonald, Chief Executive, Scottish Fishermen's Federation;
Helen McLachlan, Head of Marine Policy, RSPB Scotland, Future Fisheries Alliance;
Joe Whitelegg, Fisheries Control and Enforcement Manager, Isle of Man Fisheries.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Emma Johnston on 85225 or at emma.johnston@parliament.scot

Criminal Justice Committee

24 April 2024

15th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Margaret Gribbon;
and then from—
Ilan Clarke.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instrument—

[Police Pension Scheme \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024](#) (SSI 2024/80)

3. **Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Imrie on 85931 or at Stephen.Imrie@scottish.parliament.uk

Public Audit Committee
25 April 2024
13th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take agenda items 3, 4 and 5 in private.
2. **Administration of Scottish income tax 2022/23:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Alyson Stafford, Director-General Scottish Exchequer, and Lorraine King, Deputy Director for Tax, Strategy, Engagement and Performance, Scottish Government; Jonathan Athow, Director General for Customer Strategy and Tax Design, and Phil Batchelor, Deputy Director for Income Tax Policy, HM Revenue and Customs.
3. **Administration of Scottish income tax 2022/23:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Stephen Boyle, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark Taylor, Audit Director, Audit Scotland.
4. **Administration of Scottish income tax 2022/23:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda items 2 and 3 and agree any further action it wishes to take.
5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lynn Russell at Lynn.Russell@parliament.scot

Social Justice and Social Security Committee
25 April 2024
12th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 5 in private.
2. **Client experience of Social Security Scotland's redetermination and appeals process:**
The Committee will take evidence from—
Tim Barraclough, Executive Director, Tribunals and Office of the Public Guardian, and Lesley Black, Director Tribunals, Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service;
Gayle Devlin, Deputy Director of Health and Social Care, Social Security Scotland.
3. **Client experience of Social Security Scotland's redetermination and appeals process:**
The Committee will consider the evidence heard under item 2.
4. **Poverty and Inequality Commission Appointments (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

5. **Data Protection and Digital Information Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider its approach to the scrutiny of the legislative consent memorandum lodged by the Scottish Government ([LCM\(S6\)36b](#)).

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Claire Menzies on 85219 or at claire.menzies@parliament.scot

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

25 April 2024

10th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Complaint (in private):** The Committee will consider a report from the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

Proposed future business

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

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Motions

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

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

Motions for Debate

***[S6M-12922](#) Angela Constance: Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill—** That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Victims, Witnesses, and Justice Reform (Scotland) Bill.

Supported by: Siobhian Brown*

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***[S6M-12918](#) Fulton MacGregor: Tackling Sibling Sexual Abuse in Scotland—** That the Parliament commends the recent paper, *Tackling Sibling Sexual Abuse in Scotland*, published by the Cross Party Group on Adult Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse; notes with concern the lack of Scotland-specific data regarding sibling sexual abuse (SSA); understands that SSA is the most common form of intra-familial child sexual abuse; acknowledges research that suggests that it is estimated that at least twice as many children are sexually abused by a child sibling than by a parent; recognises that many survivors who talk of their experiences of rape or sexual assault perpetrated by a sibling find that their abuse can be met by disbelief or minimisation by adults and professionals as "sexual experimentation" or "natural curiosity"; understands that SSA is less likely to be disclosed than other forms of sexual abuse, due to shame, fears of punishment or blame, or not being believed; further understands that the consequences of SSA may include post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, substance and alcohol misuse, eating disorders and relationship difficulties throughout life; believes that there is credible evidence that SSA often goes unrecognised or is minimised by professionals, which it considers is adverse to the needs of survivors and their families; acknowledges what it considers the complex issue of SSA whereby perpetrators are often underage themselves and may be in need of additional support; notes the support for any measures to highlight the prevalence of sibling sexual abuse, its impact and what parents can do if they are concerned about sexual behaviour between siblings; further notes the belief that it is valuable to launch a reference group bringing together key agencies and those with lived experience to consolidate learning, identify best practices and steer future policy and practice so that scalable, proportionate and trauma-informed responses are available to address this issue, and notes the belief that it is beneficial to establish dedicated training courses for social workers and other safeguarding professionals, including those in the Coatbridge and Chryston

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constituency, specifically on disclosure and communicating with children when there are concerns about SSA.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Jackie Dunbar*, David Torrance*

***[S6M-12917](#) Jamie Halcro Johnston: Importance of Wood-burning Stoves and Other Direct Emission Heating to Homes in Rural and Island Communities—**That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the importance of wood-burning stoves and other forms of direct emission heating in homes in rural, island and remote communities across Scotland; notes that wood-burning stoves are often the only source of heat and hot water, and method of cooking, when power is lost or when bad weather leaves households or communities isolated; further notes that the *Non-domestic Technical Handbook: April 2024 Edition* states that “in smaller buildings there will be little justification to install emergency heating”; considers that any emergency heating can only be used in emergencies and must be connected to both the normal heating system and an emergency power source, and that the cost and technical implications of this have led to the Scottish Government’s Building (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2023 being described as “an effective ban” on wood-burning stoves in new-build properties; believes that this will put vulnerable households in more remote areas of Scotland at greater risk when cut off or when power is lost, as well as exacerbate already high levels of fuel poverty, and recognises reports of the concern and anger that this has caused in rural and island communities across Scotland, especially in the Highlands and Islands.

Supported by: Meghan Gallacher*, Alexander Stewart*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Annie Wells*, Douglas Ross*

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***[S6M-12927](#) Sharon Dowey: Good Hotel Award 2024—**That the Parliament congratulates Ayr’s Savoy Park Hotel on receiving the Good Hotel Award for 2024; understands that the prestigious award recognises and celebrates exceptional customer service and genuine hospitality throughout the UK; applauds what it sees as the hard work and dedication of the staff, who go above and beyond to deliver the highest levels of customer satisfaction, ensuring that a memorable experience is had by all; understands that the offer of good food, a homely atmosphere and attention to detail, has established the award-winning reputation of the hotel, both locally and further afield; congratulates the Savoy Park Hotel once again on its recent accolade, and wishes everyone continued success for the future.

Supported by: Meghan Gallacher*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Alexander Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Brian Whittle*, Edward Mountain*, Miles Briggs*, Douglas Ross*, Stuart McMillan*

***[S6M-12926](#) Alasdair Allan: Fire at Danish Stock Exchange —**That the Parliament expresses its sadness at the news of the devastating fire that occurred at the historic Danish Stock Exchange Building, commonly known as Børsen on 16 April 2024; notes what it sees as the cultural and historic value of the building given its status as one of the oldest buildings in Copenhagen, built in 1619, and its proximity to Christiansborg Palace, the seat of the Danish Parliament; congratulates the work of the Danish emergency services to ensure that no injuries or fatalities occurred in the fire, and supports the people of Denmark in the hope of seeing the building quickly repaired and restored.

Supported by: John Mason*, Miles Briggs*, Jackie Dunbar*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*

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***[S6M-12925](#) Kevin Stewart: Brexit Leads to Medicine Shortages—**That the Parliament notes the Nuffield Trust's new report, *The future for health after Brexit*, published on 18 April 2024, which found that medicine shortages in the UK are being exacerbated by Brexit; understands that the report found that the number of warnings issued by drug companies about impending supply problems for certain products has more than doubled, from 648 in 2020 to 1,634 in 2023; further understands, with concern, that the report describes these medicine shortages as a "new normal", with the UK reportedly isolated in efforts to tackle problems in the supply chain due to policy choices by the UK Government, and with the UK being slower than the EU to approve new drugs that are authorised centrally, and believes that these issues are causing serious harm to Scotland's NHS and are a symptom of the unworkable nature of Brexit, which is backed by both the Conservatives and the Labour Party, and that they can only be realistically resolved by Scotland re-joining the EU as an independent country.

Supported by: Alasdair Allan*, John Mason*, Clare Haughey*, Emma Harper*, Kenneth Gibson*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jackie Dunbar*, Rona Mackay*, Bill Kidd*, Stuart McMillan*

***[S6M-12923](#) Murdo Fraser: Perthshire Business Celebrating 10-year Anniversary—**That the Parliament congratulates Castle Water on reaching 10 years in business; understands that the Blairgowrie-based business is the UK's largest independent water retailer serving multi-site customers, small businesses and sole traders; further understands that Castle Water began operating with a small number of staff but now employs more than 300 people and that its achievements include its Modern Apprenticeship programme for young people aged between 18 and 24 years, with 95% of apprentices choosing to stay at Castle Water after completing their apprenticeships, and wishes Castle Water all the best for the future.

***[S6M-12915](#) Elena Whitham: Francesco D'Inverno Headstone Unveiled —**That the Parliament recognises the unveiling of a new headstone at Girvan's Doune Cemetery, which marks the resting place of Francesco D'Inverno who, it understands, was a casualty in the sinking of the *Arandora Star*; understands that Francesco, who was born in Villa Latina, Lazio, Italy in 1901, was living in London in the 1930s and, like many other Italians, was arrested as an "enemy alien" following Italy's entry into the Second World War; further understands that Francesco was sent to Canada on the *Arandora Star* before the ship was sunk by a German U-boat, and that he was one of 805 people who died in the sinking; notes that Francesco's body was washed ashore near Lendalfoot and was buried in an unmarked grave; praises the Italian Garden Improvement Group for confirming Francesco's identity in September 2023; expresses gratitude to the Girvan and District Great War project for tracking down Francesco's relatives, who are currently living in Kent, to inform them of the news, and praises all involved in this project which keeps the memory of Francesco alive.

Supported by: Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Kevin Stewart*, Ivan McKee*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

***[S6M-12914](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating Young Footballers of Gleniffer Thistle—**That the Parliament congratulates the young footballers Josh, Oliver S, Riley, Dylan, Carson, Nicky, Yasin, Spencer, Noah, Oliver C, Oliver J, Zach and Ryan of Gleniffer Thistle in Paisley, who raised £725 for Epilepsy Scotland through a charity walk; recognises that the walk took over six hours and covered 25.32 km, from Hampden Park to St Mirren Park via Celtic Park and Ibrox; notes that Epilepsy Scotland works with people affected by epilepsy to improve healthcare and information provision and to end stigma, and understands that the boys chose to donate to the charity to support their teammate, Josh, who has epilepsy.

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Supported by: Foysol Choudhury*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Kevin Stewart*, Paul O'Kane*

***[S6M-12903](#) Alexander Burnett: Aboyne Dentist Takes on 183-mile Challenge after Colleague's Bowel Cancer Diagnosis**—That the Parliament commends Roshan Fernandez for the challenge that he is about to undertake, running seven marathons in seven days to raise money on behalf of a colleague with bowel cancer; understands that the challenge starts on 6 May 2024 from the front door of his workplace, the Fountain Dental Practice in Aboyne, and will see Roshan run just over 183 miles; notes that he was encouraged to take on this challenge after his friend and colleague at the practice was diagnosed with bowel cancer at the age of 44; understands that it was his friend's diagnosis that inspired him to do something to raise awareness of bowel cancer, and further understands that Roshan plans to run the first six marathons around the Aberdeenshire countryside, sticking mainly to the Deeside railway line that passes through Aboyne, and will complete his seventh and final 26.2 miles at Leeds' Rob Burrow Marathon on 12 May 2024.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Jackson Carlaw*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Meghan Gallacher*, Pam Gosal*, Craig Hoy*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kevin Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Miles Briggs*, Bill Kidd*, Audrey Nicoll*, Maggie Chapman*, Brian Whittle*, Edward Mountain*

***[S6M-12901](#) Annie Wells: Simple Minds' Jim Kerr Wins Award for Jim Morrison BBC Documentary**—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow's Jim Kerr, lead singer of Simple Minds, who won a distinguished radio award at the New York Festivals International Radio Awards; acknowledges that Jim Kerr won the Gold Medal for Best Documentary for his BBC documentary film on The Doors' Jim Morrison, entitled *Jim Kerr on Jim Morrison*, in the Culture and the Arts category on 16 April 2024; understands that this is Jim's first documentary, which he wrote and presented and in which he explores the enduring legacy of Jim Morrison, as he reflects on how the poet and singer influenced both his life and career; notes that Kerr created the documentary to highlight the legacy of Morrison, which was released on what would have been the rock star's 80th birthday, and further notes that the awards ceremony is held annually in New York City to celebrate the best radio productions and that the awards are judged by an international panel of writers, presenters, producers, editors, sound artists, journalists, and directors.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

[S6M-12913](#) Audrey Nicoll: Tigh a'Chomainn Camphill Receives £1,500 from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 19 April 2024)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Alasdair Allan*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Paul Sweeney*, Miles Briggs*, Tess White*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jackie Dunbar*, Karen Adam*, Bill Kidd*, Maggie Chapman*, Kevin Stewart*

[S6M-12912](#) Kate Forbes: Retail Industry's Voluntary Guidelines for the Responsible Sale of Disposable Barbecues (lodged on 19 April 2024)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Paul Sweeney*, Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*, Tess White*, Annabelle Ewing*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*

[S6M-12911](#) Collette Stevenson: Jordan Fletcher Raises over £2,000 for Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland (lodged on 19 April 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Tess White*, Annabelle Ewing*, Bill Kidd*

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[S6M-12907](#) Paul Sweeney: Glasgow Warriors Plaster It Purple (lodged on 19 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Jeremy Balfour*, Foyso Choudhury*, Bill Kidd*, Alexander Stewart*, Audrey Nicoll*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Liam McArthur*, Kevin Stewart*, Kenneth Gibson*, Pauline McNeill*, Paul O'Kane*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-12906](#) Evelyn Tweed: Scotland Cerebral Palsy Football Team Become World Champions (lodged on 18 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12905](#) Ash Regan: Congratulating Scotland's World Champion Football Team (lodged on 18 April 2024)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S6M-12902](#) Alexander Burnett: Aberdeen Dad Set to Cycle Coast to Coast in Epic Fundraiser (lodged on 18 April 2024)

New Support: Russell Findlay*, Craig Hoy*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jeremy Balfour*, Meghan Gallacher*, Pam Gosal*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Jackson Carlaw*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Kevin Stewart*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Douglas Ross*

[S6M-12900](#) Finlay Carson: Charity Cycle Raises Valuable Funds in Memory of David Hill (lodged on 18 April 2024)

New Support: Meghan Gallacher*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-12898](#) Michael Matheson: 10th Anniversary of the Kelpies (lodged on 18 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Gillian Mackay*, Brian Whittle*

[S6M-12897](#) Kenneth Gibson: Repeal the Anti-Homosexuality Act in Uganda (lodged on 18 April 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Tess White*, Paul O'Kane*, Miles Briggs*

[S6M-12896](#) Paul Sweeney: Survivors of Human Trafficking in Scotland Receives Stanley Pritchard Award (lodged on 18 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12894](#) Rachael Hamilton: Jedburgh Students Prove their Business Skills by Winning Regional Competition (lodged on 18 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12892](#) Michael Marra: Royal Society of Edinburgh Recognises Dundee Scientists (lodged on 19 April 2024)

New Support: Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Maggie Chapman*, Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12891](#) Neil Bibby: Proposed Cuts to Renfrewshire HSCP Services (lodged on 17 April 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Russell Findlay*, Paul O'Kane*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-12890](#) Maggie Chapman: Celebrating Climate Week North East 2024 (lodged on 18 April 2024)

New Support: Alasdair Allan*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Ariane Burgess*, Audrey Nicoll*, Stuart McMillan*

[S6M-12889](#) Sue Webber: Broxburn Academy Pupil Emma Crow Wins Prestigious UK National Debating Title (lodged on 17 April 2024)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-12888](#) Sue Webber: Top Awards for Outstanding West Lothian Apprentices (lodged on 17 April 2024)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-12887](#) Alexander Stewart: Largest University of Stirling Team GB Swimming Contingent Set to Compete in 2024 Paris Olympics (lodged on 17 April 2024)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-12886](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Ice Cream Parlour, Jaconelli's, Celebrates 100 Years in Business (lodged on 17 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12881](#) Sharon Dowey: High Praise for Auchinleck Early Childhood Centre (lodged on 17 April 2024)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*, Liam Kerr*

[S6M-12880](#) Neil Bibby: Marjory Love Becomes Women's Over-75 Tennis World Number One (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12879](#) Annie Wells: Jordanhill School in Glasgow Once Again the Top High-performing School in Scotland (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-12878](#) Elena Whitham: The Rowantree Court Social Club Receives £6,440 (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12877](#) Elena Whitham: Helping Hands Receives £16,900 (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Brian Whittle*

[S6M-12866](#) Fergus Ewing: Dualling of the A96 from Inverness Smithton to Auldearn and the Nairn Bypass (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Annie Wells*, Jackson Carlaw*, Rhoda Grant*

[S6M-12862](#) Collette Stevenson: Cathkin House Staff Appreciation Awards (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S6M-12860 Gillian Mackay: Falkirk Victoria Harriers Round The Houses](#) (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12857 Rona Mackay: Sydney Shopping Centre Tragedy](#) (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12856 Annie Wells: New Mural Unveiled at Glasgow Hospice](#) (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-12853 Ruth Maguire: Irvine Dad Runs 1,000 Miles for Charity](#) (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12852 Ruth Maguire: World Press Freedom Day](#) (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Karen Adam*, Brian Whittle*

[S6M-12850 Kevin Stewart: 40th Anniversary of Volunteers' Week](#) (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Brian Whittle*

[S6M-12849 Annie Wells: National Lottery Heritage Fund Award for Sauchiehall Street Culture and Heritage District](#) (lodged on 15 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12846 Audrey Nicoll: Welcoming the Jay Review Report, Criminally Exploited Children: Shattered Lives, Stolen Futures](#) (lodged on 15 April 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12842 Tess White: New Energy Infrastructure in the North of Scotland](#) (lodged on 15 April 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle* R

[S6M-12841 Clare Haughey: Seventh Anniversary of the Two-child Benefit Cap](#) (lodged on 12 April 2024)

New Support: Collette Stevenson*

[S6M-12835 Ruth Maguire: Irvine Paper Mill Celebrates 35 Years](#) (lodged on 15 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12832 David Torrance: Scotland's Accused Witches](#) (lodged on 15 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12823 Jackie Baillie: Celebrating the Launch of Radio Therapy Podcast](#) (lodged on 15 April 2024)

New Support: Paul O'Kane*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-12822](#) Craig Hoy: Funding Success for Cockenzie House and Gardens (lodged on 15 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12821](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Congratulating Royal Conservatoire of Scotland on World Rankings (lodged on 12 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Liam McArthur*, Monica Lennon*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kenneth Gibson*, Foyso Choudhury*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*, Kevin Stewart*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Paul O'Kane*, Martin Whitfield*, Ben Macpherson*

[S6M-12819](#) Douglas Lumsden: Inverurie and District Men's Shed Celebrates 10th Anniversary (lodged on 12 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Kenneth Gibson*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Jackson Carlaw*, Douglas Ross*, Maggie Chapman*, Stuart McMillan*, Kevin Stewart*, Brian Whittle*, Edward Mountain*

[S6M-12816](#) Michelle Thomson: Pupils across Falkirk Take Action to Keep Scotland Beautiful (lodged on 12 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Kenneth Gibson*, Emma Harper*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

[S6M-12815](#) Michelle Thomson: Evolution Hair Clinic's Excellence Recognised at Industry Awards (lodged on 12 April 2024)

New Support: Emma Harper*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Jeremy Balfour*, Bill Kidd*, Karen Adam*, Miles Briggs*

[S6M-12814](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow's Royal Conservatoire Ranked in World's Top 10 (lodged on 12 April 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12813](#) Alexander Burnett: Funding in Aberdeenshire West from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 12 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12808](#) Annabelle Ewing: Ann McCallum Citizen of the Year Award 2023 (lodged on 15 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12801](#) Michelle Thomson: Taliban's Suppression of Women's and Girls' Rights in Afghanistan (lodged on 12 April 2024)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*, Emma Harper*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Bill Kidd*, John Mason*, Ivan McKee*

[S6M-12800](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank Care Home Resident Achieves First National Qualification (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-12796](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Estate Agent Fundraising for Vital Hospice Throughout its 20th Anniversary Year (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-12791](#) Clare Adamson: Dedicated Lanarkshire Nurses Recognised for their Long Service (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Brian Whittle*

[S6M-12786](#) Clare Adamson: Vision Taekwondo Club Success (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12785](#) Clare Adamson: Commsworld and SmartSTEMs at New College Lanarkshire (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12784](#) Clare Adamson: Wishaw Academy Primary School Provides Easter Eggs to Pupils (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12783](#) Clare Adamson: Craigneuk Lifelong Learning Easter Activities (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12781](#) Clare Adamson: Hugh McMahon Easter Egg Run with University Hospital Wishaw (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12780](#) Marie McNair: Allander Rotary Club's Fire Walk (lodged on 10 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12779](#) Neil Bibby: Congratulating Caroline Judge, Midwife of the Year Award Winner (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12776](#) Fulton MacGregor: More Than Fibro Receives National Lottery Community Fund and Asda Foundation Grants (lodged on 10 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12774](#) Pam Duncan-Glancy: Impact of Reductions to Education in Glasgow (lodged on 12 April 2024)

New Support: Paul O'Kane*, Sandesh Gulhane*

[S6M-12770](#) Tess White: Tarfside Scottish Women's Rural Institute Celebrates Centenary (lodged on 10 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-12768](#) Michelle Thomson: National Lottery Community Funding for Falkirk East Groups (lodged on 10 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12767](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Woman Aiming to Make History at London Marathon (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Jackson Carlaw*

[S6M-12765](#) Jackson Carlaw: National Lottery Funding Awards for Two Groups Operating in Eastwood (lodged on 10 April 2024)

New Support: Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12764](#) Michelle Thomson: Elite Evolution Cheer and Dance Qualifies for All Star World Event in 2025 (lodged on 09 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12763](#) Evelyn Tweed: Congratulating Evelyn Mcfarlane of Doune on Raising Over £12,000 for the Brain Tumour Charity (lodged on 10 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12762](#) Evelyn Tweed: Fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis Trust in Memory of Oliver Steele (lodged on 11 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12761](#) Kevin Stewart: Congratulating Archie Foundation for Fundraising Efforts (lodged on 09 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12760](#) Kevin Stewart: CFINE Zero Waste Cooking Day (lodged on 09 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12752](#) Gillian Mackay: Celebrating Central Scotland's First Aid Champions at the 2024 Scottish First Aid Awards (lodged on 10 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12751](#) Kevin Stewart: CLAN Cancer Support 2025 Sculpture Trail (lodged on 09 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12749](#) Gordon MacDonald: Edinburgh Pentlands Groups Receive Over £750,000 in National Lottery Community Funding (lodged on 09 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12747](#) Rona Mackay: Strathkelvin and Bearsden Groups Benefit from National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 09 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

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Motions Glusadan				

[S6M-12744](#) Kevin Stewart: Happy 50th to Aberdeen Science Centre's "Pooping Sheep"
(lodged on 09 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12743](#) Douglas Lumsden: Cove Rangers Community Foundation (lodged on 15 April 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12739](#) Tess White: University of Aberdeen Paves Way to End Female Genital Mutilation with World's First University Course (lodged on 09 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12737](#) Fulton MacGregor: St Patrick's Day 2024 (lodged on 09 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12732](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank's Happy Leaf Makes Impressive Strides in Plant Care
(lodged on 05 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12731](#) Marie McNair: St Peter the Apostle S3 Netball Team Wins Scottish School Cup
(lodged on 19 April 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Annabelle Ewing*, Pam Gosal*, Jackie Dunbar*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*

[S6M-12730](#) Marie McNair: Clydebank Musical Society's Performance of Legally Blonde
(lodged on 05 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12729](#) Stephanie Callaghan: Tannochside Miners Welfare Club, Finalists at PubAid Community Pub Hero Awards (lodged on 04 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12726](#) Christine Grahame: 15 Years of Gala Life (lodged on 04 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12725](#) Gillian Mackay: Unbeaten Falkirk Crowned League One Champions (lodged on 04 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12723](#) Katy Clark: Ardrossan Harbour (lodged on 04 April 2024)

New Support: Paul O'Kane*

[S6M-12721](#) Willie Coffey: Hillhead Primary Wins Gold Award (lodged on 04 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12720](#) Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen Resident Raises Over £7,000 for AberNecessities
(lodged on 04 April 2024)

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Motions Glusadan				

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12718](#) Alexander Burnett: Friends of Jubilee Hospital Raises £13,000 through its Grand Raffle (lodged on 16 April 2024)

New Support: Liam Kerr*

[S6M-12716](#) Roz McCall: Bob and Blether Swims for International Women's Day (lodged on 03 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

[S6M-12710](#) Kevin Stewart: Mia AI Tool for Identifying Breast Cancer (lodged on 02 April 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12705](#) Pam Gosal: Celebrating Eid ul-Fitr 2024 (lodged on 02 April 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12687](#) Christine Grahame: The Impact of the Scottish SCPA in 2023 (lodged on 28 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12686](#) Audrey Nicoll: HR Hub Plus in Portlethen Wins Community Award in the Celebrating Small Business Awards (lodged on 28 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12655](#) Ivan McKee: Commending the Work of RE-Tune SCIO (lodged on 03 April 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12599](#) Pauline McNeill: Deepfakes and Intimate Image-based Abuse (lodged on 26 March 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*

[S6M-12577](#) Annie Wells: Glasgow Restaurant, Mother India's Café, Celebrates 20 Years in Business (lodged on 20 March 2024)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*

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

New Support: Graham Simpson*, Claire Baker*, Ross Greer*, Fulton MacGregor*

[S6M-12467](#) Russell Findlay: The Murder of Emma Caldwell (lodged on 28 March 2024)

New Support: Tess White*

[S6M-12156](#) Fulton MacGregor: World Social Work Day 2024 (lodged on 14 February 2024)

New Support: Stephanie Callaghan*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Miles Briggs*, Audrey Nicoll*, Annabelle Ewing*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Maggie Chapman*, Kevin Stewart*

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Questions Ceistean				

Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 23 April 2024

- Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government what potential impact the proposed Berwick Bank offshore windfarm not being included in the Contracts for Difference Allocation Round 6 will have on achieving Scotland's climate targets. ([S6T-01932](#))
- Stuart McMillan:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of reported statistics indicating that wet wipes contribute to up to 94% of sewer blockages, what assessment it has made of the potential impact on Scottish Water of the planned ban on wet wipes containing plastic, including whether water and sewerage charges will be reduced in the future as a result of the ban. ([S6T-01937](#))
- Meghan Gallacher:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the LGBT Youth Scotland pilot programme to introduce youth clubs in schools. ([S6T-01938](#))

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 25 April 2024

- Douglas Ross:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-03036](#))
- Anas Sarwar:** Question to be taken in Chamber. ([S6F-03037](#))
- Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the First Minister when the Cabinet will next meet. ([S6F-03043](#))
- Kevin Stewart:** To ask the First Minister whether he will provide an update on NHS Scotland's ability to treat patients, in light of the reported scarcity of life-saving medicines in the UK due to Brexit. ([S6F-03047](#))
- Liam Kerr:** To ask the First Minister what impact he anticipates the Scottish Government's decision to remove the target to reduce emissions by 75% by 2030 will have on infrastructure projects throughout Scotland. ([S6F-03053](#))
- Monica Lennon:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's response is to the report, *Scoping a Domestic Legal Framework for Ecocide in Scotland*, which was published by the Environmental Rights Centre for Scotland. ([S6F-03060](#)) R

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 01 May 2024

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 24 April 2024. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 25 April 2024.

Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Energy

- Katy Clark
- Marie McNair
- Graham Simpson
- Oliver Mundell
- Daniel Johnson
- Craig Hoy

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Questions Ceistean				

7. Alexander Stewart
8. Collette Stevenson

Finance, Deputy First Minister Responsibilities and Parliamentary Business

1. Rhoda Grant
2. Maggie Chapman
3. Sue Webber
4. Liam McArthur
5. Douglas Lumsden
6. Jamie Greene
7. Carol Mochan
8. Ash Regan

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 02 May 2024

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 24 April 2024. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 25 April 2024.

Transport

1. Kate Forbes
2. Brian Whittle
3. Karen Adam
4. Ivan McKee
5. Clare Adamson
6. Fulton MacGregor
7. Stuart McMillan
8. Christine Grahame

Members selected for General Questions on 02 May 2024

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 24 April 2024. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 25 April 2024.

1. John Mason
2. Paul O'Kane
3. Stephanie Callaghan
4. Pam Gosal
5. Ariane Burgess
6. Colin Smyth
7. Roz McCall
8. Jeremy Balfour

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Questions Ceistean				

Written Questions

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

Written questions lodged on 22 April 2024

[S6W-26938](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will introduce its proposed Natural Environment Bill before January 2025.

[S6W-26939](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will introduce its proposed Heat in Buildings Bill ahead of the Scottish Parliament's 2024 summer recess. **R**

[S6W-26940](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether the Scottish equivalent to the Passivhaus standard will take into account embodied carbon emissions.

[S6W-26941](#) Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is permissible for the emergency vehicles operated by Glasgow Street Aid to use blue lights.

[S6W-26942](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how many electric vehicle (EV) charging points it has delivered since 2021.

[S6W-26943](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government when it will publish its consultation on proposals to introduce a carbon emissions land tax.

[S6W-26944](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether its proposed carbon emissions land tax will be included in its 2025-26 Budget.

[S6W-26945](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will publish a new Smart Ticketing Delivery Strategy prior to July 2024.

[S6W-26947](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will set out the high-level principles of its proposed Air Departure Tax prior to July 2024.

[S6W-26948](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will establish a pilot scheme on methane suppressing feed products before January 2025.

[S6W-26949](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will include crofts in its proposed pilot scheme on methane suppressing feed products.

[S6W-26950](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government when it will establish a pilot scheme for partial re-wetting projects.

[S6W-26951](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will raise its proposal of establishing a four nations climate response group at the next meeting of the Prime Minister and Heads of Devolved Government Council.

[S6W-26952](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will raise its proposal of establishing a four nations climate response group at the next meeting of the (a) Interministerial Standing Committee and (b) Finance Interministerial Standing Committee.

[S6W-26953](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will raise its proposal of establishing a four nations climate response group at the next meeting of the Interministerial Group on Net Zero, Energy and Climate Change.

[S6W-26954](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has assessed the potential impact on its commitment to ban single-use vapes in the event that the UK Government's Tobacco and Vapes Bill is not passed by the UK Parliament, and what discussions the Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity has had with the UK Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, or any other UK Government ministers, regarding this Bill.

[S6W-26955](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what contingency plans are in place in the event of a wildfire in a national park.

[S6W-26956](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of any threat of wildfires in national parks ahead of the summer season, and what the outcome was of any such assessment.

[S6W-26957](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to conduct an assessment of the potential impact of its ban on industrial sandeel fishing in Scottish waters on puffin populations, and, if so, when it will report any findings resulting from such an assessment to Parliament.

[S6W-26958](#) Paul Sweeney: To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to rapidly emulate the national roll-out of pay-as-you-go mobile in/out public transport ticketing, which was launched in April 2024 in Denmark by Rejsekort and Rejseplan with vendor FAIRTIQ, in order to meet its climate change and modal shift targets.

[S6W-26959](#) Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on the introduction of an independent Scottish football regulator

[S6W-26960](#) Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to address the reported shortage in trained physiotherapists.

[S6W-26961](#) Katy Clark: To ask the Scottish Government what data it holds on any current physiotherapist vacancies across all NHS boards.

[S6W-26964](#) Foyso Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the average time that kidney patients wait for non-emergency patient transport services to and from in-centre dialysis appointments.

[S6W-26965](#) Foyso Choudhury: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the adequacy of non-emergency kidney patient transport service provision for patients travelling to and from in-centre dialysis appointments across each NHS board, and when it made any such assessment.

[S6W-26967](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how it is marking bowel cancer awareness month.

[S6W-26968](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how many colorectal (a) clinical nurse specialists and (b) surgeons were employed by NHS Lanarkshire in 2019.

[S6W-26969](#) Monica Lennon: To ask the Scottish Government how many colorectal (a) clinical nurse specialists and (b) surgeons are currently employed by NHS Lanarkshire.

Amendments

New amendments to Bills lodged on 22 April 2024

Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill — Stage 2

Before section 1

Maurice Golden

131 Before section 1, insert—

<Purpose of circular economy

Purpose of circular economy

For the purposes of this Act, a circular economy is an economic system where—

- (a) goods, products and materials are circulated in as high a value state for as long as possible in order to extract the maximum economic, social and environmental value from them,
- (b) processes for the production and distribution of goods, products and materials are designed so as to reduce the consumption of materials,
- (c) the delivery of services is designed so as to reduce the consumption of materials,
- (d) goods, products and materials are managed as locally as possible,
- (e) the prevention of harmful goods, products and materials is taken into account,
- (f) global just transition principles are embedded,
- (g) due diligence in supply chains is developed,
- (h) domestic just transition principles within the meaning of section 35 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 are aligned with.>

Section 1

Monica Lennon

132 In section 1, page 1, line 12, at end insert—

<() must consider and account for the extraterritorial impact of material consumption in Scotland,>

Maurice Golden

133 In section 1, page 1, line 23, leave out <recovered> and insert <managed in line with the waste hierarchy>

Monica Lennon

134 In section 1, page 1, line 24, at end insert—

<() the highest possible standard of due diligence with regards to environmental protection in supply chains and public procurement is adhered to,>

Maurice Golden

135 In section 1, page 1, line 24, at end insert—

<() waste materials are managed as locally as possible, preferably in Scotland.>

Lorna Slater

136 In section 1, page 1, line 24, at end insert—

<() In preparing the circular economy strategy, the Scottish Ministers must have regard to the following waste hierarchy—

- (a) waste prevention,
- (b) preparing for re-use,
- (c) recycling,
- (d) other recovery, including energy recovery,
- (e) disposal.>

Lorna Slater

137 In section 1, page 1, line 24, at end insert—

<() In preparing the circular economy strategy, the Scottish Ministers must have regard to the just transition principles set out in section 35C of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009.>

Lorna Slater

138 In section 1, page 1, line 24, at end insert—

<() In preparing the circular economy strategy, the Scottish Ministers must have regard to the desirability of encouraging the kinds of behavioural changes which would be required to meet the objectives set out in the strategy.>

Lorna Slater

139 In section 1, page 1, line 24, at end insert—

<() In preparing the circular economy strategy, the Scottish Ministers must have regard to the circular economy targets imposed by regulations made under section 6.>

Maurice Golden

140 In section 1, page 1, leave out lines 26 and 27 and insert <—

- () have regard to all the sectors mentioned in section 35(3) of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act,
- () ensure any sectors in the Climate Change Plan are also included in the circular economy strategy,
- () include such other sectors or topics as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.>

Section 2

Maurice Golden

141 In section 2, page 2, line 13, at end insert—

<() the advisory body in section (*Advisory body and Ministerial advisory duties*),>

Section 6

Maurice Golden

142 In section 6, page 3, line 25, leave out <recovered> and insert <managed in line with the waste hierarchy>

Maurice Golden

143 In section 6, page 3, line 26, at end insert—

<() waste materials are managed as locally as possible, preferably in Scotland.>

Monica Lennon

144 In section 6, page 3, line 30, after <reuse,> insert <including increasing the uptake of free reusable diapers>

Monica Lennon

145 In section 6, page 3, line 32, after <waste,> insert <including food waste,>

Monica Lennon

146 In section 6, page 3, line 32, at end insert—

<() provide for the targets to adhere to the principle of “do no harm” where Scotland prevents and alleviates any adverse consequences of its actions in relation to these targets on any affected populations.>

Bob Doris

147 In section 6, page 3, line 34, after <procedure> insert <(but see section (*Circular economy targets: pre-laying procedure for first regulations*) in relation to the first regulations)>

Section 7

Maurice Golden

148 In section 7, page 4, line 9, at end insert—

<() whether the circular economy target is achievable, ()

whether the circular economy target is appropriate,

() the respective contributions towards meeting each relevant target that has been made by—

(i) the sectors of the Scottish economy under section 1(4), and

(ii) such other sectors or topics as the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.>

Lorna Slater

- 149** In section 7, page 4, line 12, leave out <intend to take to achieve targets that have not been achieved> and insert <are taking to achieve targets>

After section 7

Bob Doris

- 150** After section 7, insert—

<Circular economy targets: pre-laying procedure for first regulations

- (1) This section applies where the Scottish Ministers propose to lay before the Scottish Parliament a draft of a statutory instrument containing the first regulations under section 6(1).
- (2) The Scottish Ministers must, before doing so, lay before the Parliament—
 - (a) a copy of the proposed regulations, and
 - (b) a statement setting out their reasons for proposing to make those regulations.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers must, when laying such a copy, specify a period (the “representation period”) during which representations on the proposed regulations may be made to them.
- (4) The representation period must be at least 90 days, of which no fewer than 30 must be days on which the Parliament is not dissolved or in recess.
- (5) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as reasonably practicable after laying a copy of the proposed regulations, publicise them in such manner as they consider appropriate.
- (6) The Scottish Ministers must, before laying the proposed regulations before the Parliament, have regard to—
 - (a) any representations on the proposed regulations made to them,
 - (b) any resolution relating to those regulations passed by the Parliament, and
 - (c) any report relating to those regulations published by any committee of the Parliament for the time being appointed by virtue of standing orders,before the expiry of the representation period.
- (7) The Scottish Ministers must, when laying such proposed regulations, lay a statement setting out—
 - (a) details of any representations, resolutions or reports mentioned in subsection (6), and
 - (b) the changes (if any) they have made to the proposed regulations in response to such representations, resolutions or reports and the reasons for those changes.
- (8) In this section, “proposed regulations” means a draft of a statutory instrument to which subsection (1) applies.>

Maurice Golden

- 151** After section 7, insert—

<Advisory body and Ministerial advisory duties

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, by regulations, designate—
 - (a) a body established for the purpose of exercising advisory functions on the circular economy, or
 - (b) such other public body as they consider appropriate to exercise the functions in

subsection (2).

- (2) The advisory functions are—
 - (a) providing advice, analysis, information and other assistance to the Scottish Ministers in respect of the Ministers' duties under sections 1 and 6,
 - (b) any other functions the Scottish Ministers consider appropriate.
- (3) The Scottish Ministers must consult the advisory body and seek advice on at least one occasion before—
 - (a) publication of the circular economy strategy under section 1,
 - (b) publication of any revisions to the circular economy strategy under section 4, and
 - (c) introduction of the circular economy targets under section 6.
- (4) The advice sought under subsection (3) must include—
 - (a) whether the circular economy strategy is achievable,
 - (b) whether the circular economy strategy is appropriate,
 - (c) the estimated contribution of the circular economy strategy towards the circular economy target.
- (5) A request for advice under subsection (3) may request the relevant body's views as to any other matter which the Scottish Ministers consider relevant.
- (6) The Scottish Ministers must—
 - (a) publish any advice received in response to a request under subsection (2) as soon as reasonably practicable after it is received,
 - (b) within 2 months of receiving that advice, publish a statement to set out how they intend to respond to that advice, and
 - (c) if they do not publish a statement under paragraph (b) above, make a statement to the Scottish Parliament to set out the reasons for not doing so.
- (7) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to the affirmative procedure.>

Maurice Golden

152 After section 7, insert—

<Duty to prepare circular economy plan

- (1) Each public body must—
 - (a) prepare an circular economy plan, and
 - (b) submit it to the Scottish Ministers for approval.
- (2) A circular economy plan is a plan which—
 - (a) sets out how the public authority will—
 - (i) account for the proportion of its activity under section 6(3)(a), in particular through procurement,
 - (ii) improve the circular economy of their operations,
 - (b) sets the date by which any improvements must be carried out.
- (3) A public body, in preparing its circular economy plan, must have regard to—

- (a) the best way to contribute to the delivery of the circular economy strategy,
 - (b) such matters as the Scottish Ministers may direct.
- (4) In this section, a “public body” has the same meaning within section 3(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.>

Section 8

Monica Lennon

153 In section 8, page 5, line 15, at end insert—

- <() include provision for the donation of unsold textiles from a business to—
- (i) third sector organisations,
 - (ii) education providers, including primary and secondary schools.>

Monica Lennon

154 In section 8, page 5, line 15, at end insert—

- <() include provision for the recycling, reuse or repair of unsold textiles by businesses and public bodies.>

Monica Lennon

155 In section 8, page 5, line 15, at end insert—

- <() include provisions for the restriction of selling unsold textile goods as waste by business and public bodies for the purpose of export.>

Monica Lennon

156 In section 8, page 5, line 15, at end insert—

- <() include provisions for the prohibition of exportation of unsold textile goods.>

After section 9

Monica Lennon

157 After section 9, insert—

<Free access to reusable diapers>

Free access to reusable diapers

- (1) Each health board in Scotland must, by 30 April 2026, provide free access to reusable diapers in any maternity facilities, alongside any existing provision for disposable diapers.
- (2) Free access, may include—
 - (a) a packet of reusable diapers for a new born baby,
 - (b) guidance on how to use reusable diapers,
 - (c) information about venues that stock reusable and disposable diapers as well as venues which provide a lending service for reusable diapers within the local authority that the health

board area covers.

- (3) The Scottish Ministers must, prior to 30 April 2026, prepare and publish guidance for health boards on the distribution of free reusable diapers to patients, including babies, children and adults outside of maternity facilities.>

Monica Lennon

158 After section 9, insert—

<Reporting on access to reusable diapers

- (1) The Scottish Ministers must, as soon as practicable after 30 April 2027, prepare and publish a report setting out—
- (a) the progress in increasing access and uptake of reusable diapers across Scotland generally and through any schemes or provisions under sections (*Free access to reusable diapers*) and (*Scheme for reusable diapers*),
 - (b) any barriers to access or uptake of reusable diapers across Scotland generally and with regards to any schemes or provisions under sections (*Free access to reusable diapers*) and (*Scheme for reusable diapers*).>

Monica Lennon

159 After section 9, insert—

<Schools to ensure refillable bottles obtainable free of charge by pupils

Schools to ensure refillable bottles obtainable free of charge by pupils

- (1) Each school must ensure by 30 December 2026, that refillable bottles are obtainable free of charge to pupils.
- (2) The refillable bottles must be—
- (a) made from sustainable materials,
 - (b) where possible and reasonable, sourced from Scotland.>

Section 11

Jackie Dunbar

160 In section 11, page 14, line 18, at end insert—

- <() In preparing guidance under subsection (1), the Scottish Ministers must consult waste collection authorities.>

Section 12

Maurice Golden

161 In section 12, page 14, line 33, after <collection> insert <, reuse, repair>

Maurice Golden

162 In section 12, page 14, line 37, at end insert—

<() the items of household waste that are to be reused or repaired,>

Maurice Golden

163 In section 12, page 15, line 10, at end insert—

<() the general public.>

Section 13

Maurice Golden

164 In section 13, page 15, line 35, leave out <may> and insert <must>

Lorna Slater

165 In section 13, page 16, leave out lines 7 and 8

Lorna Slater

166 In section 13, page 16, leave out lines 15 and 16

Maurice Golden

167 In section 13, page 16, line 16, at end insert—

<() specify how the targets under this section relate to the circular economy targets under section 6 of the Circular Economy (Scotland) Act.>

Maurice Golden

168 In section 13, page 16, line 21, at end insert—

<() the general public.>

After section 16

Lorna Slater

169 After section 16, insert—

<Offences relating to the use etc. of injurious articles or substances: fixed penalty notices

Offences relating to the use etc. of injurious articles or substances: fixed penalty notices

(1) The Environmental Protection Act 1990 is modified as follows.

(2) In section 140, after subsection (10) insert—

“(10A) Regulations under this section may provide for an enforcement officer to give to a person whom the enforcement officer has reason to believe has committed an offence under the regulations a notice offering the opportunity of discharging any liability to conviction for the offence by payment of a fixed penalty not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

(10B) In subsection (10A), an “enforcement officer” means a person referred to in subsection (3)(c).

(10C) Where provision under subsection (10A) is made in regulations under this section, the regulations may—

- (a) provide for the amount of the fixed penalty to be different in different cases or descriptions of case,
- (b) impose requirements on persons to whom a fixed notice is given to provide their name, address and date of birth,
- (c) create offences for failure to comply with requirements mentioned in paragraph (b), subject to a maximum penalty, on summary conviction, of a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale,
- (d) enable enforcement officers to give certificates as to proof of payment or non-payment of a fixed penalty and for such certificates to be evidence of the facts stated in them.

(10D) Where provision under subsection (10A) is made in regulations under this section, the regulations must require a fixed penalty notice—

- (a) to set out the particulars of the circumstances alleged to constitute the offence as are necessary for giving reasonable information about the offence,
- (b) to set out the amount of the fixed penalty,
- (c) if the amount of the fixed penalty may be discounted in certain circumstances, to set out those circumstances and the amount of the discount,
- (d) to set out the period within which the fixed penalty is to be paid, the person to whom it is to be paid and the arrangements for doing so,
- (e) to set out the effect of paying the fixed penalty within the payment period and the consequences of not paying the fixed penalty within that period.”.>

Monica Lennon

170 After section 16, insert—

<Scheme for reusable diapers

Scheme for reusable diapers

- (1) Each local authority must, by 30 April 2026, make a scheme for their area to provide free access to reusable diapers for a child to all persons who need them living within the local authority’s area.
- (2) A scheme may specify—
 - (a) the number of reusable diapers that are available under the scheme,
 - (b) the provision of an individual or a packet of reusable diapers for trial purposes for any persons interesting in using reusable diapers,
 - (c) the requirement for local authorities to prepare and publish guidance on how to use reusable diapers,
 - (d) the requirement for local authorities to advertise the location of charities or volunteer groups that stock free or discounted reusable and disposable diapers as well as any charities or volunteer groups which provide a lending service of reusable diapers.>

Section 17

Monica Lennon

171 In section 17, page 22, line 36, at end insert—

<() In schedule 2 (particular purposes for which provision may be made under section 18: information, publicity and consultation), after paragraph 14(b)(iii) insert—

“(iv) on food items, including food waste and on the origins and destinations of food items and waste.”>

Monica Lennon

172 In section 17, page 22, line 36, at end insert—

<() In schedule 2 (particular purposes for which provision may be made under section 18: information, publicity and consultation), after paragraph 14(b)(iii) insert—

“(iv) on recycling and the destinations of recycling.”>

Monica Lennon

173 In section 17, page 22, line 36, at end insert—

<() In schedule 2 (particular purposes for which provision may be made under section 18: information, publicity and consultation), after paragraph 14(b)(iii) insert—

“(iv) on textiles and on the storage and disposal of textiles.”>

After section 17

Lorna Slater

174 After section 17, insert—

<Zero Waste Scotland: application of public bodies legislation

Zero Waste Scotland: application of public bodies legislation

The schedule modifies other Acts so that their provisions apply to Zero Waste Scotland.>

Section 19

Maurice Golden

175 In section 19, page 23, line 19, after <sections> insert <1,>

Maurice Golden

176 In section 19, page 23, line 19, after <sections> insert <2,>

Maurice Golden

177 In section 19, page 23, line 19, after <sections> insert <4,>

Maurice Golden

178 In section 19, page 23, line 19, after <sections> insert <5,>

Maurice Golden

179 In section 19, page 23, line 19, after <sections> insert <7,>

At an appropriate place in the Bill

Lorna Slater

180 At an appropriate place in the Bill, insert—

<SCHEDULE

(inserted by section (Zero Waste Scotland: application of public bodies legislation))

ZERO WASTE SCOTLAND: APPLICATION OF PUBLIC BODIES LEGISLATION

Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000

- 1 (1) The Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 is modified as follows.
- (2) In schedule 3 (devolved public bodies), after the entry relating to the Water Industry Commission for Scotland insert—
“Zero Waste Scotland”.

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

- 2 (1) The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 is modified as follows.
- (2) In Part 7 of schedule 1 (other Scottish public authorities to which the Act applies), after paragraph 106 insert—
“107 Zero Waste Scotland.”.

Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003

- 3 (1) The Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 is modified as follows.
- (2) In schedule 2 (the specified authorities), under the heading of “Executive bodies”, after the entry relating to the Water Industry Commission for Scotland insert—
“Zero Waste Scotland”.

Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

- 4 (1) The Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 is modified as follows.
- (2) In schedule 5 (improvement of public functions: listed bodies), under the heading of “Scottish public authorities with mixed functions or no reserved functions”, after the entry relating to the Water Industry Commission for Scotland insert—
“Zero Waste Scotland”.
- (3) In schedule 8 (information on exercise of public functions: listed public bodies), after the entry relating to the Water Industry Commission for Scotland insert—
“Zero Waste Scotland”.

Public Records (Scotland) Act 2011

- 5 (1) The Public Records (Scotland) Act 2011 is modified as follows.
- (2) In the schedule (authorities to which Part 1 of the Act applies), under the heading of “Others”, after the entry relating to the Water Industry Commission for Scotland insert—
- “Zero Waste Scotland”.

Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014

- 6 (1) The Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 is modified as follows.
- (2) In Part 3 of the schedule (other contracting authorities to which the Act applies), after paragraph 69 insert—
- “70 Zero Waste Scotland”.

Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Act 2018

- 7 (1) The Gender Representation on Public Boards (Scotland) Act 2018 is modified as follows.
- (2) In schedule 1 (public authorities), after the entry relating to West Highland College UHI insert—
- “Zero Waste Scotland (company number SC436030)”.

Islands (Scotland) Act 2018

- 8 (1) The Islands (Scotland) Act 2018 is modified as follows.
- (2) In the schedule (relevant authorities), under the heading of “Scottish public authorities with mixed or no reserved functions”, after paragraph 37 insert—
- “38 Zero Waste (Scotland) (company number SC436030)”.>

Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 30 April 2024

Stage 1 report – Health, Social Care and Sport Committee (6th Report, 2024)

Aggregates Tax and Devolved Taxes Administration (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Finance and Public Administration)), 23 April 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (17th Report, 2024)

Agriculture and Rural Communities (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee), 8 May 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 1 May with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Introduced, 27 March 2024

Bankruptcy and Diligence (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 20 March 2024

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

Stage 3 (proceedings, meeting of the Parliament), 24 & 25 April 2024

Report after Stage 2 – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (25th Report, 2024)

Circular Economy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee), 30 April 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 24 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 5 March 2024

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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

Gender Recognition Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 22 December 2022

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

Gender Representation on Public Boards (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee), 30 April 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 24 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 23 April 2024

Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 16 April 2024

Stage 1 (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 18 April 2024

Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Delegated Powers and Law Reform)), 23 April 2024

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

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 26 March 2024

National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)

Before Stage 2 (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee), 26 March 2024

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Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 24 April 2024

Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 26 March 2024

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

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee), 14 May 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 8 May with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam@parliament.scot)

Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments)), 18 April 2024

Stage 1 (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee), 6 February 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (20th Report, 2024)

Scottish Languages Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 16 April 2024

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

Social Security (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Social Justice and Social Security)), 18 April 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (24th Report, 2024)

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

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 23 April 2024

Stage 1 report – Criminal Justice Committee (2nd Report, 2024)

Visitor Levy (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 12 March 2024

After Stage 2 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 23 April 2024

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

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 Report (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee) published, 5 March 2024

Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 21 March 2024

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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

Lodged on 19 December 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 22 February 2024

Report – Lead committee (Rural Affairs and Islands) (2nd Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (8th Report, 2024)

Automated Vehicles Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-42a

Lodged on 29 February 2024

Meeting of the Parliament, 16 April 2024

Report – Lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport) (6th Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (19th Report, 2024)

Criminal Justice Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-43a

Lodged on 13 February 2024

Meeting (lead committee (Criminal Justice)), 6 March 2024

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (15th Report, 2024)

Data Protection and Digital Information Bill Supplementary LCM-S6-36b

Lodged on 17 April 2024

Meeting (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 25 April 2024

Economic Activity of Public Bodies (Overseas Matters) Bill LCM-S6-38

Lodged on 19 July 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 20 March 2024

Report – Lead committee (Economy and Fair Work) (6th Report, 2023)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (58th Report, 2023)

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

Lodged on 7 February 2022

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

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

Investigatory Powers (Amendment) Bill LCM-S6-40

Lodged on 15 December 2023

Meeting of the Parliament, 14 March 2024

Report – Lead committee (Criminal Justice) (1st Report, 2024)

Report – Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee (13th Report, 2024)

Tobacco and Vapes Bill LCM-S6-44

Lodged on 2 April 2024

Lead committee – Health, Social Care and Sport

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[Registration of Social Workers and Social Service Workers in Care Services \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (11 March 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to approval by 16 May 2024

[Sea Fisheries \(Remote Electronic Monitoring and Regulation of Scallop Fishing\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (22 March 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to approval by 20 May 2024

[Transport Partnerships \(Transfer of Functions\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (26 March 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 24 May 2024

[International Organisations \(Immunities and Privileges\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024](#) (3 April 2024) (Criminal Justice Committee)

Subject to approval by 24 May 2024

[Scottish Tribunals \(Listed Tribunals\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (15 April 2024) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Subject to approval by 26 May 2024

[Disability Assistance for Older People \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (17 April 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

Subject to approval by 27 May 2024

[Equality Act 2010 \(Specification of Public Authorities\) \(Scotland\) Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (18 April 2024) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

[Equality Act 2010 \(Specific Duties\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/Draft\)](#) (18 April 2024) (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 25 April 2024

Lead Committee report due by 22 April 2024

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

Subject to annulment 5 May 2024

Lead Committee report due by 29 April 2024

[Scottish Social Services Council \(Appointments, Procedure and Access to the Register\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/74\)](#) (11 March 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 8 May 2024

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

Subject to annulment 9 May 2024
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[Meat Preparations \(Import Conditions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/81\)](#) (15 March 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 15 May 2024
Lead Committee report due by 13 May 2024

[Plant Health \(Export Certification\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/86\)](#) (21 March 2024) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee)

Subject to annulment 20 May 2024
Lead Committee report due by 13 May 2024

[Scottish Local Government Elections Amendment \(Denmark\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/101\)](#) (26 March 2024) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

Subject to annulment 22 May 2024
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[Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2024 \(SSI 2024/102\)](#) (28 March 2024) (Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee)

Subject to annulment 27 May 2024
Lead Committee report due by 20 May 2024

[Charities \(References in Documents\) \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024 \(SSI 2024/111\)](#) (18 April 2024) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 22 April 2024—

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee, 6th Report, 2024 (Session 6): Stage 1 Report on the Abortion Services (Safe Access Zones) (Scotland) Bill (SP Paper 567)

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Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 22 April 2024 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

Ayrshire College Board of Management Report and Financial Statements For the year ended 31 July 2023 (SG/2024/51) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Borders College Annual Report and Financial Statement 2022/23 (SG/2024/52) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

City of Glasgow College Annual Report and Accounts 2022-23 (SG/2024/53) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Dundee and Angus College Report and Financial Statements For the year ended 31 July 2023 (SG/2024/55) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Dumfries and Galloway College Annual Report and Financial Statements for the period 1 August 2022 to 31 July 2023 (SG/2024/54) laid under Section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

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