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Section B – Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 14 December 2011

Wednesday 21 December 2011

2.30 pm Time for Reflection – Reverend David Denniston, Parish Minister, St Cuthbert’s Parish Church, Edinburgh

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Delivery and Legacy of the Commonwealth Games

followed by Education and Culture Committee Debate: National Gaelic Language Plan

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members’ Business: S4M-01265 Siobhan McMahon: Disability History Month (*for text of motion see Section F of the Business Bulletin for Monday 14 November 2011*)

Thursday 22 December 2011

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Welfare Reform Bill

11.40 am General Question Time (*for text of General Questions see Section D of the Business Bulletin for Thursday 15 December 2011*)

12.00 pm First Minister’s Question Time

12.30 pm Members’ Business: S4M-01042 Jim Eadie: 10 Years on from Harkin-Engel, Child Trafficking in the Chocolate Industry (*for text of motion see Section F of the Business Bulletin for Monday 10 October 2011*)

2.15 pm Themed Question Time
Rural Affairs and the Environment;
Justice and the Law Officers (*for text of Themed Questions see
Section D of the Business Bulletin for Thursday 15 December
2011*)

2.55 pm Finance Committee Debate: Report on the Scottish Spending
Review and Draft Budget 2012-13

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Wednesday 11 January 2012

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motion

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 12 January 2012

9.15 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Scottish Government Business

11.40 am General Question Time (*for names of those Members selected
for General Questions see Section D of the Business Bulletin
for Thursday 15 December 2011*)

12.00 pm First Minister's Question Time

2.15 pm Themed Question Time
Health, Wellbeing and Cities Strategy (*for names of those
Members selected for Themed Questions see Section D of the
Business Bulletin for Thursday 15 December 2011*)

2.55 pm Scottish Government Business

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm
followed by

Decision Time
Members' Business



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Section C – 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 at:

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

Education and Culture Committee 20 December 2011 16th Meeting, 2011

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in Committee Room 2

1. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
The Administrative Justice and Tribunals Council (Listed Tribunals) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2011 (SSI 2011/405);
The Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 (Prescribed Purposes for Consideration of Suitability) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/411).
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will review its work programme.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 10 January, the Committee expects to consider subordinate legislation and review its work programme.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

Justice Committee 20 December 2011 19th Meeting, 2011

The Committee will meet at 10.30 am in Committee Room 1

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4, 5 and 6 in private.
2. **The Carloway Review:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Maggie Scott QC, Chair, Justice Scottish Advisory Group;

Lily Greenan, Manager, and Louise Johnson, National Worker - Legal Issues, Scottish Women's Aid;

Kathleen Caskie, Regional Operational Manager, Victim Support Scotland.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will further consider the following instrument which is not subject to any parliamentary procedure—
Act of Sederunt (Contempt of Court in Civil Proceedings) 2011 (SSI 2011/388).
4. **Commission on a UK Bill of Rights:** The Committee will consider its response to the Commission's consultation.
5. **Female Offenders:** The Committee will review its fact-finding visits to HMP and YOI Cornton Vale, HMP Edinburgh and the 218 Centre for Women offenders in Glasgow and consider any future work in relation to those visits.
6. **The Carloway Review:** The Committee will consider the evidence received on the Carloway Review.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 10 January, the Committee expects to take evidence from the Scottish Information Commissioner following the publication of his 'Informing the Future' report.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

Subordinate Legislation Committee 20 December 2011 16th Meeting, 2011

The Committee will meet at 2.30 pm in Committee Room 6

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 7 in private.
2. **Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
Nicola Sturgeon MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Health, Wellbeing and Cities Strategy, Donald Henderson, Head of Public Health Division, and Edythe Murie, Principal Legal Officer, Scottish Government Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
3. **Instruments subject to affirmative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Equality Act 2010 \(Specification of Public Authorities\) \(Scotland\) Order 2012 \[draft\]](#);
Prohibited Procedures on Protected Animals (Exemptions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 [draft];
Public Services Reform (Social Services Inspections) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 [draft];
Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (Excepted Services) Regulations 2012 [draft];
[Local Electoral Administration \(Scotland\) Act 2011 \(Consequential Amendments\) Order 2012 \[draft\]](#).

4. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Removal, Storage and Disposal of Vehicles \(Prescribed Sums and Charges etc.\) \(Scotland\) Revocation Regulations 2011 \(SSI 2011/428\)](#);
[Confirmation to Small Estates \(Scotland\) Order 2011 \(SSI 2011/435\)](#);
[Prior Rights of Surviving Spouse and Civil Partner \(Scotland\) Order 2011 \(SSI 2011/436\)](#).
5. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Act of Adjournal \(Amendment of the Criminal Procedure \(Scotland\) Act 1995\) \(Refixing diets\) 2011 \(SSI 2011/430\)](#).
6. **Draft instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
[Public Services Reform \(Recovery of Expenses in respect of Inspection of Independent Further Education Colleges and English Language Schools\) \(Scotland\) Order 2012 and Draft Explanatory Document \(SG 2011/237\)](#).
7. **Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 10 January, the Committee expects to consider Scottish statutory instruments.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

Public Audit Committee 21 December 2011 10th Meeting, 2011

The Committee will meet at 10.30 am in Committee Room 1

1. **Declaration of interests:** Colin Keir will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 5 and 6 in private.
3. **Section 23 report - Overview of the NHS in Scotland's performance 2010/11:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "Overview of the NHS in Scotland's performance 2010/11" from—
 Mr Robert Black, Auditor General for Scotland;
 Barbara Hurst, Director, Claire Sweeney, Portfolio Manager, and Ally Taylor, Project Manager, Performance Audit Group, Audit Scotland.
4. **Section 22 report - The 2010/11 Audit of the National Library of Scotland:** The Committee will take evidence on the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "The 2010/11 Audit of the National Library of Scotland" from—
 Mr Robert Black, Auditor General for Scotland;
 Bob Leishman, Portfolio Manager, Best Value and Scrutiny Improvement Group, Audit Scotland.

5. **Consideration of approach - Overview of the NHS in Scotland's performance 2010/11:** The Committee will consider its approach to the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "Overview of the NHS in Scotland's performance 2010/11".
6. **Consideration of approach - The 2010/11 Audit of the National Library of Scotland:** The Committee will consider its approach to the Auditor General for Scotland's report entitled "The 2010/11 Audit of the National Library of Scotland".

Proposed future business

At its next meeting it is expected that the Committee will take evidence from the Auditor General for Scotland in relation to reports he has recently published.

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Section E – Written questions lodged on 15 December 2011

Questions marked with a triangle (Δ) are initiated by the Scottish Executive in order to facilitate the provision of information to the Parliament.

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

S4W-04601 Mary Scanlon: To ask the Scottish Executive when the public engagement strategy recommended in the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 will be in place.

S4W-04602 Mary Scanlon: To ask the Scottish Executive when the scorecards for the Emissions Reduction Programme Board will be made publicly available, as recommended in the Audit Scotland report, *Reducing Scottish Greenhouse Gas Emissions*.

S4W-04603 Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Executive what value it considers chartered teachers bring to school education.

S4W-04604 Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Executive what its position is on recommendation 19 of the *Advancing Professionalism in Teaching: Report of the Review of Teacher Employment in Scotland* (the McCormac Review).

S4W-04605 Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Executive when it will respond to the recommendations in the *Advancing Professionalism in Teaching: Report of the Review of Teacher Employment in Scotland* (the McCormac Review).

S4W-04609 Richard Simpson: To ask the Scottish Executive what update it has received from sportscotland on the meeting on 27 September 2011 between sportscotland, Sport England, Scottish Swimming and the Swimming Teachers' Association.

S4W-04610 Richard Simpson: To ask the Scottish Executive what evidence it has seen of (a) outcomes agreed and (b) progress made from the meeting on 27 September 2011 between sportscotland, Sport England, Scottish Swimming and the Swimming Teachers' Association.

S4W-04611 Richard Simpson: To ask the Scottish Executive what actions were agreed at the meeting on 27 September 2011 between sportscotland, Sport England, Scottish Swimming and the Swimming Teachers' Association.

S4W-04612 Richard Simpson: To ask the Scottish Executive whether it has seen notes from the meeting on 27 September 2011 between sportscotland, Sport

England, Scottish Swimming and the Swimming Teachers' Association and, if so, whether they will be made public.

S4W-04613 Richard Simpson: To ask the Scottish Executive what requirements are placed on Scottish Swimming to communicate and represent all available training and qualification options in materials that it issues relevant to swimming teaching.

S4W-04614 Marco Biagi: To ask the Scottish Executive whether it has projected Scottish Government expenditure and revenue alongside economic growth projections.

S4W-04615 Marco Biagi: To ask the Scottish Executive when it will announce further information on the allocation of Barnett consequentials arising from the UK Government's Autumn Statement.

S4W-04616 Marco Biagi: To ask the Scottish Executive whether it subjects its invitations to tender to pre-issue checks to ensure that no unnecessary barriers have been created to small and medium-sized enterprises.

S4W-04617 Marco Biagi: To ask the Scottish Executive what representations it has made to the European institutions regarding challenges faced by small and medium-sized enterprises in accessing public procurement.

S4W-04618 Marco Biagi: To ask the Scottish Executive what projects in the Edinburgh Central constituency have received grants from the Climate Challenge Fund since its introduction.

S4W-04619 Marco Biagi: To ask the Scottish Executive how it ensures access to individual advocacy under the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003.

S4W-04620 Marco Biagi: To ask the Scottish Executive how it ensures that it observes and implements international obligations as per Schedule 5, Part 1, section 7(2)(a) of the Scotland Act 1998.

S4W-04621 Mary Scanlon: To ask the Scottish Executive what the annual average number of passengers is for the Scrabster-Stromness ferry service.

S4W-04622 Jamie Hepburn: To ask the Scottish Executive what flexibility is available to local authorities in interpreting planning law and associated guidance.

S4W-04623 Jamie Hepburn: To ask the Scottish Executive what its position is on mobile telecommunications masts being erected in the vicinity of schools.

S4W-04624 Jamie Hepburn: To ask the Scottish Executive what information it has on jurisdictions internationally that prohibit the erection of mobile telecommunications masts in the vicinity of schools.

S4W-04625 Jamie Hepburn: To ask the Scottish Executive what information it has on jurisdictions internationally that have certain prohibitions on the erection of mobile telecommunications masts.

S4W-04626 John Wilson: To ask Scottish Executive how many of the households that are entitled to replacement (a) boilers or (b) central heating systems under the warm homes initiative are yet to have these installed.

S4W-04627 John Wilson: To ask the Scottish Executive how many of the households that are entitled to replacement (a) boilers or (b) central heating systems under the warm homes initiative have not had these installed as, because of asbestos-related issues, the contractor has declined to proceed with the installation and what its position is on this.

S4W-04629 John Wilson: To ask the Scottish Executive which contractors have been approved to install replacement (a) boilers and (b) central heating systems under the warm homes initiative.



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Section F – Motions and Amendments

Motions and amendments are normally printed the day after they are lodged. If an amendment is lodged to a motion then the original motion will appear alongside the amendment, along with any support lodged that day, in this section.

Each Monday, this section also contains all motions and amendments lodged the previous week that are still live and any motions and amendments that have been lodged for debate in the coming week. A motion or amendment is live if it has not been debated, withdrawn or otherwise deleted from the list.

Where a motion or amendment has been withdrawn, it is indicated in this section the day after it has been withdrawn. Support for motions and amendments received after they are lodged is shown at the end of this section the day after such support is received.

Motions and amendments can be published with various symbols:

- Asterisks before the motion or amendment number indicate a motion or amendment published for the first time;
- Asterisks also identify alterations to the text of a motion or amendment made since it was first published;
- A hash symbol identifies motions eligible for debate at Members' Business;
- A diamond symbol identifies motions lodged for Members' Business that have not yet attracted the required cross-party support;
- An "R", identifies motions or amendments in which the Member who lodged it has a registrable interest.

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

A search facility is also available on the Scottish Parliament web site at <http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/28877.aspx>.

Any questions in relation to this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk, for which contact details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

New and altered motions and amendments

***S4M-01605 Alison Johnstone: Support for Occupy**—That the Parliament welcomes many of the sentiments expressed by those involved in the Occupy protests across the world; agrees that there is a continuing need to reduce inequalities in society between rich and poor people; agrees that further reforms are needed to the UK and international banking and financial systems; understands that Occupy is an attempt to redirect economic decisions and systems toward more sustainable and equitable outcomes; considers that there is legitimate frustration with financial structures and governance systems that concentrate wealth in the hands of the few, and agrees that protest is a legitimate form of political activity.

***S4M-01604 Annabelle Ewing: Royal Yachting Association Annual Awards**—That the Parliament congratulates Loch Tummel Sailing Club member Jim Hartshorne of Bankfoot on his recent success at the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) annual awards, at which he won the Community Lifetime Commitment award; recognises the hard work and commitment of all involved in sailing in Scotland, and congratulates RYA Scotland on what it considers the great work that it does in promoting the sport in Scotland.

***S4M-01603 Gordon MacDonald: SEStran Thistle Assistance Card**—That the Parliament congratulates the South East of Scotland Transport Partnership in launching the SEStran Thistle Assistance Card for use on public transport, which, it understands, will make it easier for customers who are disabled to highlight their requirements to drivers and is expected to be more efficient to administer than the scheme that it replaces.

***S4M-01602 John Pentland: Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Motherwell**—That the Parliament congratulates the Very Rev Thomas Millar VG, parish priest for Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral, Motherwell, and Rev Joseph Clements of St Aidan's, Wishaw, on being made canons of the cathedral at a service conducted by Bishop Joseph Devine and considers that the cathedral and the Diocese of Motherwell play an important role in the communities that they serve.

Supported by: Patricia Ferguson*, Margaret Mitchell*, Annabelle Ewing*, Michael McMahon*, Jamie McGrigor*, David Stewart*, Kevin Stewart*

***S4M-01601 Patricia Ferguson: RSBi in Springburn Wins Gold**—That the Parliament congratulates Royal Strathclyde Blindcraft Industries (RSBi) on being awarded what it considers to be the prestigious gold certification from the Furniture Industry Research Association; understands that this award has been presented in recognition of the high quality products and professional craftsmanship provided by the factory in Springburn, Glasgow; congratulates all those involved with RSBi, which employs over 240 workers; notes that more than 50% of its workforce are disabled, including veterans from the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan; believes that this award is just recognition for the hard work and dedication of all those working in RSBi, and wishes it well for the future in its aim to provide employment opportunities for local people and quality furniture for its customers.

Supported by: Anne McTaggart*, Drew Smith*, Hugh Henry*

***S4M-01600 Kezia Dugdale: 20th Anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child**—That the Parliament notes that 16 December 2011 marks the 20th anniversary of the UK's ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child; considers it important to ensure that children's rights underpin all legislation, policy and practice affecting children and young people to ensure that every child is able to develop to his or her full potential; notes the progress that has been made over the last 20 years to bring children's rights into the mainstream in Scotland, but also the significant challenges that remain; acknowledges the proposals from the Scottish Government to give statutory force to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in Scots law, and calls on the Scottish Government to ensure that it does its utmost to fulfil its human rights obligations to children and that every child in Scotland, regardless of background or circumstances, is able to access and enjoy all the rights set out in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Supported by: Liam McArthur*, Christina McKelvie*, Patricia Ferguson*, Neil Bibby*, Anne McTaggart*, Drew Smith*, Sarah Boyack*, Hanzala Malik*, John Park*, Patrick Harvie*, Mike MacKenzie*, Fiona McLeod*, Neil Findlay*, Roderick Campbell*, Alison Johnstone*, Hugh Henry*, Alison McInnes*

***S4M-01599 Jackie Baillie: Morlaggan**—That the Parliament congratulates the award-winning Morlaggan Rural Settlement Group after what is considered another year of successful excavation of ceramics, glass and household artefacts in High Morlaggan, Arrochar; acknowledges the hard work and dedication of group members who have stimulated public interest in the excavation locally as well as delivering education sessions on the history of the area, and wishes them great success for the exhibition of findings and book launch due to take place in January 2012.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan*, Patricia Ferguson, Bill Kidd*, Anne McTaggart*, Jim Hume*, Sarah Boyack*, Annabelle Ewing*, Mike MacKenzie*, Richard Lyle*, Gil Paterson*, Hugh Henry*, Kevin Stewart*, Jackson Carlaw*

***S4M-01598 Jackie Baillie: Need for Advice**—That the Parliament commends staff and volunteers of Citizens Advice Scotland after recent figures showed that 560,303 issues were dealt with in Scotland in 2010-11; notes that this equates to one case for every minute of the day; considers that the West Dunbartonshire Bureau plays an important role in assisting vulnerable people in Dumbarton and Alexandria; expresses concern that what is considered the independent, important and preventative work of Citizens Advice Scotland is being carried out with diminishing resources at a time when changes to the welfare system will have a major impact on Scotland's people, their services and the demand for advice, and calls on the Scottish Government to increase funding to ensure that independent support and advice is available to people at a time when they need it most.

Supported by: David Stewart*, Margaret McCulloch*, Sarah Boyack*, Anne McTaggart*, Patrick Harvie*, Drew Smith*, Johann Lamont*, Jenny Marra*, Hugh Henry*, Helen Eadie*

***S4M-01596◆ Elaine Murray: Independence Referendum, Let Wallace Vote—**

That the Parliament notes that for generations Scots have taken up opportunities to work in other parts of the UK and beyond and that many have subsequently returned to Scotland to use the skills and experiences that they have gained elsewhere; understands that Scots working outwith Scotland at the time of the independence referendum will not be eligible to vote on Scotland's constitutional future whereas anyone eligible to be on the electoral register in Scotland will be entitled to vote; believes that Scots living outwith Scotland should be able to register to vote in the independence referendum on the same basis as expatriate UK citizens can vote in UK elections, and congratulates Dumfries-born James Wallace on his online campaign, letwallacevote, to bring this issue to the attention of the public.

Supported by: John Pentland*, Margaret McCulloch*, Neil Findlay*, Anne McTaggart*, Hanzala Malik*

S4M-01583 Colin Keir: UK Veto is Damaging for Scotland—

That the Parliament expresses its deep concern at the outcome of the European Union summit of 9 December 2011 in Brussels where the Prime Minister used the UK veto, a move that both Margaret Thatcher and John Major successfully avoided, for the first time in the country's history; considers that David Cameron not only failed to negotiate a suitable deal with colleagues across the other 26 member states, but that he refrained from consulting the devolved administrations as well as his coalition partners before effectively deciding to isolate Britain from the rest of the EU; understands that, as a result of alliance-building with other member states, the UK has rarely been outvoted on issues relating to financial services; questions therefore what it considers to be an impulsive decision, which was justified by the Prime Minister as a defence of the national interest; believes that this will potentially hinder Scotland's ability to influence key policy areas such as the EU budget, agriculture and fisheries; considers that Cameron failed to initiate any concrete proposal on how to stabilise the single currency and that his actions have hindered the stabilisation and recovery of the eurozone and have therefore jeopardised the recovery of the UK and Scottish economies; further believes that the UK and Scotland will be shut off from the EU decision-making process and that the other 26 member states could shape EU policy without the UK's involvement; notes with interest the comments of French President Nicolas Sarkozy that two Europes have been created; believes that Cameron's aim was to protect the bankers from the kind of regulation that would have prevented the financial crisis but understands that many leading businesses believe that the veto will damage London's position as a financial centre, evidenced by the fact that European banks based in London would be subject to any new rules created by the 26-member bloc; observes a recent poll published by *The Times* suggesting that 53% of Scots believe that Cameron's veto will reduce the influence of the UK in the EU; calls on the Prime Minister to urgently convene a joint ministerial committee meeting to discuss the full implications of what it considers the damaging decision, and believes that the unionist argument that Scotland is better represented in Europe by London is emphatically dead.

Supported by: Richard Lyle, Christina McKelvie, Margaret Burgess, Mike MacKenzie, Stuart McMillan, John Mason, Chic Brodie, Annabelle Ewing, Angus MacDonald, Hanzala Malik, Graeme Dey, Humza Yousaf, Adam Ingram, Colin Beattie, Gil

Paterson, Jamie Hepburn*, Dennis Robertson*, Bill Kidd*, Joe FitzPatrick*, Kevin Stewart*

***S4M-01583.1 Jackson Carlaw: UK Veto is Damaging for Scotland**—As an amendment to motion S4M-01583 in the name of Colin Keir (UK Veto is Damaging for Scotland), leave out from “deep” to end and insert “support for the Prime Minister’s use of the British veto; considers that David Cameron’s actions are in the interests of the UK and especially Scotland as 150,000 Scottish jobs are either directly or indirectly dependent on the financial services industry; further considers that the UK economy and the jobs in all sectors, especially small business, that are intrinsic to growth are dependent on a strong economy of which the financial services industry is a vital part; understands that Scots back the Prime Minister’s use of the veto by a proportion of 2:1; notes that EU relations are a reserved matter and believes that the coalition government has always been sensitive to Scottish requirements as seen with its Respect Agenda; expresses concern that the SNP is among the biggest cheerleaders of the failed eurozone, with the man who speaks for the SNP in Europe, Alyn Smith MEP, confirming that it is still SNP policy to join the euro; further believes that Scotland’s sovereignty would have been eroded in complying with eurozone plans, which entail governments referring their proposed budgets to the European Commission before national government scrutiny; welcomes the fact that Scotland is not independent or part of the eurozone, and therefore pays tribute to the Prime Minister for fighting for British interests rather than the SNP, which it considers would have an independent Scotland while surrendering Scotland’s financial services industry to Brussels dictat.”

Supported by: David McLetchie*, Murdo Fraser*, Jamie McGrigor*, Nanette Milne*, John Lamont*, Mary Scanlon*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S4M-01595 The Invisible College (lodged on 14 December 2011) Colin Beattie*, Jamie Hepburn*, Patricia Ferguson*, Mike MacKenzie*, Gil Paterson*, Hugh Henry*, Drew Smith*, Anne McTaggart*, Kenneth Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Kevin Stewart*

S4M-01594 Gartocharn Green Flag (lodged on 14 December 2011) Colin Beattie*, Annabelle Ewing*, Jamie Hepburn*, Patricia Ferguson*, Mike MacKenzie*, Anne McTaggart*, Gil Paterson*, Hugh Henry*, Fiona McLeod*, Stuart McMillan*, Jamie McGrigor*, Richard Lyle*, Kevin Stewart*

S4M-01593 Congratulation to Jamie Calder from Balerno, Scottish Young Sailor of the Year (lodged on 14 December 2011) Jamie Hepburn*, Gordon MacDonald*

S4M-01592 Public Health Leaders Call to Introduce Minimum Pricing (lodged on 14 December 2011) Jamie Hepburn*, Mark McDonald*, Mike MacKenzie*, Roderick Campbell*, Annabelle Ewing*, Richard Lyle*, George Adam*, Kevin Stewart*

S4M-01591 Glasgow Subway Celebrates its 115th Anniversary (lodged on 14 December 2011) Jamie Hepburn*, Graeme Pearson*, Mike MacKenzie*, Roderick Campbell*, Richard Lyle*, Kevin Stewart*

S4M-01590 The New Crown Jewels of Maryhill (lodged on 14 December 2011) Jamie Hepburn*, Mike MacKenzie*, George Adam*, Kevin Stewart*

S4M-01589 Roots of Ruchill Community Garden (lodged on 14 December 2011) Jamie Hepburn*, Mark McDonald*, Bill Kidd*

S4M-01588 Funding of Glasgow's North Area Transport Association (lodged on 14 December 2011) Jamie Hepburn*, Chic Brodie*

S4M-01586 Changing the January Pay Date (lodged on 14 December 2011) Jamie Hepburn*, Hugh Henry*, John Mason*, Angus MacDonald*, Mike MacKenzie*, Adam Ingram*, Liam McArthur*, Richard Lyle*, Margaret Burgess*, Graeme Dey*, Chic Brodie*, Maureen Watt*, Kevin Stewart*, Bill Kidd*

S4M-01577 Edinburgh Domestic Abuse Court Pilot (lodged on 13 December 2011) Mark McDonald*, Kevin Stewart*

S4M-01576 Tina Wood Bears Olympic Torch for Orkney (lodged on 13 December 2011) Kevin Stewart*, Jamie McGrigor*, Jim Hume*, David Stewart*

S4M-01574 Proposed DVLA Closures (lodged on 13 December 2011) Annabelle Ewing*, Rob Gibson*, Margaret Burgess*, Dennis Robertson*, Joe FitzPatrick*, Christine Grahame*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*, Christina McKelvie*, John Mason*, Paul Wheelhouse*, John Finnie*, Stuart McMillan*, Mark McDonald*, Humza Yousaf*, Graeme Dey*, Adam Ingram*, Sandra White*, Bob Doris*, Neil Findlay*, Gil Paterson*

S4M-01573 Ciara Ennis as Olympic Torch-bearer for North East Scotland - (lodged on 13 December 2011) Bill Kidd*

S4M-01572 Keenan Recycling Success at VIBES Awards (lodged on 13 December 2011) Bill Kidd*, Alison McInnes*

S4M-01570 Remember Cunninghame Graham (lodged on 13 December 2011) George Adam*, Mark McDonald*, Bill Kidd*

S4M-01569 Outstanding Achievement of Pelamis Pioneer (lodged on 13 December 2011) Tavish Scott*, Rob Gibson*, Mike MacKenzie*, Joe FitzPatrick*, Roderick Campbell*, Jim Hume*, Bill Walker*, Alison McInnes*, Kevin Stewart*

S4M-01568 Rachel Appolinari Memorial Fund (lodged on 12 December 2011) Mark McDonald*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*

S4M-01567 Scottish Women's European Curling Champions (lodged on 12 December 2011) David Stewart*, Hugh Henry*

S4M-01566 ScotRail Modern Apprenticeship Award (lodged on 12 December 2011) Mark McDonald*, Chic Brodie*, Bill Kidd*, Marco Biagi*, Roderick Campbell*, Fiona McLeod*, George Adam*

S4M-01565 European Commission Chief Scientific Adviser (lodged on 12 December 2011) Alison McInnes*

S4M-01563 Social Enterprise Scotland (lodged on 12 December 2011) Tavish Scott*, David Stewart*

S4M-01560 Jennefer Tobin, Dumfries and Galloway's Person of the Year (lodged on 12 December 2011) Annabel Goldie*

S4M-01558 High-interest Payday Loans (lodged on 12 December 2011) David Torrance*, George Adam*

S4M-01556 The Work of Citizens Advice Scotland (lodged on 09 December 2011) David Stewart*

S4M-01543 Welfare Reform Bill (lodged on 08 December 2011) Annabelle Ewing*

S4M-01541 Comments Made on Channel 5's The Wright Stuff (lodged on 08 December 2011) David Stewart*

S4M-01529 Fire Brigades Union Equipment from Dundee Arrives in Nablus - (lodged on 07 December 2011) David Stewart*

S4M-01528 Motherwell FC Helps to Promote Internet Safety (lodged on 07 December 2011) David Stewart*

S4M-01527 George Osborne's Attack on Wildlife (lodged on 07 December 2011) David Stewart*

S4M-01525 Strathclyde New Opportunities Fund (lodged on 06 December 2011) David Stewart*

S4M-01509 Supporting Healthy Choices (lodged on 06 December 2011) David Stewart*

S4M-01505 A Democratic Future for Gaza (lodged on 06 December 2011) Colin Beattie*, Kevin Stewart*, Patricia Ferguson*, Joan McAlpine*, Rob Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Marco Biagi*, Joe FitzPatrick*, Chic Brodie*, Humza Yousaf*, Richard Lyle*, Drew Smith*

S4M-01504 Scottish Success at 2011 Turner Prize (lodged on 06 December 2011) David Stewart*

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S4M-01476 Congratulating By Storm on VOWS Award (lodged on 01 December 2011) Fiona McLeod*

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S4M-01267 Congratulations to Craft Town Scotland (lodged on 08 November 2011) Fiona McLeod*

S4M-01264 Dementia Community Roadshow (lodged on 08 November 2011) Fiona McLeod*

S4M-01246 Scotmid, in the Heart of Scotland's Communities (lodged on 04 November 2011) Fiona McLeod*

S4M-01223 University of Glasgow Ranked First in the UK (lodged on 02 November 2011) Drew Smith*

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Section H – New Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 15 December 2011 and are not subject to any Parliamentary procedure—

Electoral observation at United Kingdom elections (ELC/2011/1)
laid under Section 6G of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000

Scottish Qualifications Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2010-11 (SG/2011/264)—

Learning and Teaching Scotland Report and Financial Statements year ended 31 March 2011 (SG/2011/265)—

Scottish Commission for Human Rights Annual Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2011 (SG/2011/275)—

Scottish Futures Trust Investments Limited Annual Report and Financial Statements for period 2 July 2010 to 31 March 2011 (SG/2011/278)—

Scottish Futures Trust Limited Annual Report and Group Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2011 (SG/2011/279)—

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Learning and Teaching Scotland Annual Review 2010/11 (SG/2011/266)

Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 15 December 2011—

Subordinate Legislation Committee, 20th Report 2011 (Session 4): Subordinate Legislation (SP Paper 54)

Subordinate Legislation Committee, 21st Report 2011 (Session 4): Report on the National Library of Scotland Bill (SP Paper 55)

The following reports are being published on 16 December 2011—

Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment Committee, 5th Report, 2011 (Session 4): Subordinate legislation and guidance subject to approval (SP Paper 50)

Education and Culture Committee, 3rd Report, 2011 (Session 4): The draft National Gaelic Language Plan 2012-17 (SP Paper 52)

Equal Opportunities Committee, 1st Report, 2011 (Session 4): Summary Report on the Scottish Government's Spending Review 2011 and Draft Budget 2012-13 (SP Paper 56)

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Section J – Progress of Legislation

For further information on the progress of Bills and subordinate legislation, contact either the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for details).

Bills in Progress

A list of all bills in progress can be accessed by the Scottish Parliament website at:

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/576.aspx>

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. an Executive, 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 three sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Thursday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is four days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for Stage 2, 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.

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

Agricultural Holdings (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill (Ex)

Stage 1 (Finance Committee)

16 November

Lead committee – Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment

Alcohol (Minimum Pricing) (Scotland) Bill (Ex)

Stage 1 (evidence, Subordinate Legislation Committee)

20 December

Lead committee – Health and Sport

Criminal Cases (Punishment and Review) (Scotland) Bill (Ex) Stage 1 (lead committee (Justice))	13 December
Land Registration etc. (Scotland) Bill (Ex) Stage 1 (lead committee (Economy, Energy and Tourism))	14 December
National Library of Scotland Bill (Ex) Stage 1 (Subordinate Legislation Committee) <i>Lead committee – Education and Culture</i>	13 December
Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Bill (Ex) Passed	14 December

Subordinate legislation in progress
(date of laying) (Lead Committee)

Affirmative instruments

Lead committee to report by 19 December 2011

London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games (Advertising and Trading) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 [draft] (*10 November 2011*) (**Health and Sport**)

Storage of Carbon Dioxide (Licensing etc.) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2011 [draft] (*10 November 2011*) (**Economy, Energy and Tourism**)

Lead committee to report by 13 January 2012

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2012 [draft] (*18 November 2011*) (**Education and Culture**)

Lead committee to report by 17 January 2012

Crofting Commission (Elections) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 [draft] (*22 November 2011*) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Lead committee to report by 29 January 2012

Equality Act 2010 (Specification of Public Authorities) (Scotland) Order 2012 [draft] (*5 December 2011*) (**Education and Culture**)

Lead committee to report by 30 January 2012

Marine Licensing (Exempted Activities) (Scottish Inshore and Offshore Regions) Amendment Order 2012 [draft] (6 December 2011) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Lead committee to report by 6 February 2012

Prohibited Procedures on Protected Animals (Exemptions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 [draft] (13 December 2011) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Social Care and Social Work Improvement Scotland (Excepted Services) Regulations 2012 [draft] (13 December 2011) (**Health and Sport**)

Public Services Reform (Social Services Inspections) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2012 [draft] (13 December 2011) (**Health and Sport**)

Lead committee to report by 7 February 2012

Local Electoral Administration (Scotland) Act 2011 (Consequential Amendments) Order 2012 [draft] (14 December 2011) (**Local Government and Regeneration**)

Negative Instruments

Members should note that the deadline for the lead committee to report by is an administrative deadline. Lead committees normally report on negative instruments only after considering a motion recommending annulment of the instrument. Where Members have queries in relation to this deadline, they should contact the clerks to the Subordinate Legislation Committee.

Subject to annulment by 19 December 2011

Lead committee to report by 12 December 2011

National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Performers Lists) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/392) (10 November 2011) (**Health and Sport**)

Subject to annulment by 20 December 2011

Lead committee to report by 12 December 2011

Removal, Storage and Disposal of Vehicles (Prescribe Sums and Charges etc.) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/394) (11 November 2011) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Police (Retention and Disposal of Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/395) (11 November 2011) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Subject to annulment by 13 January 2012

Lead committee to report by 9 January 2012

Act of Sederunt (Fees of Solicitors and Witnesses in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment) 2011 (SSI 2011/403) (*18 November 2011*) (**Justice**)

Subject to annulment by 16 January 2012
Lead committee to report by 9 January 2012

Administrative Justice and Tribunals Council (Listed Tribunals) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2011 (SSI 2011/405) (*21 November 2011*) (**Education and Culture**)

Subject to annulment by 19 January 2012
Lead committee to report by 16 January 2012

Disabled Persons (Badges for Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/410) (*24 November 2011*) (**Infrastructure and Capital Investment**)

Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 (Prescribed Purposes for Consideration of Suitability) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/411) (*24 November 2011*) (**Education and Culture**)

Cattle Identification (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/412) (*24 November 2011*) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Seed (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/413) (*24 November 2011*) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Seed Potatoes (Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/414) (*24 November 2011*) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Common Agricultural Policy Schemes (Cross-Compliance) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/415) (*24 November 2011*) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Common Agricultural Policy Single Farm Payment and Support Schemes (Scotland) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/416) (*24 November 2011*) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Subject to annulment by 20 January 2011
Lead committee to report by 16 January 2011

Deer (Close Seasons) (Scotland) Order 2011 (SSI 2011/417) (*25 November 2011*) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Control of Volatile Organic Compounds (Petrol Vapour Recovery) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/418) (*25 November 2011*) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004 (Authorised Operations) Order 2011 (SSI 2011/419) (25 November 2011) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Subject to annulment by 30 January 2012
Lead committee to report by 23 January 2012

Removal, Storage and Disposal of Vehicles (Prescribed Sums and Charges etc.) (Scotland) Revocation Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/428) (6 December 2011) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Police (Retention and Disposal of Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Amendment Revocation Regulations 2011 (SSI 2011/429) (6 December 2011) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Subject to annulment by 2 February 2012
Lead committee to report by 30 January 2012

Confirmation to Small Estates (Scotland) Order 2011 (SSI 2011/435) (9 December 2011) (**Justice**)

Prior Rights of Surviving Spouse and Civil Partner (Scotland) Order 2011 (SSI 2011/436) (9 December 2011) (**Justice**)

Other documents

Lead committee to report by 17 December 2011

Scottish Natural Heritage Code of Practice on Deer Management (SG 2011/242) (8 November 2011) (**Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment**)

Lead committee to report by 15 January 2012

Public Services Reform (Recovery of Expenses in respect of Inspection of Independent Further Education Colleges and English Language Schools) (Scotland) Order 2012 and draft Explanatory Document (SG 2011/237) (1 November 2011) (**Education and Culture**)

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