

PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU

FUTURE BUSINESS PROGRAMME: POSSIBLE MOTIONS FOR MEMBERS' BUSINESS

1. Bureau members will be aware that under Rule 5.6.1(c) the Bureau has a duty to ensure that there is a period of time available for Members' Business at each meeting of the Parliament.
2. This paper is circulated with the Bureau papers each week, and provides Bureau members with an updated list of motions lodged each week for Members Business debate. The paper will also provide Bureau members with a record of Members Business debates throughout the session, and the number and frequency of such debates that each party has had.
3. Bureau members may wish to note for information that the rota for Members' Business from 14 September to the October recess is as follows –

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| w/c 14 September | SNP | GRN | CON |
| w/c 21 September | LAB | SNP | SNP |
| w/c 28 September | CON | SNP | LAB |
| w/c 4 October | SNP | CON | SNP |

4. Motions submitted for Members' Business are shown below—

S6M-01099: Emma Roddick: Scottish Housing Day 2021 - That the Parliament acknowledges that 15 September 2021 marks the sixth annual Scottish Housing Day; notes that, this year, the theme is Housing and the Climate Emergency; welcomes the organisers' wish to encourage people to think about the role that homes play in responding to the climate emergency and to signpost the public to methods to reduce their energy use and move to low-carbon heating; welcomes the Scottish Government's moves that aim to increase energy efficiency and decrease carbon use among low-income households, such as the Area Based Scheme programme, and notes calls for the Scottish Government to continue expanding its support for reducing the carbon footprint of homes across the country.

S6M-01059: Clare Adamson: Electrical Fire Safety Week 2021 - That the Parliament recognises that Electrical Fire Safety Week begins on 22 November 2021; understands that, this year, the annual initiative, which is run by the charity, Electrical Safety First, will focus on the potential risks of electrical fires caused by counterfeit and recalled products that are easily available to purchase on online marketplaces; believes that three out of five people in Scotland will turn to these platforms for Christmas shopping this year; understands that multiple investigations by Electrical Safety First have discovered dangerous electrical goods for sale via third-party sellers on online marketplaces, including products, such as washing machines and tumble dryers, that have been listed for sale despite being subject to recall notices by the manufacturer due to safety concerns; welcomes the creation of the new body, Consumer Scotland, which will have a requirement to establish a central database to

raise awareness around major product recalls; notes calls encouraging consumers to remain vigilant when purchasing electrical goods and for them to stick to trusted stores or websites of known manufacturers and retailers, such as those found on the high street; commends the continued efforts and advocacy of Electrical Safety First, which is dedicated to preventing deaths, injuries and accidents caused by electricity, and wishes everyone involved with Electrical Fire Safety Week 2021 every success in raising awareness of this important issue.

S6M-01046: Mark Griffin: Improving Energy Efficiency in Scotland's Private-rented Sector - That the Parliament notes the view that energy efficiency in the private rented sector, including in the Central Scotland region, must improve; believes that by taking a fabric-first approach, tenants' homes could be warmer and that emissions from buildings might reduce, helping Scotland reach what it sees as the country's ambitious net zero targets; notes the recently-published research by Citizens Advice Scotland, Identifying the opportunities and barriers to Energy Efficiency in the Private Rented Housing Sector; understands that this research involved landlords, letting agents and estate managers; believes that they expressed a keenness to play their part in making their buildings more energy efficient and that a majority of those interviewed were supportive of new regulatory requirements for minimum energy-efficiency standards; further believes that the sector faces unique challenges to improvements and that there is a perceived lack of financial and technical support available to inform decision-making, and values the report's recommendations regarding how housing in the sector can be improved.

S6M-01042: Michael Marra: Action on Brain Injury in Football - That the Parliament understands that an increasing number of ex-footballers in the North East Scotland region and across the country are making public a diagnosis regarding brain injury, and that a growing research base highlights the increased risk of such injury that professional players face; notes the view that the sport's governing bodies must take swift action to support former players and protect those currently involved in the game; further notes calls for such conditions among footballers to be considered as an industrial injury; recognises the campaigning by PFA Scotland, the GMB and other organisations regarding this, and notes calls for a working group to be established to consider these issues, which should also focus on the grassroots game.

S6M-01009: Paul McLennan: World Mental Health Day 2021: Mental Health in an Unequal World - That the Parliament notes that 10 October 2021 is World Mental Health Day; welcomes this day of global mental health education, awareness-raising and advocacy; recognises the relevance of this year's theme, Mental Health in an Unequal World, to Scotland; considers that, based on available data, the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated pre-existing inequalities in mental health; understands that this includes those with mental ill health, who, it believes, live on average 20 years less than the wider population, and those living in deprived communities, who are more likely to experience poor mental wellbeing, anxiety and depression, and welcomes the work by organisations across Scotland, including through Scotland's Mental Health Partnership, to address both the causes and outcomes of these inequalities, in East Lothian and across Scotland.

S6M-00989: Donald Cameron: A83 Rest and Be Thankful - That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the ongoing frustration felt by communities and businesses

across Argyll and Bute as a result of the reported continued problems on the A83 at the Rest and Be Thankful pass; acknowledges the establishment of the Rest and Be Thankful Campaign group, representing 1,500 businesses across Argyll and Bute; notes the group's calls for a more robust, long-term solution to the existing road, and for faster action to be taken to deliver it; understands that, following public consultation, Transport Scotland has identified a new route to replace the existing A83 Rest and Be Thankful pass; considers that the timescale set out to achieve this does not meet the urgent needs of communities and businesses across Argyll and Bute; notes the view that Transport Scotland should explore the potential use of the nearby forestry road as a temporary mitigation route, and further notes the calls on the Scottish Government and Transport Scotland to work with MSPs from all parties, the Rest and Be Thankful Campaign and other local stakeholders to achieve a suitable outcome.

S6M- 00917: Clare Adamson: UK Malnutrition Awareness Week 2021, Malnutrition in Older People - That the Parliament acknowledges UK Malnutrition Awareness Week 2021; notes that the annual initiative, which was launched by BAPEN and Malnutrition Taskforce, will take place between 11 and 17 October; believes that malnutrition, which is also known as undernutrition, is a substantial public health issue, with one in 10 older people in Scotland being at risk of, or living with, the condition; recognises that research from projects such as Eat Well Age Well (Food Train) indicates that this figure might be an underestimate, with an estimated 30% of older people at risk; believes that measures such as screening and early intervention, training for health and social care professionals, investment in community initiatives that address social isolation and policies that take account of the differences between food poverty and food insecurity, are integral to addressing malnutrition in older people; understands the continuing challenges faced by older people across Scotland who are at risk of malnutrition with isolation, which has been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic, being a contributory factor; further understands the unprecedented and sustained demand on health and social care services and third sector organisations since the onset of the pandemic; notes the view that addressing malnutrition in older people is a matter of national importance both as a moral imperative and an issue that puts avoidable strain on the country's health and social care services; further notes calls for the Scottish Government do everything in its power to ensure that everyone has reliable access to nutritious, culturally-appropriate and affordable food, as recommended by the Social Renewal Advisory Board in its January 2021 report, *If not now, when?*; commends the work of food policy organisations, such as the charity, Food Train, and dedicated volunteers, in advancing this issue, and wishes everyone involved with UK Malnutrition Awareness Week every success.

S6M-00914: Gordon MacDonald: Community Champions During the COVID-19 Pandemic - That the Parliament recognises the contribution of community champions during the COVID-19 pandemic, who have supported individuals and families who have been hit hard throughout this incredibly tough period; commends, in particular, Linda Williams of the Premier Broadway Convenience Store in Oxfgangs, Edinburgh, for her continuing efforts to raise and disburse funds and donations from a hardship fund that she started at the beginning of lockdown in 2020; understands that the hardship fund was initially set up with the goal of raising £300 to help members of the local community who were adversely affected by lockdown, and went on to raise over £9,000 in the first two weeks, which was met by a further £1,000 donation from the

store; appreciates that the fund has been used to help people who are experiencing financial difficulties with food, gas or electricity in the Oxfgangs, Colinton Mains, Firhill and surrounding areas; recognises that, throughout lockdown, the store has also been taking telephone orders for free delivery to individuals who are self-isolating; congratulates Linda on winning the COVID Hero of 2020 award at the Scottish Local Retailer Awards for her work in setting up and running the hardship fund; thanks Linda, the staff of the Premier Broadway Convenience Store and all those who donated to the hardship fund for their efforts to support the local community throughout this difficult time, and believes that the outstanding community spirit and kindness shown by people over the last 18 months has been inspirational.

S6M-00900: Monica Lennon: Our Climate Our Buses Campaign - That the Parliament welcomes the new campaign, Our Climate, Our Buses, led by the STUC; notes the view that, ahead of COP26, everyone needs to take action to reduce transport emissions, in light of them reportedly being Scotland's largest source of greenhouse gas emissions; understands with concern that, since a previous UK Conservative administration deregulated buses, passenger journeys have fallen from 644 million in 1987 to 366 million in 2020; further understands that Scotland's only municipal bus company, Lothian Buses, has bucked this trend; notes that the campaign, Our Climate, Our Buses, is calling for an extension of municipal bus ownership across Scotland, and has gained the support of unions such as Unite the Union, which represents bus workers, as well as trades councils across Scotland, the Poverty Alliance, Friends of the Earth Scotland, Engender, Common Weal, Get Glasgow Moving, the International Transport Workers' Federation, One Parent Families Scotland, and the Young Women's Movement, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to provide financial support for local authorities, including those in the Central Scotland region, to establish publicly-owned bus companies and take back control of their bus networks.

S6M-00897: James Dornan: Incel-related Violence - That the Parliament notes the recent reported shootings of two men, two women and an infant in Plymouth; further notes reports that the alleged perpetrator was someone who identified as an incel, or involuntary celibate; understands that this grouping comprises of predominantly young adult males who feel that they should be entitled to sex, and that it is women's duty to facilitate this; further understands that there have been a series of incidents of what it sees as violent terrorism from some people identifying as incels, and utterly condemns any such violence, as well as what it considers the twisted attitudes and misogyny underpinning some incel beliefs.

S6M-00876: Christine Grahame: Deed Not Breed - That the Parliament notes the 30th anniversary of the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991, which was introduced by the UK Government; further notes the calls by campaigners and a number of welfare groups, including the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Scottish SPCA), for this to be reviewed and reformed; understands that the Act in its present form requires rescue centres to euthanise those dogs in their care that are proscribed by the Act based on certain physical characteristics identifying them as Japanese Tosa, Dogo Argentino, Fila Brasileiro or American Pit Bull type dogs, regardless of temperament or past behaviour, resulting in any dogs meeting this physical standard open to euthanising or extensive restrictions placed upon them; acknowledges that the Scottish SPCA and others are calling for an alternative approach that relies on

identifying dangerous dogs based on their behaviour and temperament, rather than solely their breed or perceived breed, and notes that, in Scotland, the Control of Dogs (Scotland) Act 2010 provides for early intervention for dogs exhibiting concerning behaviour with the issuing of a Dog Control Notice to the owner to bring and keep the dog under control; believes that, while protection of the public, including people in the Midlothian South, Tweeddale and Lauderdale constituency, is of paramount importance, the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991 is fundamentally flawed and unjust, and notes the view that there would be benefits to protection of the public, the welfare of dogs and the responsibilities of owners if the Control of Dogs (Scotland) Act 2010 was more widely publicised.

S6M-00875: Rhoda Grant: Community Wealth and the Emergence of "Green Lairds"- That the Parliament notes emerging developments in the market for land, with what it sees as a growing emphasis on the purchase of land for climate-related reasons; notes recent commentary referring to new owners of such land as "green lairds"; understands that Scotland has a pattern of highly-concentrated, private land ownership by international standards; believes that the operation of the Scottish land market is largely unregulated and that the purchase of substantial areas of land serves wealthy, private buyers in particular; understands that ownership of land in Scotland provides access to substantial public funding and tax arrangements, which support the building of private wealth; regrets what it sees as the commodification and financialisation of the climate emergency through the market for land; notes what it sees as the Scottish Government's commitment to community wealth building, to a just transition through the climate emergency, and to the progressive realisation of people's economic, social and cultural human rights; considers that securing more community ownership of land would be a key means to deliver greater community wealth, a more just transition through the climate emergency and progress toward the realisation of social, economic and cultural rights, including in the Highlands and Islands region, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to consider land-market regulation and public expenditure controls to achieve greater equity and benefit-sharing from public policy, and to make significantly greater ownership of land and built assets by local communities a strategic priority in building community wealth and empowering communities in responding to the climate emergency.

S6M-00874: Michael Marra: Brechin Healthcare Group - That the Parliament recognises the hard work and dedication of the community volunteers of the Brechin Healthcare Group; believes that the group is working hard to deliver vital health and education services locally in partnership with businesses, the NHS and the third sector, and that those services have proven to be vital during the COVID-19 pandemic; further believes that local services, including drug, mental health and sexual health services, are vital for the community; understands that the group's future plans require relocation to more appropriate facilities; further understands that the group has identified the site of the former Brechin Infirmary as the ideal location; notes that the group has applied for a community asset transfer of the infirmary buildings, and wishes everyone involved the best of luck in delivering this exciting project.

S6M-00831: Gillian Martin: Rail Infrastructure in North East Scotland - That the Parliament acknowledges the work undertaken by campaigners advocating for the reinstatement of rail services in the north east of Scotland, beginning with those between Dyce and Ellon, that were lost following the Beeching cuts; understands that

residents of east Aberdeenshire are currently reliant on road transport for local travel, and that the area has one of the highest car usage levels in Scotland; believes that improving rail infrastructure is vital to achieving the ambitious net zero targets set by the Scottish Government; further believes that rail brings economic improvements to rural areas and could provide low-carbon freight opportunities for businesses in the north east; considers that young people in rural Aberdeenshire need fast, reliable and low-carbon transport to access further and higher education more easily; notes that the major towns of Ellon, Peterhead and Fraserburgh do not currently have any rail infrastructure, and believes that new rail connectivity between Dyce and Ellon would improve access to the national transport network for residents of rural areas.

S6M-00813: Neil Gray: Universal Credit Uplift: That the Parliament notes with concern the reported plan by the UK Government to remove the £20 per-week uplift to universal credit (UC) and working tax credits from the end of September 2021; understands that around six million families across the UK receiving UC will lose £1,040 of their annual income, pushing an estimated 500,000 people into poverty; believes that, without the £20 uplift, this form of social security support will drop to its lowest level in three decades; acknowledges the letter sent by the relevant committee chairs from all four parliaments to the UK Government calling for the uplift to be kept; agrees that the uplift has been a lifeline for millions during the COVID-19 pandemic, including people in Airdrie and Shotts, and notes calls on the UK Government to make the uplift permanent and to extend it to legacy and related benefits.

S6M-00792: Stuart McMillan: National Eye Health Week 2021 - That the Parliament notes National Eye Health Week, which it considers does great work in promoting the importance of maintaining good eye health and, in 2021, runs from 20 to 26 September; believes that it continues to be vital for people in Scotland to book their free eye health check every two years in order to pick up changes to the eyes before they affect the vision; understands that 50% of sight loss is avoidable; notes the measures put in place in optometry practices across Scotland by healthcare professionals to make attending an eye health check safe during the COVID-19 pandemic; commends the work of Optometry Scotland and RNIB Scotland to encourage people to return to practices and check their eye health; emphasises what it considers the need to not forget eye health checks, and notes the call for people in Greenock and Inverclyde, and across Scotland, to book their free eye health check if they have not attended an examination in the last two years.

S6M-00616: Edward Mountain: Outdoor Access Rights - That the Parliament acknowledges what it sees as the success of the Scottish Outdoor Access Code, which was developed in 2004 following the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003; believes that the guiding principles of the Code, which include respecting the interest of others, caring for the environment and people taking responsibility for their own actions, have served the Highlands and Islands and Scotland well; understands however that general misunderstandings about the Code have arisen since its establishment, and notes calls on the Scottish Government to launch a full review in order to update the Code to ensure that Scotland continues to have what it considers are world-leading outdoor access rights.

S6M-00554: Gordon MacDonald: Big Noise Programme in Wester Hailes - That the Parliament commends Sistema Scotland, an award-winning music education

charity, on launching a major new music project in spring 2022 in Edinburgh's Wester Hailes; notes that the programme aims to transform the lives of hundreds of children growing up in the area; understands that the Big Noise community orchestra will gradually be created by the project, which aims to reach more than 400 participants in its first year, and will eventually involve all ages from babies to school-leavers; recognises that the charity targets disadvantaged parts of Scotland for intensive long-term programmes offering youngsters up to four after-school sessions of intervention and support a week during term time, and up to four days each week during the spring, summer, and autumn holidays until they leave school; notes that the project will be working in partnership with the City of Edinburgh Council, and with Clovenstone, Canal View, and Sighthill Primary School and Nursery, and intends to also work alongside local charities and community groups to bring additional support and value to Wester Hailes; appreciates that Big Noise has a long-standing track record of delivering high-quality music education and social change to communities that helps children improve their concentration and language skills, enhance their problem solving and decision making, increase their self-esteem and creativity, and develop strong friendships and support networks, and notes Sistema Scotland's belief that all children and young people have great skills, talents and potential, and that it has never been more important to think and act creatively to ensure that children across Scotland are given the opportunities and support that they deserve.

S6M-00522: Mercedes Villalba: The Need for an Offshore Training Passport -

That the Parliament recognises the publication of a survey of offshore oil and gas workers regarding training requirements to work in the energy sector, which was carried out by Friends of the Earth Scotland, Platform and Greenpeace; notes that 97% of the workers surveyed described themselves as concerned about the costs of training; understands that many are currently expected to duplicate their training to work in different areas of the energy sector, including oil and offshore wind; believes that the cost and duplication of training is a major barrier to a just energy transition that retains the skills and experiences of offshore workers; considers that their skills and experiences are essential to deliver the equitable and rapid transition to renewable energy in the north east and across the country, which it believes is itself essential to tackling the climate emergency; notes calls on the Scottish Government to commit to supporting the creation of an offshore training passport, align training standards across the energy sector and explore whether the National Transition Training Fund or Green Jobs Workforce Academy can rectify training barriers, and further notes the calls on the Scottish Government to work with the UK Government to ensure the establishment of the offshore training passport.

S6M-00488: Katy Clark: Drill Ships at Hunterston and Public Ownership of Ports

- That the Parliament notes the ongoing concerns that it understands are being raised by the local community over two drill ships berthed at Hunterston Jetty, near Fairlie, with their generators operating 24 hours per day; further understands that trade unions are concerned over seafarer employment standards and safety, and that the jetty is also adjacent to a Site of Special Scientific Interest; believes that the Maritime and Coastguard Agency was required to respond when one of the Marshall Islands-flagged vessels broke free from its moorings; notes that Hunterston PARC is owned by Peel Ports, which reportedly owns substantial strategic assets in Scotland and the rest of the UK, made significant profits and paid out dividends prior to the COVID-19 pandemic; considers that, as a port authority at many sites, Peel has significant

maritime and port safety responsibilities, and notes the view that port authorities should be under public ownership and control and that there should be strategic public ownership and control of the commercial ports network so that decisions to develop the economy, including the delivery of a just transition to a net zero carbon economy, are made transparently and in the public interest.

S6M-00472: Michael Marra: Reform of Scotland's Education Institutions - The Parliament welcomes the OECD report: *Scotland's Curriculum for Excellence - Into the future*; further welcomes its recommendations, which highlight issues within the education system that it understands that teachers, young people, educationalists and MSPs have been raising for years; recognises the comments from the OECD regarding the hard work and professionalism of the teaching workforce; acknowledges the view that the implementation of the review must be met with urgency and ambition; notes the view that the inspectorate should be made independent this week, by 27 June 2021; further notes the view that the remaining curriculum function of Education Scotland should be merged with the SQA, as an interim body under new leadership by the middle of July, so that arrangements for 2022 assessments can be made; recognises that the OECD report states that Scotland's uniquely high levels of teacher class contact time is a barrier to progress in education; notes the belief that a new teacher agreement should begin to be negotiated between the Scottish Government, COSLA and teaching unions immediately, and that any new agreement should be robustly resourced; further acknowledges the belief that the Chairs of the new independent inspectorate and curriculum and assessment agency should be appointed by the Parliament; further notes the belief that such reforms can further unlock the potential of schools in the North East and across Scotland, and notes calls on the Scottish Government to take the reforms forward.

S6M-00388: Alex Rowley: Post Office Closures - That the Parliament is deeply concerned by the latest round of post office closures; understands that this will see 31 Spar stores across Scotland, including nine across the Mid Scotland and Fife parliamentary region, close their post office counters over the next six months; is deeply disappointed that the operator, CJ Lang & Son, has said that, after 18 months of negotiations, the choice to close the counters has been "carefully considered" and was due to "industry-wide pressures"; believes that post offices offer a vital service for communities, including by providing a place for people to pay their bills, collect benefits, drop off their parcels and buy stamps; understands that around 17 million customers across the UK, including a third of all small businesses, visit a post office every week; believes that the number of post offices has almost halved across the UK since the early 1980s, and notes the view that communities cannot be left stranded without access to the essential services provided by post offices.

S6M-00329: Christine Grahame: Penicuik Ambassadors, Volunteer Team of the Year - That the Parliament congratulates Penicuik Ambassadors on receiving the prestigious Volunteer Team of the Year award from Volunteer Midlothian as part of Volunteers Week 2021; notes that the group played a critical role in providing support to the community during the 2020 lockdown and continues to do so; understands that volunteers provided vital services such as social support, shopping and delivery of prescriptions to those who were shielding, led initiatives such as starting a mask making group, opened a lending library and ran a school clothing bank; recognises that the group has been instrumental in facilitating the localised response to the

COVID-19 pandemic in the Penicuik area; wishes Penicuik Ambassadors well in their future endeavours, and thanks all community volunteers throughout Scotland for all that they have done, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic.

S6M-00279: Elena Whitham: Gypsy, Roma Traveller History Month - That the Parliament recognises that June 2021 is the annual Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month (GRTHM), which aims to raise awareness of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller people throughout the UK; understands that, with over 12 million people, these people are the largest ethnic minority community in the EU, with some 300,000 in the UK; notes that, through celebration, education and raising awareness, GRTHM helps to tackle prejudice, challenge myths and amplify the voices of Gypsies, Romas and Travellers in wider society; recognises what it sees as the contribution that Scotland's Gypsies, Romas and Travellers have made to the fabric of the nation over the centuries; notes the view that everyone can help GRTHM 2021 in celebrating and promoting the culture of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller people and helping them in raising their voices; commends the work already achieved through the Joint Action Plan between the Scottish Government and COSLA to improve the lives of our Gypsy/Traveller communities as part of a significant human-rights commitment, but notes the view that there is a large body of work still to be carried out to ensure that Gypsy, Roma and Traveller people no longer face discrimination and racism.

S6M-00276: Colin Smyth: BHF's 60th Year - That the Parliament celebrates the British Heart Foundation's (BHF) 60th year; acknowledges the significant improvement in survival rates over that time; understands that, in the 1960s, seven out of 10 heart attacks were fatal, but that today, seven in 10 people survive; acknowledges, that before the BHF was established, most babies in the UK who were diagnosed with congenital heart defects did not live past their first birthday; believes that, now, thanks to research, most survive into adulthood; notes that there are around 109,000 people in the South Scotland parliamentary region living with heart and circulatory diseases who benefit daily from the BHF's research; recognises the tremendous effort made by all fundraisers in Scotland who have allowed this incredible research to happen; commends the BHF on funding over £3 billion in lifesaving research, including over £1 billion in the last decade, and welcomes the work of organisations such as the BHF towards a world free from the fear of heart and circulatory diseases.

S6M-00225: Clare Adamson: Child Safety Week 2021 - That the Parliament notes that Child Safety Week, the flagship annual campaign run by the Child Accident Prevention Trust (CAPT), takes place between 7 and 13 June 2021 with the theme, Share because you care; understands that the aim is to highlight how sharing safety knowledge can save lives and help families to build confidence and skills in managing the real risks to children's safety; applauds Child Safety Week's online resources and activities, which are available for free to families and agencies through support from the Scottish Government, and which are designed to raise awareness of both risks and preventative strategies; acknowledges Child Safety Week's continuing promotion and support of collaborative approaches, and commends the efforts of all agencies that work together to seek to increase the safety of children and young people.

S6M-00176: Richard Leonard: Pay Justice and Equality for ScotRail Workers - That the Parliament commends what it sees as the essential role played by all grades of ScotRail workers throughout the COVID-19 pandemic to help ensure that rail

passenger services in the Central Scotland region and across the country continued to run; understands that Conductor and Ticket Examiner grades members of the RMT have taken a number of days of industrial action since March 2021 in two separate disputes, with further dates for industrial action scheduled, over Abellio ScotRail's reported refusal to negotiate a rest-day working agreement for ScotRail general grades; believes with concern that this decision by Abellio ScotRail fails to treat all grades of ScotRail worker equally; understands that Abellio ScotRail's operations continue to be fully funded by the Scottish Government under its Emergency Measures Agreement and that, as the Scottish Government is managing the franchise, only it has the ability to resolve these disputes, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to intervene as a matter of urgency and commit itself and Abellio ScotRail to meaningful talks with the RMT with the purpose of reaching a fair resolution to these disputes.

S6M-00155: Alexander Stewart: The Queen's Jubilee - That the Parliament welcomes the 69th anniversary of the Coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II; notes that The Queen, who was 26 at the time of her accession following the death of her father, King George VI, was crowned on 2 June 1953; acknowledges that, from 2 June 2022, celebrations will commence for the 70th anniversary of The Queen as monarch of the UK and the Commonwealth; welcomes the moving of the May bank holiday weekend to 2 June, as well as an additional bank holiday on 3 June, which will see a four-day weekend to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee; notes that this will be the first time that any British monarch has reached this historic milestone; considers that this historic event will reflect on The Queen's reign and her impact on the UK and the world since 1952; understands that the four-day celebrations, which will begin to build up during early 2022, will feature an extensive programme of events that mix the best of British ceremonial splendour and pageantry with cutting edge artistic and technological displays; believes that these will be interspersed with the traditional nationwide fanfare and celebrations, and that plans for the Platinum Jubilee are being developed in conjunction with some of the UK's leading creative minds, event organisers and world-class digital design companies and, using the talents of the UK's cultural and creative sectors, the programme will engage young people from across the Commonwealth and use new technology in exciting ways; further understands that, in keeping with tradition, a Platinum Jubilee Medal will be awarded to people who work in public service, including representatives of the Armed Forces, the Emergency Services and the Prison Services, a tradition that stretches back to the reign of Queen Victoria when an official medal was designed to mark her 50th anniversary on the throne, and notes the calls on all communities, constituents, councils, schools, businesses and organisations across Scotland to become involved in the many initiatives that are currently being prepared, such as the Woodland Trust Queen's Green Canopy initiative, which commenced in May 2021 and is encouraging everyone to mark The Queen's Platinum Jubilee by planting a tree, in order to increase and protect the nation's native tree cover while celebrating The Queen's 70 years of service to the nation.

S6M-00127: Karen Adam: Maternity Services at Dr Gray's Hospital in Moray - That the Parliament welcomes the decision by the Scottish Government to commission an independent review of maternity services at Dr Gray's Hospital in Elgin to consider how best to restore a consultant-led service; understands that the decision by NHS Grampian to temporarily downgrade maternity services in Moray has caused serious

concerns for women and families across the area; notes that women with medium- and high-risk pregnancies continue to face a round-trip of up to 160 miles to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary to deliver their babies; commends the Keep MUM group for its campaign to have the consultant-led service restored; praises the frontline staff at Dr Gray's Hospital for the high level of care they provide to women and families in Moray, and notes the calls on NHS Grampian to continue to work with Keep Mum, the community and the Scottish Government to secure the long-term future of the consultant-led service at Dr Gray's Hospital so that women and babies in Moray can access the care they need locally and also to ensure that the area remains an attractive destination for families to live and work.

S6M-00110: James Dornan: Ending the Illegal Occupation of Palestine - That the Parliament welcomes the ceasefire agreed between Israel and Hamas on 21 May 2021; condemns all loss of innocent life in Gaza, the Occupied Palestinian Territories and Israel; notes the view that the international community must seek to address the root causes of the conflict by calling for an end to the occupation of Palestine, the end to the expansion of illegal settlements, the end of the blockade of Gaza and reversing what it sees as the systemic erosion of the rights of the Palestinian people; recognises that thousands of people in Scotland, including from Glasgow Cathcart, have taken to the streets to protest the bombardment of Gaza, which it considers to be the world's largest man-made prison; notes calls for Israel to fully participate in the investigation by the International Criminal Court into possible war crimes, and acknowledges the view that that peace talks based on a two-state solution will resume as a matter of urgency.

S6M-00108: Colin Smyth: The Proposed Closure of the Savings Bank Museum in Ruthwell by the TSB - That the Parliament condemns the proposal by the TSB to close the Savings Bank Museum in Ruthwell, Dumfriesshire, and move the historic artefacts to its Head Office in Edinburgh; notes that the museum was the home of the original Ruthwell Parish Bank, which was opened by Dr Henry Duncan in 1810, when parishioners were paid interest on their modest savings; recognises that Dr Duncan persuaded the Earl of Mansfield to donate the cottage to the Friendly Society for the benefit of the community and that it is where Dr Duncan distributed food to the parishioners before establishing and running from it what is recognised as the world's first savings bank; notes that the museum houses a historic collection of home savings boxes, coins and bank notes from many parts of the world, a collection of books on the worldwide spread of savings banks and important archives on the history of these banks; believes that the museum plays an integral role, not only in marking the history of the savings bank, but in celebrating the life of Dr Duncan, who was born at Lochrutton new Dumfries in 1774 and ordained as the Minister of Ruthwell Church in 1799, serving the community until his death in 1846, and notes calls urging the TSB to re-consider its plans and work with the community to retain what it sees as this important museum and all of its historic artefacts in the Ruthwell community.

S6M-00075: Annie Wells: Right to Recovery - That the Parliament notes the view that everyone in Glasgow and across Scotland should have a right, enshrined in law, to the necessary alcohol and/or drug treatment option that they seek; acknowledges the call for the introduction of new national standards and guidance to increase the accessibility of rehabilitation programmes, and notes support for the establishment of

a national funding scheme to ensure that resources swiftly reach frontline treatment services in areas of acute demand.

S6M-00057: Daniel Johnson: Supporting Recovery in the Retail Sector - That the Parliament notes the recent figures published by the Scottish Retail Consortium indicating that retail sales remain significantly below pre-pandemic levels; remains concerned that, given retail is the largest sector of employment within the private sector, continued depressed sales levels could have major consequences on employment levels, suppliers to the sector and, consequently, the wider economy; considers that local communities rely on local high streets in South Edinburgh and across Scotland, and notes the calls on the Scottish Government to extend support to the sector and to work with trade unions and retail businesses to ensure an effective recovery plan is put in place for this vital sector.

S6M-00014: Shona Robison - Rotary Club of Dundee Celebrates a Century - That the Parliament marks the 100th anniversary of the Rotary Club of Dundee, which throughout its history has provided practical help to the people of Dundee and beyond, all in keeping with the Rotary motto of Service Above Self; understands that the club has raised £100,000 to disburse during its centenary year, in support of local projects and other good causes; believes that, since its founding, the club has stayed true to the wider Rotary Foundation ethos of achieving world understanding and peace through international humanitarian, educational and cultural exchange programmes; applauds the dedication and hard work of all those involved in upholding these values, and hopes that, through recognising and celebrating the positive impact that Rotary Clubs have on local communities, they can continue to be a force for good during the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, and beyond.

S6M-00013: Edward Mountain: Caithness Roads Recovery - That the Parliament congratulates the group, Caithness Roads Recovery, on its continued campaigning to improve the roads in Caithness and North-West Sutherland; believes that the group has been very successful in highlighting what its members see as the urgent action that is required due to potholes and road repairs in general, and acknowledges that the aim of the group is to achieve a resolution to the reported poor state of the roads throughout the area, which is having an impact on the daily lives, livelihoods and lifelines of the people.

Record of Members' Business taken by the Parliament from 8 June 2021

| Date | MSP | Party | Subject |
|------------------|------------------|-------|---|
| 8 June 2021 | Jim Fairlie | SNP | Impact on Scottish Agriculture of Tariff-free Trade Deals |
| 9 June 2021 | Neil Gray | SNP | Social Justice and Fairness Commission Report |
| 15 June 2021 | Douglas Ross | CON | The Campaign to Restore the Consultant-led Maternity Unit at Dr Gray's, Elgin |
| 16 June 2021 | Monica Lennon | LAB | Historical Forced Adoption |
| 22 June 2021 | Bob Doris | SNP | MND Scotland (40 th Anniversary) |
| 23 June 2021 | Alasdair Allan | SNP | National Gaelic Language Plan |
| 31 August 2021 | Rachael Hamilton | CON | Success of Great Borders River Clean |
| 1 September 2021 | Emma Harper | SNP | 100 Years of Insulin |
| 2 September 2021 | Paul Sweeney | LAB | Our Factory, Our Future, the Fight to Save McVitie's at Tollcross, Glasgow |

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| 7 2021 | September | Alasdair Allan | SNP | Reserved Board Seats for Islanders |
| 8 2021 | September | Brian Whittle | CON | Team GB Success |
| 9 2022 | September | Christine Grahame | SNP | Mineworkers' Pension Scheme |

Record of Members' Business taken by the Parliament in Session 6

| Party | SNP | CON | LAB | GRN | LD | TOTAL |
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| Frequency (no) | 7 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Frequency % | 58.33 | 25 | 16.66 | 0 | 0 | 100 |