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Business Bulletin

Iris Ghnothaichean



Portfolio Questions: Groupings

The Presiding Officer has grouped the following questions at Portfolio Questions on Wednesday 4 September: Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic – Questions 1 and 7.

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There are no meetings today.

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Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 26 June 2024

Tuesday 3 September 2024

2:00 pm Time for Reflection: Ruth Donaldson, Church Relationships Team Leader UK, CSW

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — S6M-14125 Sue Webber: A New Winchburgh Train Station

Wednesday 4 September 2024

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic

Finance and Local Government

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Approval of SSIs (if required)

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followed by Members' Business — S6M-13189 Bob Doris: Tackling the Misuse of Off-road Vehicles

Thursday 5 September 2024

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business — S6M-14137 Sarah Boyack: Recognising the UN's Declaration for Future Generations

2:30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:30 pm Portfolio Questions

Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

followed by Scottish Government Business

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions **5:00 pm** Decision Time

Tuesday 10 September 2024

2:00 pm Time for Reflection

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5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 11 September 2024

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands; NHS Recovery, Health and Social Care

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 12 September 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: Social Justice

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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

Health, Social Care and Sport Committee 3 September 2024 22nd Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 9:15 am in TG.60-CR3 The Fleming Room

- 1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3, 4, 5 and 6 in private.
- 2. Pre-budget scrutiny 2025-26: The Committee will take evidence from—

Professor David Bell, Professor of Economics, University of Stirling;

Michael Kellet, Director of Strategy, Governance and Performance, Public Health Scotland;

Kathrine Sibbald, Senior Manager, Audit Scotland;

and then from-

Caroline Cameron, Chief Officer, North Ayrshire Integration Joint Board;

Professor Soumen Sengupta, Chief Officer, South Lanarkshire Integration Joint Board;

Pat Togher, Chief Officer, Edinburgh Integration Joint Board;

Sharon Wearing, Chair, Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy Integrated Joint Boards Chief Finance Officer Section.

- 3. **Pre-budget scrutiny 2025-26:** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.
- 4. Post-legislative scrutiny of the Social Care (Self-directed Support) (Scotland) Act 2013: The Committee will consider a draft report.
- 5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its future work programme.
- 6. **Tobacco and Vapes Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider its approach to scrutiny of a proposed legislative consent memorandum.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Alex Bruce on 85229 or at Alex.Bruce@Parliament.scot

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 3 September 2024 24th 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 item 8 in private.
- 2. Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill (UK Parliament legislation): The Committee will take evidence on legislative consent memorandum LCM(S6)47 from—Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Scottish Government;

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Bill Reeve, Director of Rail, and Fiona Brittle, Senior Rail Policy Manager, Transport Scotland.

3. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Environmental Protection (Single-use Vapes) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 from—

Gillian Martin, Acting Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Energy, David McPhee, Deputy Director, Deposit Return Scheme, Mark Sweeney, Senior Policy Advisor - Product Stewardship, and Carolyn Boyd, Lawyer, Scottish Government.

- 4. **Subordinate legislation:** Gillian Martin (Acting Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Energy) to move—S6M-13568—That the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee recommends that the Environmental Protection (Single-use Vapes) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 [draft] be approved.
- Subordinate legislation: The Committee will take evidence on the Companies Act 2006 (Scottish public sector companies to be audited by the Auditor General for Scotland) Order 2024 from—

Gillian Martin, Acting Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Energy, Andrew Mackie, Head of Environment & Forestry Sponsorship Hub, David McPhee, Deputy Director, Deposit Return Scheme, and Carolyn Boyd, Lawyer, Scottish Government.

- 6. **Subordinate legislation:** Gillian Martin (Acting Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Energy) to move—S6M-13501—That the Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee recommends that the Companies Act 2006 (Scottish public sector companies to be audited by the Auditor General for Scotland) Order 2024 [draft] be approved.
- 7. **UK subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider a proposal by the Scottish Government to consent to the UK Government legislating in a devolved area as set out in the following UK statutory instrument proposal—

The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging and Packaging Waste) Regulations 2024

taking evidence from-

Gillian Martin, Acting Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Energy, David McPhee, Deputy Director, Deposit Return Scheme, Alex Brown, Circular Economy Policy Officer, and Carolyn Boyd, Lawyer, Scottish Government.

8. Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill (UK Parliament legislation): The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Peter McGrath on 85232 or at peter.mcgrath@parliament.scot

Finance and Public Administration Committee 3 September 2024 24th Meeting, 2024

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

- Scottish Fiscal Commission's Fiscal Update, Forecast Evaluation Report and Statement of Data Needs, August 2024: The Committee will take evidence from— Professor Graeme Roy, Chair, Professor Francis Breedon, Commissioner, and Claire Murdoch, Head of Fiscal Sustainability and Public Funding, Scottish Fiscal Commission.
- 2. Work programme (in private): The Committee will consider its work programme.

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3. **Scotland's Commissioner Landscape: A Strategic Approach (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Joanne McNaughton, at FPA.committee@parliament.scot.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 3 September 2024 23rd Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in T1.40-CR5 The Smith Room

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
- Instruments subject to negative procedure: The Committee will consider the following— Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2023/178) Police Service of Scotland (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/179) Valuation (Proposals Procedure) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/186) Waste (Materials Facilities) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/191)
- 3. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—

Valuation Timetable (Scotland) Amendment Order 2024 (SSI 2024/192)
Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session 1994 and Sheriff Appeal Court Rules
2021 Amendment) (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child
(Incorporation) (Scotland) Act 2024) 2024 (SSI 2024/195)
Act of Sederunt (Rules of the Court of Session 1994 Amendment) (Protective Expenses
Orders) 2024 (SSI 2024/196)
Act of Sederunt (Proceedings for Determination of Compatibility Questions Rules) 2024
(SSI 2024/197)

- 4. **Housing (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will further consider the Scottish Government's response to points raised on the delegated powers provisions in this Bill at Stage 1.
- 5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its approach to the inquiry into framework legislation and Henry VIII powers.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Greg Black at Greg.Black@parliament.scot

Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice Committee 3 September 2024 17th Meeting, 2024

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

1. **Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

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Kaukab Stewart, Minister for Equalities, Sarah Manson, Unit Head, Disability Equality Policy, Michelle Harrity, Senior Policy Manager, Disability Equality Policy, and Jennifer Singerman, Solicitor, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.

- 2. **Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard under agenda item 1.
- 3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katrina Venters on 86244 or at Katrina. Venters@Parliament.scot

Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee 3 September 2024 22nd Meeting, 2024

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 4 and 5 in private.
- Housing (Scotland) Bill: The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from— Tony Cain, Policy Manager, Association of Local Authority Chief Housing Officers (ALACHO);
 - Mike Callaghan, Policy Manager, COSLA;
 - Callum Chomczuk, National Director, Chartered Institute of Housing Scotland.
- 3. **Housing (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
- 4. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny:** The Committee will consider its approach to pre-budget scrutiny and will consider a list of candidates for the post of adviser.
- 5. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

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For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Euan Donald on 85212 or at euan.donald@parliament.scot

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee 4 September 2024 20th Meeting, 2024

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

- 1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether its consideration of evidence on pre-budget scrutiny 2025 to 2026 should be taken in private at item number 3, and at future meetings.
- 2. Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2025 to 2026: The Committee will take evidence from—

Dr Robin Cook, Honorary Senior Research Fellow, Strathclyde University; Professor Michel Kaiser, Member, Marine Alliance for Science and Technology for Scotland;

Elspeth Macdonald, Chief Executive, Scottish Fishermen's Federation; Charles Millar, Executive Director, Sustainable Inshore Fisheries Trust; Professor Colin Moffat, former Chief Scientific Advisor Marine to the Scottish Government;

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Jennifer Mouat, Member, Regional Inshore Fisheries Groups Network; Phil Taylor, Director, Open Seas;

Dr Alan Wells, Chief Executive, Fisheries Management Scotland;

Elaine Whyte, Executive Secretary, Clyde Fishermen's Association.

Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2025 to 2026: The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier 3. in the meeting.

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

Economy and Fair Work Committee 4 September 2024 21st Meeting, 2024

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

- **Declaration of interests:** Willie Coffey will be invited to declare any relevant interests. 1.
- 2. Disability Employment Gap (in private): The Committee will consider a draft report.
- 3. Work programme (in private): The Committee will consider a scoping paper for its next inquiry on City Region Growth Deals.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Anne Peat on 85182 or at anne.peat@parliament.scot

Criminal Justice Committee 4 September 2024 27th Meeting, 2024

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

- **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 1. in private.
- 2. Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - current challenges and proposed reforms: The Committee will take evidence from—

Colin Brown, Executive Council Member for Scotland, Fire Brigades Union; Dave Crawford, Scottish Official, and Tim Kirk, Inverness & North Regional Representative, Fire and Rescue Services Association;

and then from-

Ross Haggart, Chief Officer, Stuart Stevens, Deputy Chief Officer, and Sarah O'Donnell, Director of Finance and Contractual Services, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

3. Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - current challenges and proposed reforms: The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 2.

Proposed future business

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

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Education, Children and Young People Committee 4 September 2024 22nd Meeting, 2024

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in TG.40-CR1 The Burns Room

- Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2025 to 2026: The Committee will take evidence as part of its Pre-Budget Scrutiny from—
 - Graeme Dey, Minister for Higher and Further Education; and Minister for Veterans, and Stuart Greig, Deputy Director, Governance and Assurance Division, Lifelong Learning and Skills, Scottish Government.
- 2. **Pre-Budget Scrutiny 2025 to 2026 (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence it heard earlier under agenda item 1.

Proposed future business

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Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

*S6M-14208 Keith Brown: Armed Services Advice Project Closure—That the Parliament notes with concern the reported decision by the Royal British Legion (RBL) to cease funding to the Armed Services Advice Project (ASAP), which will see the service close; understands that ASAP was established in 2010 as a partnership between Poppyscotland and Citizens Advice Services Scotland to provide dedicated information, advice and support to members of the Armed Forces community in Scotland; believes that ASAP supports an average of 2,200 beneficiaries a year, through 16 local Citizens Advice Bureaux across Scotland, covering 75% of all local authority areas in Scotland, including in the Clackmannanshire and Dunblane constituency; understands that, since its inception, the project has generated over £20 million of financial gain for veterans and their families; acknowledges recent analysis, which shows that 95% of service users showed improvements in peace of mind, 84% saw improvements in their financial situation, including access to benefits, 75% felt more able to help themselves, and 67% saw improvements to their mental health, and notes the calls for RBL, in light of what it sees as these significant outcomes, to reconsider its decision, which, it considers, will have a detrimental impact on the veteran community in Scotland.

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Other new and altered motions and amendments

*S6M-14250 Christine Grahame: 20 Years of National Dog Day—That the

Parliament recognises 20 years of celebrating National Dog Day on 26 August 2024; understands that National Dog Day was founded in 2004 by animal welfare advocate, Colleen Paige, in a bid to help galvanize the public to recognise the number of dogs in need of rescue each year, to celebrate all breeds and to honour all dogs that work selflessly to save lives, and keep people safe and bring them comfort; acknowledges the many dogs that reportedly put their lives on the line every day, protecting people's families and homes, supporting the police, blind and disabled people, assisting with bomb and drug detection, and helping to locate and rescue victims of accidents, and encourages everyone to continue to celebrate National Dog Day annually.

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*S6M-14246 Jamie Hepburn on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Revision to Business Programme—That the Parliament agrees to the following revisions to the programme of business for—

(a) Tuesday 3 September 2024—

delete

followed by Scottish Government Business

and insert

followed by Ministerial Statement: Community Cohesion

followed by Ministerial Statement: Scottish Government Pre-Budget Fiscal Update

followed by Ministerial Statement: Gender Identity Healthcare for Young People - Update and

New National Standards

followed by Ministerial Statement: Clyde and Hebrides Ferries - Provision, Service and Harbours Update

followed by Ministerial Statement: Mobile Phones and Behaviour and Relationships in School delete

5.00 pm Decision Time

and insert

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(b) Wednesday 4 September 2024—

delete

followed by Scottish Government Business

and insert

followed by First Minister's Statement: Programme for Government 2024-25

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Programme for Government 2024-25

(c) Thursday 5 September 2024—

delete

followed by Scottish Government Business

and insert

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Programme for Government - Eradicating Child Poverty

*S6M-14243 Marie McNair: Clydebank Sisters Win Children's Showdance Duet at Dance World Cup —That the Parliament congratulates sisters Emily and Chloe Duff, from Clydebank, on being awarded first place for their Showdance duet, winning the title of Children's Showdance Duet World Champions; understands that Emily and Chloe were selected as part of 19 dancers from the Hunter School of Dance to join Team Scotland at the Dance World Cup in Prague,

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Czechia; further understands that they then spent 10 days competing with their teammates against 10,000 dancers from 60 countries across the globe; notes that the sisters attended a gold medal winners' gala, where they were awarded another title for Most Outstanding Children's Duet/Trio for the whole of the Dance World Cup; recognises what it sees as the extraordinary achievement of Emily and Chloe, and wishes them all the best for any future dance competitions that they attend.

*S6M-14242 Foysol Choudhury: Edinburgh International Book Festival 2024 —That the Parliament congratulates Edinburgh International Book Festival (EIBF) on a successful first year in its new venue at Edinburgh Futures Institute at the University of Edinburgh; understands that EIBF took place between 10 and 25 August 2024, featuring almost 600 events, with speakers including authors, poets, politicians, musicians, and illustrators, tackling what it sees as subjects of global importance, such as the climate crisis and global affairs; welcomes the news that over 100,000 people visited the festival, with more than 200 events selling to 90% capacity or more, representing a significant increase in ticket and book sales when compared with previous years, and audiences from over 55 countries watching online; welcomes the festival's work to bring culture to a wider audience, with over 4,500 children from 89 Scottish schools attending events free of charge, and EIBF authors visiting 12 hospitals and prisons across Scotland; commends the organisers of EIBF, and wishes for the continued success of the festival as it continues to operate in its new home.

*S6M-14241 Finlay Carson: Two Industry Leaders Unite Over First Sustainable Windfarm Decommissioning Strategy—That the Parliament congratulates Nadara on launching the UK's first Sustainable Windfarm Decommissioning Strategy, in partnership with ReBlade; notes that this will bring together two industry leaders with a shared commitment to sustainability, setting a new benchmark for environmental stewardship and socioeconomic enhancement for Beinn Ghlas Wind Farm in Argyll; understands that Nadara is the largest independent power producer of onshore wind in Europe, while ReBlade, a young company with its roots and its supply chain operating in Dumfries and Galloway, is the country's first specialist wind turbine decommissioning service and is currently working with around 10 local businesses to develop a wind industry centre of excellence in the south of Scotland, and believes that the new strategy will form a critically important chapter in the Beinn Ghlas repowering planning application, exploring circular destinations for the decommissioned material that will be removed from the site, which is one of the oldest wind farms in the UK, having begun operations in May 1999 and providing an overall capacity of 8.4MW.

*S6M-14240 Jeremy Balfour: Remembering Euan MacDonald—That the Parliament notes with deep sadness the passing of Euan MacDonald, the inspirational co-founder of Euan's Guide, a website dedicated to providing disabled people with reliable reviews and information about the accessibility of venues across the UK and beyond; recognises what it sees as Euan's remarkable contributions to improving the lives of disabled people through his tireless advocacy, following his diagnosis with motor neurone disease (MND) in 2003; commends the positive impact of Euan's Guide, which, it understands, has empowered thousands of disabled people to explore the world with greater confidence and independence; acknowledges Euan's courage, determination and unwavering commitment to breaking down barriers, and extends its heartfelt condolences to Euan's family, friends, and all who knew and admired him.

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*S6M-14239 Jeremy Balfour: "Where Have All the Children Gone?" Report—That the Parliament notes with concern the findings of the recent report by the Centre for Social Justice (CSJ) Foundation, Where have all the children gone?; understands that the report sheds light on what it sees as the troubling trends of school absences in Scotland, with the number of children who were persistently absent in 2022-23 at an estimated 62% higher than pre-COVID-19 pandemic; further understands that nearly one in three children were persistently absent in 2022-23, and an estimated 2.7% were severely absent; agrees with the CSJ Foundation that the Scottish Government must urgently detail a response to what it sees as this crisis, including a plan for more comprehensive and regular collection of data, and commends the CSJ Foundation for its commitment to improving children's education and outcomes.

*S6M-14238 Monica Lennon: Congratulating Ice Cream Icon, Equi's, on a Summer of Success—That the Parliament congratulates what it considers to be the gelato legend, Equi's, on scooping seven honours at the Great Taste Awards 2024 and being crowned Scottish ice cream champion and overall dairy champion at the Royal Highland Show; notes that the multi award-winning ice cream firm scooped two stars for its much-loved traditional double cream in the long-running accreditation scheme run by the Guild of Fine Food, plus single stars for a further seven flavours; understands that this is the eighth consecutive year that the Lanarkshire-based company has been honoured at the renowned Great Taste Awards, an event regarded as the world's most trusted food and drink awards and judged by over 500 leading chefs, producers and food critics; commends the century-old ice cream firm for continuing to put Hamilton and Lanarkshire on the map and contributing to Brand Scotland during its latest summer of success, and wishes everyone at Equi's all the very best for the future.

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*S6M-14235 Annabelle Ewing: National Lottery Makes Funding Award to Hyperclub —That the Parliament recognises the recent funding grant award of £20,000 to Hyperclub from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the funding will be used over one year to continue supporting disabled children and adults, particularly those experiencing social exclusion, mental health issues and deprivation; considers that the Community Fund supports communities to thrive with funding from the National Lottery; commends the work of all those involved at Hyperclub, and wishes them all the very best for the future.

*S6M-14234 Annabelle Ewing: National Lottery Makes Funding Award to Rosyth Community Projects—That the Parliament recognises the recent funding grant award of £19,240 to Rosyth Community Projects from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the funding will be used over two years to provide twice weekly dementia-friendly meeting sessions for people living with a diagnosis, as well as their family and friends living in south west Fife; considers that the Community Fund supports communities to thrive with funding from the National Lottery; commends the work of all those involved at Rosyth Community Projects, and wishes them all the very best in their next initiative.

*S6M-14233 Annabelle Ewing: National Lottery Makes Award to Crossgates Events Committee —That the Parliament recognises the recent funding grant award of £2,800 to Crossgates Events Committee from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the funding will be used as part of the summer gala preparations, providing a much-welcomed financial boost; considers that the Community Fund supports communities to thrive with funding

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from the National Lottery; commends the work of all those involved in Crossgates Events Committee, and wishes them all the very best in their planning for the 2025 gala.

*S6M-14232 Annabelle Ewing: National Lottery Community Fund Makes Award to Radio West Fife SCIO —That the Parliament recognises the recent funding grant award of £2,500 to Radio West Fife SCIO from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the funding will be used over one year to transition the radio station to a community radio station in Rosyth; considers that the Community Fund supports communities to thrive with funding from the National Lottery; commends the work of all those involved at Radio West Fife, and wishes them all the very best in their transition to a community radio station.

*S6M-14231 Annabelle Ewing: Rockore 2024 —That the Parliament recognises the success of the Rockore Festival, which was held on 24 August 2024 at Lochore Meadows Country Park; understands that the organisers, the local Benarty Events Group, created a line-up that surpassed the popularity of previous years, including securing American rock icon, Suzi Quatro; further understands that the festival is regarded as one of the best small festivals across Scotland and the UK; recognises that the event was very well attended by over 4,000 people, including both locals and visitors; believes that this event has contributed enormously to community pride and wellbeing, as well as the local and Fife economy; thanks the event's sponsors, Cartmore Building Supplies, BRAG Enterprises Crosshill, and Rubber Stamp Promotions for helping to make the event a resounding success; commends the Benarty Events Group that organises this event and many others within the Benarty area who are all volunteers; thanks them for giving up their time to organise such an entertaining day for many, and wishes them all the very best for the future.

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*S6M-14230 Alexander Burnett: Crathes Equine Grass Sickness Charity Raises over £5,000 During its Charity Horse and Dog Show—That the Parliament congratulates the Crathes Equine Grass Sickness Charity, which raised over £5,000 in 2024 during its Charity Horse and Dog Show at Milton of Crathes; understands that, since the show was first held in 2021, it has raised over £22,000 for the Equine Grass Sickness Fund; further understands that the show was set up following the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown to encourage people to focus on competing again and to have something to look forward to; commends the team that has organised the event and its support of the Equine Grass Sickness Charity, which continues its crucial and specialist research into what causes what it sees as this devastating and often fatal disease for horses and ponies, and wishes them continued success in the future with their fundraising. R

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*S6M-14229 David Torrance: Merchants House Cafe in Kirkcaldy Awarded Best Cafe in South East Scotland at the Scottish Food Awards 2024—That the Parliament congratulates Merchants House Cafe, in Kirkcaldy, on being awarded Best Cafe in South East Scotland at the Scottish Food Awards 2024; understands that Merchants House Cafe is a family-run business housed in the historic Merchant's House in central Kirkcaldy; notes that the café boasts a wide selection of homemade cakes daily, alongside its breakfast and lunch menu; honours the legacy of Ricky Barclay, who it understands opened the café alongside his wife Marzena in 2020, and who sadly passed away in October 2023, and wishes the business all continued success.

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*S6M-14228 Beatrice Wishart: Shetland's Lead Openreach Engineer Retires After Almost 50 Years—That the Parliament congratulates Kenny Malcolmson, Openreach's lead engineer in Shetland, as he begins his retirement; acknowledges what it sees as the immense contribution that Kenny has made to improving island connectivity, ensuring that Shetland is able to access the opportunities of the digital age; recognises the vital role that broadband connectivity plays in supporting Shetland's economy, and the wellbeing of islanders; understands that Kenny began his career in what was then the Post Office Telephones in July 1975 as a 17-year-old apprentice; further understands that Kenny took on the role of lead engineer in 2010, managing a team of 20 Openreach employees working in Shetland; notes that, aside from his professional career, Kenny also had a successful amateur football career playing for, and occasionally captaining, the Shetland team between 1976 and 1990; commends the work of every Openreach engineer working to connect Scotland's communities to better broadband, and wishes Kenny a long and happy retirement.

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*S6M-14227 Annie Wells: Glasgow Tailors Partnership with Mental Health Charity—That the Parliament congratulates Suited and Booted, a Glasgow bespoke tailors and gents fashion brand, which has teamed up with Glasgow-based charity, Men Matter Scotland, to create a new initiative that aims to help men prepare for job interviews and dress for success as they enter into new employment; believes that for those job seeking or re-entering into the workforce after time away, it is important that men feel good about themselves and a new suit can make a difference. boosting self esteem; understands that Suited and Booted is asking its customers, stakeholders and friends of the brand to donate unworn and unwanted suits to the store that will then be gifted to the charity to distribute to its network; further understands that in return for donating a suit, each person will be given a £100 voucher to spend on bespoke or ready to wear suits at the store; notes that Men Matter Scotland was founded in 2019 and its mission is to support men's mental health and wellbeing and prevent suicide; understands that the charity focuses on creating an environment that promotes connection and possibility for those in need and that from its centre in Drumchapel, it offers weekly group sessions and activities in groups so that members can talk to other men who have first-hand lived experience of similar situations, as well as peer to peer sessions and an expert referral service designed specifically for when men are in distress, and further understands that over 3,500 men in Glasgow are actively using the service.

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*S6M-14226 Colin Beattie: Lothian Veterans Centre (LVC) receives £200,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund—That the Parliament congratulates Lothians Veterans Centre (LVC) on receiving a £200,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; understands that this funding will be used to support veterans and their family members; further understands that the three-year project will address the social isolation and loneliness of veterans, and tackle what it sees as the financial and health inequalities that they experience; commends the work of the Lothians Veterans Centre, and thanks all their staff for their continued hard work and dedication.

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*S6M-14225 Colin Beattie: Bridges Project Receives £6,240 from the National Lottery Community Fund—That the Parliament congratulates the Bridges Project on receiving a £6,240 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this will be used to continue running its free peer mentoring service, Listening Peers, for young people aged 13 to 21 who are facing multiple disadvantages and poor mental health issues in East Lothian; understands that the group enables young people to achieve qualifications, youth awards and improves their outcomes; further understands that, in 2023, it supported 253 young individuals, with 174 moving into positive destinations, and thanks the Bridges Project and its staff for their hard work and dedication to helping those in need.

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*S6M-14224 Colin Beattie: Whitecraig Gala Receives £8,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund —That the Parliament congratulates Whitecraig Gala on receiving an £8,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this funding will be used to run their annual Gala Day and a week of events for the whole community in Whitecraig; understands that the Whitecraig Gala is an important part of the village's identity and brings the residents together to celebrate their village; commends the work of the Whitecraig Gala, and thanks everyone involved for their continued hard work and dedication.

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*S6M-14223 Colin Beattie: The Cousland Courier Receives £2,200 from the National Lottery Community Fund—That the Parliament congratulates the *Cousland Courier* on receiving a £2,200 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund; notes that this funding will fund a community newsletter for the Cousland village as part of the one-year project; understands that the newsletter will inform the residents of news and events taking place in the village; further understands that the project will help tie the community together and enrich the local area; commends the work of the *Cousland Courier*, and thanks everyone involved for their continued hard work and dedication.

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*S6M-14222 Annie Wells: Welcoming Irish Dancing Competition to Parkhead, Hosting over 700 Dancers —The Parliament welcomes the selection of Parkhead Stadium to host the 2024 Feis Rutai Thir Chonaill, an esteemed annual Irish Dancing Competition, held on 24-25 August; recognises what it sees as the significance of this event in bringing together over 700 dancers from across Scotland, England and Ireland; acknowledges what it considers to be the cultural and social importance of the competition, which attracted over 2,000 visitors, and commends the organisers for their efforts in promoting Irish dance and culture on such a large scale.

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*S6M-14221 Tim Eagle: Three Campbeltown Firefighters Receive Royal Recognition for 20 Years of Service—That the Parliament congratulates Campbeltown firefighters Stuart McTaggart,

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Stevie Gorman, and Grant Macpherson on receiving Fire and Rescue Service Long Service and Good Conduct medals; understands that the medals are awarded for 20 years of good and efficient service, and that they are issued by the Head of State and produced by the Royal Mint; recognises that Stuart achieved his 20 years of service in April 2022, and therefore received a medal bearing the effigy of the late Queen Elizabeth II, while Stevie and Grant achieved their 20 years of service in October 2023, and therefore are among the first people to receive medals bearing the effigy of King Charles III; notes what it sees as the rarity of one fire station accounting for three long service medals, and recognises the commitment of Stuart, Stevie, Grant, and everyone involved at Campbeltown Fire Station, and their invaluable service to the community.

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*S6M-14220 Marie McNair: Bearsden Martial Arts Club Raises £2,945 for Kidney Research UK—That the Parliament congratulates Bearsden Martial Arts Club on raising £2,945, with additional monies expected in coming weeks, for Kidney Research UK at its Summer Bash charity event; understands that the event took place on 3 August 2024 at Milngavie Town Hall from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm, in which the participants took part in an all-day endurance challenge, training for eight hours straight; recognises that the group chose this challenge to support one of its members who was recently diagnosed with a kidney condition; notes that it is estimated that around 7.2 million people in the UK currently live with chronic kidney disease; believes that the Bearsden Martial Arts Club has done essential work highlighting the disease and raising funds to improve research, and thanks the club sincerely for what it sees as its selfless and outstanding fundraising to help people most in need.

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*S6M-14219 Annie Wells: Bellrock Technology Takes on Arrochar Alps Challenge to Support Local Charity—That the Parliament congratulates staff at Bellrock Technology, a cloud software company based in Glasgow, for taking on the Arrochar Alps Challenge as part of the company's desire to give something back to the local community and those in need; notes that the Arrochar Alps Challenge involves a climb to the summits of Ben Narnain, Ben Ime and the Cobbler, Ben Arthur, covering 11 miles and climbing a total of 6,250 feet, and understands that the monies raised will be given to Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland.

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*S6M-14218 Annie Wells: Scottish Women in Business Awards Returns after Five Years—
That the Parliament welcomes the return of The Scottish Women in Business (SWIB) Awards after a five-year hiatus; notes that the event celebrates females in business across Scotland as well as celebrating and recognising supporters and champions of Scottish women in business; understands that it will be the first awards held by SWIB, the leading business networking club for women in Scotland, since before the COVID-19 pandemic; notes that finalists from across the country have been announced for the ceremony, which takes place at The Corinthian, Glasgow, on 6 September 2024; considers that the event is a chance for Scotland's women in business, and those who recognise and support them, to connect, network, collaborate and celebrate each other; believes that the community of women business owners and leaders in Scotland is fast-growing, and wishes all those nominated the best of luck.

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*S6M-14217 Annie Wells: Glasgow Construction Groups Apprentice Programme —That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow construction group, CCG (Scotland), on its apprentice programme, which has welcomed 10 new trade apprentices to its workforce, reaffirming, it believes, its dedication to the next generation of skilled professionals in the Scottish construction sector; notes that CCG (Scotland), which is based in Glagsow, is one of the country's largest construction and manufacturing groups and is celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2024; notes that this latest intake brings the total number of apprentices employed across CCG's Group of Companies to 48; understands that each of the new recruits are between the ages of 17 and 18 and will undertake a four-year, industry-recognised programme to become qualified plumbers, joiners, electricians, and heating engineers, and further understands that during their apprenticeship, the recruits will undertake a mix of practical, on-site learning and lecture-based theory at some of Scotland's leading colleges.

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*S6M-14216 Annie Wells: Accounting Trainees Take Up Roles with Glasgow Business — That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow accountancy firm, Armstrong Watson, recognised as one of the UK's top apprenticeship employers, on welcoming more than 28 new trainees; understands that Armstrong Watson takes on a number of apprentices every year to work towards their Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT) and Association of Tax Technicians (ATT) qualifications, with 21 embarking on the AAT and four starting the ATT in 2024; further understands that this number is up from 17 across the two courses in 2023; believes that it comes after the business was recognised by the UK Department for Education for having one of the best and most successful apprenticeship programmes in the country, ranking at number 37 in the national league, which, it understands, is up from 46 in 2023 and 64 in 2022; understands that the new students, who start in September 2024 at regional offices, will work in the Accounting and Tax Compliance teams and will receive hands-on experience alongside classroom study as they work towards their qualifications; further understands that they then have the opportunity to progress on to the ACA Graduate Scheme to become a chartered accountant, and notes that a total of 37 graduates joined the firm or progress onto the ACA programme.

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*S6M-14215 Annie Wells: Silverburn's Flamingo Beach Raises £46,000 for Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity —That the Parliament congratulates Silverburn on raising £46,000 for Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity, surpassing the 2023 amount of £41,000; understands that the total amount was raised through admissions to Flamingo Beach and additional donations from Silverburn's generous visitors; notes that Flamingo Beach was launched in 2023 and proved a hit with families, welcoming more than 20,000 visitors; understands that, this year, Flamingo Beach exceeded the 2023 results and welcomed 21,197 visitors during its eight-week-long run, including 12,207 children, and understands that all funds raised will go directly towards providing life-

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changing equipment and family support services at The Royal Hospital for Children in Glasgow, Scotland's largest children's hospital.

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*S6M-14214 Annie Wells: Irish Dancing Competition Attracts Thousands of Visitors to Glasgow—The Parliament congratulates all those who took part in Feis Rutai Thir Chonaill, an annual Irish Dancing Competition run by the Boyle and McQuade Schools of Irish Dancing; understands that around 700 dancers from across Britain and Ireland took part in the two-day competition on 24-25 August 2024 to compete for silverware, while around 2,000 visitors gathered in Glasgow's East End to watch the dancing festivities; further understands that it was the first time the schools have chosen Celtic Park for their competition, due to its location within the city, and acknowledges that world-class dancers travelled from all over Scotland, England and Ireland, as well as competitors, to compete in graded competitions as they advance in their journey of dance.

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*S6M-14213 Annie Wells: Springburn Community Festival Hailed Huge Success—That the Parliament congratulates all those involved in the Springburn Community Festival, which took place on 24 August 2024; believes that the festival was the biggest and best one yet; understands that for the third year in a row, thousands of residents took to Springburn Way, the shopping centre and the leisure centre to take part in activities, games, and enjoy food and drink; notes that the area was lined with stalls of food vendors and local community groups; understands that the festival was organised by Spirit of Springburn and has been crowned the "highlight of the North Glasgow calendar", and notes that the aim of the festival was to bring the whole community together and participate in a joyful day.

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*S6M-14211 Annie Wells: Glasgow Pub with Over 100 Years of History Nominated for a Top Award—That the Parliament congratulates the Kelvingrove Cafe in the West End of Glasgow on reaching the finals of the Scottish Pub and Bar Awards 2024; understands that the venue has been nominated for an accolade in the Brugal 1888 Cocktail Bar of the Year category; notes that, as a category C listed building, the Victorian cafe opened its doors in 1896 as a lunch spot and ice cream parlour for Glaswegians visiting the brand new Kelvingrove Park nearby; understands that the awards, which are run by the industry magazine, *DRAM*, are Scotland's longest-running hospitality awards; acknowledges that the ceremony for the 2024 event will take place in Glasgow on 27 August, and recognises that other finalists in the city include Kitty O'Shea's and Waxy O'Connor's, which have been nominated for the Jameson Best Irish Bar award.

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*S6M-14209 Paul Sweeney: Stockingfield Bridge Impact Report—That the Parliament welcomes Sustrans' report on the impact of the Stockingfield Bridge at the junction of the Port Dundas branch of the Forth and Clyde Canal, which, since it opened in December 2022, has become a key active travel route in the north of Glasgow with over a quarter of a million journeys; notes that the report shows that 95% of route users say that the bridge has increased the amount of physical activity that they regularly take; acknowledges that 41% of users say that the bridge has allowed them easier access to retail; notes that the Stockingfield Bridge has joined up communities in Ruchill, Gilshochill and Maryhill, and applauds Scottish Canals and the Sustrans Places for Everyone Programme for their work with Transport Scotland to deliver the bridge.

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*S6M-14207 Kenneth Gibson: Congratulations to Viking Cafe on Winning Best Takeaway Award—That the Parliament congratulates Viking Cafe, in Saltcoats, on being named the Best Takeaway at the Ayrshire Business Awards on 18 August 2024; acknowledges the hard work and dedication of owner and head chef, Wael Manasra, and his team in providing exceptional Turkish and Indian cuisine; recognises the significance of this local award in highlighting the quality of service and fresh, customer-focused food offered by Viking Cafe, and wishes the business continued success in the future.

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*S6M-14206 Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Aberdeen's Food Awards Scotland 2024 Nominees—That the Parliament congratulates the eight venues in Aberdeen Central that have been nominated in the Food Awards Scotland 2024; notes that the awards, which are in their 10th year and showcase the best restaurants, takeaways, pubs, hotel restaurants, cafes and bistros across Scotland, are being held on 26 August 2024 at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Glasgow; understands that the eight venues nominated are The Silver Darling and Aperitivo for Restaurant of the Year (North), Corner Tree Cafe, Cafe Boheme and 210 Bistro for Cafe/Bistro of the Year (North), Siam Cottage for Takeaway of the Year (North), and Noose & Monkey and The Stag for Gastro Pub of the Year (North); believes that the nominations reflect the breadth and high quality of food offerings available in the Granite City, and wishes all the nominees the best of luck for the awards ceremony.

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*S6M-14205 Kevin Stewart: Congratulations to Seaton School Nursery—That the Parliament congratulates Seaton School Nursery in Aberdeen on being named as the best performing nursery in the 2024 *Sunday Times* Scottish childcare league table; notes that the nursery, which is run by Aberdeen City Council, was awarded a score of 22 out of 24 by inspectors earlier in February 2024, including scores of "excellent" for staff and leadership and "very good" for setting and care, play and learning; understands that the nursery was also praised by the Care Inspectorate for celebrating diversity and supporting whole families; believes that this accolade reflects the hard work and expertise of the staff at Seaton School Nursery, and wishes the nursery all the best in keeping up the high standard of performance in 2025.

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*S6M-14204 Karen Adam: Graeme Reid, European Powerlifting Champion —That the Parliament congratulates Graeme Reid, of Findochty, on becoming a European powerlifting champion at the recent European Bench Press Championships held in Istanbul, breaking the Scottish lifting record twice in the process, first setting a new record of 230kg only to break it again with a lift of 240kg, and recognises what it sees as Graeme's level of dedication and sacrifice to compete on the world stage.

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*S6M-14203 Neil Bibby: Commending John McBarron—That the Parliament commends John McBarron, founder of the Johnstone and Area Community Transport service, on the launch of his new not-for-profit bus service; understands that the service operates on routes between Johnstone, Elderslie and Cochrane Castle; notes that this is the second such bus service that John has introduced to his area in 2024, with the first operating between Johnstone and Kilbarchan; believes that the idea for the services came after John heard about the many problems people in his area reportedly had with their existing services, and thanks him for his efforts in supporting his local community.

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*S6M-14202 Neil Bibby: Congratulating the Supporters of St Mirren FC—That the Parliament congratulates the supporters of St Mirren Football Club on raising £3,240 for a charity in Bergen, Norway; notes that the money was raised by fans who were travelling to Bergen to watch St Mirren play SK Brann in the Europa Conference League; recognises that the fundraiser was set up by Josh Magennis, who saw that the large number of fans travelling to Bergen presented an opportunity to do good in the city; understands that most of the money was donated to Robin Hood Huset, a local homelessness charity, while £500 will be donated to a charity in Paisley, and thanks the fans for contributing positively to Paisley's reputation on the European stage.

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*S6M-14201 Gillian Mackay: Motherwell Football Club Named One of UK's Best-run Clubs— That the Parliament congratulates Motherwell Football Club on being named one of the UK's best-run clubs by Fair Game; understands that the Fair Game Index scores clubs on financial sustainability, good governance, equality and ethical standards, and fan and community engagement; recognises that Motherwell FC is a fan-owned football club, with fan-group, The Well Society, being the club's majority shareholder, and wishes the club all the best for the season ahead.

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*S6M-14197 Annie Wells: World Sepsis Day 2024—That the Parliament acknowledges World Sepsis Day on 13 September 2024, which aims to highlight awareness of sepsis, as well as fundraise; understands that sepsis arises when the body's response to an infection injures its own tissues and organs, which may lead to shock, multi-organ failure and death, particularly if not recognised early and treated promptly; notes that the day hopes to increase public awareness and show support for people who have lost loved ones, or are sepsis survivors, and understands that

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the UK Sepsis Trust has joined forces with St Andrew's First Aid to raise awareness of sepsis in Scotland by providing the Scottish charity with literature encouraging people to "Just ask: could it be sepsis?", as well as Z-cards showing the symptoms in both adults and children.

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*S6M-14196 Annie Wells: International Day of Sign Languages 2024—That the Parliament considers that the International Day of Sign Languages, on 23 September 2024, is a unique opportunity to support and protect the linguistic identity and cultural diversity of all deaf people and other sign language users; understands that the day aims to raise awareness of the importance of sign language and focuses on people who are deaf or hard of hearing, and people with speech disorders; further understands that early access to sign language, and services in sign language, including quality education available in sign language, is vital to the growth and development of deaf people, and recognises what it sees as the importance of preserving sign languages as part of linguistic and cultural diversity.

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*S6M-14195 Annie Wells: Youth Mental Health Day—That the Parliament acknowledges Youth Mental Health Day, taking place on 19 September 2024; understands that research carried out by the charity, See Me, showed that 72% of young people in Scotland have struggled with their mental health; notes that 2024's Youth Mental Health Day theme is #ControlYourScroll; further notes that, as the digital landscape continues to evolve at pace, young people are growing up in a world unrecognisable compared with 10 years ago; believes that, while there are positives to instantly connecting with peers, expressing creativity, and accessing entertainment and information, the negative side of the online world poses many hidden and overt harms that young people did not face 10 years ago, such as misinformation, fake news, online scams and fraud, bullying and inappropriate images, and hopes that the day will highlight simple digital hacks and mental health strategies needed for a positive and safe online experience.

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*S6M-14194 Annie Wells: National Eye Health Week —That the Parliament acknowledges National Eye Health Week, which takes place from 23 to 29 September 2024; understands that the week aims to raise the profile of optics, as it encourages the public to be "eye aware", with a series of initiatives inspiring greater uptake of routine sight tests and highlighting the role that healthy lifestyles play in preventing avoidable sight loss; notes that many people across Scotland are living with sight loss that is severe enough to have a significant impact on their daily lives; understands that half of this sight loss is avoidable by a simple sight test that can detect early signs of conditions like glaucoma, which can be treated if found soon enough; notes that eye care services that were put on hold following the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown are now up and running again; understands that optometry practices are open and have safety measures in place to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19, and notes that National Eye Health Week is also urging anyone who is due an eye test to get in contact with their optician and book an appointment.

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*S6M-14193 Annie Wells: Alzheimer Scotland's Memory Walk Glasgow—That the Parliament acknowledges that Alzheimer Scotland's Memory Walk in Glasgow will take place on 29 September 2024, to walk in memory and in honour of loved ones; notes that people across Scotland will come together to participate in the Your Walk, Your Way campaign, where people can choose where they want to walk, who they walk with and who they want to walk for; understands that participants can opt for a route that has special meaning with family and friends,

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or a challenge with colleagues; further understands that, in Scotland, over 90,000 people are living with dementia; understands that Memory Walks across Scotland have so far raised over £1 million since the campaign began, helping to provide crucial support across the country for people with dementia, their families and carers; considers that those taking part in Scotland's Memory Walk are helping to continue crucial work, and notes that World Alzheimer's Month is the international campaign by Alzheimer's Disease International (ADI) that is held every September, to raise awareness and challenge what it sees as the stigma that surrounds dementia.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

*S6M-14192 Annie Wells: Emergency Services Day 2024—That the Parliament acknowledges Emergency Services Day on 9 September 2024; understands that the day is also known as 999 Day and is a chance to support the heroic men and women of the NHS and emergency services; notes that the hashtag, #999Day, promotes the work of the emergency services, encourages using the emergency services responsibly, educates the public about basic lifesaving skills, and promotes the many career and volunteering opportunities that are available; considers that volunteers are an essential part of the emergency services "family", and play an important role in keeping people safe; acknowledges that 999 volunteer roles include special constables, retained firefighters, NHS community responders, and roles with St John Ambulance, the Royal National Lifeboat Institution and HM Coastguard search and rescue, and thanks everyone working in the emergency services who go above and beyond every day to help save lives and keep people safe.

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*S6M-14191 Annie Wells: World Suicide Prevention Day 10 September 2024—That the Parliament acknowledges World Suicide Prevention Day on 10 September 2024; notes that the theme is "Changing the Narrative on Suicide", with the call to action to "Start the Conversation"; understands that the theme aims to raise awareness about the importance of reducing stigma and encourage open conversations to prevent suicides; further understands that, at any one time, around one in 25 people are contemplating suicide, and that, on average, two people go on to take their own life every day in Scotland; considers that many people struggle to cope at one point or another in their lives, and that being able to reach out to someone could help them to know that someone cares, that they are valued, and to assist them in accessing the support that they need, and recognises that every life lost represents someone's partner, child, parent, friend or colleague.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*

*S6M-14190 Annabelle Ewing: Dalgety Bay Day Centre Awarded Asda Foundation Grant— That the Parliament recognises the Asda Foundation's grant of £905 to Dalgety Bay Day Centre; understands that the Asda Foundation is a charitable company that provides grants to a range of good causes in Scotland, with each project nominated by local people and communities; further understands that the Asda Foundation invested more than £800,000 in community projects and good causes in Scotland in 2023; wishes all those involved at Dalgety Bay Day Centre all the very best in the support that they are providing, and thanks them for doing so.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Kevin Stewart*, Audrey Nicoll*, Colin Beattie*, Jackie Dunbar*, Jeremy Balfour*, Paul Sweeney*, David Torrance*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*

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*S6M-14189 Annabelle Ewing: Inverkeithing Hillfield Swifts Awarded Asda Foundation Grant—That the Parliament recognises the Asda Foundation's grant of £900 to Inverkeithing Hillfield Swifts; understands that the Asda Foundation is a charitable company that provides grants to a range of good causes in Scotland, with each project nominated by local people and communities; further understands that the Asda Foundation invested more than £800,000 in community projects and good causes in Scotland in 2023; wishes all those involved at Inverkeithing Hillfield Swifts all the very best in the support that they are providing, and thanks them for doing so.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Alexander Stewart*, Kevin Stewart*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Jackie Dunbar*, Jeremy Balfour*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*, Tess White*

*S6M-14188 Audrey Nicoll: Congratulating Touch of Love Outreach on its National Lottery Funding—That the Parliament congratulates Touch of Love Outreach on securing a grant of £19,968 from the National Lottery Community Fund; acknowledges the project's commitment to alleviating financial hardship in the communities of Torry and Tullos, Aberdeen, through the operation of two foodbanks, and commends its dedication to providing crucial support to those in need.

Supported by: Paul Sweeney*, Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Stephanie Callaghan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*, Jackie Dunbar*, Karen Adam*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Ruth Maguire*

*S6M-14187 Liam McArthur: Scotland Loves Local 2024—That the Parliament welcomes 2024's Scotland Loves Local week, which is taking place from 26 August to 1 September; notes that Scotland Loves Local is a campaign that is spearheaded by Scotland's Towns Partnership and supports people across Scotland to choose local, as part of building a stronger and more sustainable future; understands that for this year's Scotland Loves Local Week, following the success of the inaugural week in 2023, the campaign is working with local civic and community leaders, businesses and social enterprises, as well as local representatives, to promote what it sees as the significant impact of localism and support local organisations and communities; notes the wide range of organisations across the country, including in Orkney, that are taking part in Scotland Loves Local week this year; commends the Scotland Loves Local campaign's efforts to promote localism and local communities across Scotland; believes that stronger communities are a key to a more sustainable and better future, and wishes the campaign success in promoting this goal.

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*S6M-14186 David Torrance: Alan Milne, Kirkcaldy, Awarded Long-service Certificate from Employer Timpson—That the Parliament congratulates Alan Milne on the award of his long-service certificate, celebrating 35 years of service with Timpson; notes that Alan has attained over 42 years of total service with Timpson, with branches in Kirkcaldy, Inverness and Edinburgh; highlights that Alan has served the community via a shop on Kirkcaldy High Street for over 25 years; understands that he has received overwhelming support and good wishes from the local community since receiving his award; thanks Alan for his commitment to the community, and wishes him all the best for the future.

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*S6M-14176 Christine Grahame: Launch of Caledonian Credit Union in the Scottish Borders—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of Caledonian Credit Union in the Scottish Borders; understands that this is the first time that it has provided its services for the people who live or work in the Scottish Borders; believes that credit unions such as this have an important role in providing ethical financial services and reducing people's reliance on such things as payday loans and doorstep lenders, which often charge extremely high interest rates; considers that this is particularly important for those on low incomes who may have difficulties accessing basic banking services, and wishes all at Caledonian Credit Union the best in this endeavour. R

Supported by: Jackie Dunbar, Michelle Thomson, Kenneth Gibson, Foysol Choudhury*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jeremy Balfour*, Clare Haughey*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Craig Hoy*, Emma Harper*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Paul Sweeney*, Karen Adam*

*S6M-14173 David Torrance: Congratulating Kirkcaldy's Twin Town's Ingolstadt FC on Appointing First Woman Head Coach—That the Parliament congratulates Sabrina Wittmann on being appointed head coach of German 3. Liga football team, FC Ingolstadt 04; notes that the city of Ingolstadt and town of Kirkcaldy have a long-standing and active twin town arrangement, which dates back to 1962; understands that Sabina Wittmann is the first woman to be appointed as a head coach to any team in Germany's top three football leagues, and applauds FC Ingolstadt 04 for what it sees as its pioneering appointment.

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S6M-14025 Tess White: Safety of Female Athletes at the 2024 Paris Olympics—That the Parliament notes with concern the decision of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to permit Imane Khelif, who is representing Algeria, and Lin Yu-ting, who is representing Taiwan, to compete in the women's boxing at the 2024 Paris Olympics; understands that both had previously been disqualified from the 2023 world boxing championships, with the International Boxing Association expressing concern about their gender and deeming them not eligible to compete in its 2023 competition; acknowledges that Angela Carini, who is representing Italy and, in competing against Khelif in the 66kg category, ended the fight after 46 seconds, reportedly saying that "it isn't right", she had "never felt a punch like this", she was in "extreme pain" and that she had to "preserve [her] life"; further acknowledges comments from the Italian Prime Minister that "it matters to be able to compete on equal grounds and, from [her] point of view, it was not an even contest", and the UN special rapporteur on violence against women and girls, Reem Alsalem, who said of Angela Carini that "she and other female athletes should not have been exposed to this physical and psychological violence based on their sex"; believes it is paramount that the IOC should balance inclusion against fairness and the safety of female athletes, and considers that it should urgently review the way that it assesses eligibility for participating in women's events at the Olympics.

Supported by: Craig Hoy, Pam Gosal, Murdo Fraser, Miles Briggs, Annie Wells, Michelle Thomson, Liam Kerr, Sandesh Gulhane, Edward Mountain, Sharon Dowey, Russell Findlay, Jeremy Balfour, Finlay Carson, Brian Whittle, Sue Webber, Ash Regan

*<u>S6M-14025.1</u> Karen Adam: Safety of Female Athletes at the 2024 Paris Olympics—As an amendment to motion S6M-14025 in the name of Tess White (Safety of Female Athletes at the

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2024 Paris Olympics), leave out from "notes" to end and insert "congratulates Imane Khelif, who represented Algeria, on securing a gold medal following her victory in the Women's 66kg final boxing match at the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris; notes with concern what it considers to be the torrent of misogynistic abuse that she and other female boxers, including Lin Yu-ting, who represented Taiwan, faced throughout the competition; acknowledges that the International Olympic Committee President, Thomas Bach, reportedly said that the "hate speech" directed at boxers, Imane Khelif and Lin Yu-ting, at the Paris Olympics was "totally unacceptable"; agrees with the reported comments of the International Olympic Committee President that "we will not take part in a politically motivated [...] cultural war"; notes that Angela Carini, who represented Italy and competed against Khelif in the 66kg category, reportedly apologised for not shaking hands with Khelif following the match, saying "I'm sorry for my opponent, too. If the IOC said she can fight, I respect that decision"; deplores what it sees as the widespread disinformation and misinformation concerning the eligibility of the two women to compete in the Olympic Games, and asserts that elected parliamentarians, public figures and the media have a responsibility to counter any disinformation and misinformation that could lead to the safety of female athletes being compromised."

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Gillian Mackay*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

<u>S6M-14210</u> Annie Wells: The Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity Hosts First Kami Bear's Teddy Trail (lodged on 26 August 2024)

New Support: Alexander Stewart*, Pam Gosal*, Douglas Ross*, Craig Hoy*, Jackie Dunbar*, Tess White*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Brian Whittle*, Jamie Greene*, Miles Briggs*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*, Sue Webber*, Russell Findlay*, Tim Eagle*

S6M-14200 Alexander Stewart: Clacks Youth Theatre Returns (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Ash Regan*, Russell Findlay*, Bill Kidd*, Tess White*, Craig Hoy*, Martin Whitfield*, Stuart McMillan*, Alex Rowley*, Mark Ruskell*, Sue Webber*, Karen Adam*, Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14198</u> Alexander Stewart: 136th Annual Muckhart Flower Show (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Ash Regan*, Jackie Dunbar*, Tess White*, Craig Hoy*, Stuart McMillan*, Mark Ruskell*, Alex Rowley*, Sue Webber*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14185</u> David Torrance: Home-Start Kirkcaldy Relaunches Successful Baby Bookbug and Blether Sessions (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*, Ash Regan*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Tess White*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Alex Rowley*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14184</u> David Torrance: Funding Boost for Auchtertool Community Trust's Community Hub Vision (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Tess White*, Alex Rowley*, Mark Ruskell*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14183</u> David Torrance: Fife Alcohol Support Services Awarded Funding to Improve Lives of People Affected by Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (lodged on 23 August 2024)

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New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Ash Regan*, Bill Kidd*, Tess White*, Alex Rowley*, Mark Ruskell*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14182</u> David Torrance: Love and Harmony CIC Awarded Funding for Health and Wellbeing Activities in Kirkcaldy (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Tess White*, Mark Ruskell*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14181</u> David Torrance: Burntisland First Aid Services Trust Receives Funding for Repair of New Building (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Ash Regan*, Bill Kidd*, Tess White*, Mark Ruskell*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14180</u> Michelle Thomson: National Lottery Funding for Falkirk East Groups (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Monica Lennon*, Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*, Alexander Stewart*, Audrey Nicoll*, Ash Regan*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Tess White*, Martin Whitfield*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14178</u> Alexander Burnett: Funding in Aberdeenshire West from the National Lottery Community Fund (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll*, Pam Gosal*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Brian Whittle*, Tim Eagle*, Alexander Stewart*, Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*, Annie Wells*, Russell Findlay*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Jamie Greene*, Sandesh Gulhane*, Tess White*, Kevin Stewart*, Craig Hoy*, Martin Whitfield*, Maggie Chapman*, Sue Webber*, Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-14177</u> Christine Grahame: Afghan Medical Students (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Audrey Nicoll*, Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*, Ash Regan*, Katy Clark*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Annabelle Ewing*, Mark Ruskell*, Karen Adam*, Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-14175</u> Rona Mackay: National Lottery Community Fund Support for Groups in Strathkelvin and Bearsden (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Stuart McMillan*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14174</u> Marie McNair: Milngavie FC Nominated for Diversity in Sport Award (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Jackie Dunbar*, Karen Adam*, Ross Greer*

<u>S6M-14172</u> Claire Baker: Hillend Tavern in Fife Named Best in Scotland in CAMRA Pub of the Year Competition (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Ash Regan*, Foysol Choudhury*, Martin Whitfield*, Stuart McMillan*, Mark Ruskell*, Alex Rowley*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14170</u> Paul Sweeney: Applied Shipbuilding Academy Glasgow (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Ash Regan*, Foysol Choudhury*, Bill Kidd*, Martin Whitfield*, Stuart McMillan*, Alex Rowley*

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S6M-14169 Colin Beattie: Headway East Lothian's 20th Anniversary (lodged on 23 August 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Martin Whitfield*

S6M-14166 Annie Wells: COPD Day Recognition 2024 (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Ash Regan*, Tess White*, Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14165</u> David Torrance: In Memory of Bob Kilgour (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Stuart McMillan*, Alex Rowley*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14156</u> Audrey Nicoll: Acknowledging the Asda Foundation's Contributions to Local **Communities** (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Ruth Maguire*

S6M-14155 Pam Gosal: Repairing Potholes on Scotland's Roads (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Martin Whitfield*, Paul Sweeney*, Sue Webber*, Alex Rowley*, Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14154</u> David Torrance: Congratulating Burntisland and District Pipe Band on its **Achievements at the World Pipe Band Championships 2024** (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Alex Rowley*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14153</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: The Marie Curie "Make Sadmin Simple" Campaign (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Sue Webber*, Beatrice Wishart*

<u>S6M-14152</u> Stephanie Callaghan: Mygovscot Myaccount Reaches 2.5 Million Accounts Milestone (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Audrey Nicoll*, Jackie Dunbar*, Stuart McMillan*, Mark Ruskell*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14151</u> Stuart McMillan: League of Hospital Friends Donates £120,000 Scanner to IRH (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Jackie Dunbar*, Sue Webber*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14148</u> Annie Wells: Welcoming the Launch of BAE Systems' Applied Shipbuilding Academy in Glasgow (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Tess White*, Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14146</u> Alex Rowley: Recognition for Abbot House in the City of Dunfermline (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Alexander Stewart*, Kenneth Gibson*, Foysol Choudhury*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Annabelle Ewing*, Martin Whitfield*, Paul O'Kane*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14145</u> Pam Gosal: Clydebank Community Fire Station Annual Open Day 2024 (lodged on 22 August 2024)

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New Support: Tim Eagle*, Ash Regan*, Sue Webber*, Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14144</u> Stuart McMillan: Innovative Homeless Project Starts in Inverclyde (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14143</u> Emma Roddick: Congratulating The Oxygen Works on its Nomination as Highland News and Media's Charity of the Year (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-14142</u> Pam Gosal: Celebrating the Second Annual Scotland Loves Local Week (lodged on 21 August 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Ash Regan*, Sue Webber*, Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-14141</u> Jackie Dunbar: NHS Grampian Nurses Help Improve Mental Health Care in Malawi (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Karen Adam*, Audrey Nicoll*, Miles Briggs*, Colin Beattie*, Kenneth Gibson*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Tess White*, Annabelle Ewing*, Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-14140</u> Murdo Fraser: Perthshire Business Celebrates Extending Deal with Asda (lodged on 21 August 2024)

New Support: Bill Kidd*, Craig Hoy*, Stuart McMillan*, Mark Ruskell*, Sue Webber*

<u>S6M-14139</u> Craig Hoy: Congratulating Drummohr Camping and Glamping Site (lodged on 20 August 2024)

New Support: Martin Whitfield*, Pam Gosal*, Sue Webber*

S6M-14138 Craig Hoy: Congratulating Galedin Vets (lodged on 20 August 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*

<u>S6M-14137</u> Sarah Boyack: Recognising the UN's Declaration for Future Generations (lodged on 22 August 2024)

New Support: Maggie Chapman*, Colin Beattie*, Jackie Dunbar*, Bill Kidd*, Ben Macpherson*, Martin Whitfield*, Maurice Golden*, Karen Adam*, Willie Rennie*

<u>S6M-14136</u> Marie McNair: West Dunbartonshire Community Foodshare Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 20 August 2024)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14135</u> Paul Sweeney: The Janet Harvey Hall at Govan Shipyard (lodged on 20 August 2024)

New Support: Martin Whitfield*, Miles Briggs*, Bob Doris*, Alex Rowley*

<u>S6M-14134</u> Emma Roddick: The Flow Country Designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site (lodged on 19 August 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*, Karen Adam*, Ariane Burgess*

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<u>S6M-14128</u> Paul Sweeney: TransiT Hub for Decarbonising Transport Receives £46 Million of Funding from EPSRC and Industry Partners (lodged on 19 August 2024)

New Support: Ash Regan*, Alex Rowley*

<u>S6M-14127</u> Roz McCall: Hope Murray's Fundraising Efforts for Seescape, Fife Society for the Blind (lodged on 21 August 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Ash Regan*, Sue Webber*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14124</u> Miles Briggs: World Patient Safety Day Campaign (lodged on 19 August 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Ash Regan*

<u>S6M-14123</u> Alexander Stewart: Student from Dollar Performing at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2024 (lodged on 19 August 2024)

New Support: Tim Eagle*, Ash Regan*, Sue Webber*

<u>S6M-14122</u> Beatrice Wishart: Congratulating George Robesten on His Scottish Premiership **Debut** (lodged on 21 August 2024)

New Support: Tess White*, Karen Adam*, Ariane Burgess*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

<u>S6M-14121</u> Sandesh Gulhane: Qualifications Achievement at Glasgow's East Park School (lodged on 19 August 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*

<u>S6M-14120</u> Alexander Stewart: Sauchie Care Home is Runner-up in Gardening Competition (lodged on 16 August 2024)

New Support: Ash Regan*, Sue Webber*

S6M-14119 Alexander Stewart: Alloa Fire Station Open Day (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14118</u> Paul Sweeney: St Roch's Marching Band Victory at Fleadh Cheoil nah Éireann (lodged on 16 August 2024)

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

<u>S6M-14117</u> Rona Mackay: St Mary's Kenmure Achieves Silver Level of LGBT Charter (lodged on 16 August 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

S6M-14116 Neil Bibby: Congratulations to Jack Carlin (lodged on 16 August 2024)

New Support: Ash Regan*, Sue Webber*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14115</u> Finlay Carson: Allen Kerr Wins Prestigious Conservation and Education Award (lodged on 20 August 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*, Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-14114</u> Finlay Carson: Jim McLelland Charity Venture Raises Funds for Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary (lodged on 19 August 2024)

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New Support: Sue Webber*, Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-14113</u> Kenneth Gibson: Repealing the United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020 (lodged on 16 August 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-14112</u> Marie McNair: Milngavie FC's Diversity Hero of the Year (lodged on 16 August 2024)

New Support: Pam Gosal*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14110</u> Marie McNair: Faifley Art Group Competition Winner Announced (lodged on 16 August 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

S6M-14109 Craig Hoy: Recognising Asda Foundation Grants (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*

<u>S6M-14108</u> David Torrance: Congratulating Nakey Bakey on its Success at the Great Taste **2024 Awards** (lodged on 20 August 2024)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Karen Adam*

<u>S6M-14107</u> Elena Whitham: Energy Agency Nominated at Ayrshire Business Awards (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14106</u> Elena Whitham: RAD Hotel Group Nominated for Hospitality Business of the Year (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

S6M-14105 Elena Whitham: Ayrshire Healing Centre Nominated for Entrepreneur of the Year (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14104</u> Elena Whitham: 9CC Group Nominated for Community Wealth Building (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14103</u> Elena Whitham: Ochiltree Community Hub Recognised for Developing Ayrshire's Young Workforce (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

S6M-14102 Elena Whitham: East Ayrshire Carers, Finalist in Award for Developing Young Workforce (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14101</u> Elena Whitham: Ailsa Reliability Solutions Ltd Nominated for Multiple Business Awards (lodged on 15 August 2024)

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New Support: Sharon Dowey*

<u>S6M-14100</u> Elena Whitham: Heads of Ayr Nursery, Finalist for Community Award (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Sharon Dowey*

S6M-14099 Elena Whitham: Bfriend, Finalist for Community Award (lodged on 15 August 2024)

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New Support: Sharon Dowey*

S6M-14098 Jackie Dunbar: Jack Calvert Memorial Games (lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-14096 Annabelle Ewing: The Hillend Tavern Named Scottish Pub of the Year 2024

(lodged on 15 August 2024)

New Support: Fergus Ewing*, Alex Rowley*

S6M-14095 Annabelle Ewing: Ground Breaks on New Cardenden Scout Hall (lodged on 15

August 2024)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S6M-14089 Karen Adam: Farm Talk (lodged on 14 August 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-14087 Tim Eagle: Congratulating the BBC on its Olympic Games Coverage (lodged on

14 August 2024)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Ariane Burgess*

S6M-14086 Douglas Lumsden: Celebrating Ian McDiarmid's 80th Birthday (lodged on 16

August 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*, Pam Duncan-Glancy*

S6M-14083 George Adam: Paisley Flyer, Jack Carlin, Wins Silver and Bronze at Paris 2024

Olympics (lodged on 14 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-14082</u> Emma Roddick: Full Fibre Broadband Delivered in Jura (lodged on 14 August

2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-14081 Jackie Dunbar: Partnership Between Aberdeen FC and Fierce Beer (lodged on

14 August 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

S6M-14070 Clare Adamson: Precision Windows and Doors Ltd 20th Anniversary (lodged on

09 August 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*

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S6M-14068 Clare Adamson: 104 Years of Cathy Hillock (lodged on 09 August 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*, Karen Adam*

S6M-14059 Emma Roddick: Celebrating the Career and Legacy of Andy Murray (lodged on

14 August 2024)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

S6M-14057 Clare Adamson: Gas Safety Week 2024 (lodged on 08 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-14053 Sharon Dowey: Addressing Retail Crime and Antisocial Behaviour (lodged on 08

August 2024)

New Support: Fergus Ewing*

S6M-14046 Liam Kerr: Mackintosh of Glendaveny Wins Three Great Taste Awards (lodged

on 08 August 2024)

New Support: Sue Webber*, Alex Rowley*, Karen Adam*

S6M-14042 Alexander Burnett: Susi McLarty, from Huntly, Awarded a Clean Up Scotland

Hero Award for Litter Picking (lodged on 08 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-14039</u> Audrey Nicoll: Recognising the Generosity of the Portlethen Town Association

and the Clochandighter Magazine (lodged on 07 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-14038</u> Audrey Nicoll: Congratulating Lochside Academy's Pupils and Staff on their

Sponsored Walk Fundraising (lodged on 07 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-14033</u> Michelle Thomson: Grangemouth Hairdresser's Decade of Generosity

Recognised (lodged on 07 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-14027 Paul Sweeney: Scottish Young Carers Festival 2024 (lodged on 06 August 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-14022 David Torrance: Kirkcaldy Bar Celebrates 100 Years (lodged on 21 August 2024)

New Support: Ash Regan*, Alex Rowley*, Karen Adam*

S6M-14020 Keith Brown: Celebrating the Career of Sir Andy Murray (lodged on 06 August

2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-14008 David Torrance: Kingdom Off Road Motorcycle Club Awarded £90,000 of

Funding (lodged on 06 August 2024)

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New Support: Alex Rowley*

<u>S6M-14007</u> Jackie Dunbar: Aberdeen Family Collects 13 Tonnes of Litter (lodged on 08

August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-14006 Jackie Dunbar: Bikes for Northfield Academy Pupils (lodged on 05 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-14005 Jackie Dunbar: P&J Live's Fifth Birthday (lodged on 05 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-14002 Beatrice Wishart: Shetland Successes at Senior Inter-County (lodged on 02

August 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-13995</u> Tim Eagle: Argyll Trio Achieve Recognition from the Orwell Foundation (lodged

on 02 August 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13994 Audrey Nicoll: Congratulating Nominees of the Scottish Thistle Awards (lodged

on 01 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-13993 Audrey Nicoll: Celebrating the Arrival of the Costa Favolosa at Port of Aberdeen

South (lodged on 01 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-13992 Audrey Nicoll: Commending Portletico FC for Charitable Endeavours (lodged on

01 August 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-13988 Katy Clark: Child Hunger and Malnutrition in Gaza (lodged on 05 August 2024)

New Support: Alex Rowley*, Karen Adam*

S6M-13975 Neil Bibby: Paisley Chip Shop Joins with Paolo Nutini to Raise Money for

Charity (lodged on 31 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-13970 Evelyn Tweed: Centenary of Eric Liddell's Olympic Win (lodged on 31 July 2024)

New Support: John Mason*

S6M-13968 Audrey Nicoll: Commending Tor-Na-Dee Care Home and Celebrating Investment

(lodged on 31 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

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S6M-13967.1 Mark Griffin: Celebrating the Scottish Empty Homes Partnership (lodged on 22

August 2024)

New Support: Martin Whitfield*

S6M-13967 Gordon MacDonald: Celebrating the Scottish Empty Homes Partnership (lodged

on 06 August 2024)

New Support: Karen Adam*, Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13961 Annabelle Ewing: Lumphinnans Primary School Hosts Big Thank You Event

(lodged on 31 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-13955 Alexander Burnett: Women Sewing their Way to Save the NHS Money and

Energy Receive Green Star Award (lodged on 29 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-13945 Katy Clark: Fire Brigades Union Scotland (lodged on 25 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13944 Craig Hoy: Danger of Outdoor Fires (lodged on 25 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-13941</u> Alexander Burnett: The Ingram Family from Logie Durno, Inverurie, Secure the Overall Champion and Reserve Titles in the Charollais Section at the Royal Highland Show

(lodged on 24 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-13940 Neil Bibby: Paisley Pie Company Announces Expansion (lodged on 24 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-13935</u> Audrey Nicoll: Commending Port of Aberdeen Staff for Charitable Efforts

(lodged on 23 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

S6M-13931 Willie Coffey: More Than a Windfarm – Whitelee's Contribution to Local

Communities (lodged on 23 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13929 Alexander Burnett: Kildrummy Inn Wins Scottish AA Inn of the Year Award

(lodged on 22 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-13927</u> Foysol Choudhury: Edinburgh International Film Festival Programme

Announced (lodged on 22 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

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<u>S6M-13925</u> Edward Mountain: Generosity of John Munro Butchers Will Replace Stolen **Defibrillator in Inverness** (lodged on 22 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13915 Kevin Stewart: Zero HIV Stigma Day (lodged on 19 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13913 Paul O'Kane: Tackling Child Poverty (lodged on 18 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-13907</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: Support for Accessible Venues Campaign (lodged on 17 July 2024)

New Support: Gillian Mackay*, Lorna Slater*, Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-13900</u> Joe FitzPatrick: Keep Scotland Beautiful Green Flag Award 2024 (lodged on 17 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13899 Clare Adamson: International Overdose Awareness Day (lodged on 17 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-13898</u> Fulton MacGregor: Chryston Primary School Awarded Sportscotland Gold School Sport Award (lodged on 17 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-13885</u> Jackie Dunbar: P&J Live Unveils Major Sustainability Campaign (lodged on 15 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13884 Tim Eagle: Campbeltown Brownies Win Awards (lodged on 12 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-13861</u> Alexander Burnett: Aberdeenshire School, Elrick Primary, Win National Glee Choir Competition (lodged on 31 July 2024)

New Support: Ruth Maguire*

*S6M-13847 Audrey Nicoll: Congratulating Nominees and Award Winners of Tullos Training Annual Awards Ceremony (lodged on 26 August 2024)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Jackie Dunbar*, Colin Beattie*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Paul Sweeney*, Tess White*, Annabelle Ewing*, Kevin Stewart*, Karen Adam*, Ruth Maguire*

<u>S6M-13837</u> Monica Lennon: Celebrating the Scottish Wildlife Trust's 60th Anniversary (lodged on 03 July 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13832 Collette Stevenson: Celebrating Scotland Loves Local Week from 26 August to 1 September 2024 (lodged on 02 July 2024)

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New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13798 Willie Rennie: Homes for Scotland Home Builders 2024 Report (lodged on 26 lune 2024)

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New Support: Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-13796</u> Tim Eagle: Mull Resident Wins Under-23s Category in the Copper Skytrail

Skyrace (lodged on 26 June 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13791 Foysol Choudhury: The Importance of Medical Technology for Patients with

Diabetes (lodged on 25 June 2024)

New Support: Ben Macpherson*

S6M-13774 Foysol Choudhury: Celebrating the Royal Highland Show 2024 (lodged on 25

June 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13767 Rona Mackay: Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Month

(lodged on 25 June 2024)

New Support: Colin Beattie*, Meghan Gallacher*

S6M-13742 Stuart McMillan: Inverciyde STEM Festival (lodged on 21 June 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13713 Beatrice Wishart: Shetland Charity, OPEN, Wins at National Youth Work Awards

(lodged on 19 June 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

S6M-13555 Beatrice Wishart: Shetland High School to Host 27th Global Classroom

Conference (lodged on 10 June 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13249 Pauline McNeill: World Inflammatory Bowel Disease Day on 19 May 2024

(lodged on 16 May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13223 Bill Kidd: International Day of Living Together in Peace (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13214 Liz Smith: Scottish Mountain Rescue in 2023 (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13208 Humza Yousaf: Culture and Diversity Day Glasgow: A Celebration of Culture

(lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

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<u>S6M-13189</u> Bob Doris: Tackling the Misuse of Off-road Vehicles (lodged on 15 May 2024)

New Support: Stuart McMillan*, Jeremy Balfour*, Clare Haughey*, Kenneth Gibson*

<u>S6M-13169</u> Monica Lennon: Celebrating 100 Years of the Young Women's Movement (lodged on 10 May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13165 Tim Eagle: Oban Times Campaign Wins Campaign of the Year Award (lodged on

10 May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

<u>S6M-13161</u> Beatrice Wishart: International Day for Biological Diversity (lodged on 13 May

2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13134 Sarah Boyack: World Environment Day (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13133 Paul Sweeney: Mental Health Awareness Week 2024 (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13132 Kevin Stewart: UK Immigration Restrictions and Impact on Students and

Graduates (lodged on 09 May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13119 Annie Wells: Glasgow Woman Raises Thousands of Pounds for Scottish

Charity (lodged on 28 May 2024)

New Support: Pam Duncan-Glancy*

S6M-13116 Karen Adam: Moray and Banffshire Hero of Heroes Award (lodged on 13 May

2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

S6M-13114 Paul Sweeney: Glasgow Film Theatre Celebrates its 50th Birthday (lodged on 09

May 2024)

New Support: Ariane Burgess*

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Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 04 September 2024

Deputy First Minister Responsibilities, Economy and Gaelic

- **1. Alex Cole-Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government whether its decision not to make survivors of abuse at Fornethy House eligible for Scotland's Redress Scheme was due to budgetary pressures. (S60-03653)
- **2. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with UK Government counterparts regarding future plans for the Shared Prosperity and Levelling Up Funds. (\$60-03654)
- **3. Fergus Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions the economy secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding support for any businesses impacted by the ban on wood burning stoves in new build homes. **(S60-03655)**
- **4. Patrick Harvie:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it has taken to implement the policy announced in March 2022 in regard to companies maintaining trade links with Russia following the invasion of Ukraine. (S60-03656)
- **5. Ruth Maguire:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the contribution that housebuilding makes to the Scottish economy. (S6O-03657)
- **6. David Torrance:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with Harland & Wolff regarding any potential job losses at its yards in Methil in the Kirkcaldy constituency and Arnish on the Isle of Lewis. (S60-03658)
- **7. Sue Webber:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason it decided that survivors of abuse at Fornethy House should not be eligible to access Scotland's Redress Scheme. (S60-03659)
- **8. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the development of its Green Industrial Strategy and its commitment to leverage up to £500 million over the next five years for Scotland's offshore wind supply chain. (S60-03660)

Finance and Local Government

- **1. Clare Adamson:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met North Lanarkshire Council and what was discussed. (S60-03661)
- **2. Liam Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has allocated to local authorities whose housing stock and former housing stock requires demolition and rebuilding due to the presence of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete. (S60-03662)
- **3. Michael Marra:** To ask the Scottish Government, in line with the agreed procedure, whether it will provide the Scottish Fiscal Commission with a public sector pay policy ahead of its Budget for 2025-26. (S6O-03663)
- **4. Murdo Fraser:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the recently published government expenditure and revenue figures, which reportedly show a £2,400 dividend in the last year for every person in Scotland as a result of its continued membership of the UK. (\$60-03664)
- **5. Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to fund any pay increases for local government employees. (S60-03665)

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6. Bill Kidd: [Not Lodged]

- **7. Collette Stevenson:** To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions the finance secretary has had with the UK Government regarding public spending, in light of the Prime Minister's remarks that the Labour administration's first Budget is "going to be painful". (S60-03667)
- **8. Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its reported decision to instruct local authorities to divert money from the Nature Restoration Fund towards local government pay settlements, what discussions the finance secretary has had with ministerial colleagues regarding action that can be taken to mitigate any impact of this decision on projects aimed at reversing nature loss. (S60-03668)

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 05 September 2024

Net Zero and Energy, and Transport

- **1. Richard Leonard:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it has taken to implement Scotland's National Transport Strategy. (S60-03669) R
- **2. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide further details of its position on the re-introduction of peak fares on ScotRail trains. (S60-03670)
- **3. Mark Griffin:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will review its goal of decarbonising transport, in light of its reported decision to increase fares and reduce services on Scotland's railways. (S6O-03671)
- **4. Emma Harper:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with Network Rail and ScotRail with regards to improving the Dumfries-Glasgow train service. (S60-03672)
- **5. Pam Gosal:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to assist local authorities with repairing potholes, in light of reports of the detrimental impact that large numbers of potholes are having on drivers across Scotland. (S60-03673)
- **6. Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve road safety on the A75. (S60-03674)
- **7. Humza Yousaf:** To ask the Scottish Government what its priorities are for COP29, which will take place in Baku later this year. (S60-03675)
- **8. Alexander Stewart:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the dualling of the A9. (S60-03676)

General Questions selected for answer on 05 September 2024

- **1. Craig Hoy:** To ask the Scottish Government when the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs last met with the Chief Constable of Police Scotland. (S6O-03677)
- **2. Emma Roddick:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to support communities to bring derelict buildings back into use as houses. (S60-03678)
- **3. Christine Grahame:** To ask the Scottish Government how much it has spent on mitigating any UK Government reductions to UK-wide benefits since 2019. **(S60-03679)**
- **4. Alex Rowley:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking in light of the most recent annual update on suicide statistics showing that people living in Scotland's most deprived areas

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are 2.5 times more likely to die by suicide than those living in the least deprived areas. (S60-03680)

- 5. Pauline McNeill: [Not Lodged]
- **6. Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the reported significant increase in shoplifting recorded in Scotland. (S60-03682)
- **7. Rona Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on any steps that it is taking to ensure that any increases in the Scottish Police Authority resource budget continue to support further police recruitment, in light of any challenging financial circumstances as a result of the UK Government's proposed financial settlement. (S6O-03683)
- **8. Edward Mountain:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to take any action in relation to reported concerns regarding how the 2018 GP contract is working in the Highlands and Islands. (S60-03684)

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Written Questions

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

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

Government initiated questions lodged from 26 August 2024 to 30 August 2024

<u>S6W-29422</u> Rona Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government when the Short-Term Let Licensing Implementation Update will be published.

Written questions lodged from 26 August 2024 to 30 August 2024

<u>S6W-29226</u> **Miles Briggs:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how much support has been made available to support services for people who experienced historic forced adoption, in each year since 2021.

<u>S6W-29268</u> Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28109 by Jenni Minto on 25 June 2024, what steps it has taken to assess the adherence of NHS boards to the standards outlined in the (a) *National Specification for the Delivery of Psychological Therapies and Interventions* and (b) *Core Mental Health Quality Standards*. **R**

<u>S6W-29269</u> Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28109 by Jenni Minto on 25 June 2024, whether it plans to publish guidelines outlining best practice provision of psychological support services to patients living with non-communicable diseases, including chronic kidney disease. **R**

<u>S6W-29270</u> Sandesh Gulhane: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28109 by Jenni Minto on 25 June 2024, whether it has undertaken an analysis of what impact the publication of its Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy has had on the psychological support offered to patients living with non-communicable diseases, including chronic kidney disease. **R**

S6W-29271 Pam Gosal: To ask the Scottish Government how much it has allocated to financially support the 19 Afghan medical students that are completing their medical degrees in Scotland. S6W-29272 Christine Grahame: To ask the Scottish Government, since the new rules came into effect on 23 February 2024, how many XL bully-type dogs have been (a) found abandoned or handed in to animal welfare charities and (b) euthanised under the Scottish Government scheme. S6W-29273 Christine Grahame: To ask the Scottish Government, based on the most recent data it holds, which 10 breeds of dogs have been most responsible for seriously injuring or killing people, ranked in order.

<u>S6W-29274</u> Alex Cole-Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how many people in each NHS board area are currently on a waiting list for (a) a kidney and (ii) any other organ transplant. <u>S6W-29275</u> Daniel Johnson: To ask the Scottish Government when the National Strategy for Economic Transformation (NSET) Economic Leadership Group was established, and how many times it has met.

<u>S6W-29276</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what internal processes exist to ensure that Transport Scotland's policy development and project implementation (a) are consistent with the Scottish Government's climate change policies, including the Climate Change Plan (CCP), and (b) act to ensure that emissions from the transport sector are reduced in line with the emissions reduction envelope set out in the CCP.

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<u>S6W-29277</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it has made to strengthen "the capacity of climate policy development within the Scottish Government", as set out as action number 18 of the policy package announced by the Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Energy on 18 April 2024.

<u>S6W-29278</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government how many air weapon licence applications made since 1 November 2016 have been (a) received, (b) processed, (c) approved and (d) rejected.

<u>S6W-29279</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding any impact on devolved benefits in Scotland, whether it will provide an update on any discussions that it has had with the UK Government regarding the (a) work capability assessment and (b) Universal Credit health element.

<u>S6W-29280</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-27776 by Tom Arthur on 7 June 2024, how Scotland has performed relative to other UK nations and regions on inward investment, both from UK located firms and foreign firms, in each of the last five years.

<u>S6W-29281</u> Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what research it has conducted on the screening of non-FAST (face, arms, speech, time) stroke symptoms, since the publication of the 2023 National Clinical Guideline for Stroke.

<u>S6W-29282</u> Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the planned date of commencement of the prohibition of the use of snares, as provided for in the Wildlife Management and Muirburn (Scotland) Act 2024.

<u>S6W-29283</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reported concerns from teachers about the marking procedures for exams in 2024.

<u>S6W-29284</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has confidence in the Scottish Qualifications Authority marking system used in 2024.

<u>S6W-29285</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28563 by Jenny Gilruth on 31 July 2024, how it plans to support any digitally excluded children who do not have access to the internet at home now that Microsoft tools will only remain available through web-based versions in Glow.

<u>S6W-29286</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28559 by Jenny Gilruth on 31 July 2024, whether it considered negotiating a deal with Microsoft when it was first made aware of the withdrawal of Office 365 A1 Plus licenses from schools in August 2023.

<u>S6W-29287</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on its pledge of £300 million to tackle NHS waiting lists over the next three years, of which £30 million has been allocated to date, and whether any reduction to this sum of money is planned.

S6W-29288 Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a timescale for the introduction of an integrated ticketing scheme covering all forms of public transport. R S6W-29289 Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with ScotRail to ensure that the technology partner it appoints to deliver "a state-of-the-art multichannel e-commerce solution that redefines convenience, accessibility, and value for our passengers" will provide integrated ticketing with the Glasgow subway, Edinburgh trams and with the bus and ferry network across Scotland. R

<u>S6W-29290</u> **Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide a breakdown of the annual deer cull figures in Scotland in each of the past five years.

<u>S6W-29291</u> Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government whether NatureScot will consider the new research findings published in the British Ecological Society journal, *Ecological Solutions and*

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Evidence, outlining the ecological benefits of leaving deer carcasses in their environment in appropriate and defined circumstances.

<u>S6W-29292</u> Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government what policy measures and incentives it is considering in order to reach its commitment to increase the national deer cull by 25% or 50,000 deer each year.

<u>S6W-29293</u> **Mark Ruskell:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide the most recent deer culling figures broken down by (a) public bodies and (b) private landowners.

<u>S6W-29294</u> Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government how NatureScot (a) assesses, (b) monitors and (c) publicises routine progress toward reaching the additional 50,000 deer cull target.

<u>S6W-29295</u> Annabelle Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government whether it considers community social work as integral to supporting and empowering families to provide a stable and nurturing environment for children and young people, as part of its priority to eradicate child poverty.

<u>S6W-29296</u> **Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on community social work, and whether it has considered piloting this approach across Scotland.

<u>S6W-29297</u> **Annabelle Ewing:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has reviewed the findings of the community social work pilot approach undertaken by Fife Council, and whether it is considering providing additional resources to local authorities to pilot this approach.

<u>S6W-29298</u> Annabelle Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on (a) what the benefits are of community social work and (b) whether a transition to such a model across Scotland would benefit families in the most deprived areas.

<u>S6W-29299</u> Annabelle Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with (a) Social Work Scotland and (b) chief social work officers, and whether community social work was discussed.

<u>S6W-29300</u> **Stephanie Callaghan:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28925 by Shirley-Anne Somerville on 14 August 2024, what steps it has taken to urge pensioners to check their eligibility for pension credit and thereby be eligible for Winter Fuel Payment in the Uddingston and Bellshill constituency, in light of Independent Age's report that an estimated £3,436,244 in pension credit goes unclaimed annually.

<u>S6W-29301</u> **Stephanie Callaghan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it can provide an update on the (a) progress of the safer drug consumption facility pilot, (b) establishment of drug-checking facilities and (c) expansion of access to life-saving naloxone and residential rehabilitation services, and what additional measures are being implemented to reduce the harm and fatalities associated with drug use.

<u>S6W-29302</u> **Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government how many floorcovering Modern Apprenticeship starts there have been in each of the last five years.

<u>S6W-29303</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Scottish Qualifications Authority, in light of reported concerns regarding the approach taken to marking the 2024 Higher History paper.

<u>S6W-29305</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government how it will support NHS boards to deliver reductions in A&E waiting times.

<u>S6W-29306</u> Carol Mochan: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with sports governing bodies that may be affected by the decision of sportscotland to dispose of its headquarters at Caledonia House, Edinburgh.

<u>S6W-29307</u> **Gillian Mackay:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had to ensure that the use of natural flood management measures is prioritised as part of any flood defence scheme at Grangemouth.

<u>S6W-29310</u> Gillian Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government what consideration and support has been given to ensure that all reasonable upstream flood alleviation measures have been taken to reduce flood risk at Grangemouth

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<u>S6W-29311</u> Gillian Mackay: To ask the Scottish Government how the requirements of the National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4) Policy 3 pertaining to biodiversity enhancement will be integrated into the proposals for Grangemouth Flood Protection Scheme.

<u>S6W-29312</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to ensure that individual artists can still apply for and have access to public funding, in light of Creative Scotland's recent change to its guidance on applications from individual artists.

<u>S6W-29314</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government what guidance has been issued on flag policy to (a) local authorities, (b) government agencies and (c) other governmental departments in the last six months.

<u>S6W-29315</u> Alexander Burnett: To ask the Scottish Government when Scotland's Mental Health First Aid: Young People (SMHFA: YP) courses will be available, following the reported pausing of the programme in 2020.

<u>S6W-29316</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether net zero is being done to people, rather than with them, in light of reported concerns regarding the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service.

<u>S6W-29317</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the reported concerns expressed by Living Rent Edinburgh regarding the City of Edinburgh Council's 15 to 20% management fee as part of the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service, which reportedly reduces the amount of financial support that (a) homeowners and (b) landlords receive from the Energy Efficient Scotland Area Based Scheme grant in kind by around £7,000.

<u>S6W-29318</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether a 15 to 20% management fee applied by the City of Edinburgh Council as part of the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service is (a) excessive and (b) above industry standard.

<u>S6W-29319</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met with the City of Edinburgh Council to discuss the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service, and whether the Minister for Housing will meet with Living Rent Edinburgh to hear its reported concerns.

<u>S6W-29320</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether local authorities, including the City of Edinburgh Council, which purchase (a) owner-occupier and (b) private tenancy properties can flip these into Scottish Secure Tenancy Agreements under existing legislation.

<u>S6W-29321</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it plans to set out its communication and consultation standards for schemes such as the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service by the City of Edinburgh Council, in light of the reported concerns raised by owner-occupiers, private tenants and landlords and social tenants.

<u>S6W-29322</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government, regarding the City of Edinburgh Council's Mixed Tenure Improvement Service, what its position is on whether 21 days to respond to an estimated bill is enough time to make significant financial decisions.

<u>S6W-29323</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government how much funding it has provided to the City of Edinburgh Council in relation to the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service in each financial year since 2021.

<u>S6W-29324</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what level of management fee is currently charged by each local authority in relation to Mixed Tenure Improvement, and whether it will consider setting a standard rate to ensure equality across Scotland.

<u>S6W-29325</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered using the Scottish National Investment Bank to provide finance to local authorities to ensure that buildings meet net zero standards, including through the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service by the City of Edinburgh Council.

<u>S6W-29326</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether the Scottish National Investment Bank has been approached for low-interest finance by local authorities as part of their drive towards net zero buildings.

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<u>S6W-29327</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether private homeowners in deprived areas reportedly being charged a 4% interest fee by the City of Edinburgh Council on their payment plan as part of the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service is helping to meet its mission of eradicating poverty.

<u>S6W-29328</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what support is available to any owner-occupier families in deprived areas impacted by the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service who are considering selling their homes due to the high financial estimates that they are reportedly receiving.

<u>S6W-29329</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what support is in place for any tenants receiving a notice to quit from landlords impacted by the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service, where the landlord has decided to sell their property due to the reportedly high financial cost. <u>S6W-29330</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what the average interest rate charged to local authorities is as part of any loan financing over the last five financial years, broken down by (a) year and (b) local authority.

<u>S6W-29331</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered setting a limit on the financial cost to households impacted by the transition to net zero buildings, including as part of the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service, in light of the reportedly large financial bills that families are currently facing.

<u>S6W-29332</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has reviewed the design of the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service, in light of reported concerns that it was designed without input from the residents that are most impacted.

<u>S6W-29333</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has considered issuing additional guidance to local authorities in relation to the (a) purchase of (i) owner-occupier and (ii) private tenancy properties and (b) process of making these Scottish secure tenancies.

<u>S6W-29334</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of how households with a poor credit rating will be able to access finance to afford the reportedly significant financial bill from the Mixed Tenure Improvement Service by the City of Edinburgh Council.

<u>S6W-29335</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has been engaged in discussions with the City of Edinburgh Council's Mixed Tenure Improvement Service regarding the Scottish Government's part-ownership of any properties under the Low-cost Initiative for First Time Buyers (LIFT) scheme that are impacted.

<u>S6W-29336</u> **Ash Regan:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason the Young Carers Package has reportedly not been extended to young adult carers aged 18 to 26 who are eligible for a Young Scot Card but are not currently eligible for the Young Carers Package.

<u>S6W-29337</u> Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-16692 by Natalie Don on 27 April 2023, whether it will provide an update on how it has progressed towards its commitment to deliver free breakfasts for all (a) primary and (b) special school children.

<u>S6W-29338</u> Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government how information on the ScotRail peak fares removal pilot was targeted at (a) those on lower incomes and (b) non-rail users.

<u>S6W-29339</u> Claire Baker: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to monitor changes in rail passenger activity following the end of the ScotRail peak fares removal pilot on 27 September 2024.

<u>S6W-29340</u> Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government how many of its former senior (a) civil servants and (b) agency staff sought its approval in (i) 2021-22, (ii) 2022-23 and (iii) 2023-24 to take up a position with another employer, also broken down by how many times this approval was granted.

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<u>S6W-29341</u> George Adam: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider allowing football clubs to sell alcohol at games, allowing clubs the opportunity to offer fans a chance to meet up and enjoy a pint before the game.

<u>S6W-29342</u> **George Adam:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider allowing a pilot programme to be established for football clubs to offer the sale of alcohol within family-friendly fan zones before a football game.

<u>S6W-29343</u> Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government how many private landlords on the Scottish Landlord Register have been found, over the past 10 years, to have not complied with their legal responsibilities to (a) provide an Energy Performance Certificate to the tenant and in any advertisement to rent the property, (b) issue a copy of the latest gas safety check to tenants within 28 days of the check being completed and (c) provide a copy of the electrical inspection condition report to the tenant, where legally required.

<u>S6W-29344</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the Nature Restoration Fund's impact on tackling the nature and climate emergencies.

S6W-29345 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide information on the Nature Restoration Fund's record so far, including the (a) total amount of funding awarded, (b) number of projects funded, broken down by (i) terrestrial and (ii) marine, (c) number of beneficiary organisations and (d) number of jobs created or posts funded by the Fund.

S6W-29346 Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of

<u>S6W-29346</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made the Nature Restoration Fund's contribution to maintaining populations in rural and island communities.

<u>S6W-29347</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it is committed to at least maintaining current funding levels for the Nature Restoration Fund during the remainder of the current parliamentary session, in light of the reported continuing loss of nature and the Fund's positive reputation amongst stakeholders.

<u>S6W-29348</u> **Sharon Dowey:** To ask the Scottish Government how many police road traffic officers were employed by Police Scotland in each of the past five calendar years.

<u>S6W-29349</u> Sharon Dowey: To ask the Scottish Government how many police officers are expected to not have completed their safety training regarding the Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Act 2021 as of the end of August 2024.

<u>S6W-29350</u> Maurice Golden: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of the recent report from the Design Council, *Design Economy: The Green Design Skills Gap*, what work is being conducted to ensure that environmental impact is at the heart of the design process in Scotland.

<u>S6W-29351</u> **Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures are being implemented to apply the waste hierarchy to waste wood.

<u>S6W-29352</u> **Maurice Golden:** To ask the Scottish Government what measures are being implemented to support the recovery of (a) potassium, (b) nitrogen, (c) sulphur, (d) phosphorus, (e) magnesium, (f) calcium and (g) any other nutrients from waste water.

<u>S6W-29353</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-29245 by Mairi Gougeon on 23 August 2024, whether it can provide details of the system that is in place to report collisions between its Marine Protection Vessels and (a) whales, (b) dolphins, (c) porpoises, (d) basking sharks, (e) seals and (f) other large marine species.

<u>S6W-29354</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to its announced review of Community Right to Buy, which stakeholders and community groups it plans to invite for informal discussions and how these were selected; whether the review will consider previous independent reviews of community right to buy, and what role it envisages for the Scottish Land Commission in the review process.

<u>S6W-29355</u> **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government for what reason Marine Scotland is reportedly unable to conduct a further inspection of the partially deconstructed man-made

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causeway between the Isles of Luing and Torsa, as requested by members of the community in Luing.

<u>S6W-29356</u> Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government when it expects to deliver on its commitment to make half of all funding for farming and crofting targeted towards outcomes for biodiversity gain and climate mitigation and adaptation.

<u>S6W-29357</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to split funding between Tiers 1 and 2 of the new agricultural support framework, in light of the announcement in February 2024 that at least 70% of the overall budget would sit within those tiers.

<u>S6W-29358</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government how it plans to use Tier 2 of the new agricultural support framework to support farmers and crofters to deliver on objectives around nature and climate improvement.

<u>S6W-29359</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has identified any practical limitations caused by the current IT system for distributing farming and crofting payments that will impact on the approach taken to agricultural support framework Tiers 2, 3 and 4.

<u>S6W-29360</u> Ariane Burgess: To ask the Scottish Government, in relation to the IT system for agricultural payments, whether it remains committed to the approach set out in the Agricultural Reform Route Map, including the proposed list of measures for inclusion in Tier 2.

<u>S6W-29363</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government whether there was any increase in passenger levels on the (a) Aberdeen to Inverness and (b) Perth to Inverness route during the ScotRail peak fares removal pilot compared with passenger levels prior to the pilot being introduced, and, if so, whether it can outline this as a percentage of passengers.

<u>S6W-29367</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) UK and (b) EU vessels were registered to fish in Scottish waters in each year since 2021.

<u>S6W-29368</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) UK and (b) EU registered vessels received boarded inspections by Marine Scotland in each year since 2021.

<u>S6W-29369</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how many (a) UK and (b) EU registered vessels were monitored during their landings in each year since 2021.

<u>S6W-29370</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government what measures Marine Scotland takes to ensure that EU registered vessels are properly monitored when landing in ports.

<u>S6W-29371</u> **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people it estimates will (a) now be eligible and (b) not be eligible to receive its Pension Age Winter Heating Payment, following its reported decision to make it a means-tested payment.

<u>S6W-29373</u> **Tim Eagle:** To ask the Scottish Government how many people it estimates were claiming the Winter Fuel Payment prior to its decision to make its proposed Pension Age Winter Heating Payment a means-tested payment, in each year since 2021.

<u>S6W-29374</u> Mark Ruskell: To ask the Scottish Government when NatureScot will be revising its Scottish Biodiversity List of species and habitats that Scottish Ministers consider to be of principal importance for biodiversity conservation in Scotland.

<u>S6W-29375</u> Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what action has been taken through its performance escalation framework in relation to "financial sustainability" at NHS Borders.

<u>S6W-29376</u> Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with NHS Borders regarding the repayment of total brokerage accumulated once the NHS board returns to financial balance.

<u>S6W-29377</u> Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government how much brokerage it expects NHS Borders to owe before it returns a financial balance.

<u>S6W-29378</u> Rachael Hamilton: To ask the Scottish Government whether it expects NHS Borders to make any further reductions or savings once the NHS board returns a financial balance to repay accumulated brokerage.

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<u>S6W-29379</u> Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government, regarding any impact in Scotland, what its response is to the most recent report of the United Nations Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences.

<u>S6W-29381</u> Annabelle Ewing: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-27609 by Ivan McKee on 23 May 2024, whether it will provide an update on when it plans to publish the findings from the second phase of the Local Governance Review's community engagement process, Democracy Matters.

<u>S6W-29382</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on when passenger ferries will run from Rosyth to mainland Europe.

<u>S6W-29383</u> Jackson Carlaw: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will consider adding medical receptionist staff who work in a GP surgery to the category of "persons excusable as of right" for jury duty.

<u>S6W-29384</u> **Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has carried out any form of review exercise regarding the impact of medical receptionist staff who are employed at a GP practice having to attend jury duty, both in terms of the ability of surgeries to manage a high volume of patient phone calls and digital triage requests.

<u>S6W-29385</u> **Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government on how many occasions people who are employed as medical receptionist staff in GP practices have been cited for jury service in each financial year from 2018-19 to 2023-24, and so far in 2024-25, also broken down by (a) local authority and (b) NHS board.

<u>S6W-29386</u> Jackson Carlaw: To ask the Scottish Government on how many occasions staff employed as medical receptionists in a GP surgery have applied to be excused from jury duty, and what the total number is of such requests that have been (a) accepted and (b) declined, in each financial year from 2018-19 to 2023-24, and so far in 2024-25, also broken down by (i) local authority and (ii) NHS board.

<u>S6W-29387</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28981 by Jenni Minto on 26 August 2024, what objectives were given to Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland before receiving taxpayer money.

<u>S6W-29388</u> Stephen Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28906 by Jenni Minto on 26 August 2024, whether it will publish the research that it used to justify the continued use of FAST, rather than BE FAST, in full.

<u>S6W-29389</u> **Stephen Kerr:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28909 by Natalie Don on 27 August 2024, what analysis has been conducted to examine whether the £400,000 spent has helped to reduce mobile phone addiction among young people.

<u>S6W-29391</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government how many rural jobs it anticipates could be impacted by the provisions of the Land Reform (Scotland) Bill. R

<u>S6W-29392</u> Tim Eagle: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has undertaken any economic modelling of the potential impact of the Land Reform (Scotland) Bill on the rural economy. **R**<u>S6W-29393</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to S6W-03307 by George Adam on 5 October 2021, whether any progress has been made on revisions to the (a)

Scottish Ministerial Code and (b) Code of Conduct for Special Advisers.

Hamilton Report since it was published in March 2021.

<u>S6W-29394</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to S6W-28676 by Kate Forbes on 27 August 2024, what its position is on whether its answer represents a reversal of its previous position of considering changes to the Scottish Ministerial Code and the Code of Conduct for Special Advisers, as recommended by the Hamilton Report in March 2021. <u>S6W-29395</u> Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government on what dates it has met with the independent advisers on the Scottish Ministerial Code to discuss the recommendations of the

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<u>S6W-29396</u> Pam Duncan-Glancy: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S6W-28569 by Kaukab Stewart on 31 July 2024, what support it can offer to venues to implement the recommendations within the Sight Scotland report, and to use the checklist and top tips provided to create more accessible and inclusive experiences for all.

<u>S6W-29397</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with NHS Lanarkshire regarding the prevention of monkeypox.

<u>S6W-29398</u> **Monica Lennon:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the UK Government regarding the prevention of monkeypox.

<u>S6W-29399</u> **Ariane Burgess:** To ask the Scottish Government what assessment it has made of the delivery of superfast broadband in rural areas, particularly in any places where mobile phone signal, data connectivity and broadband speed are extremely limited.

<u>S6W-29400</u> Oliver Mundell: To ask the Scottish Government what financial support is available for bereaved parents who do not qualify for any other benefits or welfare payments.

<u>S6W-29401</u> **Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with ports regarding the development of its Green Industrial Strategy.

<u>S6W-29402</u> **Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government what engagement it has had with Forth Ports regarding securing green jobs in Edinburgh.

<u>S6W-29403</u> **Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government when it expects a consenting decision to be reached in relation to the Berwick Bank offshore windfarm.

<u>S6W-29404</u> Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government whether it has carried out any assessment of the economic impact of the reportedly increasing length of time being taken for a section 36 energy consent determination.

<u>S6W-29405</u> **Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government how many jobs it expects the Forth Green Freeport deal to create.

<u>S6W-29406</u> **Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government what role it expects ports to play as part of its proposed Green Industrial Strategy.

<u>S6W-29407</u> **Sarah Boyack:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has carried out any assessment of the economic impact of delaying the publication of its Green Industrial Strategy.

<u>S6W-29408</u> Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government when data beyond 2021-22 will be made available on the Scottish Energy Statistics Hub.

<u>S6W-29409</u> Fulton MacGregor: To ask the Scottish Government what support is in place for people who have Huntington's disease and their families.

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Subject to the negative procedure

The following instruments were laid before Parliament on 29 August 2024 and are subject to the negative procedure—

<u>Legal Aid and Advice and Assistance (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations</u> 2024 (SSI 2024/216)

Laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

<u>Charges for Residues Surveillance Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/218)</u> Laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The following instruments were laid before Parliament on 30 August 2024 and are subject to the negative procedure—

<u>Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission (Permitted Disclosure of Information) Order 2024</u> (SSI 2024/220)

Laid under section 194K(5) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995

Personal Injuries (NHS Charges) (Amounts) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/225)

Laid under section 195(8) of the Health and Social Care (Community Health and Standards) Act 2003

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As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

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

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

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

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

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

Stage 2 completed, 11 June 2024

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

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

Stage 1 (lead committee (Health, Social Care and Sport)), 21 May 2024 Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 28 May 2024

Disability Commissioner (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Equalities, Human Rights and Civil Justice)), 3 September 2024 Stage 1 (evidence (Finance and Public Administration Committee)), 25 June 2024

Education (Scotland) Bill (G)

Introduced, 4 June 2024

Lead committee - Education, Children and Young People

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

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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.

Housing (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Local Government, Housing and Planning)), 3 September 2024

Stage 1 (evidence (Social Justice and Social Security Committee)), 27 June 2024

Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 3 September 2024

Judicial Factors (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 Report (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee) published, 14 June 2024

Land Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Net Zero, Energy and Transport)), 25 June 2024 Stage 1 (Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee), 18 June 2024

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National Care Service (Scotland) Bill (G)

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

Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team
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Police (Ethics, Conduct and Scrutiny) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 Report (Criminal Justice Committee) published, 2 July 2024

Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 22 February 2024

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

Right to Addiction Recovery (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 14 May 2024

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

Introduced, 20 June 2024

Lead committee – Education, Children and Young People

Scottish Elections (Representation and Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 1 completed, 27 June 2024

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

Scottish Languages Bill (G)

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Stage 1 Report (Education, Children and Young People Committee) published, 24 July 2024

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

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Social Justice and Social Security Committee), 19 September 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 12 September with the clerks in the Legislation Team (<u>legislationteam@parliament.scot</u>)

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

Stage 1 completed, 23 April 2024

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

Welfare of Dogs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 2 (Day 1) (Rural Affairs and Islands Committee), 18 September 2024

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 11 September with the clerks in the Legislation Team (legislationteam @parliament.scot)

Legislative Consent Memorandums

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Great British Energy Bill LCM-S6-48

Lodged on 8 August 2024

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)

Passenger Railway Services (Public Ownership) Bill LCM-S6-47

Lodged on 1 August 2024

Meeting (evidence (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)), 3 September 2024

Subordinate Legislation (date of laying) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Subject to approval by 15 September 2024

Companies Act 2006 (Scottish public sector companies to be audited by the Auditor General for Scotland) Order 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft) (3 June 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Subject to approval by 19 September 2024

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<u>Tied Pubs (Miscellaneous Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft)</u> (7 June 2024) (Economy and Fair Work Committee)

Subject to approval by 22 September 2024

Environmental Protection (Single-use Vapes) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/Draft) (10 June 2024) (Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee)

Negative instruments

Subject to annulment 11 September 2024 Lead committee report due by 9 September 2024

Food Additives and Novel Foods (Authorisations and Miscellaneous Amendments) and Food Flavourings (Removal of Authorisations) (Scotland) Regulations 2024 (SSI 2024/156) (30 May 2024) (Health, Social Care and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment 2 October 2024 Lead committee report due by 30 September 2024

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Member's Correction

Official Report, Meeting of the Parliament, 19 June 2024

The Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Energy has identified an error in her contribution and provided the following correction to the Official Report of 19 June 2024.

The Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero and Energy (Mairi McAllan):

At col 29, paragraph 6—

Original text—

Before I come on to the substance of Audrey Nicoll's question, I should say that it is a really important one for her to have asked, given that the 2022 statistics demonstrate that some of the bounce-back in transport emissions was from shipping. It is worth reminding members that Scotland includes international aviation and shipping in our inventory whereas England does not.

Corrected text—

Before I come on to the substance of Audrey Nicoll's question, I should say that it is a really important one for her to have asked, given that the 2022 statistics demonstrate that some of the bounce-back in transport emissions was seen in the aviation and shipping category. It is worth reminding members that Scotland includes international aviation and shipping in our inventory whereas England does not.

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