

Thursday 20 May 2021

# Business Bulletin

*Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## **Election of Members to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body**

Further to the announcement in yesterday's Business Bulletin, elections for membership of the SPCB will take place this afternoon. The nomination period will open at 9.30am this morning and close at 1.30pm.

The nominating member should email the Parliamentary Business Team ([business.team@parliament.scot](mailto:business.team@parliament.scot)) from their parliamentary email address confirming the name of the nominee and the name of the Member who is seconding the nomination. The Parliamentary Business Team will email the nominee and the seconder in order to confirm that the information provided is correct. Voting procedure is below.

### **Where the number of candidates is equal to the number of vacancies:**

The Presiding Officer will invite members to agree that there be a single vote to elect all the candidates. If all members agree that there should be a single vote, the Presiding Officer will read out the names of the candidates. After all the names are read out, members may vote for or against the candidates, or abstain. The candidates will be elected if there is a simple majority of votes in favour of their election. The candidates will be eliminated from the election if a simple majority of votes in favour of their election is not obtained.

If any member disagrees to a single question being put, a separate vote will be called for each candidate in alphabetical order. Members may vote for or against each candidate, or abstain. The candidate will be elected if he or she obtains a simple majority of votes in his or her favour.

### **Where there are more candidates than the number of vacancies:**

Members will be asked to cast their vote for their preferred candidate. A separate vote will be

called for each candidate in alphabetical order. Members must vote once only and only use their “yes” button when voting. If any Member casts more than one vote, their votes will be treated as spoiled, and none of their votes will count. Any member wishing to record an abstention will have an opportunity to do so at the end of voting for the candidates.

Once all voting has been completed, there will be a short delay of a few minutes while the result is verified. The Presiding Officer will then announce: the number of votes cast; the votes for each of the candidates; and the votes to abstain. A candidate will be elected if an overall majority is obtained. If no majority is obtained, the candidate or candidates with the smallest number of votes will be eliminated and a further round or rounds of voting will take place until the vacancy is filled.

### **Where there are fewer candidates than the number of vacancies:**

Voting will proceed in the same manner as if the number of candidates is equal to the number of vacancies. Under Rule 11.10A.19 of Standing Orders, the Presiding Officer will announce that the total number of vacancies has not been filled and a further election for the remaining candidates will be held. The date and time will be announced in the Business Bulletin.

## **Today's Business**

### **Meeting of the Parliament**

**2:00 pm** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**2:00 pm** Appointment of Scottish Ministers and Junior Ministers

**followed by** Election of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body

**followed by** Parliamentary Bureau Motions

**3:00 pm** Decision Time

### **Committee Meetings**

There are no meetings today.

## Meeting of the Parliament

### 2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

### 2:00 pm Appointment of Scottish Ministers and Junior Ministers

**[S6M-00062](#) Nicola Sturgeon: First Minister's Appointment of Scottish Ministers**—That the Parliament agrees that Angus Robertson, Keith Brown, Mairi Gougeon and Shona Robison be appointed as Scottish Ministers.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendment

**[S6M-00062.1](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: First Minister's Appointment of Scottish Ministers**—As an amendment to motion S6M-00062 in the name of Nicola Sturgeon (First Minister's Appointment of Scottish Ministers), leave out "Angus Robertson,".

**[S6M-00063](#) Nicola Sturgeon: First Minister's Appointment of Junior Scottish Ministers**—That the Parliament agrees that George Adam, Tom Arthur and Mairi McAllan be appointed as junior Scottish Ministers.

**followed by Urgent Questions: The Presiding Officer has selected the following urgent questions -**

**Sue Webber MSP: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will comment on the Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland's report "Authority to discharge", showing unlawful transfers of adults with incapacity from hospitals to care homes during the early stages of the pandemic.**

**followed by Ariane Burgess MSP: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to protect private tenants from eviction while the COVID-19 restrictions remain in place.**

**followed by Election of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body**

**followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions**

**followed by Business Motions**

**[S6M-00064](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Programme**—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 26 May 2021 (Hybrid)

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Topical Questions

*followed by* First Minister's Statement: Scottish Government Priorities

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

3.15 pm Decision Time

Thursday 27 May 2021 (Hybrid)

12.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Scottish Government Debate: COVID-19

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 1 June 2021 (Hybrid)

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Topical Questions

*followed by* Ministerial Statement: COVID-19 Update

*followed by* Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Committee Announcements

*followed by* Business Motions

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Wednesday 2 June 2021 (Hybrid)

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Thursday 3 June 2021 (Hybrid)

12.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Scottish Government Business

*followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

**3:00 pm Decision Time**

## Committee Meetings

There are no meetings today.

## Future Meetings of the Parliament

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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## Motions

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

### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

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

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

### Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

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

### Other new and altered motions and amendments

\*[S6M-00060](#) **Mark Ruskell: Stop the Destruction of Gillies Hill Redwoods**—That the Parliament supports the campaign to save five threatened redwood trees on Gillies Hill in Cambusbarron; understands that the trees will be destroyed when excavations resume at Murrayshall Quarry in 2022; notes that the trees were planted in the 19th century and stand 164 feet tall; thanks Cambusbarron Community Council, Cambusbarron Community Development Trust and Save Gillies Hill for their efforts to protect the trees, and calls on Patersons Quarries to respect the wishes of the community and guarantee the safety of the trees.

\*[S6M-00059](#) **Jim Fairlie: Crieff and Strathearn Drovers' Tryst Walking Festival 2021**—That the Parliament welcomes the return of the Crieff and Strathearn Drovers' Tryst walking festival, to be held over 29 to 31 May and 17 to 19 July; recognises that the festival, normally an annual event, celebrates the legacy of the people who made Crieff the cattle-droving crossroads of Scotland in the 1700s; congratulates the organisers on putting together a programme that once again offers a wide choice of guided walks at different levels of difficulty; recognises the work done in ensuring that there will be COVID-19-related adaptations, and wishes all participants a safe and enjoyable Tryst.

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**\*[S6M-00056](#) Tom Arthur: Tribute to Neilston Pipe Major, Iain MacDonald**—That the Parliament welcomes the tribute to Iain MacDonald, who was described as a "pioneer of piping", spending more than 45 years as Pipe Major of the Neilston and District Pipe Band and sadly passed away in 2020; recognises the work carried out by Matt Drennan to erect a bench in honour of his friend, assisted by the Band members, Owen Finnigan and Russell and Cameron Mechan, who cleared the site and laid the foundations; notes the particular design to remember Iain with a piper in silhouette and a Saltire on either side of him; thanks those involved for their kind and thoughtful work, and hopes that this memorial bench will continue to be a place of remembrance for Iain's contribution to the community.

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**\*[S6M-00055](#) Murdo Fraser: Perth Festival of the Arts**—That the Parliament congratulates the Perth Festival of the Arts on organising a host of top acts for the event, which will take place from 20-29 May 2021, with the acts being broadcast from a variety of venues in the city; notes that all the performances will be online, with the exception of a drive-in cinema that is being held at Scone Palace; further notes that the online acts will include the Scottish Chamber Orchestra, with violinist Nicola Benedetti, The Sixteen, pianist Isata Kanneh-Mason and the Scottish Ensemble, and wishes the festival all the best for this year's event and for its future.

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**\*[S6M-00054](#) Anas Sarwar: Condemnation of Current Violence in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories**—That the Parliament condemns all violence and the appalling loss of life in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories; calls on the Scottish Government, the UK Government and the UN to put pressure on Israel and Hamas for an immediate ceasefire; considers that, at the heart of this conflict, there is the ongoing illegal occupation, illegal settlement growth, illegal siege of Gaza and ongoing breaches of international law and human rights violations, all of which it believes must end with an immediate reconvening of meaningful peace talks conducted by a third-party interlocutor from the international community to deliver peace and justice; believes that any prospects of peace are fading fast and that the loss of hope would have devastating consequences; considers that Benjamin Netanyahu is currently a blockage to peace and that all possible pressure should be applied on him and his government to positively engage and act, and believes that there will only be justice when the State of Palestine is internationally recognised and when every Israeli life and every Palestinian life is seen as, and treated as, equal.

Supported by: Willie Rennie\*, Monica Lennon\*, Pauline McNeill\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Michael Marra\*, Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

**\*[S6M-00053](#) Pauline McNeill: Welcoming the Announcement of Affordable House Building**—That the Parliament notes the planned construction of 11,000 homes over the next nine years, announced by Lord Willie Haughey; understands the first phase of the development in Glasgow will build good quality affordable housing, which will be available to rent for as much as 50% below current market rents in the city; further understands that the construction and long-term maintenance of these homes will provide some of the jobs and apprenticeships needed to help the economy recover from the COVID-19 pandemic; recognises that Scotland is experiencing a housing crisis, with many families unable to afford to buy their own home, unable to access social housing and left paying unaffordable rents in the private rented sector; believes this type of

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innovative housing model can play a part in solving the crisis; congratulates Lord Haughey for bringing this project forward, and wishes it every success.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie\*, Sarah Boyack\*, Martin Whitfield\*

**\*S6M-00052 Alexander Burnett: Lyme Disease Awareness Month**—That the Parliament recognises that May is Lyme Disease Awareness Month, which aims to raise awareness of the disease and the long-term effects it can have on someone's health; acknowledges that cases of Lyme disease have been reported across Scotland, but that diagnosis and treatment of the disease can be difficult and complex; understands that there is still much progress to be made in spreading public health information on how to prevent and treat Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses; recognises the hard work of local organisations such as Tick-borne Illness Campaign Scotland, which is dedicated to improving testing, diagnosis and treatment of Lyme disease, such as through petition PE01662, and builds on the work undertaken in Session 5 of the Scottish Parliament to address these issues.

Supported by: Miles Briggs\*, Monica Lennon\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Michelle Thomson\*, Finlay Carson\*, Donald Cameron\*, Sue Webber\*, Liam McArthur\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Liam Kerr\*, Craig Hoy\*, Neil Gray\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Marie McNair\*

**S6M-00046 Mercedes Villalba: Calling Out Anti-Catholic Bigotry**—That the Parliament recognises anti-Catholic bigotry as a real and abhorrent problem in society; extends solidarity to people targeted by it; affirms that there is no place for hatred or violence on the streets; acknowledges the progress made in tackling sectarianism through education, and calls on the Scottish Government to maintain and expand funding in this area to do more to confront and challenge all forms of prejudice.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie, Fulton MacGregor, Monica Lennon, Pauline McNeill, Katy Clark, Siobhian Brown, Stuart McMillan, Michelle Thomson, Colin Smyth, Paul McLennan\*, Neil Gray\*, Paul O'Kane\*, Marie McNair\*

**\*S6M-00046.1 James Dornan: Calling Out Anti-Catholic Bigotry**—As an amendment to motion S6M-00046 in the name of Mercedes Villalba (Calling Out Anti-Catholic Bigotry), leave out from "as a real" to end and insert "and anti-Irish racism as a real and abhorrent problem in society; extends solidarity to people targeted by it; affirms that there is no place for hatred or violence on the streets for any reason; acknowledges the progress made in tackling hatred and bigotry through education, and calls on the Scottish Government to maintain and expand funding in this area to do more to confront and challenge all forms of prejudice and hold to account those who wilfully continue to behave in this reprehensible manner."

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Siobhian Brown\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Rona Mackay\*, Bill Kidd\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

### Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

**S6M-00051 Beatrice Wishart: Shetland Pride** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Neil Gray\*, Mercedes Villalba\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Marie McNair\*

**S6M-00050 Annabelle Ewing: Dalgety Bay Remediation Works** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

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New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Neil Gray\*, Elena Whitham\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-00049](#) Emma Harper: Community Art Takeover at the Stove** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Neil Gray\*

**[S6M-00047](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Cramond Primary School Litter Campaign** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*

**[S6M-00044](#) Rona Mackay: Kirkintilloch Soroptimists Seek Restoration of Beatrice Clugston Memorial** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Neil Gray\*, Michelle Thomson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-00043](#) Rachael Hamilton: Selection of Rory Sutherland and Stuart Hogg for the British and Irish Lions Tour** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Liam McArthur\*, Donald Cameron\*, Douglas Ross\*, Finlay Carson\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Annie Wells\*, Sue Webber\*, Stephen Kerr\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Liam Kerr\*, Neil Gray\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Sharon Dowey\*

**[S6M-00042](#) Rachael Hamilton: South of Scotland Golden Eagle Project** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Russell Findlay\*, Alexander Stewart\*, Douglas Ross\*, Annie Wells\*, Sue Webber\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Liam Kerr\*, Neil Gray\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*, Sharon Dowey\*

**[S6M-00041](#) Alexander Stewart: Royal Caledonian Education Trust "Forces Life Project"** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Annie Wells\*, Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-00040](#) Liam McArthur: Wishing Frazer Campbell a Happy Retirement** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Beatrice Wishart\*, Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-00039](#) Stuart McMillan: Gourock Golf Club Celebrates 125th Anniversary** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Neil Gray\*, Neil Bibby\*

**[S6M-00038](#) Stuart McMillan: New Greenock Health and Care Centre Opens** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Neil Gray\*, Christine Grahame\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-00037](#) Stuart McMillan: Ardgowan Distillery Launches New Limited Edition Whisky** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Neil Gray\*, Siobhian Brown\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Elena Whitham\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

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**[S6M-00036](#) Murdo Fraser: St Johnstone Reaching Scottish Cup Final** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Annie Wells\*

**[S6M-00035](#) Jackie Baillie: Our Lady and St Patrick's High School Shortlisted for Best Secondary School in the UK** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Katy Clark\*

**[S6M-00034](#) Jackson Carlaw: Israel's Right of Self-defence and a Call for De-escalation in Current Hostilities** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Alexander Stewart\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Jamie Greene\*, Miles Briggs\*, Annie Wells\*, Alexander Burnett\*

**[S6M-00033](#) Martin Whitfield: Walk to School Week 2021** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Sarah Boyack\*, Monica Lennon\*, Michelle Thomson\*, Mercedes Villalba\*, Colin Smyth\*, Mark Ruskell\*, Siobhian Brown\*, Liam McArthur\*, Paul O'Kane\*, Carol Mochan\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Neil Bibby\*, Katy Clark\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-00032](#) Mark Ruskell: UN Global Road Safety Week 2021** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Ross Greer\*, Monica Lennon\*, John Mason\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Michelle Thomson\*, Elena Whitham\*, Neil Gray\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-00031](#) Finlay Carson: Quality Meat Scotland Presents Bold New Logo** (lodged on 18 May 2021)

New Support: Beatrice Wishart\*

**[S6M-00028](#) Paul O'Kane: International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia 2021** (lodged on 17 May 2021)

New Support: Jamie Greene\* R, Martin Whitfield\*, Katy Clark\*, Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-00024](#) Donald Cameron: Islay High School Pupils shortlisted for FilmG Gaelic Learners Award** (lodged on 17 May 2021)

New Support: Neil Gray\*

**[S6M-00022](#) Jackie Baillie: Alexandria Teens, Jack Mullen and Alfie King, Crowned Young Scots Unsung Heroes** (lodged on 17 May 2021)

New Support: Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-00021](#) Kenneth Gibson: European Union Citizens are Welcome in Scotland** (lodged on 17 May 2021)

New Support: Rona Mackay\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Annabelle Ewing\*, Michelle Thomson\*, Siobhian Brown\*, Evelyn Tweed\*, Elena Whitham\*, Neil Gray\*, Bill Kidd\*, Fulton MacGregor\*

**[S6M-00020](#) Tom Arthur: PDA Day** (lodged on 17 May 2021)

New Support: Willie Coffey\*

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**[S6M-00019](#) Daniel Johnson: Scottish Retailers Raise Over £16 Million** (lodged on 17 May 2021)

New Support: Dean Lockhart\*, Beatrice Wishart\*

**[S6M-00017](#) Jim Fairlie: ThermoFisher Redundancies** (lodged on 17 May 2021)

New Support: Marie McNair\*

**[S6M-00016](#) Bill Kidd: Glasgow Joins the TPNW** (lodged on 14 May 2021)

New Support: Paul McLennan\*, Kaukab Stewart\*

**[S6M-00015](#) Alex Cole-Hamilton: Edinburgh Zoo Welcomes Giraffes** (lodged on 14 May 2021)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-00013](#) Edward Mountain: Caithness Roads Recovery** (lodged on 14 May 2021)

New Support: Rhoda Grant\*

**[S6M-00011](#) Liam McArthur: Search for The Storm** (lodged on 14 May 2021)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-00010](#) Monica Lennon: USDAW's New Regional Secretary for Scotland, Tracy Gilbert** (lodged on 14 May 2021)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-00009](#) Rhoda Grant: Mental Health Awareness Week** (lodged on 14 May 2021)

New Support: Bill Kidd\*

**[S6M-00003](#) Stuart McMillan: Greycations Success at Corporate Livewire Scotland Prestige Awards** (lodged on 13 May 2021)

New Support: Marie McNair\*



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## Written Questions

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

### Written questions lodged on 19 May 2021

**[S6W-00068 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it had with Police Scotland and Rangers FC prior to 15 May 2021 regarding potential concerns in relation to the mass gathering of football fans.

**[S6W-00069 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what steps were taken by Police Scotland and others prior to the Rangers football fans gatherings on 15 May 2021 to avoid such large events.

**[S6W-00070 Jackie Baillie](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government how many arrests were made by Police Scotland following the behaviour of some Rangers football fans on 15 May 2021 in Glasgow.

**[S6W-00095 Alex Cole-Hamilton](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to support deaf people, and whether it will bring forward a national strategy on hearing loss.

**[S6W-00096 Mark Ruskell](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government when it will implement a ban on the sale of peat-based compost.

**[S6W-00097 Mark Ruskell](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress it has made in preparation for the launch of its bottle deposit return scheme by 1 July 2022.

**[S6W-00098 Oliver Mundell](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will review maximum class numbers for composite classes where there are more than three class age groups, particularly for small rural schools.

**[S6W-00099 Oliver Mundell](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Dumfries and Galloway Council in response to the reported parental and staff concerns regarding its policy on staff thresholds in small rural schools.

**[S6W-00100 Oliver Mundell](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what plans there are to replace the passenger footbridge at Kirkconnel Railway Station to improve platform access for disabled people.

**[S6W-00101 Alexander Burnett](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what evidence is available to support the continued need for pupils to wear face coverings in schools.

**[S6W-00102 Mark Ruskell](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of its commitment to protect 30% of Scotland's land for nature by 2030, what measures it will introduce to limit the damage to protected areas caused by the release of excessive numbers of non-native pheasants and red-legged partridges.

**[S6W-00103 Mark Ruskell](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government, in light of Section 14(2A) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, what legislative changes it is proposing to mitigate any damage caused to the natural heritage by the release of excessive numbers of non-native pheasants and red-legged partridges.

**[S6W-00104 Mark Ruskell](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what provisions it plans to introduce in Scotland, similar to those proposed by Defra in England, to restrict the release of non-native pheasants and red-legged partridges within and in the vicinity of European Sites, SSSIs and other similar sites.

**[S6W-00105 Rhoda Grant](#)**: To ask the Scottish Government what the criteria for successful applications to phase 3 of the Connecting Scotland programme will be.

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**[S6W-00106 Rhoda Grant:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how many households have received (a) a device, (b) data and (c) training, as part of its commitment to provide support to 60,000 households by the end of 2021, as part of its Connecting Scotland programme.

**[S6W-00107 Rhoda Grant:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government what proportion of the £48 million budget for the Connecting Scotland programme has been allocated to provide (a) devices, (b) data and (c) training to 60,000 households.

**[S6W-00108 Rhoda Grant:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government when phase 3 of the Connecting Scotland programme will open for applications for (a) laptops, (b) devices and (c) training.

**[S6W-00109 Rhoda Grant:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government how phase 3 of the Connecting Scotland programme, to provide laptops, data, and training will be administered; how much money has been allocated to phase 3, and how many (a) devices, (b) data, (c) training sessions will be available in this phase.

**[S6W-00110 Alexander Burnett:](#)** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S5W-35844 by Fiona Hyslop on 16 March 2021, in light of the cabinet secretary's comment that "we have urged the UK Government to make improvements to" the Universal Credit and Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) systems, whether it has suggested in these discussions that a review should be carried out of the standard fee that is required for the GP letters that must accompany ESA applications, and for this review to also consider setting a cap on the fee.

## Progress of Legislation

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

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

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

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

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

Passed, 23 March 2021

*The Bill has been referred to the Supreme Court under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland.*

### **UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Legal Continuity) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 21 March 2018

*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.*

### **United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill (G)**

Passed, 16 March 2021

*The Bill has been referred to the Supreme Court under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland.*

## Legislative Consent Memorandums



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### **Environment Bill LCM-S5-39**

Lodged on 27 May 2020

Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee, 29 September 2020

Meeting of the Parliament, 12 November 2020

**Subordinate Legislation** (*date of laying*) (lead committee)

### **Made affirmative instruments**

**Subject to approval by 26 May 2021**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 17\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/136\)](#) (11 March 2021)

**Subject to approval by 3 June 2021**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel etc.\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/158\)](#) (22 March 2021)

**Subject to approval by 8 June 2021**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 18\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/161\)](#) (24 March 2021)

**Subject to approval by 9 June 2021**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 18\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/168\)](#) (13 May 2021)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 8\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/179\)](#) (13 May 2021)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 19\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/180\)](#) (13 May 2021)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel etc.\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/181\)](#) (13 May 2021)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 20\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/186\)](#) (13 May 2021)

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[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 9\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/191\)](#) (13 May 2021)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 21\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/193\)](#) (13 May 2021)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 22\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/202\)](#) (13 May 2021)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 10\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/204\)](#) (13 May 2021)

**Subject to approval by 10 June 2021**

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(International Travel etc.\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/208\)](#) (14 May 2021)

[Health Protection \(Coronavirus\) \(Restrictions and Requirements\) \(Local Levels\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 23\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/209\)](#) (17 May 2021)

## Negative instruments

**Subject to annulment 21 May 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 17 May 2021**

[Plant Health and Plant Propagating Material \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations \(SSI 2021/87\)](#) (22 February 2021)

[Plant Health \(Export Certification\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/88\)](#) (22 February 2021)

**Subject to annulment 22 May 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 17 May 2021**

[Bee Diseases and Pests Control \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/91\)](#) (23 February 2021)

[National Health Service Superannuation and Pension Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/102\)](#) (23 February 2021)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Coronavirus\) \(Amendment\) \(No. 2\) Rules Order of Council 2021 \(SI 2021/167\)](#) (23 February 2021)

[Health and Care Professions Council \(Registration and Fees\) \(Amendment\) Rules Order of Council 2021 \(SI 2021/170\)](#) (23 February 2021)

**Subject to annulment 23 May 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 17 May 2021**

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[Coronavirus \(Scotland\) Acts \(Early Expiry and Suspension of Provisions\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/93\) \(24 February 2021\)](#)

[Social Security \(Industrial Injuries Benefit and Personal Independence Payment\) \(Telephone and Video Assessment\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/97\) \(24 February 2021\)](#)

[Town and Country Planning \(Cairnryan Border Control Posts\) \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) Special Development Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/98\) \(24 February 2021\)](#)

[Town and Country Planning \(Pre-Application Consultation\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/99\) \(24 February 2021\)](#)

[Town and Country Planning \(Emergency Period and Extended Period\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/100\) \(24 February 2021\)](#)

[Looked After Children \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 SSI 2021/103 \(24 February 2021\)](#)

**Subject to annulment 24 May 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 24 May 2021**

[Food, Natural Mineral Water, Spring Water and Bottled Drinking Water \(EU Exit\) \(Scotland\) \(Amendment\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/109\) \(25 February 2021\)](#)

**Subject to annulment 30 May 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 24 May 2021**

[National Assistance \(Assessment of Resources and Sums for Personal Requirements\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/115\) \(3 March 2021\)](#)

**Subject to annulment 4 June 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 31 May 2021**

[Foods for Specific Groups \(Infant Formula and Follow-on Formula\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/123\) \(8 March 2021\)](#)

**Subject to annulment 6 June 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 31 May 2021**

[Disability Assistance for Children and Young People \(Consequential Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/122\) \(9 March 2021\)](#)

[Red Rocks and Longay Urgent Marine Conservation Order 2021 \(SSI 2021/131\) \(10 March 2021\)](#)

**Subject to annulment 7 June 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 7 June 2021**

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Progress of Legislation   Adhartas Reachdais				

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 3\) \(Coronavirus\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/137\)](#) (11 March 2021)

**Subject to annulment 11 June 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 7 June 2021**

[Carer's Allowance \(Coronavirus\) \(Breaks in Care\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/140\)](#) (15 March 2021)

[Town and Country Planning \(Emergency Period and Extended Period\) \(Coronavirus\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/142\)](#) (15 March 2021)

**Subject to annulment 12 June 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 7 June 2021**

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[Non-Domestic Rates \(Restriction of Relief\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/145\)](#) (15 March 2021)

[Non-Domestic Rates \(Coronavirus Reliefs\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/151\)](#) (18 March 2021)

**Subject to annulment 19 June 2021**  
**Lead Committee report due by 14 June 2021**

[Meat Preparations \(Import Conditions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2021 \(SSI 2021/161\)](#) (23 March 2021)

## New Documents

### Committee Reports

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### Other Documents

The following documents were laid before the Parliament on 19 May 2021 and are not subject to parliamentary procedure—

**Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Compendium Report of Discontinued Investigations- Compendium of Case Reports for May 2021 SPSO/2021/04** laid under Sections 15(1) and 15(1A) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

**Care Inspectorate: Weekly Care Home deaths report – periods up to 16 May 2021 SG/2021/124** laid under Section 79A(3) of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010

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