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1.15 pm	Justice Sub-Committee on Policing	Committee Room 6

Meeting of the Parliament

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11.40 am	General Questions
12.00 pm	First Minister's Questions
12.30 pm	Members' Business – S4M-05696 Nigel Don: Scotland's Butchers Lead the Way with Quality Produce
2.30 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2.30 pm	Scottish Green Party and Independent Group Debate: There is Still Such a Thing as Society
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
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Section A – Today's Business

Meetings of Committees

All meetings take place in the Scottish Parliament, unless otherwise specified. Contact details for Committee Clerks are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

European and External Relations Committee 7th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 9.00 am in Committee Room 6

1. **Business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 6 in private.
2. **Foreign language learning in primary schools:** Helen Eadie will report to the committee on her recent school visit.
3. **Foreign language learning in primary schools:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Dr Alasdair Allan, Minister for Learning, Science and Scotland's Languages, Tim Simons, Head of Curriculum Unit, and Sue Langlands, Head of Languages Team, Curriculum Unit, Scottish Government.
4. **Scottish Government's Country Plan for China and International Framework:** Helen Eadie and Roderick Campbell will report to the Committee on their recent visit to Todd & Duncan Ltd.
5. **Brussels Bulletin:** The Committee will consider the latest issue of the Brussels Bulletin.
6. **Foreign language learning in primary schools:** The Committee will consider a summary of evidence to its inquiry.

Equal Opportunities Committee 12th Meeting, 2013

The Committee will meet at 9.30 am in Committee Room 4

1. **Women and work:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Joyce Cullen, Solicitor & Convenor to the Society's Employment Law Committee, Law Society of Scotland;
Hazel Mathieson, Head of National Operations, Skills Development Scotland;
Mary Matheson, Vice-Convenor, EIS Equality Committee, The Educational Institute of Scotland;
Angela Wilson, Chief Superintendent, Police Scotland & Chair, Scottish Women's Development Forum.

**Referendum (Scotland) Bill Committee
9th Meeting, 2013**

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in Committee Room 1

1. **Scottish Independence Referendum (Franchise) Bill (in private):** The Committee will review evidence received on the Bill at Stage 1.

**Justice Sub-Committee on Policing
3rd Meeting, 2013**

The Committee will meet at 1.15 pm in Committee Room 6

1. **Local policing:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Deputy Chief Constable Rose Fitzpatrick QPM, Local Policing, Chief Superintendent Julian Innes, Local Police Commander, Highland and Islands Division, and Sergeant Kate Blundell, Lothians and Scottish Borders Division, Police Scotland.

Meeting of the Parliament

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

1. Neil Bibby: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made toward justice for victims of historic child abuse following the first InterAction meeting. (S4O-02005)

2. Mark Griffin: To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to ensure that people have access to regular and reliable local bus services. (S4O-02006)

3. Richard Baker: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to support local authorities in the north east to deal with the aftermath of recent flooding. (S4O-02007)

4. Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to reform planning laws so that local authorities have the power to reject planning applications for certain retail units on the grounds of overprovision. (S4O-02008)

5. Ken Macintosh: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to deal with reported rising levels of economic inactivity among women. (S4O-02009)

6. Joan McAlpine: To ask the Scottish Government what steps it is taking to protect golden eagles. (S4O-02010)

7. Richard Simpson: [Withdrawn]

8. Christina McKelvie: To ask the Scottish Government what recent analysis it has carried out on the affordability of pension and social welfare costs in Scotland and the rest of the UK. (S4O-02012)

9. Chic Brodie: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the Ministry of Defence regarding test drilling for oil off the Ayrshire coast. (S4O-02013)

10. Patricia Ferguson: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to improve the fatal accident inquiry system. (S4O-02014)

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

1. Johann Lamont: To ask the First Minister what engagements he has planned for the rest of the day. (S4F-01299)

2. Ruth Davidson: To ask the First Minister when he will next meet the Secretary of State for Scotland. (S4F-01298)

3. Willie Rennie: To ask the First Minister what issues will be discussed at the next meeting of the Cabinet. (S4F-01302)

4. John Mason: To ask the First Minister what assessment the Scottish Government has made of Scotland's public finances. (S4F-01311)

5. Elaine Murray: To ask the First Minister what progress has been made on changes to the Edinburgh Glasgow Improvement Programme. (S4F-01312)

6. Liz Smith: To ask the First Minister what action the Scottish Government will take to address the delay in implementing the Third Sector Early Intervention Fund. (S4F-01301)

12.30 pm

Members' Business

Debate on the subject of—

S4M-05696 Nigel Don: Scotland's Butchers Lead the Way with Quality Produce—That the Parliament congratulates farmers' markets and food purveyors in Angus North and Mearns and across the country on what it sees as their contribution to Scotland's economy and environment and the communities that they serve; understands that the horsemeat scandal has resulted in butchers seeing an increase in sales as customers seek out the highest quality produce sourced from their area, and believes that butchers provide a great benefit to their customers and the public by supplying locally sourced meats.

2.30 pm

Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm

Scottish Green Party and Independent Group Debate: There is Still Such a Thing as Society

followed by

Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm

Decision Time

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Section B – Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 17 April 2013

Tuesday 23 April 2013

- 2.00 pm Time for Reflection
- followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- followed by* Topical Questions (if selected)
- followed by* Welfare Reform Committee Debate: Impact of Welfare Reform on Scotland (*for text of motion S4M-06244 see [Section F](#) of the Business Bulletin for Wednesday 17 April 2013*)
- followed by* Preliminary Stage Debate: The National Trust for Scotland (Governance etc.) Bill
- followed by* Business Motions
- followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 5.00 pm Decision Time
- followed by* Members' Business – S4M-06097 Alex Johnstone: Welcome to the National Cricket Teams of Japan (*for text of motion see [Section F](#) of the Business Bulletin for Wednesday 27 March 2013*)

Wednesday 24 April 2013

- 2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions
- 2.00 pm Portfolio Questions
Finance, Employment and Sustainable Growth (*for text of questions see [Section D](#)*)
- followed by* Ministerial Statement: Making the Most of Scotland's Canals
- followed by* Scottish Labour Party Business
- followed by* Business Motions
- followed by* Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.30 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business – S4M-05708 Jamie Hepburn: Future of Scotland's Crown Post Offices (*for text of motion see [Section F](#) of the Business Bulletin for Monday 25 February 2013*)

Thursday 25 April 2013

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions (*for text of questions see [Section D](#)*)

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

12.30 pm Members' Business – S4M-05930 John Pentland: Workers' Memorial Day 2013 (*for text of motion see [Section F](#) of the Business Bulletin for Wednesday 13 March 2013*)

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Stage 1 Debate: Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Scotland) Bill

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 30 April 2013

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 1 May 2013

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm	Portfolio Questions Rural Affairs and the Environment; Justice and the Law Officers
<i>followed by</i>	Scottish Government Business
<i>followed by</i>	Business Motions
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business

Thursday 2 May 2013

11.40 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
11.40 am	General Questions
12.00 pm	First Minister's Questions
12.30 pm	Members' Business
2.30 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2.30 pm	Scottish Government Business
<i>followed by</i>	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

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Section D – Oral Questions

Portfolio Questions selected for answer on 24 April 2013

Finance, Employment and Sustainable Growth

- 1. Mike MacKenzie:** To ask the Scottish Government what the impact will be of Daktari Diagnostics locating its manufacturing site in Inverness. (S4O-02015)
- 2. Rhoda Grant:** To ask the Scottish Government how it calculates future oil revenues. (S4O-02016)
- 3. Margo MacDonald:** [Not Lodged]
- 4. Joan McAlpine:** To ask the Scottish Government what can be done to boost employment opportunities in Dumfries and Galloway. (S4O-02018)
- 5. Bruce Crawford:** To ask the Scottish Government what financial support it has provided to the Stirling area over the last four years to promote and deliver events connected with the Year of Homecoming and the 700th anniversary of the Battle of Bannockburn, and how much it will provide in 2013-14. (S4O-02019)
- 6. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Orkney Islands Council and other stakeholders about the implications of Orkney going into administration. (S4O-02020)
- 7. Richard Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government what progress it is making in taking forward the business rates incentivisation scheme. (S4O-02021)
- 8. Linda Fabiani:** To ask the Scottish Government when it last met South Lanarkshire Council and what was discussed. (S4O-02022)
- 9. Aileen McLeod:** To ask the Scottish Government on what basis the share of UK debt to be assigned to an independent Scotland should be calculated. (S4O-02023)
- 10. Claire Baker:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on opencast restoration. (S4O-02024)
- 11. Willie Coffey:** To ask the Scottish Government what support it provides for community business initiatives in Kilmarnock and Irvine Valley. (S4O-02025)

12. Jenny Marra: To ask the Scottish Government how many Scottish civil service jobs have been transferred to or created in Dundee since May 2007. (S4O-02026)

13. Dennis Robertson: To ask the Scottish Government what it is doing to increase recruitment into the energy sector. (S4O-02027)

14. Gordon MacDonald: To ask the Scottish Government what the tax revenue in Scotland was estimated to be in 2011-12. (S4O-02028)

15. Marco Biagi: [Not Lodged]

16. David Stewart: To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has in relation to dealing with dangerous and defective buildings. (S4O-02030)

17. James Kelly: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with the 2 Sisters Food Group following its acquisition of the UK division of the Vion Food Group, in light of the impact on employment. (S4O-02031)

18. Stuart McMillan: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made on increasing employment opportunities in the west of Scotland. (S4O-02032)

19. Dave Thompson: To ask the Scottish Government what share of the Scottish economy pension and welfare costs account for and how this compares with their share of the UK economy. (S4O-02033)

20. Colin Keir: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is aware of any increase in borrowing by financial institutions to provide support to small businesses. (S4O-02034)

General Questions selected for answer on 25 April 2013

1. Chic Brodie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on repeat prescription charges. (S4O-02035)

2. Mary Fee: To ask the Scottish Government how it evaluates the throughcare and support given to prisoners. (S4O-02036)

3. James Dornan: To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with the Electoral Commission regarding campaign funding and donations in relation to the independence referendum. (S4O-02037)

4. Jim Eadie: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is planning additional measures to tackle youth unemployment and promote apprenticeship opportunities. (S4O-02038)

5. Stewart Stevenson: To ask the Scottish Government what recent representations it has made to the European Commission regarding the cod recovery plan. (S4O-02039)

6. Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government what recent discussions it has had with NHS Lothian regarding the board's investigation of readmission rates. (S4O-02040)

7. Angus MacDonald: To ask the Scottish Government what assistance it is providing to cattle and sheep farmers in light of reported difficulties in these sectors. (S4O-02041)

8. Claudia Beamish: To ask the Scottish Government how it supports access to education and training for women of all ages in South Scotland. (S4O-02042)

9. Nigel Don: To ask the Scottish Government what the impact has been of Public Contracts Scotland's national advertising portal. (S4O-02043)

10. Siobhan McMahon: To ask the Scottish Government how many convictions there have been under the Offensive Behaviour at Football and Threatening Communications (Scotland) Act 2012. (S4O-02044)

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Section E – Written questions lodged on 17 April 2013

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

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

S4W-14265 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether the environmental effects that arise from forestry and agricultural projects are adequately assessed.

S4W-14266 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that those undertaking agricultural or forestry projects that may give rise to significant environmental effects are aware of the potential requirement to undertake an environmental impact assessment.

S4W-14267 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that the cumulative effect of projects are taken into account when considering the need for environmental impact assessment of agricultural and forestry projects.

S4W-14268 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that consultation is carried out with the public affected or likely to be affected by agricultural or forestry projects for which environmental impact assessments are required.

S4W-14269 Rhoda Grant: To ask the Scottish Government how it ensures that any significant environmental effects that might result from the construction of tracks for (a) agricultural, (b) forestry and (c) other purposes are considered before construction takes place.

S4W-14273 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether access to child and adolescent mental health services is available for children in kinship care on the same priority basis as for those in foster care.

S4W-14274 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to ensure that children in kinship care have access to respite services.

S4W-14275 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government what financial support is provided to kinship carers.

S4W-14276 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government whether there is parity in financial support for kinship and foster carers and, if not, when there will be.

S4W-14277 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government how many foster carers there are, broken down by local authority.

S4W-14278 Jackie Baillie: To ask the Scottish Government which provisions in the forthcoming Children and Young People Bill will help kinship carers.

S4W-14289 Hugh Henry: To ask the Scottish Government whether matters otherwise protected by data protection legislation are regarded as being in the public domain once they have been discussed in an open civil court hearing.

S4W-14291 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4T-00311 by Michael Matheson on 16 April 2013 (*Official Report*, c.18528), what the (a) role and (b) remit will be of the independent commission to examine the policies and practices that are in place for handling ashes and cremated remains.

S4W-14292 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4T-00311 by Michael Matheson on 16 April 2013 (*Official Report*, c.18528), how parents affected by (a) neonatal and (b) stillborn baby death will be represented on the independent commission to examine the policies and practices that are in place for handling ashes and cremated remains.

S4W-14293 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4T-00311 by Michael Matheson on 16 April 2013 (*Official Report*, c.18528), whether the independent commission to examine the policies and practices that are in place for handling ashes and cremated remains will have powers to call witnesses under oath.

S4W-14294 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4T-00311 by Michael Matheson on 16 April 2013 (*Official Report*, c.18528), whether the independent commission to examine the policies and practices that are in place for handling ashes and cremated remains will review the practices of (a) undertakers, (b) hospitals and (c) crematoria both in private and public.

S4W-14295 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4T-00311 by Michael Matheson on 16 April 2013 (*Official Report*, c.18528), (a) when and (b) to whom the independent commission to examine the policies and practices that are in place for handling ashes and cremated remains will report.

S4W-14296 Kezia Dugdale: To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4T-00311 by Michael Matheson on 16 April 2013 (*Official Report*, c.18528), whether it will invite Dame Elish Angiolini to participate in the independent commission to examine the policies and practices that are in place for handling ashes and cremated remains and, if so, what role it will ask her to take.

S4W-14297 Dennis Robertson: To ask the Scottish Government what funding is available to community transport organisations serving rural areas.

S4W-14298 Dennis Robertson: To ask the Scottish Government what funding has been provided in each year since 2008 to support community transport organisations serving rural areas.

S4W-14299 Dennis Robertson: To ask the Scottish Government which NHS boards fund community transport organisations to deliver non-emergency patient transport; what funding it has provided in this regard, and how many passenger journeys have taken place in each year since 2008.

S4W-14300Δ Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government what its decision is regarding the recommendations made in the Scottish Court Services recent paper, *Shaping Scotland's Court Services*.

S4W-14301 Hugh Henry: To ask the Scottish Government what the timescale is for ministers to respond to letters from MSPs.

S4W-14302 Richard Lyle: To ask the Scottish Government whether there is a legal impediment to North Lanarkshire Council re-establishing a direct labour organisation and, if so, whether the Scottish Government can remove it and would do so if requested.

S4W-14303 Patrick Harvie: To ask the Scottish Government what update it can provide on the review of vitamin D by the (a) Scientific Advisory Committee on Nutrition and (b) National Institute for Health and Care Excellence.

S4W-14304 Patrick Harvie: To ask the Scottish Government what representations it has made to the (a) Scientific Advisory Committee on Nutrition and (b) National Institute for Health and Care Excellence to ensure that the relevance of Scotland's high latitude is considered in the review of vitamin D.

S4W-14305 Patrick Harvie: To ask the Scottish Government whether a cost-benefit analysis of interventions to reduce vitamin D deficiency in the population will form part of the review by the Scientific Advisory Committee on Nutrition.

S4W-14306 Richard Baker: To ask the Scottish Government what the value was of contracts awarded through Public Contracts Scotland to (a) Scotland-based and (b) international small or medium-sized companies in (i) 2010, (ii) 2011 and (iii) 2012.

S4W-14307 Richard Baker: To ask the Scottish Government how many contracts were awarded to Scotland-based small or medium-sized companies through Public Contracts Scotland in (a) 2010, (b) 2011 and (c) 2012, also broken down by (i) micro-, (ii) small and (iii) medium-sized companies and expressed as a percentage of the total number.

S4W-14308 Richard Baker: To ask the Scottish Government how many and what percentage of the suppliers awarded contracts through Public Contracts Scotland in 2012 were Scottish owned.

S4W-14309 Richard Baker: To ask the Scottish Government how many and what percentage of contracts were awarded to supported businesses through Public Contracts Scotland in (a) 2010, (b) 2011 and (c) 2012.

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Section F – Motions and Amendments

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

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

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

Motions and amendments can be published with various symbols:

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

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

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

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

New and altered motions and amendments

***S4M-06262 Margaret Mitchell: Celebrating the 150th Anniversary of Uddingston Bowling and Tennis Club**—That the Parliament congratulates Uddingston Bowling and Tennis Club on its 150th anniversary, which was marked at an open day at the club on 13 April 2013, the first day of this year's season; understands that the bowling club was formed in August 1863 with a 10 guineas grant from John Poynter of Clydeneuk, a sweet manufacturer, with the tennis section added later in 1878; recognises that the club has a double bowling green and four all-weather tennis courts, which were upgraded in 2003; notes that the club provides bowling competitions for ladies, gentlemen and seniors as well as competitive tennis for ladies and gentlemen and tennis coaching for juniors; considers that the club has an excellent social calendar and, as such, is an important part of the local Uddingston community, and wishes the club all the best for its 150th season.

Supported by: Jamie McGrigor*, Annabelle Ewing*, Alex Johnstone*, Nanette Milne*, Bill Kidd*, Liz Smith*, John Lamont*, Kenneth Gibson*, Patricia Ferguson*

***S4M-06261 John Pentland: Congratulations to Lauren King**—That the Parliament congratulates Lauren King, MSYP for Motherwell and Wishaw, on being nominated for the Unsung Hero award at the *Sunday Mail* Young Scot Awards 2013; notes that this award aims to recognise young people who have either overcome difficult circumstances, risen to a challenge, gone "an extra mile" to help others or achieved something in the face of adversity; notes that the awards ceremony will take place on 19 April 2013 at the Clyde Auditorium, following a dinner at the Glasgow Crowne Plaza Hotel; understands that Lauren has also been presented with other awards, including the Saltire Award and the Summit Award, for completing 850 hours of volunteering; applauds Lauren's commitment to both her family and community along with her efforts to champion the rights of others; congratulates Lauren on her recent re-election to, and role at, the Scottish Youth Parliament, and wishes her the very best of luck at the awards and in her future endeavours.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Annabelle Ewing*, Graeme Pearson*, Jackie Baillie*, Iain Gray*

***S4M-06260 Sandra White: Making it Work (Glasgow) Supporting Vulnerable Lone Parents into Work**—That the Parliament congratulates Glasgow's Regeneration Agency on receiving a grant of £1,999,803 for its Making it Work (Glasgow) project from Supporting 21st Century Life; understands that this investment will support vulnerable lone parents to move closer to or into employment and that the project has been developed in partnership with Rosemount Learning, Wise Group, One Parent Families Scotland, Scottish Childminding Association, Jobcentre Plus and Glasgow City Council; understands that beneficiaries will access an eight-stage delivery model that will support an integrated pathway of progression and that challenges such as substance abuse, mental health issues or coping with a disability will be addressed through a bespoke action plan; welcomes news that interventions will include pre-engagement support, employability skills development, job matching, into work and in-work aftercare as well as in-work progression; wishes

the project every success, and believes that this investment will have a major impact on tackling the issues faced by vulnerable lone parents seeking employment.

***S4M-06259 Sandra White: The Terrence Higgins Trust Supporting Families with HIV—**That the Parliament congratulates the Terrence Higgins Trust on receiving a grant of £792,587 for its Confident Families project from Supporting 21st Century Life; understands that the aims of this project are to support families affected by HIV across central Scotland to better cope with their situations and reduce social, emotional and financial exclusion; notes that, with four years' funding, the organisation will provide one-to-one advice and solution-focused sessions as well as a range of family-focused events, activities and seminars, which aim to better educate all members of the families affected; welcomes that individuals will be supported in taking the often difficult step of disclosing their HIV diagnosis to their families, given help to tackle individual problems as well as guidance on accessing appropriate benefits, education, training and employment opportunities, and that families will be provided with respite from their caring responsibilities, and wishes the Terrence Higgins Trust every continued success in its work with all those affected by HIV.

Supported by: Dennis Robertson*, Annabelle Ewing*, Patricia Ferguson*, Jackie Baillie*, Chic Brodie*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Kidd*, John Wilson*, Stuart McMillan*, Rob Gibson*, Hugh Henry*, Richard Lyle*, Joan McAlpine*, Adam Ingram*, Iain Gray*

***S4M-06258 Mark McDonald: Dundee's Bid for the National Performance Centre for Sport—**That the Parliament welcomes the shortlisting of Dundee City Council's bid for the city to be the location for the proposed National Performance Centre for Sport; notes that the bid brings together a wide range of partners, including NHS Tayside and Leisure and Culture Dundee and the city's universities, colleges and football clubs; believes that it focuses on the development of a new centre at Camperdown Country Park that, in addition to office and hotel space, will provide facilities for a wide range of indoor and outdoor sports; understands that this multi-sports centre is due to open in 2016 and receive funding of £25 million from the Scottish Government's Young Scots fund; considers that this will fulfil an SNP manifesto pledge to build on the legacy of the upcoming 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow in order to develop a healthier Scotland; believes that the centre could showcase the best of Scotland's sporting talent; commends Dundee, Stirling and Heriot-Watt University; wishes the Dundee bid the very best of luck, and hopes that 2016 will see the opening of the facility in Dundee.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Joan McAlpine*, Richard Lyle*, Chic Brodie*, Adam Ingram*, Colin Beattie*, Rob Gibson*

***S4M-06257 Tavish Scott: Shetland News Website Shortlisted for UK Award—**That the Parliament congratulates Shetland's local website, *Shetland News*, on being shortlisted in the UK-wide regional press awards run by the Society of Editors; notes that the small team was up against major regional titles serving large urban populations with up to two million users a month for the title, Website of the Year; acknowledges that the achievement comes after winning the best digital media award at the Highlands and Islands Media Awards in February 2013; wishes the *Shetland News* staff, the journalists, Pete Bevington and Hans J Marter, supported

by the webmaster, Clement Duncan, advertising director, Chloe Mackie, and administration assistant, Susan Boardman, the best of luck as they face competition in the form of *Cambridge News*, *Wales Online*, *Liverpool Post and Echo* and *Manchester Evening News*, and hopes that the Shetland delegation enjoy themselves at the Savoy Place awards ceremony in London on 17 May 2013.

Supported by: Mary Scanlon*, Jackie Baillie*, Jean Urquhart*, Annabelle Ewing*, Liam McArthur*, Jamie McGrigor*, Gil Paterson*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Walker*, Colin Beattie*, John Wilson*

***S4M-06256 Tavish Scott: Shetland's Enviroglass Funding Allows Increased Capacity**—That the Parliament congratulates the Shetland-based recycling project, Enviroglass; understands that, thanks to £70,000 in grants from Highlands and Islands Enterprise and the Leader programme, the project, which is operated by the Shetland Amenity Trust, is planning to increase its capacity by 500% and reduce its unit costs by 60%; notes that Enviroglass is the only glass recycling service in Shetland and processes up to 600 tonnes of glass per year; understands that the business has developed a range of high-quality products with valuable sales coming from recycled precast products known as glasscrete; believes that the company will use this funding to help develop new implosion technologies and install a semi-automated production line to increase the efficiency of both aggregate and precast production; considers that Enviroglass provides a local solution for Shetland's waste glass, generates jobs and removes the financial and carbon costs of shipping waste to the mainland for recycling; understands that it produces 80%-recycled glasscast products for building and landscape design projects, and wishes the project every success.

Supported by: Mary Scanlon*, Jean Urquhart*, Annabelle Ewing*, Rob Gibson*, Kenneth Gibson*, Jamie McGrigor*, Hugh Henry*, Richard Lyle*, Colin Beattie*

***S4M-06255 Roderick Campbell: Scottish Fisheries Museum to Receive a Share of National Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates the Scottish Fisheries Museum in Anstruther on receiving a share of £500,000 of national funding from the Museums Galleries Scotland Capital Fund; understands that this money will be used to fund improvements; notes that the museum's aim is to excite informed interest among people of all ages, in Scotland and beyond, in the development of Scotland's commercial fishing industry, and wishes all at the museum the best of luck for the future.

Supported by: Dennis Robertson*, Annabelle Ewing*, Joan McAlpine*, Chic Brodie*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Anne McTaggart*, Bob Doris*, Rob Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Gil Paterson*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Walker*

***S4M-06254 David Torrance: Fife Gingerbread Receives £1,250,000 Grant**—That the Parliament congratulates Fife Gingerbread on receiving a £1,250,000 grant from the Big Lottery Fund; understands that Fife Gingerbread will use these funds to lead a partnership of other local and national organisations concerned with providing support to vulnerable single parents; commends Fife Gingerbread for providing volunteering opportunities and counselling services to single parents as well as assisting them in looking for employment; understands that Fife Gingerbread will help

develop tailored plans of action to achieve success for each individual, and considers that these services will help strengthen families and help secure better futures for children throughout Fife.

Supported by: Roderick Campbell*, Joan McAlpine*, Stuart McMillan*, Annabelle Ewing*, Chic Brodie*, Mike MacKenzie*, Anne McTaggart*, Kevin Stewart*, Dennis Robertson*, Bill Kidd*, Rob Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Bob Doris*, Kenneth Gibson*, Gil Paterson*, Colin Beattie*

***S4M-06253 Kevin Stewart: World Whisky Day 2013**—That the Parliament notes that the 2013 World Whisky Day will take place on 18 May 2013; congratulates the University of Aberdeen student, Blair Bowman, on his efforts in promoting whisky to the world; understands that World Whisky Day will play a part in Homecoming 2014 and that it will be celebrated on the third Saturday in May from now on, and hopes that the people of Scotland and around the world will raise a glass of whisky on the day designed to celebrate Scotland's national drink.

Supported by: Dennis Robertson*, John Finnie*, Jackie Baillie*, Angus MacDonald*, Nanette Milne*, Liz Smith*, Stewart Stevenson*, Stuart McMillan*, David Stewart*, Joan McAlpine*, Tavish Scott*, Annabelle Ewing*, Mary Scanlon*, Gil Paterson*, Richard Lyle*, Gordon MacDonald*, Colin Beattie*, Jamie McGrigor*

***S4M-06252 Kevin Stewart: Health, Access and HIV**—That the Parliament notes with concern the report, *Young Men who have sex with men: Health, Access & HIV*, from the Global Forum on MSM & HIV; recognises the recommendations in the report that address housing stability, economic dependence, comprehensive HIV prevention tailored to young men, improvement in treatment and care for young men living with HIV and addressing the barriers that impact access to HIV services; understands that the statistics show that young gay and bisexual men are accessing HIV services less than older gay and bisexual men; recognises the work that the voluntary sector does, including Gay Men's Health in the Grampian region, to promote safer sex and HIV prevention to young people, and supports the continued collaboration between NHS boards and the third sector to deliver positive outcomes.

Supported by: Dennis Robertson*, Annabelle Ewing*, Anne McTaggart*, Joan McAlpine*, Jackie Baillie*, Chic Brodie*, Patrick Harvie*, John Finnie*, Rob Gibson*, Bob Doris*, Mike MacKenzie*, Liam McArthur*, Gil Paterson*, Colin Beattie*, John Wilson*

***S4M-06251 Kevin Stewart: Marks and Spencer's Big Beach Clean-up**—That the Parliament welcomes Marks and Spencer's (M&S) Big Beach Clean-up 2013, part of its eco-ethical initiative, Plan A; notes that M&S Aberdeen's staff will join customers and local volunteers, including schoolchildren and the media, to clean up Aberdeen city beach on 26 April 2013; hopes that all Big Beach Clean-up events are a success, and thanks everyone who will be helping out.

Supported by: Anne McTaggart*, Chic Brodie*, Stewart Stevenson*, Margaret McCulloch*, Annabelle Ewing*, Dennis Robertson*, Joan McAlpine*, Nanette Milne*, Rob Gibson*, Maureen Watt*, Bob Doris*, Richard Lyle*, Mike MacKenzie*, Gil Paterson*, Colin Beattie*, Bill Walker*

***S4M-06250 Fiona McLeod: World Heritage Day and the Historical Importance of the Antonine Wall**—That the Parliament welcomes World Heritage Day on 18 April 2013 and the public awareness, protection and conservation for future generations that it promotes; considers that being ascribed as a UNESCO world heritage site is recognition of something of truly global significance, and notes the historical importance of the Antonine Wall, which runs through Strathkelvin and Bearsden as part of the Frontiers of the Roman Empire World Heritage Site.

Supported by: Nigel Don*, Dennis Robertson*

***S4M-06249 Jamie Hepburn: Cumbernauld Action Care for the Elderly Inspires Theatre Production**—That the Parliament notes that Cumbernauld Theatre, in co-production with Tricky Hat Productions, is hosting a theatre performance of *Unusual Places to Dance* on 27 April 2013 at the theatre; notes that the production is directly inspired by the stories of local people connected to Cumbernauld Action Care for the Elderly (CACE) and looks at issues facing people over 60 today; notes that the production will centre around the answers and stories provided by local older people to questions such as how does intimacy change as people age and what it is like to grow older in Scotland, which will be expressed through the use of drama, dance, digital art and music; wishes all at Cumbernauld Theatre and CACE the very best for the forthcoming production, and recognises the dedication of all involved.

Supported by: Nigel Don*, Dennis Robertson*, Jackie Baillie*, Margaret McCulloch*, Annabelle Ewing*, Joan McAlpine*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Kevin Stewart*, Anne McTaggart*, Bob Doris*, Rob Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Kenneth Gibson*, Gil Paterson*, Margaret Mitchell*, Colin Beattie*

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S4M-06248 Moray's Young Citizen of the Year (lodged on 16 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Kenneth Gibson*, Jim Eadie*, Richard Lyle*, Nigel Don*, Jamie Hepburn*, Adam Ingram*, Dennis Robertson*, John Finnie*, Gil Paterson*

S4M-06247 Laughs and Landscapes Archive (lodged on 16 April 2013) Nigel Don*, Annabelle Ewing*, Joan McAlpine*, Chic Brodie*, Jamie Hepburn*, Stuart McMillan*, Hanzala Malik*, Mike MacKenzie*, Anne McTaggart*, Dennis Robertson*, Jim Hume*, Richard Lyle*, Bill Kidd*, Bob Doris*, Rob Gibson*, Kenneth Gibson*, Gil Paterson*, Colin Beattie*

S4M-06246 Scottish Affairs Committee's Report on Blacklisting in Employment (lodged on 16 April 2013) John Pentland*, Elaine Murray*, Kezia Dugdale*, Christina McKelvie*, Drew Smith*, Jamie Hepburn*, John Finnie*, Margaret McDougall*, Gil Paterson*, Sarah Boyack*

S4M-06245 Review of Specialist Heart Failure Nurse Services (lodged on 16 April 2013) Kenneth Gibson*, Rob Gibson*, Colin Beattie*, Jackie Baillie*, Jim Eadie*, Nigel Don*, Jamie Hepburn*, Dennis Robertson*, John Finnie*, Jim Hume*, Jackson Carlaw*, Gil Paterson*, Liam McArthur*

S4M-06242 Commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising (lodged on 16 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Bob Doris*, Jim Eadie*, Jamie Hepburn*, Jean Urquhart*, Gil Paterson*, Bill Kidd*

S4M-06241 Scottish Youth Parliament Elections, Kirkcaldy (lodged on 16 April 2013) Gordon MacDonald*, Annabelle Ewing*, Nigel Don*, Joan McAlpine*, Chic Brodie*, Jamie Hepburn*, Stuart McMillan*, Mike MacKenzie*, Adam Ingram*, Kevin Stewart*, Rob Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, Graeme Dey*, Bob Doris*, Gil Paterson*, Colin Beattie*

S4M-06239 Tomintoul Church Awarded Grant (lodged on 16 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Jim Eadie*, Nigel Don*, Jamie Hepburn*, Mary Scanlon*, Bob Doris*, Jean Urquhart*, Gil Paterson*

S4M-06236 Business Motion (lodged on 16 April 2013) Mary Scanlon*

S4M-06234 Venezuelan Presidential Elections (lodged on 15 April 2013) Jean Urquhart*, Gil Paterson*

S4M-06232 Autism One Stop Shop in Inverness (lodged on 15 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Jean Urquhart*

S4M-06231 Funding Success for Dumbarton Road Corridor Environment Trust (lodged on 15 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06230 GM Animal Feed (lodged on 15 April 2013) Jean Urquhart*

S4M-06229 Five More Years for Enterprising Bathgate (lodged on 15 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06228 Cumbernauld Bowling Club 150th Anniversary (lodged on 15 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Bob Doris*, Gil Paterson*

S4M-06227 Julie McElroy Plays Lawn Bowls (lodged on 15 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Jean Urquhart*

S4M-06226 Dumfries Ice Bowl to Host World Curling Championships (lodged on 15 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Kevin Stewart*

S4M-06224 Autism Care Service Partnership in Orkney (lodged on 12 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06223 Isle of Whithorn's Big Lottery Fund Success (lodged on 12 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Annabel Goldie*

S4M-06222 Dumfries Ice Bowl to Host Major Curling Championships (lodged on 12 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Annabel Goldie*

S4M-06221 Harlaw Hydro, a Social Investment Project (lodged on 12 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06220 Highland Youth Convener (lodged on 12 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06219 Congratulating Kinghorn Historical Society on its 30th Anniversary (lodged on 11 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06218 First Patients Arrive at the William Quarrier Scottish Epilepsy Centre (lodged on 11 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06217 ScotRail Enjoys Record Year (lodged on 11 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06216 Happy House, Oban (lodged on 11 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06215 Welfare Reforms to Hurt Scotland's Economy (lodged on 11 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06213 Restoration Fife Receives £10,000 Award (lodged on 11 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06212 Congratulating Haemophilia Scotland (lodged on 11 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Jayne Baxter*, Jackie Baillie*, Rob Gibson*, Iain Gray*, Hugh Henry*, Stewart Stevenson*, Stuart McMillan*, John Wilson*, Claire Baker*, Kenneth Gibson*, Mary Scanlon*, Margaret Mitchell*, Roderick Campbell*, Willie Rennie*, Clare Adamson*

S4M-06211 Money for Life Challenge, Upcycle Orkney (lodged on 11 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06210 Prostate Cancer UK's A Quality Checklist (lodged on 11 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06207 Upgrade to National Cycle Network in Whiteinch (lodged on 10 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06206 Congratulating Fife Council Local and Community Services on Grant Award (lodged on 10 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06205 Walking Institute Launch (lodged on 10 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06204 Former HBOS Chief Calls for Knighthood to be Returned (lodged on 10 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06203 End Discrimination of Minorities in Myanmar (lodged on 10 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06200 Inverness Marina (lodged on 09 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06199 Congratulations to Ryan Mania on a Historic Grand National Victory (lodged on 09 April 2013) Maureen Watt*

S4M-06198 Queen of the South Worthy Winners of the Ramsdens Cup (lodged on 09 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06197 Against the Odds (lodged on 09 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06196.1 Cernach Housing Association Invests in Drumchapel (lodged on 09 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06196 Cernach Housing Association Invests in Drumchapel (lodged on 09 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06195 Congratulations to John and Billy Grant on 100 Years of Service (lodged on 08 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06193 Reopening of the Birks Cinema, Aberfeldy (lodged on 08 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*, Annabel Goldie*

S4M-06192 Ayrshire Bharitya Association (lodged on 08 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06191 Congratulations to Martin Laird on his Texas Open Victory (lodged on 08 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06190 A National Tree (lodged on 10 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Gil Paterson*

S4M-06189 Glasgow 2015 European Green Capital Finalist (lodged on 08 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06188 NHS Lanarkshire's Dementia Café Tops Poll (lodged on 08 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06187 Young Arbroath Chef Scoops Top Awards (lodged on 05 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06185 Congratulations to Westhill Primary School and Aboyne Highland Games (lodged on 05 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06184 Ignition Community Theatre Project in Shetland (lodged on 05 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06183 £5,000 Funding for Pitreavie Amateur Athletics Club (lodged on 05 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06182 Cumbernauld RFC Hosts First Ever Match on 3G Pitch (lodged on 04 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06181 Supporting the Changing Places Campaign (lodged on 04 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06179 The Need to Work Harder to Support Democracy (lodged on 04 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06178 Scottish Young Consumer of the Year 2013 (lodged on 04 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06177 Edzell Library Action Group (lodged on 04 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06175 Simply the Best for 50 Years (lodged on 04 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06174 Congratulating the Toll Centre on its £7,349 Awards for All Grant (lodged on 04 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06173 Unite Against Fascism Scotland Conference (lodged on 04 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06172 Dumbarton Road Corridor Environment Trust (lodged on 04 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06171 See Me Campaign Returns (lodged on 03 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06170 Pride of Place (lodged on 03 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06169 Ratification of Test-ban Treaty a Top Priority for President Obama (lodged on 03 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06168 Diageo and Independent Distillers Huge New Investments (lodged on 03 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06166 30 Years of East Kilbride Community Transport (lodged on 03 April 2013) Colin Beattie*

S4M-06152 Kilbirnie Salvation Army Worship Hall (lodged on 02 April 2013) Annabel Goldie*

S4M-06150 Halo to New-look flats in Maryhill (lodged on 02 April 2013) Colin Beattie*, Maureen Watt*

S4M-06139 University Marine Biological Station Millport (lodged on 28 March 2013) Annabel Goldie*

S4M-05976 MS Week 2013 (lodged on 18 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05963 PCS Industrial Action, 20 March 2013 (lodged on 14 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05957 Community-based Housing Associations, Building the Community (lodged on 13 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05953 International Purple Day, Helping People to Understand Epilepsy (lodged on 13 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05950 Neurological Alliance of Scotland Brain Awareness Week (lodged on 13 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05945 Celebration of Donald Dewar Centre's 10th Anniversary (lodged on 13 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05944 Challenging Negative Racial and Religious Stereotypes (lodged on 13 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05942 Orkney College Tour de UHI (lodged on 13 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05940 The UK's First Difgen Turbine by Scottish Water (lodged on 13 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05935 Several Shetland Finalists in Young Scot Awards 2013 (lodged on 12 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05930 Workers' Memorial Day 2013 (lodged on 12 March 2013) Richard Simpson*, Lewis Macdonald*, Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05928 CAB Orkney's HOPE Campaign (lodged on 12 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05919 Burradale Windfarm in Shetland Reaches its 10th Anniversary (lodged on 12 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05906 Shetland Watched by Millions (lodged on 12 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05902 Maid of the Loch Celebrates 60 Years (lodged on 11 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*

S4M-05894 Atrial Fibrillation and Stroke Prevention (lodged on 11 March 2013) Rhoda Grant*



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Section G – Bills

New Bills introduced or reprinted on 17 April 2013

Children and Young People (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision about the rights of children and young people; to make provision about investigations by the Commissioner for Children and Young People in Scotland; to make provision for and about the provision of services and support for or in relation to children and young people; to make provision for an adoption register; to make provision about children's hearings, detention in secure accommodation and consultation on certain proposals in relation to schools; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 27) (Government Bill)

Introduced by: Alex Neil

Supported by: Aileen Campbell

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 27-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 27-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

Landfill Tax (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision about the taxation of disposals to landfill. (SP Bill 28) (Government Bill)

Introduced by: John Swinney

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 28-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 28-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

Proposals for Members' Bills

A member seeking to introduce a Member's Bill must first lodge a draft proposal, together with a consultation document (or a statement of reasons why consultation is not considered necessary). Subsequently, the member may lodge a final proposal, in broadly similar terms to the draft, accompanied by a summary of consultation responses (or the statement of reasons). The member secures the right to introduce a Bill to give effect to the proposal if the final proposal secures, within one month, the support of at least 18 other members from at least half the political parties or groups represented in the Parliamentary Bureau, and provided no indication is given that the Scottish Government or UK Government is planning equivalent legislation.

All current proposals (together with associated documents) are available on the Scottish Parliament website at:

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/12419.aspx>

Current Final Proposals

Names marked with an asterisk (*) are new names of support. Where a proposal has secured the necessary level of cross-party support, the supporters' names are shown in bold.

Michael McMahon: Proposed Reform of Criminal Verdicts (Scotland) Bill— Proposal for a Bill to replace the current system of three verdicts in criminal trials with two, and to increase the majority required for conviction (lodged 15 April 2013).

The proposal was accompanied by a summary of consultation responses, which may be viewed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICe) or on the website page referred to above. Individual responses may also be viewed in SPICe.

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Section H – New Documents

Subordinate Legislation

Laid only instruments

The following instrument was laid before the Parliament on 17 April 2013 and is not subject to any Parliamentary procedure—

Scottish Civil Justice Council and Criminal Legal Assistance Act 2013
(Commencement No. 1, Transitional and Transitory Provisions) Order 2013
(SSI 2013/124 (C.9))

laid under section 30(2) of the Interpretation and Legislative Reform
(Scotland) Act 2010

Committee Reports

The following report was published on 17 April 2013—

Subordinate Legislation Committee, 24th report 2013 (Session 4): Subordinate
Legislation (SP Paper 308)

The following reports are being published on 18 April 2013—

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee, 2nd Report,
2013 (Session 4): Implementing Scottish Law Commission reports (SP Paper
307)

Welfare Reform Committee, 3rd Report, 2013 (Session 4): Subordinate
legislation (SP Paper 309)

For further information on accessing committee report, please contact the relevant clerk or webpage (see end of Bulletin for contact details or access general committee webpage)

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Section J – Progress of Legislation

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

Bills in Progress

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

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

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

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. 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 three sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Thursday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is four days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for Stage 2, when the deadline is 12 noon.

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

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

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

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

Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Bill (G)	
Stage 2 completed	27 March
<i>Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (Legislation_Team@scottish.parliament.uk)</i>	
Children and Young People (Scotland) Bill (G)	
Introduced	17 April
Forth Road Bridge Bill (G)	
Stage 2 (Infrastructure and Capital Investment Committee)	1 May
<i>All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 26 April with the clerks in the Legislation Team (Legislation_Team@scottish.parliament.uk)</i>	
High Hedges (Scotland) Bill (M)	
Passed	28 March
Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Scotland) Bill (G)	
Stage 1 Report published (lead committee (Finance))	27 March
Landfill Tax (Scotland) Bill (G)	
Introduced	17 April
The National Trust for Scotland (Governance etc.) Bill (P)	
Preliminary Stage Report published (National Trust for Scotland (Governance etc) Bill Committee)	28 March
Post-16 Education (Scotland) Bill (G)	
Stage 1 completed	27 March
<i>Stage 2 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (Legislation_Team@scottish.parliament.uk)</i>	
Regulatory Reform (Scotland) Bill (G)	
Introduced	27 March
Scottish Independence Referendum Bill (G)	
Stage 1 (lead committee (Referendum (Scotland) Bill))	28 March
Scottish Independence Referendum (Franchise) Bill	
Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Referendum (Scotland) Bill))	18 April
Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Bill (G)	
Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice))	16 April
Stage 1 (evidence, Health and Sport Committee)	16 April

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

Affirmative instruments

Lead committee to report by 23 April 2013

Local Government Finance (Scotland) Amendment Order 2013 [draft] (27 February 2013) **(Parliament)**

Welfare Reform (Consequential Amendments) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2013 [draft] (27 February 2013) **(Welfare Reform)**

Lead committee to report by 24 April 2013

CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme Order 2013 [draft] (28 February 2013)
(Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment)

Lead committee to report by 24 May 2013

Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (Review of Contact Directions and Definition of Relevant Person) Order 2013 [draft] (15 April 2013) **(Education and Culture)**

Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011 (Rules of Procedure in Children's Hearings) Rules 2013 [draft] (15 April 2013) **(Education and Culture)**

Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 Modification Order 2013 [draft] (15 April 2013) **(Education and Culture)**

Negative Instruments

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

Subject to annulment by 21 April 2013

Lead committee to report by 15 April 2013

Fees in the Registers of Scotland (Consequential Provisions) Amendment Order 2013 (SSI 2013/59) (25 February 2013) **(Economy, Energy and Tourism)**

Police Service of Scotland (Conduct) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/60) (25 February 2013) **(Justice)**

Police Service of Scotland (Performance) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/61) (25 February 2013) **(Justice)**

Police Service of Scotland (Senior Officers) (Conduct) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/62) (25 February 2013) **(Justice)**

Police Appeals Tribunals (Scotland) Rules 2013 (SSI 2013/63) (25 February 2013) **(Justice)**

Education (School Lunches) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/64) (25 February 2013) **(Welfare Reform)**

Welfare Reform (Consequential Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/65) (25 February 2013) **(Welfare Reform)**

Subject to annulment by 24 April 2013

Lead committee to report by 22 April 2013

Road Traffic (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (East Renfrewshire Council) Designation Order 2013 (SSI 2013/67) (28 February 2013) **(Infrastructure and Capital Investment)**

Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (East Renfrewshire Council) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/68) (28 February 2013) **(Infrastructure and Capital Investment)**

Parking Attendants (Wearing of Uniforms) (East Renfrewshire Council Parking Area) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/69) (28 February 2013) **(Infrastructure and Capital Investment)**

National Health Service (Superannuation Scheme and Pension Scheme) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/70) (28 February 2013) **(Health and Sport)**

Teachers' Superannuation (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/71) (28 February 2013) **(Education and Culture)**

Scottish Police Authority (Provision of Goods and Services) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/73) (28 February 2013) **(Justice)**

Financial Assistance for Environmental Purposes (Scotland) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/74) (28 February 2013) **(Rural Affairs, Climate Change and Environment)**

Individual Learning Account (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/75) (28 February 2013) **(Education and Culture)**

Police Service of Scotland (Temporary Service) Regulations 2013
(SSI 2013/76) (28 February 2013) (**Justice**)

Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Scotland) Regulations 2013
(SSI 2013/77) (28 February 2013) (**Economy, Energy and Tourism**)

Non-Domestic Rates (Enterprise Areas) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations
2013 (SSI 2013/78) (28 February 2013) (**Local Government and
Regeneration**)

Public Transport Users' Committee for Scotland (Removal of Functions) Order
2013 (SSI 2013/79) (28 February 2013) (**Infrastructure and Capital
Investment**)

Education (Fees, Awards and Student Support) (Miscellaneous Amendments)
(Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/80) (28 February 2013) (**Education
and Culture**)

Food (Miscellaneous Amendment and Revocation) (Scotland) Regulations
2013 (SSI 2013/83) (28 February 2013) (**Health and Sport**)

Food Safety (Sampling and Qualifications) (Scotland) Regulations 2013
(SSI 2013/84) (28 February 2013) (**Health and Sport**)

Sale of Tobacco (Display of Tobacco Products and Prices etc.) (Scotland)
Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/85) (28 February 2013) (**Health and Sport**)

Police Federation (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/86) (28 February
2013) (**Justice**)

Council Tax (Information-sharing in relation to Council Tax Reduction)
(Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/87) (28 February 2013) (**Welfare
Reform**)

Subject to annulment by 30 April 2013
Lead committee to report by 22 April 2013

Police Pensions (Contributions) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2013
(SSI 2013/89) (6 March 2013) (**Justice**)

Tenant Information Packs (Assured Tenancies) (Scotland) Amendment Order
2013 (SSI 2013/90) (6 March 2013) (**Infrastructure and Capital Investment**)

Subject to annulment by 5 May 2013
Lead committee to report by 29 April 2013

Criminal Legal Aid (Fixed Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2013
(SSI 2013/92) (11 March 2013) (**Justice**)

Subject to annulment by 8 May 2013

Lead committee to report by 6 May 2013

Road Traffic (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (Fife Council) Designation Order 2013 (SSI 2013/93) (*14 March 2013*) **(Infrastructure and Capital Investment)**

Parking Attendants (Wearing of Uniforms) (Fife Council Parking Area) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/94) (*14 March 2013*) **(Infrastructure and Capital Investment)**

Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (Fife Council) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/95) (*14 March 2013*) **(Infrastructure and Capital Investment)**

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (Framework and Appointed Day for Strategic Plan) Order 2013 (SSI 2013/97) (*14 March 2013*) **(Justice)**

Subject to annulment by 9 May 2013

Lead committee to report by 6 May 2013

National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/96) (*15 March 2013*) **(Health and Sport)**

Subject to annulment by 12 May 2013

Lead committee to report by 6 May 2013

Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Rural Housing Bodies) Amendment Order 2013 (SSI 2013/100) (*18 March 2013*) **(Justice)**

Subject to annulment by 21 May 2013

Lead committee to report by 13 May 2013

National Health Service Superannuation Scheme etc. (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (SSI 2013/109) (*27 March 2013*) **(Health and Sport)**

Subject to annulment by 22 May 2013

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