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Summary of Today's Business

Meetings of Committees

10.15 am	Justice Committee	the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)
12.30 pm	Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee	the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

Meeting of the Parliament

2.00 pm	Time for Reflection – Mr Jamie Stuart, Elder, High Carntyne Parish Church and author of 'The Glasgow Gospel' and 'A Glasgow Bible'
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Topical Questions
followed by	Scottish Government Debate: Winter Festivals
followed by	Scottish Government Debate: Mental Health
followed by	Business Motions
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business – S4M-11849 Alex Johnstone: New Psychoactive Substances Needs Assessment for Tayside, 2014 Report

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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.

Justice Committee 1st Meeting, 2015

The Committee will meet at 10.15 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 7, 8 and 9 in private.
2. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2015 [draft] from—
Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs, Denise Swanson, Head of Access to Justice Unit, and Alastair Smith, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.
3. **Subordinate legislation:** Paul Wheelhouse (Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs) to move—
S4M-11913—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2015 [draft] be approved.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the—
Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Covert Surveillance and Property Interference – Code of Practice) (Scotland) Order 2015 [draft];
Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Modification of Authorisation Provisions: Legal Consultations) (Scotland) Order 2015 [draft];
Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Covert Human Intelligence Sources – Code of Practice) (Scotland) Order 2015 [draft];
from—
Paul Wheelhouse, Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs, Graeme Waugh, Investigatory Powers Team, Police Division, and Kevin Gibson, Directorate for Legal Services, Scottish Government.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** Paul Wheelhouse (Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs) to move—
S4M-11910—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Covert Surveillance and Property Interference – Code of Practice) (Scotland) Order 2015 [draft] be approved;

S4M-11915—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Modification of Authorisation Provisions: Legal Consultations) (Scotland) Order 2015 [draft] be approved;

S4M-11916—That the Justice Committee recommends that the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Covert Human Intelligence Sources – Code of Practice) (Scotland) Order 2015 [draft] be approved.

6. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—
 - Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Authorisation of Covert Human Intelligence Sources) (Scotland) Order 2014 (SSI 2014/339);
 - Mutual Recognition of Criminal Financial Penalties in the European Union (Scotland) (No. 2) Order 2014 (SSI 2014/336);
 - Mutual Recognition of Supervision Measures in the European Union (Scotland) Regulations 2014 (SSI 2014/337).
7. **Modern Slavery Bill (UK Parliament legislation):** The Committee will consider a draft report on the legislative consent memorandum (LCM(S4) 35.1).
8. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will consider a draft report on the Public Services Reform (Inspection and Monitoring of Prisons) (Scotland) Order 2014 [draft].
9. **Assisted Suicide (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will further consider a draft report to the Health and Sport Committee.

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee 1st Meeting, 2015

The Committee will meet at 12.30 pm in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Instruments subject to negative procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
 - [Conservation of Salmon \(Annual Close Time and Catch and Release\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2014 \(SSI 2014/357\);](#)
 - [Freedom of Information \(Scotland\) Act 2002 \(Scottish Public Authorities\) Amendment Order 2014 \(SSI 2014/354\);](#)
 - [Victims and Witnesses \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Prescribed Relatives\) Order 2014 \(SSI 2014/360\).](#)
2. **Instruments not subject to any parliamentary procedure:** The Committee will consider the following—
 - [Children and Young People \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Commencement No. 5 and Saving Provision\) Order 2014 \(SSI 2014/353 \(C.31\)\);](#)
 - [Glasgow Commonwealth Games Act 2008 \(Repeal Day\) Order 2014 \(SSI 2014/356\);](#)
 - [Children and Young People \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(Commencement No. 6\) Order 2014 \(SSI 2014/365 \(C.33\)\).](#)

Meeting of the Parliament

2.00 pm Time for Reflection – Mr Jamie Stuart, Elder, High Carntyne Parish Church and author of ‘The Glasgow Gospel’ and ‘A Glasgow Bible’

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions

1. Jenny Marra: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how the NHS is dealing with Ebola. (S4T-00884)

2. Sandra White: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on events following the bin lorry crash in George Square on 22 December 2014. (S4T-00885)

3. Liam McArthur: To ask the Scottish Government what involvement it will have in the investigation into the sinking of the cargo vessel, Cemfjord, in the Pentland Firth. (S4T-00880)

4. John Mason: To ask the Scottish Government what contact it has had with the administrators of City Link Limited. (S4T-00883)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Winter Festivals

S4M-11976 Fiona Hyslop: Winter Festivals—That the Parliament notes the contribution that Scotland’s Winter Festival programme makes in promoting Scotland both nationally and internationally as a world-class cultural tourism destination and the perfect stage for events all year round; acknowledges that the programme of St Andrew’s Day, Christmas, Hogmanay and Burns Night celebrations is gathering momentum year-on-year and offers visitors, the people of Scotland and all those with an affinity to Scotland a real taste of the nation’s distinct traditions and contemporary culture through the promotion of Scottish music, arts, food and drink; recognises the role that the festivals have and will continue to play in supporting Scotland’s successful programme of themed years, and welcomes the contribution that the winter festivals make in helping to promote Scotland as a great place to visit, study, work, invest and do business all year round.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

S4M-11976.2 Claire Baker: Winter Festivals—As an amendment to motion S4M-11976 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Winter Festivals), insert at end “; also recognises the many local and community-organised winter festivals

that take place throughout Scotland, and commends the hard work of volunteers, local groups and small businesses that make such events a success”.

S4M-11976.1 Liz Smith: Winter Festivals—As an amendment to motion S4M-11976 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Winter Festivals), insert at end “, but believes that in order to provide the greatest support for winter festivals, along with all other cultural activity in Scotland, there needs to be a fully coherent arts strategy that provides arts bodies, both local and national, with the integrated support and funding priorities that they need in order that Scotland can enhance its cultural reputation both at home and abroad”.

followed by

Scottish Government Debate: Mental Health

S4M-11975 Jamie Hepburn: Mental Health—That the Parliament welcomes the level of interest and commitment to improving mental health and mental health services; recognises the equal importance that the NHS places on the care and treatment of mental and physical illness; notes the Scottish Government’s recent announcement of an additional £15 million investment in mental health services, and looks forward to further progress in improving mental health and wellbeing as a fundamental and integral part of delivering person-centred, safe and effective healthcare services.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

S4M-11975.2 Richard Simpson: Mental Health—As an amendment to motion S4M-11975 in the name of Jamie Hepburn (Mental Health), after “physical illness” insert “but notes that, while there has been progress toward the targets on child and adolescent mental health, the targets have not been met, psychological treatments waiting times remain very challenging and primary care teams are under substantial and increasing time pressure to deliver holistic care, particularly in areas of deprivation where there is a greater amount of mental illness; further notes that, after initial progress in improving public attitudes to mental illness with the See Me programme, this welcome trend has stalled and there is a need for more robust monitoring and inspection of the variation between NHS boards”.

S4M-11975.3 Mary Scanlon: Mental Health—As an amendment to motion S4M-11975 in the name of Jamie Hepburn (Mental Health), leave out from “looks forward”

to “in improving” and insert “calls on the Scottish Government to ensure that additional investment is used effectively to increase NHS mental health bed numbers, including having sufficient adolescent beds to end the practice of children and young people being placed inappropriately in adult psychiatric wards, and staffing across all disciplines, including psychology, in order to meet existing waiting time targets and to bring forward improvements in”

S4M-11975.1 Jim Hume: Mental Health—As an amendment to motion S4M-11975 in the name of Jamie Hepburn (Mental Health), leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert “notes that, since 2009, there have been 883 fewer staffed mental health beds and that Scotland’s hospitals have lost 64 specialist mental health nurses; further notes that targets for mental health treatment times are being missed; is concerned that hundreds of young people face waits of over six months to begin child and adolescent mental health service treatment and that treatment is being carried out in adult wards, which are unsuitable for children’s needs; believes the number of mental health officers (MHO) to be inadequate as highlighted by the 5% fall in MHO consents for emergency detention in hospital; recognises that nine out of 10 people who experience mental health problems have experienced stigma and discrimination; believes that there is a real opportunity to change the way that mental health is seen and treated in 2015 with a revised mental health strategy, and calls on the Scottish Government to act now and follow the lead of the UK Government and set out in legislation that mental health and physical health deserve equal recognition.”

followed by Business Motions
followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm Decision Time
followed by Members’ Business

Debate on the subject of—

S4M-11849 Alex Johnstone: New Psychoactive Substances Needs Assessment for Tayside, 2014 Report—That the Parliament notes the report, *New Psychoactive Substances Needs Assessment for Tayside, 2014*, by NHS Tayside, which states that there are now over 350 substances that the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction is aware of and

over 650 websites in Europe that market new psychoactive substances (NPS) to consumers; understands that, in 2013, NPS were found to be a potential contributor to 60 drug deaths in Scotland; acknowledges the concerns of community groups in places such as Aberdeen, Arbroath and Montrose about the potential impact of NPS and the retail premises that sell them; commends the work of these community groups and agencies in raising awareness of the potential dangers of using NPS, and notes the hopes of many that this work will be taken forward locally and nationally to reduce the availability and consumption of NPS.



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Business Bulletin: Tuesday 6 January 2015 **Section B – Future Meetings of the Parliament**

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on

17 December 2014

Wednesday 7 January 2015

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions
Justice and the Law Officers;
Rural Affairs, Food and Environment (*for text of questions see [Section D](#) of the Business Bulletin for Thursday 18 December 2014*)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Active Travel (*for text of motion S4M-11980 see [Section F](#)*)

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business – S4M-11495 Malcolm Chisholm: Nursing Against Health Inequalities (*for text of motion see [Section F](#) of the Business Bulletin for Monday 5 January 2015*)

Thursday 8 January 2015

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions (*for text of questions see [Section D](#) of the Business Bulletin for Thursday 18 October 2014*)

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions (*for text of questions see [Section D](#)*)

followed by Members' Business – S4M-11431 Christine Grahame: A Shocking Way to Treat a Dog (*for text of motion see [Section F](#) of the Business Bulletin for Monday 5 January 2015*)

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Boosting the Economy

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 13 January 2015

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 14 January 2015

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions
Health, Wellbeing and Sport (*for names of those Members selected for Portfolio Questions see [Section D](#)*)

followed by Scottish Government Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 15 January 2015

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions (*for names of those Members selected for General Questions see [Section D](#)*)

12.00 pm	First Minister's Questions
<i>followed by</i>	Members' Business
2.30 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
<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



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Section C – Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed at:

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

Devolution (Further Powers) Committee

8 January 2015

8th Meeting, 2015

The Committee will meet at 10.00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **The Electoral Commission and its Report on the Scottish Independence Referendum:** The Committee will take evidence from—
John McCormick, Electoral Commissioner, Alex Robertson, Director of Communications, and Andy O'Neill, Head of Office Scotland, The Electoral Commission.
2. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will review its work programme.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 15 January 2015, the Committee expects to take oral evidence from a range of civic Scotland organisations on the Smith Agreement.

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

Justice Sub-Committee on Policing

8 January 2015

1st Meeting, 2015

The Sub-Committee will meet at 1.15 pm in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Sub-Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **i6 programme:** The Sub-Committee will take evidence on progress with development of the i6 programme from—

Deputy Chief Constable Neil Richardson, Designated Deputy for Chief Constable, and Chief Superintendent Hamish MacPherson, Programme Manager for i6, Police Scotland;
Tom McMahon, Director of Strategy and Performance, Scottish Police Authority.

3. **Work programme:** The Sub-Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

The Sub-Committee will next meet on 5 February. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Sub-Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.



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Section D - Oral Questions

Topical Questions selected for answer on 06 January 2015

- 1. Jenny Marra:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on how the NHS is dealing with Ebola. (S4T-00884)
- 2. Sandra White:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on events following the bin lorry crash in George Square on 22 December 2014. (S4T-00885)
- 3. Liam McArthur:** To ask the Scottish Government what involvement it will have in the investigation into the sinking of the cargo vessel, Cemfjord, in the Pentland Firth. (S4T-00880)
- 4. John Mason:** To ask the Scottish Government what contact it has had with the administrators of City Link Limited. (S4T-00883)

First Minister's Questions selected for answer on 08 January 2015

- 1. Kezia Dugdale:** To ask the First Minister what engagements she has planned for the rest of the day. (S4F-02503)
- 2. Ruth Davidson:** To ask the First Minister when she will next meet the Prime Minister. (S4F-02502)
- 3. Jackie Baillie:** To ask the First Minister what reassurances the Scottish Government can give workers in the oil and gas industry whose jobs are at risk. (S4F-02505)
- 4. George Adam:** To ask the First Minister how many families will benefit from the policy of free school meals. (S4F-02512)
- 5. Iain Gray:** To ask the First Minister what the Scottish Government's position is on reports that it has abandoned its policies to protect teacher numbers and reduce class sizes. (S4F-02508)
- 6. Joan McAlpine:** To ask the First Minister what assessment the Scottish Government has made of the Shelter Scotland report finding that 25% of Scots fear that they cannot meet rent or mortgage bills. (S4F-02513)

Members selected for Portfolio Questions on 14 January 2015

The following members have been randomly selected for Portfolio Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 07 January 2015. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 08 January 2015.

Health, Wellbeing and Sport

- 1. Colin Beattie**
- 2. Mark McDonald**
- 3. James Kelly**
- 4. Margaret McDougall**
- 5. Joan McAlpine**
- 6. Alex Rowley**
- 7. Bill Kidd**
- 8. Jim Hume**
- 9. Richard Lyle**
- 10. Liam McArthur**
- 11. Roderick Campbell**
- 12. John Lamont**
- 13. Mark Griffin**
- 14. Alison McInnes**
- 15. Mary Fee**
- 16. John Finnie**
- 17. John Pentland**
- 18. Nigel Don**
- 19. Liz Smith**
- 20. Iain Gray**

Members selected for General Questions on 15 January 2015

The following members have been randomly selected for General Questions on the above date. Questions must be lodged no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 07 January 2015. These will then appear in this section of the Business Bulletin on Thursday 08 January 2015.

- 1. Paul Martin**
- 2. George Adam**
- 3. Kenneth Gibson**
- 4. James Dornan**
- 5. Hugh Henry**
- 6. Jenny Marra**
- 7. Angus MacDonald**
- 8. Jackie Baillie**
- 9. Colin Keir**
- 10. Annabel Goldie**

