

PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU

REMOVAL OF MOTIONS FROM THE BUSINESS BULLETIN

Background

1. Admissible motions lodged by Members are published in the Business Bulletin along with the support that each motion attracts.
2. Under Rule 8.2.8 of *Standing Orders*, the Bureau may remove from the list of admissible motions any motion that has been on the list for more than six weeks without a date for it to be taken by the Parliament being appointed in the business programme.

Criteria for removal of motions

3. In relation to motions for Members' Business, the previous Bureau agreed that all motions should be removed from the Bulletin after six weeks (excluding recess time) but that the Bureau will consider the following in removing or retaining motions—
 - (a) the motion has the support of at least 30 other Members and these supporters came from more than three political parties (note that in cases where the number of supporters exceeds 30, the topicality of the motion and the extent of the recent support have also been taken into account when making these recommendations); or
 - (b) the motion remains highly topical; or
 - (c) the motion has been selected for a Members' Business debate.
4. The Business Team checks all Members' Business motions on the list to ensure that any that may fit the criteria are recommended for retention. In addition, at a Bureau meeting, Business Managers may request that certain motions are retained if, for example, the motion is to be debated at a future date.
5. **The Bureau is invited to agree to this approach in relation to removal of Members' Business motions during Session 6 and that all standard motions be automatically removed from the list when they become six weeks old.**

Removal of motions lodged before 29 June 2021

6. Subject to the Bureau's agreement of the above approach, the annex lists all motions marked for Members' Business which are over six weeks old (i.e. those lodged on or before 29 June 2021 and includes the number of supporters and date of the most recent registration of support.
7. Based on the criteria in paragraph 3, it is not recommended that any of the motions from the attached list be retained. Business Managers should indicate at the Bureau meeting if they do wish to retain any of the motions.

Conclusion

8. Members are asked to agree that no motions from the attached list are retained.

**Parliamentary Business Team
September 2021**

Annex

Reference	Member Name	Date Lodged	Title	Total support	Date Last Supported
S6M-00013	Mountain, Edward	14/05/2021	Caithness Roads Recovery	22	02/06/2021
S6M-00014	Robison, Shona	14/05/2021	Rotary Club of Dundee Celebrates a Century	13	01/07/2021
S6M-00048	Grahame, Christine	18/05/2021	Penicuik Tackling the Climate Crisis	1	03/06/2021
S6M-00057	Johnson, Daniel	19/05/2021	Supporting Recovery in the Retail Sector	14	07/06/2021
S6M-00075	Wells, Annie	21/05/2021	Right to Recovery	22	06/07/2021
S6M-00108	Smyth, Colin	25/05/2021	The Proposed Closure of the Savings Bank Museum in Ruthwell by the TSB	10	28/05/2021
S6M-00110	Dornan, James	25/05/2021	Ending the Illegal Occupation of Palestine	15	14/06/2021
S6M-00127	Adam, Karen	26/05/2021	Maternity Services at Dr Gray's Hospital in Moray	16	10/06/2021
S6M-00155	Stewart, Alexander	27/05/2021	The Queen's Jubilee	23	03/06/2021
S6M-00176	Leonard, Richard	01/06/2021	Pay Justice and Equality for ScotRail Workers	16	25/06/2021
S6M-00225	Adamson, Clare	02/06/2021	Child Safety Week 2021	31	06/09/2021
S6M-00276	Smyth, Colin	08/06/2021	BHF's 60th Year	29	23/06/2021
S6M-00279	Whitham, Elena	08/06/2021	Gypsy, Roma Traveller History Month	24	06/09/2021
S6M-00329	Grahame, Christine	09/06/2021	Penicuik Ambassadors, Volunteer Team of the Year	25	06/07/2021
S6M-00388	Rowley, Alex	16/06/2021	Post Office Closures	29	28/06/2021
S6M-00451	McNeill, Pauline	22/06/2021	Glasgow Recovery Plan	3	23/06/2021
S6M-00472	Marra, Michael	23/06/2021	Reform of Scotland's Education Institutions	9	20/08/2021
S6M-00488	Clark, Katy	24/06/2021	Drill Ships at Hunterston and Public Ownership of Ports	7	13/07/2021
S6M-00522	Villalba, Mercedes	24/06/2021	The Need for an Offshore Training Passport	17	07/09/2021