

## PARLIAMENTARY BUREAU

### FUTURE BUSINESS PROGRAMME: POSSIBLE MOTIONS FOR MEMBERS' BUSINESS

1. Bureau members will be aware that under Rule 5.6.1(c) the Bureau has a duty to ensure that there is a period of time available for Members' Business at each meeting of the Parliament.
2. This paper is circulated with the Bureau papers each week and provides Bureau members with an updated list of motions lodged each week for Members Business debate. The paper will also provide Bureau members with a record of Members Business debates throughout the session, and the number and frequency of such debates that each party has had.
3. Bureau members may wish to note for information that the rota for Members' Business until Easter Recess is as follows—

<b>Week beginning</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
9 January 2023	SNP	CON	LAB
16 January 2023	SNP	SNP	GRN
23 January 2023	LD	CON	SNP
30 January 2023	SNP	SNP	CON
6 February 2023	LAB	SNP	SNP
<i>February recess</i>			
20 February 2023	CON	SNP	LAB
27 February 2023	SNP	CON	SNP
6 March 2023	SNP	GRN	CON
13 March 2023	LAB	SNP	SNP
20 March 2023	CON	SNP	LAB
27 March 2023	SNP	CON	SNP
<i>Easter recess 2023</i>			

4. Motions submitted for Members' Business are shown below—

#### **S6M-07522: Rona Mackay: The Cost to Families of Imprisonment and Release -**

That the Parliament acknowledges what it sees as the deepening financial and emotional hardship of families with a loved one in prison after a decade of austerity, the COVID-19 pandemic and the present cost of living crisis; notes the impact of what it considers this harsh reality in a new report by Families Outside, the only national charity that works solely on behalf of families in Scotland, including in the Strathkelvin and Bearsden constituency, who are affected by imprisonment; understands that one in three children in disadvantaged areas of the country are now living in poverty; believes that the cost of imprisonment is overwhelmingly borne by single women on low incomes, with single parents hit especially hard financially, along with the added adverse impact on mental health as a consequence of supporting someone in prison; notes the view that more support is needed for people on release from prison, which it considers would in turn help their families; highlights

what it considers the role of prison in creating, sustaining and deepening poverty among children and families, and notes the view that more must be done to relieve what it sees as the financial and mental burden carried silently by families for too long, and to ensure that their voices are heard.

**S6M-07511: Foysoil Choudhury: Damp Housing in Scotland** - That the Parliament notes the tragic death of Awaab Ishak due to mouldy housing; notes the view that there is a need for urgent action to avoid similar tragedies happening in Scotland, including in the Lothian region; recognises that mould and damp in homes can be dangerous and cause health problems; understands that the cost of living crisis has caused constituents across Scotland to avoid heating their homes, which can further exacerbate the problem of damp and mould; further understands that damp housing is disproportionately affecting those living in poverty; acknowledges the calls for every constituent in Scotland to have a right to safe, warm housing; notes the view that extra investment for a whole house retrofitting programme is required to tackle problems caused by damp housing; further notes the calls for the creation of a grant scheme to tackle the problems of damp housing across the housing sector, including social housing, housing associations and the private sector; notes the belief that there is a need for increased support and guidance for constituents on the prevention of damp in properties across Scotland; believes that this issue is of nationwide importance, and notes the calls for all political parties in the Parliament to collaborate to tackle damp housing in Scotland.

**S6M-07499: Craig Hoy: Scotland's Hospitality and Brewing Sector** - That the Parliament notes with concern the reported current pressures facing Scotland's pubs, bars, breweries and wider hospitality sector, including in the South Scotland region; understands that the sector was amongst the hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic, and that ongoing current inflationary pressures and impacts on customer spending power makes trading exceptionally difficult; believes that Scottish hospitality businesses will not receive the 75% business rates relief that businesses in England and Wales will receive in 2023-24; notes the calls for the Scottish Government to reconsider the support on offer to the sector, and further notes with concern the number of policies being introduced or consulted on that it believes will put additional pressure on the sector, including the Deposit Return Scheme and restrictions to alcohol advertising and sponsorship.

**S6M-07485: Martin Whitfield: UNCRC (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill** - That the Parliament notes that 16 March 2023 will mark two years since, it considers, the Scottish Parliament committed to delivering a "revolution in children's rights", by unanimously passing the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill; believes that, by taking what it sees as a maximalist approach to incorporating children's rights into Scots law, Scotland would deliver a fundamental cultural shift that would transform the life chances and outcomes for children and young people, including in the South Scotland region; understands that the Bill was passed after over 10 years of campaigning by children, young people and their families, and was supported by children's organisations across Scotland; acknowledges reports that the passage of the Bill was celebrated widely by children and young people through to teachers, social workers, the police, MSPs across all

political parties and members of UN committees; accepts that the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom ruled that the Bill needs to be amended to bring it within the competence of the Scottish Parliament; welcomes the Deputy First Minister's commitment to address the Supreme Court judgment through the Scottish Parliament's reconsideration process; acknowledges the view that children and young people still do not know what timescale the Scottish Government is working to, or how long this process will take, and understands that, as the second anniversary of the Bill being passed approaches, charities are urging MSPs to set out to children their continued commitment to the incorporation of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) into Scots law and to supporting reconsideration of the Bill that brings it within the Parliament's competence, and are requesting that the Scottish Government sets out a timescale for the reconsideration process so that children and young people know when UNCRC incorporation will be a reality in their lives.

**S6M-07482: Jenni Minto: 100 Years of the BBC in Scotland -**

That the Parliament celebrates 100 years of public service broadcasting with the centenary of the BBC in Scotland in 2023; recognises what it sees as the vital contribution of the BBC to the creative economy of the nation; understands that, from the first live radio transmission in Glasgow on the evening of 6 March 1923, the BBC in Scotland has grown from its early days in radio to include the provision of extensive educational resources, Gaelic language content, current affairs, comedy, music and entertainment, reflecting the breadth and depth of Scotland's culture on TV, radio and online; further understands that the BBC in Scotland directly employs over 1,200 people across 14 bases from Shetland to Dumfries, and supports many more roles via commissions to the independent production sector; notes what it considers the value of the BBC and public service broadcasting in Scotland, and the contribution that it has made, and continues to make, to the Scottish creative sector, and wishes the BBC a successful start to its second century of educating, entertaining and informing the nation.

**SS6M-07369: Sharn Dowey: Impact of Long-term Historical Site Closures Managed by Historic Environment Scotland -**

That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the importance of historic sites to communities across the South Scotland region, and the rest of Scotland; believes that any long-term closures to sites managed by Historic Environment Scotland (HES) could have a severe impact for Scotland's tourism industry, and a devastating impact on any communities and businesses that rely on these attractions being fully open; understands that the heritage sector is a vital part of Scotland's tourism industry, and considers that it is responsible for attracting millions of visitors from around the world to Scotland each year; further understands that 60 historical sites managed by HES are closed, and that the inspection programme is expected to conclude in April 2024; recognises what it sees as the need to address the shortage of skilled labourers, such as stonemasons; notes the calls on the Scottish Government to make additional funding available to accelerate the reopening of closed sites, and further notes the view that it is vital that all efforts are made to secure the long-term viability of Scotland's historic sites.

**S6M-07345: Jenni Minto: Special Tribunal on Russian Aggression in Ukraine -**

That the Parliament notes the support, including among people in the Argyll and Bute constituency, for efforts to seek justice and accountability for the reported atrocities committed by Russian troops during their invasion of Ukraine, as well as for what it sees as the crime of the war itself; considers that the decision by the Russian Federation to launch attacks on Ukraine poses a grave challenge to the post-1945 international order; believes that, in line with international law, the invasion has provided for individual criminal responsibility for those who plan, initiate or execute wars of aggression; notes the support for the ongoing investigations into Russia's military invasion of Ukraine, including those before the International Court of Justice, International Criminal Court and European Court of Human Rights; further notes the calls for the establishment of an ad hoc special tribunal with a mandate to investigate and prosecute the crime of aggression allegedly committed by the political and military leadership of the Russian Federation; notes the suggestions to apply the definition of the crime of aggression based on Article 8 bis of the Rome Statute; further notes the calls for guarantees that accountability will extend to government and political officials; welcomes the reported exercise of jurisdiction by the International Criminal Court over war crimes, crimes against humanity, and attempted genocide on the territory of Ukraine; considers that Russian co-operation with such a trial may be one key metric by which we can judge that Europe is on a path towards peace; believes that a Ukrainian victory is necessary for the integrity of the international system, as are, it considers, justice and accountability for Russian crimes, and notes the view that accountability for the crime of aggression against Ukraine must be secured.

**S6M-07290: Siobhian Brown: Concern Regarding Youth Vaping -** That the Parliament notes reports of concern regarding vaping and a surge in young people using e-cigarettes; believes that vaping products are not for children, young people or non-smokers and are useful only as a potential route towards stopping smoking; understands from reports that there is potentially strong evidence that e-cigarettes, which can be bright and colourful and come in thousands of e-liquid flavours, can increase attractiveness to children and young people; further understands that the long-term risks of vaping cannot yet be definitively confirmed by research studies; considers that these products are not harmless and are a risk to the long-term health of young people, and notes the view that it is important to highlight this for forthcoming generations in Ayr and across the country.

**S6M-07249: Emma Roddick: UK Income Inequality -** That the Parliament notes with alarm a recent Financial Times analysis, which shows the scale of income inequality in the UK relative to other countries in Europe; records its concern over the implications for people across Scotland, including rural and island constituents in the Highlands and Islands, amid what it considers an unprecedented cost of living crisis; recognises that, according to the analysis, the average Slovenian household is set to be better off than its British counterpart by 2024, and that the richest will get richer; believes that this analysis has reinforced the findings of the Scottish Government's Building a New Scotland papers, which, it considers, demonstrate how independent European countries comparable to Scotland are wealthier and fairer than the UK,

and considers that it is important to learn from comparator countries and create a fairer Scotland, combining economic dynamism with social solidarity.

**S6M-07238: Ariane Burgess: Community-led Housing Supporting a Sustainable Future** - That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the vital role of community-led housing in tackling the rural and island housing crisis, and in supporting those communities towards a sustainable future; believes that there are diverse and significant challenges facing rural and island communities in providing housing and the varied implications this has for sustaining the rural population; recognises what it considers as the enabling role of community housing trusts and organisations such as South of Scotland Community Housing, Communities Housing Trust and Rural Housing Scotland, which support communities through what it understands can be a burdensome and long process; notes the belief that more can be done to facilitate community-led housing and remove barriers to locally-based projects; further notes the view that there is a need to support community-led affordable housing as a priority, and the potential in the upcoming Land Reform and Community Wealth Building bills to do so; congratulates those organisations that have accomplished community housing projects and utilised available funds such as the Rural and Island Housing Fund; considers that there is a need to learn from these organisations and continually improve, and congratulates what it sees as trailblazing projects that are testing alternative models such as rented cohousing in the Hope CoHousing project in Orkney, and creating place-based communities through models such as Stòras Uibhist and Rural Housing Scotland's Smart Clachan project.

**S6M-07161: Paul McLennan: Heart Month, February 2023** - That the Parliament recognises that February 2023 is heart month; understands that ischaemic heart disease is still the single biggest killer in Scotland and that British Heart Foundation Scotland estimates that 11,000 people in East Lothian and 700,000 people in Scotland are currently living with the effects of heart disease; further understands that British Heart Foundation currently funds £53.1 million in ongoing research in Scotland across 10 universities in Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh, Glasgow, St Andrews and Stirling, which is 54% of publicly funded cardiovascular research, and notes that British Heart Foundation Scotland's priorities for heart disease services in East Lothian and across Scotland are to tackle heart disease risk factors, ensure timely and equitable care, and improve the collection and use of data.

**S6M-07140: Audrey Nicoll: Increasing the Participation of Women and Girls in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths** - That the Parliament believes that Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) make an important contribution to driving economic growth and delivering new approaches to the climate emergency; notes the so-called leaky pipeline, whereby women and girls account for only 25% of the STEM sector, despite maths and science subjects being equally popular among girls and boys within school age education; recognises the work underway in schools and further and higher education institutions, including Robert Gordon University, located in the Aberdeen South and North Kincardine constituency, as well as in businesses and energy-related industries, to address the under-representation of women and girls in the STEM sector; welcomes the Scottish

Government's STEM strategy and the work of Equate Scotland, which aim to change cultures in organisations and academia; commends Aberdeen City Council and its partners for what it sees as their innovative work to align the school curriculum to future skills demands in offshore energy production and other growth sectors, and notes the view that all stakeholders should continue to work together to increase opportunities for girls and young women in STEM.

**S6M-06977: Jim Fairlie: Male Suicide in Scotland** - That the Parliament is concerned by Scotland's suicide rate and the latest statistics showing that 75.03% of people who died by suicide in 2021 were men, continuing a long-term trend whereby men are more likely than women to take their own life across all age groups; notes that in Perth and Kinross, during 2017-2021, the overall rate of suicide was 16.8 per 100,000, which is higher than the national average of 14.1 per 100,000; understands that suicide is a complex behaviour and there is rarely a single factor involved, but that there is strong evidence of associations with financial difficulties and mental health; is concerned, in the midst of an ongoing and deepening cost of living crisis, by the statistic from Samaritans Scotland, highlighted at a recent Cost of Living Summit, that men living in the most deprived areas are up to 10 times more at risk of suicide than those living in the most affluent areas; welcomes the Scottish Government's 10-year strategy to tackle the factors and inequalities that can lead to suicide; commends groups such as Andy's Man Club that offer a safe environment for men to talk about issues and problems that they have faced and are currently facing, and notes the view that, by discussing this issue openly, MSPs can follow what it sees as this good example, which could have an effect in reducing existing stigma and encouraging people across Scotland to have important conversations addressing their mental health.

**S6M-06940: Clare Adamson: 80 Years of Motherwell and Wishaw CAB** - That the Parliament commends the work of Motherwell and Wishaw Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) on its 80th anniversary; understands that Motherwell and Wishaw CAB has been working for the local community since 1942 and is part of the Scottish Citizens Advice network, which has been offering advice and support since 1939; notes that Citizens Advice specialises in a range of confidential and trusted services, including assistance regarding welfare, housing, debt, and money advice; understands that Motherwell and Wishaw CAB works alongside 11,500 clients every year, resolving 28,000 issues, highlighting what it sees as the vital role of the CAB in the community; considers that the delivery of free, confidential advice, which is now more necessary as ever, is crucial for individuals who are experiencing financial difficulty due to the rising cost of living; recognises what it sees as the significance of the Motherwell and Wishaw CAB operating as a lifeline in the community, providing advice and information on day-to-day issues, through to detailed support and specialist topics; expresses its gratitude to all volunteers and trained staff at the Motherwell and Wishaw CAB, and wishes them all the best in their future endeavours.

**S6M-06825: Stephen Kerr: The Children and Young People's Commissioner Annual Report** - That the Parliament notes the annual report of the Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland; thanks the Commissioner and the

stakeholders, including those in the Central Scotland Region, who contributed to the work over the course of the last year; notes the findings regarding safeguarding of children and young people, and considers that the role of the commissioner, in ensuring that children are protected from harm and violations of their rights, is of paramount importance to them and to the Parliament.

**S6M-06761: Paul McLennan: CIPD Four-day Working Week Report** - That the Parliament welcomes the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD) report, *The Four-day Week: Scottish employer perspectives on moving to a shorter working week*; recognises what it sees as the opportunities and challenges of moving to a four-day working week and the positive impact that greater flexibility in when, where and how people work can have on their working lives, including in the East Lothian constituency; understands that this report highlights Scottish employer views on reducing hours without reducing pay and finds a gap between current employer plans and future expectations in relation to the four-day working week; welcomes the trials that are supported by the Scottish Government, and believes that further evidence around wellbeing and productivity is crucial in supporting a transition to a shorter working week.

**S6M-06760: Paul McLennan: The Poverty Alliance and Scottish Women's Budget Group Report** - That the Parliament notes the publication of the joint report by The Poverty Alliance and Scottish Women's Budget Group, *"It's hard work being poor" Women's Experiences of the Cost-of-Living Crisis in Scotland*; understands that the report provides qualitative evidence of the gendered nature of the cost of living crisis and the vulnerable position that women are facing as costs rise, including in the East Lothian constituency; notes that, according to the report, women are being disproportionately impacted by the cost of living crisis due to existing inequalities across all areas of life, are more likely to be living in poverty, have lower levels of savings and wealth, and are less able to increase paid work than men due to caring responsibilities; further notes that these findings outline the lived experience of women on low incomes as prices keep rising; considers that the key themes from the research show deepening poverty, concern over managing basic food and energy costs, rising debt, increased feelings of shame, guilt and stigma; notes what it sees as the significant impact on mental as well as physical health that can result from coping mechanisms, which include reducing food intake and energy use, and notes the calls for urgent action to use all support levers available to ensure that women do not fall through the cracks during this cost of living crisis.

**S6M-06659: Rhoda Grant: Tackling Gender-based Violence** - That the Parliament welcomes the Global 16 Days Campaign, which is due to begin on 25 November 2022; notes that this campaign is an annual international campaign, started by activists at the inaugural Women's Global Leadership Institute in 1991, and continues to be coordinated each year by the Center for Women's Global Leadership; understands that the 16-day campaign is used as an organising strategy by individuals and organisations around the world to call for the prevention and elimination of violence against women and girls, including domestic violence and commercial sexual exploitation; highlights what it sees as the urgent need for any measures that target and tackle issues of violence affecting women and girls, and

welcomes the events that are planned in Scotland to support the campaign, including events for frontline workers to raise awareness of trauma-informed practice for women who sell or exchange sex, a webinar on the influence of pornography in shaping attitudes and beliefs towards women, and in-depth discussions for relevant organisations on commercial sexual exploitation.

**S6M-06638: Jim Fairlie: Impact of Not Uprating Means Tested Benefits in Line with Inflation in 2023-24**

- That the Parliament is concerned by the findings of a Joseph Rowntree Foundation (JRF) report, published on 12 October 2022, highlighting the potential impact across UK parliamentary constituencies if the UK Government chooses not to uprate means tested benefits in line with inflation in 2023-24; understands that 22% of working-age families receive means tested benefits in the Perth and Kinross Council area, and that this is a concern across all Scottish local authority areas; further understands that the 6% increase in line with earnings, reportedly being considered by the UK Government, does not take into account inflation and would subject these constituents to a real-terms decrease in income; notes the point made by JRF that "politicians should think long and hard about the impact of withholding hundreds of pounds from thousands of families in their constituencies when the basic rate of benefits is already at its lowest in real terms for 40 years and prices are sky-high", and believes that the ongoing and deepening cost of living crisis will be felt by many people across every constituency in Scotland and that it will have its greatest impact on the most vulnerable.

**S6M-06635: Katy Clark: Apprenticeships Budget Freeze**

- That the Parliament notes with concern reports that the budget for training providers delivering apprenticeship programmes has been frozen; considers that this freeze constitutes a real-terms cut, given the inflation rate has recently risen to as high as 10.1%; notes the Scottish Training Federation's reported comments that this budget freeze means many training providers will have to make redundancies or close their businesses, without intervention by the Scottish Government; believes that these closures would result in many young people not completing their apprenticeships on schedule, including in the West Scotland region; understands that there is high demand for apprenticeship places; notes the view that creating new work opportunities for young people should be central to Scotland's economic recovery, and further notes the calls on the Scottish Government to come forward with funding to ensure that a further 2,000 apprenticeships are funded in the next six months to meet what it understands is significant employer demand.

**S6M-06569: Siobhian Brown: Empire, Slavery and Scotland's Museums**

- That the Parliament recognises the work carried out by the Empire, Slavery and Scotland's Museums Steering Group, which investigated how Scotland's involvement in empire, colonialism, and historic slavery can be addressed using museum collections and spaces; notes the recommendation in the group's report, which states that "Scotland should create a dedicated space to address our role in empire, colonialism, and historic slavery"; believes that there are many spaces throughout Scotland, such as Rozelle House and Belleisle House in Ayr, that have historic links to slavery; understands that locations such as Belleisle and Rozelle



were funded from the proceeds of historical slavery, and considers that Scotland's young people would benefit from learning about this part of Scottish history.

**S6M-06569: Jamie Halcro Johnston: Road Improvements and the Dualling of the A9** - That the Parliament notes with concern the number of incidents that have taken place on the A9 over recent months and led to road closures, and injuries and fatalities; recognises the Scottish Government's commitments to dual the A9 from Perth to Inverness by 2025, which stand alongside other commitments to road improvements, such as dualling of the A96 by 2030, to support road safety, and provide the economic advantages of connectivity; notes the view that commitments and proposals on investment in the road network have not progressed at pace in recent years and that questions have been raised about the commitment of the Scottish Government to these proposals following the agreement between the Scottish Government and the Scottish Green Party Parliamentary Group; acknowledges the belief that work on the A9, in particular, is clearly not on schedule, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to reaffirm these commitments on the basis of an updated and achievable timetable that should be presented to the Parliament as soon as possible, in order to reassure communities in the Highlands and Islands and across other regions that committed investment will take place.

**S6M-06401: Karen Adam: Rerailing Scotland** - That the Parliament recognises what it sees as the vital role that Scotland's railways will fulfil in the low-carbon economy; considers that inclusive growth and access to high-quality public transport are transformative for people and businesses; understands that Peterhead and Fraserburgh are the two largest towns in Scotland that are cut-off from rail connectivity; notes the view that rail links could lead to substantial investment and the regeneration of the towns; believes that the ports located in the towns are strategically crucial for future trade routes with Scotland's Nordic and European neighbours; notes reports of the vast economic potential that freight trains would bring to the local, regional and national economy, and congratulates the Campaign For North East Rail on being awarded £250,000 by the Scottish Government's Just Transition Fund to carry out a feasibility study on the viability of reinstating rail to Fraserburgh, Peterhead, and Ellon, and notes the calls for rail links to Fraserburgh, Peterhead, and Ellon to be re-established as part of the Scottish rail network as a matter of priority to benefit the wider north east and all of Scotland.

**S6M-06359: Paul McLennan: Celebrating St Andrews Day** - That the Parliament believes that St Andrew's Day should be an opportunity for all the people of Scotland to celebrate their patron saint, cultural diversity and membership of the international community; considers that there should be wider recognition of a holiday, including a school holiday, on or around 30 November so that St Andrew's Day becomes a day of national celebration; believes that people should be encouraged to follow what it sees as St Andrew's example, with acts of kindness especially to less fortunate people, with the aim of creating a more caring, compassionate society; notes that St Andrew is also the patron saint of several other countries, including Ukraine and Russia; condemns Russia's invasion of Ukraine, and calls for a peaceful and just solution to the ongoing conflict in that part of the world.

**S6M-06274: Douglas Lumsden: Channel 4's 40th Anniversary** - That the Parliament congratulates Channel 4 on its 40th anniversary; considers that Channel 4 is publicly-owned and commercially-funded, meaning that it can deliver a valuable public service at zero cost to the taxpayer; welcomes what it sees as the important and growing contribution Channel 4 makes to the Scottish production sector, working closely with Screen Scotland; understands that their new Glasgow hub now has the biggest commissioning department by commissioning hours based in Scotland; congratulates Channel 4 for, it understands, surpassing its target to spend half of its original content budget outside of the London area; understands that over 400 roles, encompassing 55% of spend and 66% of hours, are now based outside of the London area; believes that Channel 4 has spent around £220 million on Scottish productions over the last 15 years, with £23.5 million of Scottish spend in 2021; appreciates what it sees as the benefit of Channel 4's skills and training schemes, such as 4Skills, which focuses on social mobility and bringing new, underrepresented voices into the industry; understands that 4Skills will reach 15,000 young people a year from 2022 onwards, including many in Scotland; believes that Channel 4 is a great success story for the UK, and wishes the teams at Channel 4 all the best for many more successful and creative years ahead.

**S6M-06232: Paul McLennan: UNITE! 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based Violence** - That the Parliament recognises the international campaign, 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, beginning on 25 November 2022, which is International Day Against Violence Against Women, and ending on 10 December 2022, which is Human Rights Day; understands that the theme for this year's campaign is "UNITE! Activism to end violence against women and girls", which calls for global actions to increase awareness, galvanise advocacy efforts, and share knowledge and innovations; believes that, while pervasive, gender-based violence is not inevitable, and it can and must be prevented; notes the view that stopping this violence starts with adopting comprehensive and inclusive approaches that tackle the root causes, transform harmful social norms, and empower women and girls, and further notes repeated calls for individual men, including those in the East Lothian constituency, to look inward at their own behaviour and to make the necessary changes that it considers can lead to the societal change required to bring an end to violence against women and girls in Scotland and beyond.

**S6M-04821: Clare Adamson: Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) Awareness Month 2022** - That the Parliament marks Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) Awareness Month, which is held every November; understands that CRPS is a chronic disorder, mostly affecting the limbs, which is characterised by severe pain, pathological changes of bones, joints and skin, swelling, temperature and colour changes and motor dysfunction; further understands that the condition and awareness of its impact is poorly understood both in Scotland and globally; notes that the first Monday of November marks Colour the World Orange Day, which encourages businesses, town halls and landmarks to change their lights to orange in support of people with CRPS; commends the volunteers and organisers at CRPS UK and Burning Nights CRPS Support for their efforts to raise awareness of the condition; further commends the work of CRPS UK and Burning Nights CRPS

Support, which, it understands, are registered charities with the shared goals of raising CRPS-symptom awareness, providing what it sees as invaluable support to people with the condition, and advocating for more research development into its effects; notes that the Burning Nights CRPS Support eighth annual CRPS conference will be held on 26 November 2022 at the Novotel Edinburgh Park, aimed at patients living with complex regional pain syndrome, and their families and friends, to help give them support and to help their understanding of the condition, treatment options and more, and wishes all participants in the Awareness Month and those in the wider CRPS community the very best.

**S6M-06140: Jamie Greene: Reinstating the CalMac Season Travel Pass for Isle of Cumbrae Residents** - That the Parliament recognises what it considers the importance of the CalMac monthly season pass for travel to Isle of Cumbrae residents and commuters; further recognises what it sees as the unique challenges that Cumbrae residents face living as part of an island community; regrets reports that CalMac and Transport Scotland have removed the ability to use the pass until further notice; understands that the cost of travel to Cumbrae for residents with the season pass will almost double and place additional pressure on their finances during the global cost of living crisis; notes the calls for the reinstatement of the season travel pass by Transport Scotland as a matter of urgency, and further notes the calls on the Scottish Government, Transport Scotland, CalMac, North Ayrshire Council and locally elected representatives to work together towards the goal of bringing back the season travel pass as soon as is feasibly possible.

**S6M-06112: Sue Webber: Scottish Government Commissioned Review of ME Services and Future Action** - That the Parliament notes that the Scottish Government commissioned and welcomed an independently-produced stakeholder review of the NICE guideline on Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (ME/CFS), published on 5 July 2022; further notes that the review states that myalgic encephalomyelitis (ME) or chronic fatigue syndrome (CFS) is a complex chronic medical condition affecting an estimated 250,000 people in the UK and that around 20,000 people in Scotland are living with the condition, including in the Lothian region; highlights the four key symptoms characteristic of the condition, which are debilitating fatigue that is worsened by activity, post-exertional malaise (PEM)/symptom exacerbation, unrefreshing sleep and/or sleep disturbance, and cognitive dysfunction, and which affect multiple physiological systems and can fluctuate from mild to very severe in individuals and across the population affected; understands that the review recommends consideration be given to identifying the most effective approaches to improving GP knowledge, confidence and understanding of ME/CFS through an appropriate education programme, and further understands that the review recommends that pilot services should be funded in a selection of NHS boards to test the development of specialist services with patient involvement and third sector collaboration embedded in the design.

**S6M-06107: Rachael Hamilton: Supporting Mental Health in Rural Communities** - That the Parliament welcomes Scottish Interfaith Week, taking place from 13 to 20 November 2022, organised by Interfaith Scotland; understands that this year's theme is storytelling; considers that this is Scotland's foremost interfaith festival, and as

such has the unique opportunity to explore how faith and belief impact communities and offer resilience, connection and joy; further considers that storytelling enables barriers to be broken down, stereotypes to be challenged and important conversations to be started, and notes the hope that members of faith and belief communities all over Scotland can participate in this year's Scottish Interfaith Week and that everyone, including residents of Glasgow Shettleston, considers attending their nearest event.

**S6M-05762: Rhoda Grant: Specialist Neurological Nursing Posts** – That the Parliament is concerned by the reported decision of NHS Western Isles to remove the posts of Epilepsy and MS specialist nurse; understands that concerns have been expressed about the long-term future of the Parkinson's specialist nurse post; notes reports that the NHS board intends to replace these posts with a more generalist advanced neurology nursing post; further notes reports that the NHS board proposes to increase the scope of the nursing post to cover more neurological conditions; considers that this would represent a real terms cut to the service with fewer nursing hours dedicated to supporting more people; notes the view that in a cost of living crisis it is imperative to ensure patients have access to as much care and treatment locally as possible; recognises that there is no on-island neurologists or specialist support and that people with neurological conditions have to travel to NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde for face-to-face appointments; understands that NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde does not intend to increase its support to the islands in the wake of this reported cut to specialist nursing provision; recognises what it sees as the importance of the specialist nursing posts in this context and based on the testimony from people living with epilepsy, MS and Parkinson's on the Islands; understands that this decision was reportedly taken without any consultation with local neurological communities or the national charities that initially helped to fund the posts; further understands that local and national groups have expressed concern that such a cut to specialist nursing provision has the potential to put the safety of those in the local community affected by neurological conditions in jeopardy, and notes the calls from local groups, including Neuro Hebrides, Parkinson's Western Isles and national stakeholders, including Epilepsy Scotland, MS Society Scotland and Parkinson's UK Scotland, for NHS Western Isles to work collaboratively with them and people affected by neurological conditions in the Western Isles to deliver a comprehensive service that meets the needs of all stakeholders.

**S6M-05506: Craig Hoy: Protecting the Future of Scotland's Historic Environment** – That the Parliament understands that stonemasonry is vitally important for the protection and preservation of Scotland's historic environment and tourism, and that it can be hugely beneficial to young people from deprived backgrounds to start their career; commends the Ridge Charity in Dunbar, which it understands currently supports some of East Lothian's most marginalised community members to gain access to modern apprenticeships in stonemasonry and joinery; regrets the reported impending loss of stonemasonry apprenticeships at Edinburgh College and the impact that this may have on young people in the south of Scotland; notes the calls on the Scottish Government, Skills Development Scotland, Historic Environment Scotland and South of Scotland Enterprise to

consider what it sees as the potential serious repercussions for the Ridge Charity and for the apprenticeship opportunities for young people in the south east of Scotland, and further notes the calls for stakeholders, including the Scottish Government, to engage to identify a positive solution for an accessible location that could be used for young people from Berwickshire, Edinburgh and East Lothian to gain access to stonemasonry apprenticeships through a satellite provision of an existing college provider.

**S6M-05236: Neil Bibby: Employment in the Low Carbon and Renewable Energy Economy** - That the Parliament notes the publication of the bulletin Low carbon and renewable energy economy, UK: 2020 by the Office for National Statistics, which, it understands, found that that there had been no significant change in overall levels of employment in the low carbon and renewable energy sectors since the survey began in 2014; understands that estimated full-time equivalent employment in these sectors in Scotland has fallen from 21,500 in 2014 to 20,500 in 2020; notes the view that securing and developing employment, skills and training in low carbon and renewables sectors, including in the West Scotland region, should be a priority for both Scottish and UK governments; further notes the view that at least 50% of employment created by government contracts in the offshore renewables industry should be within the domestic economy in order to support fabrication and manufacturing jobs, and notes calls on the Scottish and UK governments to ensure that the promise of green jobs for the future is realised.

#### Record of Members' Business taken by the Parliament from 8 June 2021

Date	MSP	Party	Subject
8 June 2021	Jim Fairlie	SNP	Impact on Scottish Agriculture of Tariff-free Trade Deals
9 June 2021	Neil Gray	SNP	Social Justice and Fairness Commission Report
15 June 2021	Douglas Ross	CON	The Campaign to Restore the Consultant-led Maternity Unit at Dr Gray's, Elgin
16 June 2021	Monica Lennon	LAB	Historical Forced Adoption
22 June 2021	Bob Doris	SNP	MND Scotland (40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
23 June 2021	Alasdair Allan	SNP	National Gaelic Language Plan
31 August 2021	Rachael Hamilton	CON	Success of Great Borders River Clean
1 September 2021	Emma Harper	SNP	100 Years of Insulin
2 September 2021	Paul Sweeney	LAB	Our Factory, Our Future, the Fight to Save McVitie's at Tollcross, Glasgow
7 September 2021	Alasdair Allan	SNP	Reserved Board Seats for Islanders

8 September 2021	Brian Whittle	CON	Team GB Success
9 September 2022	Christine Grahame	SNP	Mineworkers' Pension Scheme
14 September 2021	Karen Adam	SNP	2020 Tokyo Paralympics
15 September 2021	Maggie Chapman	GRN	A Just Transition for Torry
16 September 2021	Miles Briggs	CON	SCVO Creates its 10,000 <sup>th</sup> CJS Job in Scotland's Voluntary Sector
21 September 2021	Michael Marra	LAB	Action on Brain Injury in Football
22 September	Stuart McMillan	SNP	National Eye Health Week 2021
23 September 2021	Siobhian Brown	SNP	FASD Awareness Day – 9 September
28 September 2021	Jamie Halcro Johnston	CON	Ambulance Services Across Scotland
29 September 2021	Fulton MacGregor	SNP	Alleviating Poverty Associated with the Purchase of School Uniforms in Scotland
30 September 2021	Rhoda Grant	LAB	Community Wealth and the Emergence of "Green Lairds".
5 October 2021	Gordon MacDonald	SNP	Big Noise Programme in Wester Hailes
6 October 2021	Donald Cameron	CON	Rest and Be Thankful
7 October 2021	Paul McLennan	SNP	World Mental Health Day 2021
26 October 2021	Clare Adamson	SNP	UK Malnutrition Awareness Week 2021, Malnutrition in Older People
27 October 2021	Jamie Halcro Johnston	CON	Recognising the Importance of Scotland's Ferry Services
28 October 2021	Mercedes Villalba	LAB	The Need for an Offshore Training Passport
2 November 2021	Collette Stevenson	SNP	Improving Support and Ending the Stigma of the Menopause
3 November 2021	Elena Whitham	SNP	A Model for Scotland, the Campaign for Prostitution Law Reform in Scotland
4 November 2021	Gillian Mackay	GRN	Abortion Clinic Buffer Zones
9 November 2021	Alex Cole-Hamilton	LD	Long Covid as a Condition of Concern
10 November 2021	Alexander Stewart	CON	100 Years of the Poppy in the UK
11 November 2021	Fiona Hyslop	SNP	Publication of the Communiqué Setting Out the Conclusions of the Glasgow Climate Dialogues

16 November 2021	Emma Harper	SNP	World COPD Day 2021
17 November 2021	Clare Adamson	SNP	Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month
18 November 2021	Stephen Kerr	CON	Road Safety in Falkirk
23 November 2021	Foyso! Choudhury	LAB	Linking Food and Climate Change at COP26
24 November 2021	David Torrance	SNP	Mouth Cancer Action Month 2021
25 November 2021	Gillian Martin	SNP	Carbon Capture Utilisation and Storage as Part of Scotland's Net Zero Ambitions
30 November 2021	Jim Fairlie	SNP	Lamb for St Andrew's Day Campaign
1 December 2021	Jamie Greene	CON	World AIDS Day 2021
2 December 2021	Pam Duncan-Glancy	LAB	International Day of Disabled People
7 December 2021	Paul McLennan	SNP	16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence
8 December 2021	Graham Simpson	CON	East Kilbride Rail Line Dualling
9 December 2021	Fulton MacGregor	SNP	Human Rights Day 2021
14 December 2021	Jenni Minto	SNP	Importance of Community Defibrillators
15 December 2021	Mark Ruskell	GRN	Protecting Rural Bus Services
16 December 2021	Craig Hoy	CON	Edington Hospital
21 December 2021	Sarah Boyack	LAB	Ending Pharmaceutical Monopolies of Covid-19 Vaccines
22 December 2021	Emma Harper	SNP	Dumfries City Status
11 January 2022	Rachael Hamilton	CON	Endometriosis
12 January 2022	Fulton MacGregor	SNP	Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service
13 January 2022	Martin Whitfield	LAB	Championing the Right to Holistic Family Support
18 January 2022	Stuart McMillan	SNP	Scottish History in Schools
19 January 2022	Alexander Stewart	CON	The ASDA Foundation and its Community Work
20 January 2022	Bill Kidd	SNP	NPT Review Conference and Anniversary of TPNW Entry Into Force

25 2022	January	Jackie Dunbar	SNP	My Breath is My Life
26 2022	January	Katy Clark	LAB	Domestic Abuse Charges
27 2022 (FMQs)	January	Jackson Carlaw	CON	Holocaust Memorial Day to be Marked on 27 January 2022
27 2022 (DT)	January	Rona Mackay	SNP	Support for the 70/30 Campaign to Reduce ACES by 2030
1 2022	February	Jackie Baillie	LAB	World Cancer Day 2022
2 2022	February	Evelyn Tweed	SNP	Response to Storm Arwen in Stirling and Future Resilience Planning
3 2022	February	Ariane Burgess	GRN	Revitalising Coastal Communities
8 2022	February	Alex Cole-Hamilton	LD	Future of the BBC
9 2022	February	Stephen Kerr	CON	Commemorating the 70 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Accession to the Throne of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II
10 2022	February	Ruth Maguire	SNP	Online Pimping
22 2022	February	Jim Fairlie	SNP	Redundancies at OVO Energy
23 2022	February	Karen Adam	SNP	Celebrating LGBT History Month
24 2022	February	Craig Hoy	CON	Decommissioning of Torness Nuclear Power Station
1 2022	March	Emma Harper	SNP	Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2022
2 2022	March	Alasdair Allan	SNP	Epilepsy and Employment in Scotland
3 2022	March	Michelle Thomson	SNP	International Women's Day 2022: Break the Bias
8 2022	March	Pam Gosal	CON	Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2022
9 2022	March	Jenni Minto	SNP	Recognition of Dr Elsie Inglis
10 2022	March	Alex Rowley	LAB	Longstanding Underpayment of Social Care Staff
15 2022	March	Gillian Martin	SNP	Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal 2022
16 2022	March	Maurice Golden	CON	Tackling Dog Theft
17 2022	March	Clare Adamson	SNP	Fair Trade Pledge
22 2022	March	Evelyn Tweed	SNP	Scottish Tourism Month 2022
23 2022	March	Ross Greer	GRN	Industrial Relations in the College Sector
24 2022	March	Miles Briggs	CON	World Tuberculosis Day 2022



29 March 2022	Sarah Boyack	LAB	Commonwealth Day 2022 on 14 March 2022
30 March 2022	Marie McNair	SNP	Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month
31 March 2022	Kaukab Stewart	SNP	Impacts of Benefit Sanctions
19 April 2022	Jeremy Balfour	CON	Welcoming the Down Syndrome Bill
20 April 2022	Joe FitzPatrick	SNP	Sexism in Football
21 April 2022	Katy Clark	LAB	Keeping CalMac Public and Publicly-Owned Ferry Services
26 April 2022	David Torrance	SNP	MS Awareness Week 2022
27 April 2022	Graham Simpson	CON	Honouring Emergency Workers
28 April 2022	Jackie Dunbar	SNP	Global Intergenerational Week 2022
3 May 2022	Russell Findlay	CON	World Press Freedom Day
4 May 2022	Audrey Nicoll	SNP	International Day of the Midwife, 100 Years of Progress
10 May 2022	Michelle Thomson	SNP	Women in Business
11 May 2022	Emma Roddick	SNP	LGBTQ+ People's Experience of Alcohol Services in Scotland
12 May 2022	Maggie Chapman	GRN	Supporting Striking University Staff
12 May 2022	Jackie Baillie	LAB	Celebrating Nurses on International Nurses Day
17 May 2022	Beatrice Wishart	LD	Protecting Marine Wildlife During Ordnance Removal
18 May 2022	Tess White	CON	Improving the Disaster Response to Serious Weather Events
19 May 2022	Fiona Hyslop	SNP	Celebrating the 200 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Union Canal and its Contribution to Scotland
24 May 2022	Clare Adamson	SNP	R.B. Cunninghame Graham and Scotland: Party, Prose and Political Aesthetic
25 May 2022	Fergus Ewing	SNP	Scotland's Fair Share, the Potential of Solar Energy in Scotland
26 May 2022	Sharon Dowey	CON	Marking the 40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Liberation of the Falkland Islands
31 May 2022	Colin Smyth	LAB	Ethical Principles in Wildlife Management
1 June 2022	Collette Stevenson	SNP	Access to Cannabis-based Products for Medicinal Use
7 June 2022	Sue Webber	CON	Economic Value of Medical Charity Research in Scotland

8 June 2022	Graeme Dey	SNP	Commemorating 40 Years Since the Falklands War
9 June 2022	Rhoda Grant	LAB	NHS Staff Recruitment and Retention
9 June 2022	Bill Kidd	SNP	Making Scotland hostile to trafficking and a safe place for Ukrainian Refugees
14 June 2022	Alasdair Allan	SNP	Supporting Great Bernera's Community Land Buyout
15 June 2022	Meghan Gallacher	CON	Better Protection for Scotland's War Memorials
16 June 2022	Christine Grahame	SNP	Men Don't Talk
21 June 2022	Bob Doris	SNP	MND Scotland Report, No Time to Lose: Addressing the Housing Needs of People with MND
22 June 2022	Ross Greer	GRN	Save Loch Lomond
23 June 2022	Douglas Lumsden	CON	Celebrating Success of Rugby in Scotland
29 June 2022	John Mason	SNP	Scotland's Companies
30 June 2022	Marie McNair	SNP	Action Mesothelioma Day 2022
30 June 2022	Michael Marra	LAB	Dundee Drugs Commission Review Report
6 September 2022	Liz Smith	CON	Team Scotland at the 2022 Commonwealth Games
7 September	Kaukab Stewart	SNP	Changing the Boundaries – Ending Institutional Racism in Sport
8 September	Rhoda Grant	LAB	Fair Tax Week
21 September 2022	Alexander Stewart	CON	NHS Out-of-hours GP Services
22 September 2022	Ruth Maguire	SNP	Ardeer Girls Take Centre Stage
22 September 2022	Clare Adamson	SNP	Gas Safety Week 2022, The Hidden Dangers
27 September 2022	Kenneth Gibson	SNP	Adopt a Road
28 September 2022	Pam Gosal	CON	Congratulating Scottish Universities on Research Excellence Framework
29 September 2022	Daniel Johnson	LAB	Mesh Treatment Clarity
4 October 2022	Elena Whitham	SNP	Challenge Poverty Week 2022
6 October 2022	Mark Ruskell	GRN	Greyhound Racing in Scotland
25 October 2022	Gordon MacDonald	SNP	20 <sup>th</sup> Year of The BIG Project

26 October 2022	Alex Cole-Hamilton	LD	Sewage and Scotland's Waters
27 October 2022	Murdo Fraser	CON	The MOD coming Back to Perth
1 November	Siobhan Brown	SNP	World Menopause Month
2 November	Alasdair Allan	SNP	Western Isled Interconnector
3 November	Miles Briggs	CON	Cancer Card
3 November	Carol Mochan	LAB	Allied Health Professions Day 2022
8 November	Stephen Kerr	CON	A Potato with more Vitamin C Than a Lemon
9 November	Stuart McMillan	SNP	Greenock and Inverclyde Faced with Higher Forecourt Prices than the rest of Scotland
10 November	Emma Roddick	SNP	Mental Health Stigma in the Workplace
15 November	Alexander Burnett	CON	Improving Outcomes for People with Neurological Conditions
16 November	Bill Kidd	SNP	Co-op. SAMH, Mind and Inspire's Together Through Tough Times Report
17 November	Katy Clark	LAB	Higher Education Workers' Dispute
22 November	Christine Grahame	SNP	Brexit's Impact on Inflation
23 November	Pam Gosal	CON	Recognising the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
24 November	Paul McLennan	SNP	The Economic Impact of Scotland's Renewable Energy Sector – 2022 Update
29 November	Clare Adamson	SNP	Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month 2022
30 November	Gillian Mackay	GRN	Stroke Association's Report, Keeping Stroke Recoveries in Mind, Launched on World Stroke Day
1 December	Michelle Thomson	SNP	Small Business Saturday
6 December	Paul O'Kane	LAB	Carer's Rights Day 2022
7 December	Jackie Dunbar	SNP	#IWILL WEEK 2022
8 December	Bob Doris	SNP	How Will We Survive: Steps to Preventing Destitution in the Asylum System
13 December	Graham Simpson	CON	Free Rail Travel for Blind and Partially Sighted People and Companions
14 December	Emma Harper	SNP	Transforming Scotland's Vacant and Derelict Sites

15 December	Pam Duncan Glancy	LAB	UNISON Year of Disabled Workers 2022
22 December	Douglas Ross	CON	Maternity Services at Dr Gray's
10 January	Fulton Macgregor	SNP	Programme Promoting the Benefits of Shared Parenting
11 January	Finlay Carson	CON	Long and Short Term Improvements Required on A75
12 January	Richard Leonard	LAB	Caledonian Sleeper Service
12 January	Stephanie Callaghan	SNP	Circular Fashion: Looping the Thread
17 January	Evelyn Tweed	SNP	Ferrier Family Raises £30,280.90 for Cardiomyopathy UK
18 January	Gordon MacDonald	SNP	Developing an Economy Driven by New Robotic Technology at Heriot-Watt University
19 January	Maggie Chapman	GRN	Fire Brigades Union DECON Campaign

### Record of Members' Business taken by the Parliament in Session 6

Party	SNP	CON	LAB	GRN	LD	TOTAL
Frequency (no)	83	37	25	9	4	158
Frequency %	52.53	23.42	15.82	5.70	2.53	100

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