

Scottish Government Events

Saturday 22 August

First Minister: Holds online conversation with Bernardine Evaristo as part of the Edinburgh International Book Festival (20:30)

Desk Contact: Jenny Scott 0131 244 1716

Fiona Hyslop: Co-hosts virtual Edinburgh International Culture Summit (00:01) (quote in news release)

Desk Contact: Rebecca MacDonald 07468 764 849

Sunday 23 August

Christina McKelvie: Marks International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition (10:00)

Desk Contact: Kirsty Jenkins 0131 244 3054

Monday 24 August

Aileen Campbell: Launches High Street Hero Awards as part of Scotland Loves Local campaign (00:01) (quote in news release)

Desk Contact: Jack Matthews 0131 244 2960

Fergus Ewing: Co-chairs virtual Scottish Tourism Recovery Taskforce (13:00)

Desk Contact: Rebecca MacDonald 07468 764 849

Humza Yousaf: Announces when reductions to criminal disclosure periods come into force (09:30) (news release)

Desk Contact: Cameron Ramos 0131 244 4279

Tuesday 25 August

Michael Matheson: Welcomes East Kilbride ground investigations to mark progress on electrification project (09:30) (Transport Scotland news release)

Desk Contact: Caroline Trainer 07715 107 556

Publication of statistics showing proportion of young people in education, training or employment (09:30)

Desk Contact: Henry Bird 0131 244 3005

Richard Lochhead: Comments on Higher Education Student Support statistics for Scotland, 2019-20 (09:30)

Desk Contact: Nick Bevens 07468 756 049

Richard Lochhead: Comments on release of SAAS Higher Education Student Support in Scotland, 2019-20 (09:30) (Twitter)

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Wednesday 26 August

Maree Todd: Meets online with Childhood Practice students from New College Lanarkshire (11:00)

Desk Contact: Chris Johnson 07580 750 033

Humza Yousaf: Chairs a virtual meeting of the Serious Organised Crime Taskforce to discuss the COVID-19 impact on serious organised crime **(10:00)**

Desk Contact: Jackie Stewart 07825 352 260

Kate Forbes: Comments on publication of the Government Revenue and Expenditure Scotland figures 2019-20 **(09:30) (media briefing, news release)**

Desk Contact: Robert Taylor 0131 244 2670

Ben Macpherson: Responds to the UK Shortage Occupation List **(09:30) (news release)**

Desk Contact: Nick Bevins 07468 756 049

Publication of statistics on the use of Fair Start Scotland employability service **(09:30)**

Desk Contact: Henry Bird 0131 244 3005

Thursday 27 August

Publication of monthly crime statistics showing how COVID-19 is affecting crime **(09:30)**

Desk Contact: Russell Fallis 07920 595 435

Friday 28 August

Maree Todd: Welcomes the Childcare Transitional Support Fund opening for applications **(10:00)**

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