

Scottish Government Events

Saturday 15 August

First Minister: Takes part in Royal British Legion virtual service to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Victory over Japan Day **(10:30)**

Desk Contact: Jenny Scott 0131 244 1716

Graeme Dey: Takes part in a two-minute silence to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Victory over Japan Day, St Andrew's House, Edinburgh **(11:00)**

Desk Contact: Chris Johnson 07580 750 033

Monday 17 August

Shirley-Anne Somerville: Announces the launch of the Job Start Payment, a new benefit to support young unemployed into work **(09:00) (news release)**

Desk contact: Wendy Rizza 07584 597460

Kevin Stewart: Welcomes news from Hjaltland Housing Association of partnership working with NHS Shetland during COVID-19 outbreak **(09:00)**

Desk Contact: Esme Allen 07557087605

Kevin Stewart: Comments on analysis of responses to consultation on the fourth National Planning Framework **(17:00)**

Desk Contact: Kirsty Jenkins 0131 244 3054

Tuesday 18 August

Health statistics: Weekly A&E waiting times statistics **(09:30)**

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Aileen Campbell: Announces an additional £15 million for the Connecting Scotland digital inclusion programme **(10:00) (news release)**

Desk contact: Stuart Lewis 07796 335881

Mairi Gougeon: Announces successful applicants to the £100,000 Central Scotland Green Network Trust community growing grant scheme **(10:00)**

Desk Contact: Louise Aitken 07769357170

Wednesday 19 August

First Minister: Marks Islamic New Year with video message **(20:30)**

Desk Contact: Jenny Scott 0131 244 1716

Thursday 20 August

First Minister: Opens registration for the fifth year of the First Minister's Reading Challenge **(00:01)**

Desk Contact: Jenny Scott 0131 244 1716

Roseanna Cunningham: Takes part in Global Earth Overshoot Day launch Webinar **(18:00)**

Desk Contact: Thomas Barker - 0131 244 5181

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Richard Lochhead: Chairs latest Higher and Further Education Ministerial Leadership Group (10:00)

Desk Contact: Nick Bevens 07468 756 049