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Foreword

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The Journal is required under Rule 16.3 of Standing Orders and contains, in addition to the *Minutes of Proceedings* themselves, notice of any Bill introduced*, notice of any instrument or draft instrument or any other document laid before the Parliament; notice of any report of a committee, and any other matter that the Parliament, on a motion of the Parliamentary Bureau, considers should be included.

(* The requirement to include notice of Bills introduced was only added to Rule 16.3 in January 2003. However, such notices have in practice been recorded in the Annex to the *Minutes of Proceedings* from the outset.)

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No. 1 Thursday 13 May 2004

The meeting opened at 12.05 pm.

1. Ministerial Statement: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) made a statement on the explosion at Grovepark Street, Glasgow.

The meeting closed at 12.25 pm.

No. 2 Tuesday 18 May 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Dr Richard Frazer, Minister of Greyfriars Tolbooth and Highland Kirk led Time for Reflection.

2. Children's Hearings Review – *Getting it Right for Every Child*: The Parliament debated the subject of the children's hearings review – *Getting it Right for Every Child*.

3. Stamping Out Racism in Football: The Parliament debated S2M-1214 in the name of Bill Butler—That the Parliament condemns all racist incidents in and around football at every level; welcomes the work of "Show Racism the Red Card" in spreading the message amongst players and fans that racial discrimination within the game must be stamped out, and considers that the 42 Scottish Premier League and Football League clubs should sign up to the UEFA Ten Point Plan which sets out a framework for action to challenge racism in football.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

No. 3 Wednesday 19 May 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Health Issues: David McLetchie moved S2M-1326—That the Parliament notes that, despite a substantial increase in funding for the NHS in Scotland, services for patients have not improved over the last five years with fewer in-patient, day case and out-patient treatments occurring and more patients waiting longer for treatment; notes that, despite the best efforts of NHS staff, the current monolithic, centrally-run system of providing healthcare is not delivering the results our people are entitled to expect; recognises that fundamental reform is needed of the NHS in Scotland to achieve the standards of many other health services in European countries and to provide value for money for our taxpayers, and calls on the Scottish Executive to give patients genuine choice over the treatment they receive, establish foundation hospitals within NHSScotland and promote the development of the independent sector.

The Minister for Health and Community Care (Malcolm Chisholm) moved amendment S2M-1326.4 to motion S2M-1326—

Leave out from first "notes" to end and insert—

> "commends staff across the NHS for the quality improvements achieved over the last five years, the new forms of activity such as nurse-led clinics and the progress being made towards a six-month maximum wait for in-patient treatment by the end of 2005; notes that progress has been made at the same time as the working hours of medical and other staff have been brought into line with accepted norms; commends recent initiatives to tackle long out-patient waiting times, and supports further reform of NHSScotland through the development of community health partnerships and managed clinical networks, an increasing emphasis on involving patients and learning from their experiences and a sustained drive on health improvement and the prevention of ill-health in partnership with other agencies."

Shona Robison moved amendment S2M-1326.2 to motion S2M-1326—

Leave out from "the current" to end and insert—

> "the productivity and efficiency of NHSScotland is declining, and therefore calls on Audit Scotland to undertake a full root-and-branch inquiry into why the performance of NHSScotland has not improved given the substantial increase in funding."

Carolyn Leckie moved amendment S2M-1326.3 to motion S2M-1326—

Leave out from ", despite a" to end and insert—

> "Scotland's health and quality of health services are not improving in relation to the wealth available in the fourth biggest economy in the world; further notes that the NHS has insufficient core capacity and insufficient core staffing of establishments that have increased agency, overtime and locum costs; is concerned that NHS boards have substantial deficits and plan unacceptable reductions in service provision and jobs; believes that resources that should be directly spent on patient care are diverted

to ever-increasing profits for private consortia, private health providers of all kinds and pharmaceutical companies; notes that the Scottish Executive and NHS boards have repeatedly failed to strategically plan effectively; believes that all forms of privatisation in the NHS such as PFI/PPP and contracting from private providers should be stopped; further believes that the pharmaceutical companies should be brought into public ownership or, in the meantime, at the very least, the Executive should urgently introduce a drug-pricing regime that will control and deflate drug company profits, and believes that capacity and staffing establishments need to be systematically enlarged."

After debate, amendment S2M-1326.4 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 71, Against 46, Abstentions 0). As a result amendments S2M-1326.2 and S2M-1326.3 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 69, Against 48, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament commends staff across the NHS for the quality improvements achieved over the last five years, the new forms of activity such as nurse-led clinics and the progress being made towards a six-month maximum wait for in-patient treatment by the end of 2005; notes that progress has been made at the same time as the working hours of medical and other staff have been brought into line with accepted norms; commends recent initiatives to tackle long out-patient waiting times, and supports further reform of NHSScotland through the development of community health partnerships and managed clinical networks, an increasing emphasis on involving patients and learning from their experiences and a sustained drive on health improvement and the prevention of ill-health in partnership with other agencies.

2. Sustainable Management of Scotland's Marine Environment: The Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Allan Wilson) moved S2M-1327—That the Parliament recognises the considerable ecological, economic and social importance of Scotland's marine environment; notes that the seas and oceans are the theme of this year's United Nations World Environment Day on 5 June; acknowledges the range of initiatives already taken by the Scottish Executive to protect and enhance all of Scotland's coastline and marine waters, including the Partnership Agreement commitment to consult on the options of establishing a national coastline park and marine national parks; endorses the Executive's continued input to the United Kingdom marine stewardship report process, to the development of a European marine strategy and to OSPAR; welcomes the strong lead being taken by the Executive to set out a clearer vision and more coherent strategic framework for Scotland's marine environment in its recent consultation paper, and supports the Executive's objectives of improving the co-ordination of activity to support, and developing a mechanism for, the future good governance and sustainable management of Scotland's marine environment.

Roseanna Cunningham moved amendment S2M-1327.1 to motion S2M-1327—

Leave out from “acknowledges” to end and insert—

> “supports continued involvement by the Scottish Executive in the development of a European marine strategy and in OSPAR; notes that the regulation and management of Scotland’s coast and seas is fragmented with no coherent regulatory or planning framework and that, despite Scotland’s unique variety of marine wildlife, there is no legal basis for designating and managing areas for nationally important marine habitats and species; believes that there is a need for legislation to deliver integrated management of all aspects of Scotland’s marine environment; welcomes the consultation on the establishment of a national coastline park and marine national park, and, in recognising the importance of improving the co-ordination of activity to support, and develop a mechanism for, the future good governance and sustainable management of Scotland’s marine environment, calls for control of all matters impacting on the marine environment that are currently reserved, including the Crown Estate Commission’s ownership of the seabed, to be devolved to the Scottish Parliament.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 38, Against 79, Abstentions 0).

Alex Johnstone moved amendment S2M-1327.2 to motion S2M-1327—

Leave out from “; endorses” to end and insert—

> “, but believes that the consolidation of marine legislation is only desirable if it can be achieved while protecting economic and social stakeholders, particularly in the fishing, aquaculture, energy and tourism sectors.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 18, Against 75, Abstentions 24).

Robin Harper moved amendment S2M-1327.3 to motion S2M-1327—

Leave out from “in its recent” to end and insert—

> “starting with its recent consultation paper; notes the need for encouragement and support to community initiatives seeking sustainable local management of marine resources; supports the Executive’s objectives of improving the co-ordination of activity to support, and develop a strategy for, the future good governance and sustainable management of Scotland’s marine environment, and calls on the Executive to, as a first step, establish a marine national park by the end of 2006.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 38, Against 79, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 81, Against 2, Abstentions 34).

3. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1332—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 2 June 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 3 June 2004

9.30 am	Executive Debate on the Economy of the Highlands and Islands
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate on the Tenements (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Motion on the Civil Partnership Bill - UK Legislation
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 9 June 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

4. Approval of SSI: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1333—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Budget (Scotland) Act 2004 Amendment Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Approval of SSI: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1334—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Health Professions (Operating Department Practitioners and Miscellaneous Amendments) Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 4 and 5 as noted above.

7. Livestock Improvement Scheme: The Parliament debated S2M-877 in the name of Mr Jamie McGrigor—That the Parliament recognises the considerable success over the last few years of the Livestock Improvement Scheme and, in particular, the Bull Hire Scheme in providing quality bulls to crofters at reasonable prices; notes with concern changes to the scheme that will require crofters to pay in advance for bull hire and wintering costs; fears that these changes will deter crofters from obtaining high quality bulls with quality assurance and thus run against the committed aims of both the Scottish Executive Environment and Rural Affairs Department and the Crofters Commission of increasing the quality of the Scottish beef herd, and believes that the Scottish Executive should improve the efficiency of the current scheme rather than introducing upfront payments for bull hire that would put a severe financial strain on scheme members.

8. Motion without Notice: Mr Rob Gibson moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by 15 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.15 pm.

No. 4 Thursday 20 May 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Skills and Continued Learning: The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Lewis Macdonald) moved S2M-1340—That the Parliament supports Scottish Executive initiatives, such as the Scottish Union Learning Fund, the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework and the Determined to Succeed programme, to ensure the provision of effective skills and learning opportunities that will allow more people to play a full and productive role in the workplace and in the community; recognises the vital contribution that skills and learning make in helping to stimulate sustainable economic growth and to close the opportunity gap, and congratulates all those involved in the Modern Apprenticeship programme, which has exceeded its target of having 30,000 apprentices in training two years ahead of schedule.

Fiona Hyslop moved amendment S2M-1340.1 to motion S2M-1340—

Leave out from "supports" to end and insert—

> "regrets the absence of a national skills and lifelong learning strategy from the Scottish Executive as part of the Smart, Successful Scotland policy; recognises the contribution of the Scottish Union Learning Fund, the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework, the Determined to Succeed programme and the Modern Apprenticeship programme, but notes that these individual elements by themselves will not deliver the appropriate skills and continued learning requirements for Scotland in the 21st century."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 33, Against 75, Abstentions 0).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-1340.2 to motion S2M-1340—

Insert after "gap,"—

> "urges the Scottish Executive to increase the opportunity for school pupils across Scotland to access courses in further education colleges from the age of 14,".

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 106, Against 4, Abstentions 1).

The motion as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 107, Against 5, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament supports Scottish Executive initiatives, such as the Scottish Union Learning Fund, the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework and the Determined to Succeed programme, to ensure the provision of effective skills and learning opportunities that will allow more people to play a full and productive role in the workplace and in the community; recognises the vital contribution that

skills and learning make in helping to stimulate sustainable economic growth and to close the opportunity gap, urges the Scottish Executive to increase the opportunity for school pupils across Scotland to access courses in further education colleges from the age of 14, and congratulates all those involved in the Modern Apprenticeship programme, which has exceeded its target of having 30,000 apprentices in training two years ahead of schedule.

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) and the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Mr Frank McAveety); by the Minister for Finance and Public Services (Mr Andy Kerr) and the Minister for Communities (Ms Margaret Curran); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Major Events and Festivals in Scotland: The Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Mr Frank McAveety) moved S2M-1341—That the Parliament recognises Scotland's excellent track record of creating and hosting world-class events and festivals; recognises the great benefits that events and festivals can bring throughout Scotland, such as boosting our economy, promoting the international profile of Scotland as a place to visit and in which to live, work and invest and encouraging Scots, particularly young people, to participate in sport and culture; welcomes the success achieved by EventScotland in its first year of operation in realising the potential of Scotland as a world-class destination for events, and congratulates the many organisers of festivals throughout Scotland in their success in getting communities involved in these festivals and attracting visitors to Scotland.

Mr Kenny MacAskill moved amendment S2M-1341.1 to motion S2M-1341—

Leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert—

> "notes the success of the festivals and events throughout Scotland over many years, created and contributed to by a variety of organisations, whether central or local government, national or area tourist boards or private or public bodies; notes that the impediment to further success has been a shortage of funds and that the creation of an additional and unnecessary tier of bureaucracy is not the solution, and calls for the abolition of EventScotland and the creation of an event fund for appropriate organisations and bodies to access in order to continue and build upon the success to date."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 43, Against 68, Abstentions 1).

Chris Ballance moved amendment S2M-1341.2 to motion S2M-1341—

Insert at end—

> "further notes that EventScotland's mission statement encompasses environmental as well as other benefits and that the Scottish Executive's major events strategy,

> while mentioning sustainability and affordability, places these items 11th and 16th respectively out of a total of 16 priorities, and calls on the Executive, through bodies such as EventScotland and VisitScotland, to work to ensure that environmental and community benefits are not given a lower priority in the quest to attract prestige events."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 12, Against 100, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 94, Against 0, Abstentions 18).

5. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1 and 4 as noted above.

6. Local Television: The Parliament debated S2M-1201 in the name of Linda Fabiani—That the Parliament congratulates Thistle Television, the only local television station in Scotland, on commencing local television broadcasting throughout Lanarkshire with a potential audience of 400,000 local people; welcomes Thistle Television as a valuable addition to local media networks and creative employment, and looks forward to its contribution to local business, culture, education, and community involvement.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

No. 5 Wednesday 2 June 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: His Holiness the Dalai Lama led Time for Reflection.

2. International Situation: Mr John Swinney moved S2M-1374—That the Parliament reaffirms its support for the United Nations and its belief in the primacy of international law; believes that the war in Iraq was both illegal and based on a deception as evidenced by the failure to find weapons of mass destruction; believes that as a consequence the world is now a more dangerous place; notes that the unstable security situation and the current rules of engagement within Iraq have led to the coalition forces being seen as an army of occupation, and believes, therefore, that to promote future stability in Iraq any foreign troops on Iraqi soil should be brought under UN command and that current coalition forces should be replaced, on a phased basis, by those drawn from non-Western, preferably Muslim, countries pending the restoration of full sovereignty and the consent of the Iraqi people.

Mr Andy Kerr moved amendment S2M-1374.5 to motion S2M-1374—

Leave out from "reaffirms" to end and insert—

> "notes that discussions are taking place on a draft resolution on Iraq in the UN Security Council; recognises the importance of international support, particularly that of countries in the region, Iraq's neighbours, and regional organisations, for the people of Iraq in their efforts to achieve security; welcomes the ongoing efforts of the Special Advisor to the Secretary-General of the United Nations to assist the people of Iraq in achieving the formation of a sovereign interim government of Iraq and the end of the occupation by 30 June 2004; affirms the importance of the principles of the rule of law, including respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, and of democracy, including free and fair elections no later than 31 January 2005; notes the report provided to the Security Council on 16 April 2004 under resolution 1511 (2003) on the efforts and progress made by the multinational force authorised under that resolution; welcomes the willingness of the multinational force to continue efforts to contribute to the maintenance of security and stability in Iraq in support of the political transition, especially for upcoming elections, and to provide security for the United Nations presence in Iraq; recognises the importance of the consent of the sovereign government of Iraq for the presence of the multinational force after 30 June and of close co-ordination between the multinational force and that government, and acknowledges that the United Nations should play a leading role in assisting the Iraqi people in particular in the formation of institutions for representative government."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 42, Against 74, Abstentions 3).

Phil Gallie moved amendment S2M-1374.2 to motion S2M-1374—

Leave out from the first "and" to end and insert—

"; recognises the importance of maintaining an influential Scottish voice in the UN Security Council through the permanent position allocated to the United Kingdom; notes the serious security situation in Iraq and pays tribute to the courageous, professional and effective manner in which British armed forces are responding to it; condemns malicious attempts in certain quarters to damage the reputation of our armed forces in Iraq by false accusations; supports future requests from British commanders on the ground for further equipment or manpower to enable them to fulfil their task; looks forward to a genuine transfer of power to a representative Iraqi Interim Government on 30 June 2004 to which, as the civil power, the United Kingdom can continue to give aid as required, and reaffirms the goal of helping to create a stable, democratic and prosperous Iraq which can become a beneficial influence within the region as a whole."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 18, Against 101, Abstentions 2).

Mr Jim Wallace moved amendment S2M-1374.4 to motion S2M-1374—

Leave out from "reaffirms" to end and insert—

"notes the motion passed by the Parliament on 13 March 2003; reaffirms its support for the United Nations and its belief in the primacy of international law; regrets that Her Majesty's Government saw fit to take this country into the Iraq War without United Nations sanction or credible evidence of a significant threat to the safety of the United Kingdom or of the world community; believes that as a consequence the world is now a more dangerous place; notes with concern the deteriorating security situation in Iraq and the Middle East; believes that progress in Iraq is only possible if the role of the United Nations is expanded and enhanced and the transfer of sovereignty to the Iraqis on 30 June 2004 is real and visible; recalls that when the House of Commons endorsed military action against Saddam Hussein it did so on an understanding that progress on the road map for a peace settlement between Israel and the Palestinians would be a priority for Her Majesty's Government; expresses its disappointment that recent events have made the achievement of a negotiated two-state solution more difficult and less likely; recognises the bravery and professionalism of British armed forces serving in Iraq in difficult and dangerous circumstances; calls upon Her Majesty's Government not to commit any further troops unless requested by United Kingdom commanders in Iraq for the purposes of securing the safety of British forces and the fulfilling of Britain's international obligations towards the people of Iraq and to the United Nations, and further declares that any such troops should remain under United Kingdom operational command and within the area currently under United Kingdom control."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 98, Abstentions 5).

Tommy Sheridan moved amendment S2M-1374.3 to motion S2M-1374—

Leave out from "reaffirms" to end and insert—

"believes that all British troops should be withdrawn from Iraq immediately; considers that the decision to invade Iraq was based on lies, deceit and distortion and that President George W Bush and Tony Blair are guilty of wilful deception in relation to weapons of mass destruction, Iraqi links to the September 11 atrocity and Iraq posing an imminent "45-minute" threat to British interests; further considers that the invasion of Iraq was illegal under international law and the continued presence of coalition

troops represents an illegal occupation; believes that the billions of pounds committed to waging war in Iraq should be diverted to agencies like the Red Cross, Red Crescent, Médicins Sans Frontières and others to assist in the rebuilding of Iraq's infrastructure with the consent of the Iraqi people and that peace across the Middle East will be only secured on the basis of a free and viable Palestine requiring the withdrawal of Israel from Palestinian territory; further believes that Scotland's name should be synonymous with peaceful resolution of the world's problems and conflicts, and extends the hand of peace and friendship internationally."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 8, Against 101, Abstentions 12).

The motion was then disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 38, Against 62, Abstentions 21).

3. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1358—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 9 June 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 16 June 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 17 June 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time—

	Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Continuation of Stage 3 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

4. Designation of Lead Committees: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-1379—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004;

S2M-1380—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Crofting Community Body Form of Application for Consent to Buy Croft Land etc. and Notice of Minister's Decision (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/224);

S2M-1381—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Crofting Community Right to Buy (Grant Towards Compensation Liability) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/225);

S2M-1382—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Crofting Community Right to Buy (Compensation) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/226);

S2M-1383—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Crofting Community Right to Buy (Ballot) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/227);

S2M-1384—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Community Right to Buy (Ballot) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/228);

S2M-1385—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Community Right to Buy (Compensation) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/229);

S2M-1386—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Community Right to Buy (Register of Community Interests in Land Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/230);

S2M-1387—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Community Right to Buy (Specification of Plans) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/231);

S2M-1388—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Community Right to Buy (Forms) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/233); and

S2M-1389—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

5. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2 and 4 as noted above.

6. Affordable Housing in North-east Fife: The Parliament debated S2M-1329 in the name of Iain Smith—That the Parliament notes with concern the shortage of affordable housing for rent or sale in many communities in north-east Fife; recognises that this is due to many factors including the decline in the amount of public sector rented accommodation, the popularity of many communities as retirement and holiday locations and, in the case of St Andrews, the accommodation needs of the growing student population; expresses its concern about the difficulties faced by many people in trying to obtain affordable accommodation in their own communities and the pressures on rural services such as schools, and considers that Fife Council, Communities Scotland and the Scottish Executive should develop an effective housing plan for north-east Fife that addresses these concerns to ensure viable, vibrant and sustainable communities throughout north-east Fife.

The meeting closed at 6.03 pm.

No. 6 Thursday 3 June 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Economy of the Highlands and Islands: The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) moved S2M-1395—That the Parliament endorses the ambition to create a diverse, dynamic and sustainable economy in the Highlands and Islands; congratulates Highlands and Islands Enterprise on the progress it has made with local partners towards realising this ambition, particularly in the areas of telecommunications, research and development and renewable energy; further welcomes the significant investment in critical transport infrastructure in the Highlands and Islands; recognises that serious challenges still lie ahead for the Highlands and Islands economy, not least in terms of sustaining more fragile areas, but believes that these can best be addressed through continuing the approach set out in *A Smart, Successful Scotland*.

Mr Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-1395.2 to motion S2M-1395—

Leave out from "endorses" to end and insert—

> "believes that the Highlands and Islands have both the right and the potential to be an economy that is diverse, dynamic and sustainable; commends the progress that has been achieved to date by individual endeavour, quality local services, business resilience and innovation in spite of hurdles which must be overcome in order for that potential to be realised; considers that these hurdles include the threats to primary and acute healthcare, the failure of the Scottish Executive to mount a coherent campaign for the contribution of adequate EU structural funds, the lack of affordable housing, poor transport links, higher fuel costs and an overall failure adequately to address the needs of key industries, and urges the Executive to produce a comprehensive strategy that will overcome these inhibitors and enable the Highlands and Islands to achieve its full potential."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 26, Against 65, Abstentions 14).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-1395.1 to motion S2M-1395—

Leave out from "congratulates" to end and insert—

> "acknowledges that the long-term economic decline of the Highlands and Islands was reversed under the last Conservative government; believes that strong businesses are essential in bringing about further economic growth in the Highlands and Islands; notes with concern that businesses in the Highlands and Islands continue to be hampered by high business rates, excessive regulation and poor transport infrastructure; recognises, particularly, the need for improvement of the A9 as the major strategic link between the central belt and the north, and calls on the Scottish Executive to improve the business environment in the Highlands and Islands by lowering business rates, cutting regulation and investing in transport infrastructure improvements."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 14, Against 91, Abstentions 1).

Eleanor Scott moved amendment S2M-1395.3 to motion S2M-1395—

Leave out from ", particularly" to end and insert—

> "; notes the lessons to be learned including the need to engage with, and invest in, local communities in areas such as telecommunications, research and development and renewable energy; further notes the need for investment in sustainable transport; recognises that serious challenges still lie ahead in terms of sustaining more fragile areas, and endorses the view expressed in *A Smart, Successful Scotland – the Highlands and Islands dimension,* that economic growth must be achieved in tandem with no less important aspects of Highlands and Islands life, such as social cohesion, vibrant cultures and natural environment, and that development activity must remain aware of the legacy it leaves for the future."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 73, Abstentions 17).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 59, Against 38, Abstentions 9).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health and Community Care (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Tenements (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Communities (Ms Margaret Curran) moved S2M-848—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Tenements (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Civil Partnership Bill – UK Legislation: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-1202—That the Parliament endorses the principle of giving same sex couples in Scotland the opportunity to form a civil partnership and agrees that the provisions in the Civil Partnership Bill that relate to devolved matters should be based on Scots law and considered by the UK Parliament.

Bill Aitken moved amendment S2M-1202.1 to motion S2M-1202—

Leave out from "endorses" to first "and".

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 14, Against 92, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 80, Against 25, Abstentions 1).

6. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1378—That the Parliament agrees—

(i) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 4 June 2004 on the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004; and by 11 June 2004 on the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004; and

(ii) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 11 June 2004 on: the Crofting Community Body Form of Application for Consent to Buy Croft Land etc. and Notice of Minister's Decision (Scotland) Regulations 2004, (SSI 2004/224); the Crofting Community Right to Buy (Grant Towards Compensation Liability) (Scotland) Regulations 2004, (SSI 2004/225); the Crofting Community Right to Buy (Compensation) (Scotland) Order 2004, (SSI 2004/226); the Crofting Community Right to Buy (Ballot) (Scotland) Regulations 2004, (SSI 2004/227); the Community Right to Buy (Ballot) (Scotland) Regulations 2004, (SSI 2004/228); the Community Right to Buy (Compensation) (Scotland) Regulations 2004, (SSI 2004/229); the Community Right to Buy (Register of Community Interests in Land Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 2004, (SSI 2004/230); the Community Right to Buy (Specification of Plans) (Scotland) Regulations 2004, (SSI 2004/231); and the Community Right to Buy (Forms) (Scotland) Regulations 2004, (SSI 2004/233).

The motion was agreed to.

7. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1362—That the Parliament agrees that Tricia Marwick be appointed to replace Brian Adam as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Education Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Office of the Clerk: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-1390—That the Parliament agrees that between 8 January 2005 and 2 September 2005, the Office of the Clerk shall be open all days except: Saturdays and Sundays, 25 and 28 March, and 2, 27 and 30 May 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 4, 5, 7 and 8 as noted above.

10. Asbestos-Related Illnesses: The Parliament debated S2M-866 in the name of Des McNulty—That the Parliament notes with deep concern recent

projections regarding the increasing prevalence of asbestos-related illnesses in Scotland; notes that the historic concentration of heavy industry on Clydeside has left a devastating health legacy, affecting many former shipyard and engineering workers and their families; notes that although former shipyard communities show the highest incidence of asbestos-related disease, evidence now shows that ever-increasing numbers of workers from other parts of Scotland have also become victims of asbestos-related illnesses due largely to the past use of asbestos in construction; considers that the Scottish Executive should give urgent consideration to bringing forward an integrated strategy to assist all those affected by asbestos-related illnesses, which should combine screening and testing people who may have been at risk in order to ensure early diagnosis, counselling and support for victims and their families, and the provision of specialist palliative care, and further considers that the Scottish Executive should work along with COSLA, NHS boards and other key bodies, including the Health and Safety Executive to ensure that necessary information is made available to potential sufferers from asbestos-related illnesses and all those professionals in health, local government and other services who may be in the position of assisting victims and their families.

The meeting closed at 5.57 pm.

No. 7 Wednesday 9 June 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Mrs Margaret Clark, Roman Catholic, Action for Churches Together in Scotland and the Ecumenical Forum of European Christian Women led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1433—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 16 June 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate on Family Matters: Improving Family Law in Scotland
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 17 June 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
1.30 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
2.30 pm	Continuation of Stage 3 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.30 pm	Decision Time

Wednesday 23 June 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 of the Local Governance (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Business Motion

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

Thursday 24 June 2004

9.30 am	Committee Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate on the School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Bill Aitken moved amendment S2M-1433.1 to motion S2M-1433—

after

"*followed by* Executive Debate on Family Matters: Improving Family Law in Scotland"

insert

"4.00 pm	Ministerial Statement on Slopping Out
4.30 pm	Ministerial Statement on Scottish Opera"

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (by division: For 36, Against 65, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to (by division: For 65, Against 37, Abstentions 0).

3. Promoting Choice and Good Citizenship: Towards More Smoke-Free Environments: The Parliament debated the subject of Promoting Choice and Good Citizenship: Towards More Smoke-Free Environments.

4. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1426—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that consideration of the Tenements (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 25 June 2004;

(b) that the timetable for consideration of the Prostitution Tolerance Zones (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 23 December 2004;

(c) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 11 June 2004 on the Victim Statements (Prescribed Offences) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2004, (SSI 2004/246); and

(d) that the Environment and Rural Development Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 27 June 2004 on the Scottish Outdoor Access Code: Proposed Code, (SE/2004/101).

The motion was agreed to.

5. Designation of Lead Committees: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

> S2M-1427—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Victim Statements (Prescribed Offences) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/246); and
>
> S2M-1428—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Scottish Outdoor Access Code: Proposed Code (SE/2004/101).

The motions were agreed to (DT).

6. Approval of SSI: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1429—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/221) be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 51, Against 14, Abstentions 7).

7. Decision Time: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1437—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of the Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 17 June 2004 shall begin at 5.30pm.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Suspension of Standing Orders: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1439—That the Parliament agrees that Rule 5.6.1(c) of the Standing Orders be suspended for the duration of the Meeting of the Parliament on Thursday 17 June 2004.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 5, 6, 7 and 8 as noted above.

10. The Turning of the Tide Against Nazism: The Parliament debated S2M-1302 in the name of Trish Godman—That the Parliament wishes to place on record its abiding gratefulness to those fellow Scots who, some 60 years ago along with their comrades from the allied nations, turned the tide and destroyed the evil of Nazism and fascism in Europe and, in bringing an end to that terrible war, assisted with the new accord within Europe that has eventually, and not without struggle of a different kind, led to the European Union of 25 nations, based upon equality and fraternity that has, as one of its major aims, the elimination of poverty within its member states and elsewhere in the world.

The meeting closed at 5.52 pm.

No. 8 Wednesday 16 June 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Alistair H. Morrison, Church of Scotland Parish Minister led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1478—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for 16 June 2004—

Wednesday 16 June 2004

after,

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

insert,

followed by	Ministerial Statement on the Local Government Finance Review
followed by	Ministerial Statement on the Transport White Paper – Scotland's Transport Future

The motion was agreed to.

3. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Finance and Public Services (Mr Andy Kerr) made a statement and answered questions on the Local Government Finance Review.

4. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen) made a statement and answered questions on the transport white paper – *Scotland's Transport Future*.

5. Family Matters - Improving Family Law in Scotland: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-1464—That the Parliament agrees that family law reform must safeguard the best interests of children; believes that stability in families should be promoted and supported, and therefore supports the reform of family law so that it reflects the reality of families in Scotland today.

Nicola Sturgeon moved amendment S2M-1464.2 to motion S2M-1464—

Insert at end—

> "and ensures meaningful protection under the law, particularly in the event of separation or the death of one partner, for couples who have made the legitimate choice to live together without being married."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 31, Against 76, Abstentions 3).

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-1464.1 to motion S2M-1464—

Leave out from "and therefore" to end and insert—

> "recognises that marriage has proved to be the most stable and viable framework within which to raise children, and therefore calls on the Scottish Executive, in considering any legislation, to ensure that marriage is not undermined by any such legislative changes."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 23, Against 87, Abstentions 2).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 96, Against 16, Abstentions 0).

6. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1477—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 23 June 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 of the Local Governance (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 24 June 2004

9.30 am	Committee Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate on the School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 30 June 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 1 July 2004

9.30 am	Final Stage of Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Bill
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

7. Establishment of Committees: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-1443—That the Parliament agrees to establish a committee of the Parliament as follows:

Name of Committee: The Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill Committee;

Remit: To consider and report to the Parliament on the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill;

Duration: Until the Bill has received Royal Assent, falls or is withdrawn;

Convenership: The Convener will be a member of the Labour Party and the Deputy Convener will be a member of the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party;

Membership: Jackie Baillie (Labour), Dr Sylvia Jackson (Labour), Michael Matheson (SNP), Phil Gallie (Conservative), Mr Jamie Stone (Liberal Democrat); and

S2M-1444—That the Parliament agrees to establish a committee of the Parliament as follows:

Name of Committee: The Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill Committee;

Remit: To consider and report to the Parliament on the Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill;

Duration: Until the Bill has received Royal Assent, falls or is withdrawn;

Convenership: The Convener will be a member of the Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party and the Deputy Convener will be a member of the Liberal Democrat Party;

Membership: Marilyn Livingstone (Labour), Kate Maclean (Labour), Stewart Stevenson (SNP), Bill Aitken (Conservative), Jeremy Purvis (Liberal Democrat).

The motions were agreed to (DT).

8. Designation of Lead Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1471—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Victim Statements (Prescribed Offences) (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/287).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Rule 2.3.1: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1482—That the Parliament agrees the following dates under Rule 2.3.1: 12 – 20 February 2005 (inclusive), 25 March – 10 April 2005 (inclusive), 2 July – 4 September 2005 (inclusive).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 5, 7, 8 and 9 as noted above.

11. International Refugee Week: The Parliament debated S2M-1416 in the name of Mr Kenny MacAskill—That the Parliament notes that 14 to 20 June 2004 is International Refugee Week; welcomes the great social, cultural and economic benefits that refugees have brought to Scotland over the years; recognises that they continue to bring these benefits and in many instances arrive in Scotland as a result of war, and destitution caused thereby; notes that events are taking place worldwide to mark the week, and welcomes the establishment of the Edinburgh Refugee Centre at St George's West Church

in Shandwick Place, Edinburgh, providing humanitarian support, advice and assistance for refugees and asylum seekers.

The meeting closed at 5.59 pm.

No. 9 Thursday 17 June 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1491—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill, debate on each part of the proceedings shall be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time-limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 to 3 – no later than 40 minutes

Groups 4 and 5 – no later than 1 hour 30 minutes

Groups 6 and 7 – no later than 2 hours and 30 minutes

Groups 8 to 11 – no later than 3 hours and 20 minutes

Groups 12 to 21 – no later than 4 hours and 10 minutes

Groups 22 to 24 – no later than 4 hours and 30 minutes

Groups 25 to 30 – no later than 5 hours and 15 minutes

Motion to pass the Bill – 5 hours and 30 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

2. Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48 and 50.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

49 (For 69, Against 51, Abstentions 1)
95 (For 104, Against 16, Abstentions 0)
51 (For 97, Against 24, Abstentions 0).

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

83 (For 48, Against 66, Abstentions 0)
84 (For 48, Against 64, Abstentions 1)
1 (For 34, Against 63, Abstentions 20).

Other amendments were not moved.

3. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

4. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) and the Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen); by the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) and the Lord Advocate (Colin Boyd); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Parliament resumed consideration of the Bill at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 96, 54, 55, 56, 57, 59, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 110, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 147, 154, 60, 63, 64, 67, 68, 159, 69, 70, 71, 72, 160, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 80, 81 and 82.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

52 (For 86, Against 19, Abstentions 0)
53 (For 86, Against 20, Abstentions 0)
58 (For 103, Against 6, Abstentions 0)
106 (For 88, Against 16, Abstentions 0)
107 (For 88, Against 15, Abstentions 0)
108 (For 89, Against 15, Abstentions 0)
109 (For 95, Against 12, Abstentions 0)
111 (For 99, Against 15, Abstentions 0)
112 to 118 (For 98, Against 17, Abstentions 0)
140 (For 100, Against 16, Abstentions 0)
146 (For 100, Against 16, Abstentions 0)
148 to 150 (For 100, Against 15, Abstentions 0)
31 (For 90, Against 20, Abstentions 6)
32 (For 88, Against 21, Abstentions 6)
61 (For 95, Against 15, Abstentions 0)
62 (For 97, Against 16, Abstentions 0)
65 (For 98, Against 16, Abstentions 0)
66 (For 96, Against 16, Abstentions 0)
158 (For 103, Against 8, Abstentions 1)
77 (For 98, Against 17, Abstentions 0)
79 (For 96, Against 17, Abstentions 1).

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

97 (For 17, Against 93, Abstentions 0)
99 (For 22, Against 84, Abstentions 6)
20 (For 20, Against 71, Abstentions 0)
151 (For 28, Against 81, Abstentions 6)
155 (For 29, Against 81, Abstentions 6)

91 (For 30, Against 81, Abstentions 0)
93 (For 32, Against 79, Abstentions 0).

Amendment 161 was moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn.

Other amendments were not moved.

6. Motion without Notice: Stewart Stevenson moved, without notice, that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate on Groups 12 to 21 be extended by 15 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1499—That the Parliament agrees as a revision to motion S2M-1491 in the name of Patricia Ferguson (Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill - Business Motion), agreed on 17 June 2004, in relation to the timetabling motion for Stage 3 of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill—

after,

Groups 12 to 21 – no later than 4 hours and 10 minutes

delete all and insert,

Groups 22 to 24 – no later than 4 hours and 45 minutes

Groups 25 to 30 – no later than 5 hours and 30 minutes

Motion to pass the Bill – 5 hours and 45 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Minister for Communities (Ms Margaret Curran) moved S2M-1407—That the Parliament agrees that the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 103, Against 11, Abstentions 0).

9. Motion without Notice: Patricia Ferguson moved, without notice, that under Rule 2.2.6(d), the meeting of Parliament continue beyond 5.30 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

10. Motion without Notice: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved, without notice, that the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 that Decision Time on Thursday 17 June 2004 be taken at 6.15 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

11. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1472—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 3 July 2004 on the Victim Statements (Prescribed Offences) (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/287).

The motion was agreed to.

12. Approval of SSI: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1473—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.3) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/237) be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 71, Against 20, Abstentions 22).

13. Approval of SSI: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1468—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

14. Approval of SSI: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1469—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

15. Approval of SSI: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1470—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

16. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 8, 12, 13, 14 and 15 as noted above.

The meeting closed at 6.19 pm.

No. 10 Wednesday 23 June 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: His Holiness Sri Sri Ravi Shankar led Time for Reflection.

2. Local Governance (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1528—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Local Governance (Scotland) Bill, debate on each part of the proceedings shall be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time-limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 to 5 – no later than 1 hour and 10 minutes

Group 6 – no later than 1 hour 20 minutes

Groups 7 and 8 – no later than 1 hour and 50 minutes

Group 9 – no later than 1 hour and 55 minutes

Motion to pass the Bill – 2 hours and 25 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

3. Local Governance (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 10, 11, 13 and 12

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

18 (For 80, Against 23, Abstentions 6)
14 to 17 (For 99, Against 1, Abstentions 10)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

1 (For 47, Against 65, Abstentions 0)
2 (For 44, Against 66, Abstentions 0)
3 (For 48, Against 64, Abstentions 0)
4 (For 28, Against 82, Abstentions 0)
19 (For 29, Against 80, Abstentions 0)
20 (For 11, Against 98, Abstentions 0)
26 (For 41, Against 64, Abstentions 0)
21 (For 44, Against 65, Abstentions 0)
23A (For 45, Against 65, Abstentions 0)

23 (For 45, Against 65, Abstentions 0)
24 (For 2, Against 110, Abstentions 0)
25 (For 2, Against 110, Abstentions 0)

Amendment 6 was moved and, with the agreement of the Parliament, withdrawn.

Other amendments were not moved.

4. Local Governance (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Minister for Finance and Public Services (Mr Andy Kerr) moved S2M-1495—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Governance (Scotland) Bill be passed.

Tricia Marwick moved amendment S2M-1495.1 to motion S2M-1495—

Insert at end—

> "but, in so doing, considers that the Scottish Executive should bring forward legislation, as a matter of urgency, to decouple elections to Scottish local authorities from the elections to the Parliament."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 39, Against 78, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 96, Against 18, Abstentions 2).

5. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1523—That the Parliament agrees the following revisions to the programme of business for Thursday 24 June 2004 and Thursday 1 July 2004—

(a) Thursday 24 June 2004

(i) delete,

9.30 am	Procedures Committee Debate on its 3rd Report, 2004: Suspension of Standing Orders and its 5th Report, 2004: Two Minor Changes to Standing Orders

and insert,

9.30 am	Ministerial Statement on Future Arrangements for Cross-Border Students
followed by	Procedures Committee Debate on its 3rd Report, 2004: Suspension of Standing Orders and its 5th Report, 2004: Two Minor Changes to Standing Orders

and,

(ii) after,

2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions

delete,

3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate on the School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill

and insert,

3.00 pm	Ministerial Statement on Efficient Government
followed by	Stage 1 Debate on the School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Motion on the Publication of Lord Fraser's Report into the Scottish Parliament Building Project;

and

(b) Thursday 1 July 2004

delete,

9.30 am	Final Stage of Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Bill

and insert,

9.30 am	Executive Debate on 21st Century Social Work

and after,

2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions

delete,

3.00 pm	Executive Business

and insert,

3.00 pm	Final Stage of Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Bill

The motion was agreed to.

6. Approval of SSI: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1513—That the Parliament agrees that the Farm Business Development (Scotland) Amendment Scheme 2004 (SSI 2004/236) be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Designation of Lead Committees: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

> S2M-1514—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Police (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/257);
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> S2M-1515—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/262);
>
> S2M-1516—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Criminal Legal Aid (Fixed Payments) (Scotland) Amendment (No.3) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/263);
>
> S2M-1517—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/264); and
>
> S2M-1518—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/281).

The motions were agreed to (DT).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 4, 6 and 7 as noted above.

9. Newton Dee Village Community: The Parliament debated S2M-1204 in the name of Mr David Davidson—That the Parliament recognises the huge investment in, and the excellent and unique work accomplished at, the Newton Dee Village Community since 1940 and also at the 11 other centres of the Camphill Village Trust through the provision of fulfilling work opportunities and homes for adults with learning disabilities; commends the pioneering health care provision available to residents and the local community; recognises the impact this has on the development of wide-ranging interests and participation in cultural and social activities, and believes that everything possible should be done to allow the community to continue undisturbed and to develop over future years.

The meeting closed at 5.40 pm.

No. 11 Thursday 24 June 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Ministerial Statement: The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) made a statement and answered questions on the future arrangements for cross-border students.

2. Procedures Committee, *Suspension of Standing Orders and Two Minor Changes to Standing Orders*: Iain Smith, on behalf of the Procedures Committee, moved S2M-1447—That the Parliament notes the Procedures Committee's 3rd Report, 2004 (Session 2), *Suspension of Standing Orders* (SP Paper 93), and its 5th Report, 2004 (Session 2), *Two Minor Changes to Standing Orders* (SP Paper 174), and agrees that the changes to standing orders set out in Annexe A to each Report be made with effect from 6 September 2004.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

3. Finance Committee, *Stage 1 of the 2005-06 Budget Process*: Des McNulty, on behalf of the Finance Committee, moved S2M-1498—That the Parliament notes the 5th Report, 2004 (Session 2) of the Finance Committee, *Stage 1 of the 2005-06 Budget Process* (SP Paper 182) and refers the recommendations to the Scottish Executive for consideration.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

4. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

5. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) and the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Mr Frank McAveety); by the Minister for Finance and Public Services (Mr Andy Kerr) and the Minister for Communities (Ms Margaret Curran); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Finance and Public Services (Mr Andy Kerr) made a statement and answered questions on efficient government.

7. School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-1119—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 60, Against 48, Abstentions 0).

8. Publication of Lord Fraser's Report into the Scottish Parliament Building Project: Murray Tosh moved S2M-1529—That the Parliament authorises Lord Fraser to lay his report into the Scottish Parliament Building Project before the Parliament and orders the Clerk to publish the report.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Designation of Lead Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1519—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/282).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1520—That the Parliament agrees—

(i) that consideration of the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 19 November 2004;

(ii) that the timetable for completion of consideration of the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 24 September 2004; and

(iii) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 27 June 2004 on the Police (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/257); the Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/262); the Criminal Legal Aid (Fixed Payments) (Scotland) Amendment (No.3) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/263); the Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/264); and by 3 July 2004 on the Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/281) and the Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/282).

The motion was agreed to.

11. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 7, 8 and 9 as noted above.

12. Education for Peace Across Scotland: The Parliament debated S2M-1431 in the name of Chris Ballance—That the Parliament commends the work of the World Peace Prayer Society at its European headquarters in Dumfriesshire, particularly in peace education in schools; recognises the valuable contribution that principles of non-violence and co-operation can make to society and supports the development of skills in conflict resolution, and believes that the Scottish Executive should therefore consider a cross-sectoral review of various peace initiatives, not just in education, but in justice, health and other areas, liaising with COSLA, NHS boards, religious groups, voluntary organisations and other relevant bodies in order to bring forward an

integrated strategy for encouraging the peaceful resolution of disputes in all fields and promoting education for peace.

The meeting closed at 5.57 pm.

No. 12 Wednesday 30 June 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Cathy Ratcliff, Programmes Director, Mercy Corps Scotland led Time for Reflection.

2. Celebration of Volunteering in Scotland: The Parliament debated the subject of a celebration of volunteering in Scotland.

3. Business Motion: Tavish Scott, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1549—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 7 September 2004

9.30 am	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
2.30 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 8 September 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

(b) that consideration of the School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 24 September 2004; and

(c) that the period for lodging questions for First Minister's Question Time on 8 September 2004 should end at 2.00 pm on Friday 3 September.

The motion was agreed to.

4. Designation of Lead Committee: Tavish Scott, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1546—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Fire (Scotland) Bill.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Membership of Committee: Tavish Scott, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1547—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Mark Ruskell be appointed to replace Eleanor Scott on the Environment and Rural Development Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Designation of Lead Committee: Tavish Scott, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1550—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2004 Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/305).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 4, 5 and 6 as noted above.

8. Urgent Need to Tackle Hepatitis C, Public Health Crisis: The Parliament debated S2M-1481 in the name of Mr Keith Raffan—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of the UK Hepatitis C Resource Centre for Scotland; recognises the urgent need to raise awareness of what the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh described in their UK Hepatitis C Consensus Statement of April 2004 as a "public health crisis" which affects between 45,000 and 65,000 people in Scotland, and believes that the Scottish Executive should acknowledge that, as with HIV/AIDS, this epidemic can only be effectively tackled through central, ring-fenced funding for both treatment and prevention.

The meeting closed at 5.41 pm.

No. 13 Thursday 1 July 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. 21st Century Social Work: The Parliament debated the subject of 21st century social work.

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health and Community Care (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Bill Committee, *Appropriate Assessment for the River Teith candidate Special Area of Conservation*: Bill Butler, on behalf of the Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Bill Committee, moved S2M-1542—That the Parliament notes the 2nd Report 2004 (Session 2) of the Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Bill Committee, *Appropriate Assessment for the River Teith candidate Special Area of Conservation* (SP Paper 187), and agrees that the works proposed in the Bill will not adversely affect the integrity of the River Teith candidate Special Area of Conservation.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Bill – Final Stage: Bill Butler, on behalf of the Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Bill Committee, moved S2M-1541—That the Parliament agrees that the Stirling-Alloa-Kincardine Railway and Linked Improvements Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Business Motion: Tavish Scott, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1551—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 17 September 2004 on the Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2004 Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/305).

The motion was agreed to.

7. Approval of SSIs: Tavish Scott, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-1548—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Town and Country Planning (Electronic Communications) (Scotland) Order 2004 be approved; and

S2M-1557—That the Parliament agrees that the Scottish Outdoor Access Code: Proposed Code (SE/2004/101) be approved.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

8. Motion without Notice: Tavish Scott, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved, without notice, a motion under Rule 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 1 July 2004 be taken at 4.49 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 4, 5 and 7 as noted above.

10. Argyll and Clyde Clinical Review: The Parliament debated S2M-1530 in the name of Frances Curran—That the Parliament rejects NHS Argyll and Clyde's consultation on its clinical review; believes that this consultation is flawed from the outset as it neither consults the people who live in Argyll and Clyde, nor those who use the NHS, about what kind of services they need; notes that the consultation announces a raft of severe cuts and then has the audacity to attempt to consult people on which services they would like to see cut; considers that the proposals for cuts in this consultation should be rejected outright and, furthermore, that NHS Argyll and Clyde should withdraw this consultation and begin a new consultation with the people they serve on what kind of NHS is needed for the 21st century; believes that the experiences of Argyll and Clyde reflect a Scotland-wide crisis in the NHS, and further believes that a national conference of campaign groups, trade unions, NHS professionals, professional organisations and community representatives should be convened to develop a strategy to protect and improve the NHS in the absence of adequate action by the Scottish Executive.

11. Motion without Notice: Jackie Baillie moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by 10 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 5.51 pm.

No. 14 Tuesday 7 September 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Charles Robertson, Minister of Canongate Kirk, Edinburgh led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1649—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Tuesday 7 September 2004

9.30 am	Time for Reflection - Rev Charles Robertson, Minister of Canongate Kirk, Edinburgh
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	First Minister's Statement on the Programme of the Scottish Executive
followed by	Debate on the Programme of the Scottish Executive
2.30 pm	Continuation of the Debate on the Programme of the Scottish Executive
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business - Debate on the subject of S2M-1578 Mr Duncan McNeil: International Suicide Prevention Week

Wednesday 8 September 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Continuation of the Debate on the Programme of the Scottish Executive
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Continuation of the Debate on the Programme of the Scottish Executive
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business - Debate on the subject of S2M-1593 Brian Adam: North East of Scotland Sports Facilities

Wednesday 15 September 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Debate on Finance Committee's 6th Report 2004 – Relocation of Public Sector Jobs
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business - Debate on the subject of S2M-1579 Bill Butler: Citizens Advice Week

Thursday 16 September 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate on Growing Scotland's Economy – Building on Progress
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 of the Tenements (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business - Debate on the subject of S2M-1306 Trish Godman: Children of Drug Abusers

Wednesday 22 September 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 23 September 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business

12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.30 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate on the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

3. Ministerial Statement: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) made a statement and answered questions on the Programme of the Scottish Executive.

4. Programme of the Scottish Executive: The Parliament debated the ministerial statement by the First Minister on the Programme of the Scottish Executive**.**

5. Designation of Lead Committees: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

> S2M-1631—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the European Communities (Lawyer's Practice) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/302); and
>
> S2M-1632—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Register of Sasines (Application Procedure) Rules 2004 (SSI 2004/318).

The motions were agreed to (DT).

6. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

> S2M-1642—That the Parliament agrees that Mr John Home Robertson be appointed to replace Elaine Smith on the Communities Committee; and
>
> S2M-1644—That the Parliament agrees that Rosie Kane be appointed to replace Carolyn Leckie on the Public Petitions Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

7. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 5 and 6 as noted above.

8. International Suicide Prevention Week: The Parliament debated S2M-1578 in the name of Mr Duncan McNeil—That the Parliament acknowledges the importance of International Suicide Prevention Week from 5 to 11 September 2004 for raising awareness of this cause of death; recognises that more people die as a result of suicide than from traffic accidents; commends the work being done by *Choose life*, Scotland's strategy aimed at reducing suicides by 20% over the next 10 years; welcomes the introduction to Scotland of Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training, helping develop more effective approaches to both identifying and assisting those most at risk of suicide, and looks forward to this suicide-reduction work continuing at a national and local level.

The meeting was suspended from 5.04 pm to 5.13 pm and again from 5.22 pm to 5.26 pm.

The meeting closed at 5.26 pm.

No. 15 Wednesday 8 September 2004

The meeting opened at 9.31 am.

1. Motion without Notice: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that the Parliament agrees Rule 5.6.1(c) of Standing Orders be suspended for the purpose of Members' Business on Wednesday 8 September 2004.

The motion was agreed to.

2. Motion without Notice: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 8 September 2004—

after,

5.00 pm	Decision Time

insert,

followed by	Continuation of Members' Business – Debate on the subject of S2M-1578 Mr Duncan McNeil: International Suicide Prevention Week
followed by	Members' Business – Debate on the subject of S2M-1593 Brian Adam: North East of Scotland Sports Facilities

The motion was agreed to.

3. Programme of the Scottish Executive: The Parliament continued its debate on the ministerial statement by the First Minister on the Programme of the Scottish Executive**.**

4. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

5. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) and the Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen); by the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) and the Lord Advocate (Colin Boyd); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Programme of the Scottish Executive: The Parliament continued its debate on the ministerial statement by the First Minister on the Programme of the Scottish Executive**.**

7. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1630—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that consideration of the Fire (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 19 November 2004;

(b) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 17 September 2004 on the European Communities (Lawyer's Practice) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/302); and

(c) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 24 September 2004 on the Register of Sasines (Application Procedure) Rules 2004 (SSI 2004/318).

The motion was agreed to.

8. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1643—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that the timetable for completion of consideration of the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 24 September 2004; and

(b) that the timetable for completion of consideration of the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 1 October 2004.

The motion was agreed to.

9. International Suicide Prevention Week: The Parliament continued its debate on S2M-1578 in the name of Mr Duncan McNeil—That the Parliament acknowledges the importance of International Suicide Prevention Week from 5 to 11 September 2004 for raising awareness of this cause of death; recognises that more people die as a result of suicide than from traffic accidents; commends the work being done by *Choose life*, Scotland's strategy aimed at reducing suicides by 20% over the next 10 years; welcomes the introduction to Scotland of Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training, helping develop more effective approaches to both identifying and assisting those most at risk of suicide, and looks forward to this suicide-reduction work continuing at a national and local level.

10. North East of Scotland Sports Facilities: The Parliament debated S2M-1593 in the name of Brian Adam—That the Parliament regrets that the Scottish Executive and sportscotland felt unable to come up with the monies requested by Aberdeen City Council and its partners to create modern sports facilities in the city; believes that this will compromise the project; notes that there is a dearth of top-class facilities in the north and north east of Scotland, and considers that the Scottish Executive should rethink its decision and come up with the resources that are needed to allow this project to progress.

The meeting closed at 6.10 pm.

No. 16 Wednesday 15 September 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Father John Bollan from the Religious Education Department at the University of Glasgow led Time for Reflection.

2. Finance Committee, *Relocation of Public Sector Jobs*: Des McNulty, on behalf of the Finance Committee, moved S2M-1672—That the Parliament notes the 6th Report 2004 (Session 2) of the Finance Committee, *Report on the Relocation of Public Sector Jobs* (SP Paper 189), which summarises the considerable evidence in support of the principle of relocation of public sector jobs, calls for greater transparency in the decision-making process associated with relocation, highlights the need for the objectives of the policy to be set out clearly and realistically, identifies lessons to be learnt from elsewhere and puts forward a number of recommendations for consideration and debate.

After debate, motion was agreed to (DT).

3. Motions without Notice: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that S2M-1698, S2M-1700 and S2M-1699 be taken at this meeting of the Parliament.

The motion was agreed to.

4. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1698—That the Parliament agrees that Rule 5.6.1(c) of Standing Orders be suspended in respect of Members' Business on Wednesday 22 September 2004.

The motion was agreed to.

5. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1700—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Wednesday 22 September 2004 be taken at 7.00pm.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1699—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 22 September 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Debate on the Holyrood Inquiry Report

followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
7.00 pm	Decision Time

Thursday 23 September 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate on Sport
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate on the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 29 September 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 30 September 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate on the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

7. Designation of Lead Committees: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

> S2M-1686—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the International Criminal Court (Enforcement of Fines, Forfeiture and Reparation Orders) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/360);
>
> S2M-1687—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/370);
>
> S2M-1688—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Freedom of Information (Fees for Disclosure under Section 13) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/376); and
>
> S2M-1689—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Freedom of Information (Fees for Required Disclosure) (Scotland) Regulations 2004.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

8. Membership of Committees: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

> S2M-1690—That the Parliament agrees that Nora Radcliffe be appointed to replace Margaret Smith on the Equal Opportunities Committee;
>
> S2M-1691—That the Parliament agrees that Alex Neil be appointed to replace Alasdair Morgan on the Enterprise and Culture Committee;
>
> S2M-1692—That the Parliament agrees that Roseanna Cunningham be appointed to replace Christine Grahame on the Health Committee; and
>
> S2M-1693—That the Parliament agrees that Mr John Swinney be appointed to replace Richard Lochhead on the European and External Relations Committee.

The motions were agreed to (DT).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 7 and 8 as noted above.

10. Citizens Advice Week: The Parliament debated S2M-1579 in the name of Bill Butler—That the Parliament supports Advice Week from 6 to 13

September 2004; commends the vital work that Scotland's 77 citizens advice bureaux do in providing free, impartial and confidential advice to all; recognises that in the last year they handled over 400,000 issues and secured nearly £26m for clients; further recognises that such good quality advice on issues such as benefits, debt, employment, housing and consumer affairs is increasingly necessary in today's society; acknowledges that the use of client evidence means that citizens advice bureaux speak with authority and relevance on changing social issues from both a local and national perspective; congratulates the 2,193 volunteers and 329 paid members of staff who provide this service, and hopes that parliamentarians across the political spectrum can work together to ensure that the service will continue to inform government and meet the needs of local communities across Scotland in the years to come.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

No. 17 Thursday 16 September 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Growing Scotland's Economy – Building on Progress: The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) moved S2M-1695—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the Scottish Executive's response to the issues raised at the Business in the Parliament Conference 2004; welcomes the input of the business community into the current revision of *A Smart, Successful Scotland* and welcomes this opportunity for members to influence that revision; notes the broad consensus in support of the Executive's recently published framework for economic development in Scotland for addressing Scotland's historically low rate of economic growth by working to deliver improved productivity, and believes that improved economic growth is key to generating first-class public services for the people of Scotland.

Mr Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-1695.2 to motion S2M-1695—

Leave out from "; notes" to end and insert—

> "in the belief that the case has now been made and popularly acclaimed at home and internationally-proven in recent competitiveness indices for more powers for the Parliament, which are needed in order to reverse Scotland's historically low rate of economic growth and generate both the wealth required to provide world-class public services and infrastructure and the high quality employment opportunities needed to retain and develop fresh talent in Scotland."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 20, Against 82, Abstentions 6).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-1695.1 to motion S2M-1695—

Leave out from first "welcomes" to end and insert—

> "notes the continuing underperformance of the Scottish economy relative to the United Kingdom as a whole, despite the economic strategies of the Scottish Executive over the last five years; further notes with concern that Scotland was ranked 36th out of 60 countries in *IMD World Competitiveness Yearbook 2004*, some 14 places behind the United Kingdom as a whole; recognises the broad consensus of the business community in response to the Executive's recently published framework for economic development in Scotland, that action rather than words is required from the Executive to grow the Scottish economy, and calls upon the Executive to take immediate steps to create a more business-friendly environment by reducing business rates and water charges and cutting red tape, thereby encouraging business development and boosting Scotland's economic competitiveness."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 76, Abstentions 18).

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-1695.3 to motion S2M-1695—

Leave out from first “welcomes” to end and insert—

> “acknowledges that Scotland’s economy, society and environment are interlinked and cannot be treated in isolation; notes that prioritising economic growth, above all else, contradicts the Scottish Executive’s stated commitment to human and environmental welfare, and that GDP growth alone is not a measure of improvement in people’s quality of life and environmental sustainability; notes the revelation in the recent report to the Environment and Rural Development Committee by CAG Consultants, *Is The Scottish Executive Structured and Positioned to Deliver Sustainable Development?* that the most significant weakness emerged in relation to the perceived need for economic growth and the failure to acknowledge the negative environmental impacts of growth policies, and calls on the Executive to place quality of life as its number one priority, supported by the development of a sustainable economy that does not undermine social and environmental justice.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 77, Abstentions 18).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 27, Abstentions 18).

2. First Minister’s Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) and the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Mr Frank McAveety); by the Minister for Finance and Public Services (Mr Andy Kerr) and the Minister for Communities (Ms Margaret Curran) and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Tenements (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1702—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Tenements (Scotland) Bill, debate on each part of the proceedings shall be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time-limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 to 4 – no later than 30 minutes

Groups 5 to 8 – no later than 45 minutes

Groups 9 to 11 – no later than 1 hour and 15 minutes

Groups 12 to 16 – no later than 1 hour and 30 minutes

Motion to pass the Bill – 2 hours

The motion was agreed to.

5. Tenements (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 81, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77 and 78.

Amendment 30 was agreed to (by division: For 70, Against 9, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

79 (For 9, Against 93, Abstentions 0)
22A (For 29, Against 57, Abstentions 0)

The remaining amendment was not moved.

6. Tenements (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Minister for Communities (Ms Margaret Curran) moved S2M-1493—That the Parliament agrees that the Tenements (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-1685—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 24 September 2004 on—

the International Criminal Court (Enforcement of Fines, Forfeiture and Reparation Orders) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/360);

the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/370);

the Freedom of Information (Fees for Disclosure under Section 13) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/376); and

the draft Freedom of Information (Fees for Required Disclosure) (Scotland) Regulations 2004.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Motion without Notice: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 16 September 2004 be taken at 4.47 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1 and 6 as noted above.

10. Children of Drug Abusers: The Parliament debated S2M-1306 in the name of Trish Godman—That the Parliament notes the widespread incidence in Scotland of children whose parents misuse drugs and who, as a result, suffer diminished lives in all kinds of ways; believes that such children, many of whom are infants, require comprehensive care by those concerned with the protection of vulnerable families, and considers that the Scottish Executive, social work departments and other interested parties should adopt healthcare programmes that will ensure that such young citizens escape the blighting of their lives brought about by parents who are themselves in need of treatment and support.

The meeting closed at 5.43 pm.

No. 18 Wednesday 22 September 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Dr Alison Jack, Church of Scotland Minister from Dunblane led Time for Reflection.

2. Holyrood Inquiry Report: Robert Brown moved S2M-1727—That the Parliament thanks the Rt Hon Lord Fraser of Carmyllie QC for his report of the Holyrood Inquiry and invites the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body and the Scottish Executive to consider the contents of the report.

Fergus Ewing moved amendment S2M-1727.3 to motion S2M-1727—

Leave out from "and invites" to end and insert—

> "; agrees with the key findings of the report that the choice of site for the Parliament, the setting of the timetable for construction, the fixing of the budget of £50 million for construction, the selection of construction management for its procurement, the choice of architect and the appointment of the construction manager were decided by the Scottish Office before the Parliament was elected in May 1999 and that it is the consequences of those decisions that have caused the massive increase in costs and delay; further agrees with the finding that the Parliament was misled in June 1999 with regard to the costs of the project and that there is no greater democratic misdemeanour than misleading the Parliament and deplores the fact that there has been no ministerial accountability; regrets that the First Minister was not required to give oral evidence to Lord Fraser about his role as Minister for Finance in 1999; further regrets that the inquiry was set up without the necessary legal powers to require the appearance of witnesses and the production of documents and other material and agrees with the condemnation by Lord Fraser of the BBC's management for its refusal to co-operate with the Inquiry; calls upon the Scottish Executive to seek the powers that are presently reserved to Her Majesty's Government to make Executive civil servants fully accountable to Executive ministers and believes that, without such powers, essential reform of the Civil Service cannot take place; considers that the freedom of information legislation should be amended as soon as practicable to ensure that there is a presumption in favour of disclosure of information in relation to the use of public money in public sector contracts and that civil servants' advice to ministers is not protected by the 30-year rule, and calls upon the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body to take every possible step to ensure the recovery of any costs incurred as a result of negligence or breach of contract and to provide a proper means by which parliamentary scrutiny can be brought to bear upon its performance of its duties in taking these steps."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 24, Against 86, Abstentions 2).

David McLetchie moved amendment S2M-1727.1 to motion S2M-1727—

Insert at end—

> "and, in so doing, welcomes its findings and recommendations but regrets that, in its conclusions, it fails to place due emphasis on the principle of ministerial responsibility and accountability."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 42, Against 68, Abstentions 2).

Margo MacDonald moved amendment S2M-1727.2 to motion S2M-1727—

Leave out from "invites" to end and insert—

> "calls on the political parties and groups represented on the Parliamentary Bureau to nominate one person from each of their respective political parties or groups, other than those members who served on the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body or were members of the Scottish Executive at the time covered by the report, to form a special committee of the Parliament to consider the report and make recommendations as to the future conduct of the civil service, the Corporate Body, the Chief Executive of the Parliament and the Executive in discharging their public duties."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 13, Against 92, Abstentions 7).

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

3. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1731—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 29 September 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate: Spending Review 2004 – Enterprise, Opportunity and Fairness
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 30 September 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate on the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill

followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business
Wednesday 6 October 2004	
9.30 am	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Members' Business
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
followed by	Committee Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business
Thursday 7 October 2004	
9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time

and (b) that the period for lodging questions for Question Time on 6 October 2004 should end at 4.00 pm on Monday 27 September.

The motion was agreed to (by division: For 61, Against 33, Abstentions 17).

4. Designation of Lead Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-1730—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980 (Foreign Lawyers and Multi-national Practices) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/383).

The motion was agreed to.

5. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2 and 4 as noted above.

The meeting closed at 7.05 pm.

No. 19 Thursday 23 September 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. A Sporting Scotland is a Successful Scotland: Mr Frank McAveety moved S2M-1733—That the Parliament recognises the significant progress made since devolution in increasing participation in sport through the investment in active schools and the Scottish Executive's commitment to ensure that every child has at least two hours of high quality physical education; celebrates the continuing success of Scotland's sportsmen and women, particularly the medallists at the recent Olympics and those competing for medals at the Paralympics currently under way in Athens, of Andrew Murray at the US Open and most recently of Colin Montgomerie as part of the successful European team in the Ryder Cup; endorses the Executive's ambitions to attract major sporting events in Scotland, building on the successful rugby U21 World Cup; recognises the Executive's ambitions to invest in sports facilities for all talents and abilities, and seeks the support of all partners in meeting the challenges set out in Sport 21, the national strategy for sport in Scotland.

Michael Matheson moved amendment S2M-1733.1 to motion S2M-1733—

Leave out from "the significant" to end and insert—

> "the important contribution of sport in schools, homes, workplaces and communities across Scotland; celebrates the continuing success of Scotland's sportsmen and women, particularly the medallists at the recent Olympics and those competing for medals at the Paralympics currently under way in Athens, of Andrew Murray at the US Open and most recently of Colin Montgomerie as part of the successful European team in the Ryder Cup, and acknowledges the economic importance of sport to the Scottish economy and calls on the Scottish Executive to demonstrate its ambition to hold major sporting events here in Scotland by supporting the call for a solo Scottish bid for the European Football Championships in 2012."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 11, Against 75, Abstentions 8).

Mr Jamie McGrigor moved amendment S2M-1733.3 to motion S2M-1733—

Leave out from first "recognises" to end and insert—

> "laments the lack of significant progress made since devolution in increasing participation in sport; congratulates Scotland's sportsmen and women, particularly the medallists at the recent Olympics and those competing for medals at the Paralympics currently under way in Athens, Andrew Murray at the US Open and most recently Colin Montgomerie as part of the successful European team in the Ryder Cup; endorses the Scottish Executive's ambitions to attract major sporting events in Scotland, building on the successful rugby U21 World Cup; believes that the Executive's fixation with arbitrary targets and control of sport is counter-productive, and believes that, rather than over-spending on consultations, initiatives and glossy brochures, funding should be channelled directly to schools and national governing bodies to be spent on facilities and training."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 78, Abstentions 1).

Dennis Canavan moved amendment S2M-1733.2 to motion S2M-1733—

Insert at end—

> "but recognises that none of the above will be achieved without more resources invested at local level under the auspices of sportscotland and local authorities."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 18, Against 75, Abstentions 1).

The motion was then agreed to (DT) by division: For 71, Against 0, Abstentions 24).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health and Community Care (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill: Elaine Smith moved S2M-1640—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 80, Against 15, Abstentions 0).

5. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1732—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 29 September 2004 on the Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980 (Foreign Lawyers and Multi-national Practices) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/383).

The motion was agreed to.

6. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1734—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Andrew Welsh be appointed to replace Mr Kenny MacAskill on the Audit Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1735—That the Parliament agrees that Christine Grahame be appointed to replace Ms Sandra White on the Communities Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1736—That the Parliament agrees that Linda Fabiani be appointed to replace Stewart Stevenson on the Communities Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1737—That the Parliament agrees that Michael Matheson be appointed to replace Brian Adam on the Enterprise and Culture Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1738—That the Parliament agrees that Alasdair Morgan be appointed to replace Fergus Ewing on the Finance Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1739—That the Parliament agrees that Stewart Stevenson be appointed to replace Michael Matheson on the Justice 1 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1740—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Bruce McFee be appointed to replace Mr Stewart Maxwell on the Justice 1 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1741—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Stewart Maxwell be appointed to replace Nicola Sturgeon on the Justice 2 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

14. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1742—That the Parliament agrees that Ms Sandra White be appointed to replace Linda Fabiani on the Public Petitions Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

15. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1743—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Bruce McFee be appointed to replace Bruce Crawford on the Procedures Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

16. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1744—That the Parliament agrees that Linda Fabiani be appointed to replace Alex Neil on the Standards Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

17. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1745—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Adam Ingram be appointed to replace Alasdair Morgan on the Subordinate Legislation Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

18. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1746—That the Parliament agrees that Fergus Ewing be appointed to replace Mr Bruce McFee on the Local Government and Transport Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

19. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1747—That the Parliament agrees that Bruce Crawford be appointed to replace Mr Andrew Welsh on the Local Government and Transport Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

20. Motion without Notice: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved without notice that the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 23 September 2004 be taken at 4.55 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

21. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 as noted above.

22. Scotland's Regiments: The Parliament debated S2M-1590 in the name of Murdo Fraser—That the Parliament notes the outstanding commitment and service of Scotland's six infantry regiments for this country over the centuries; further notes that the recent war in Iraq was the latest conflict which showed Scotland's regiments to be a modern, effective fighting force as well as institutions steeped in history and tradition; condemns the proposed loss of

one of Scotland's regiments and the amalgamation of existing regiments into one or two new regiments, with the resultant loss of individual regimental identity and traditions; believes that, in a time of increased commitments across the globe, our armed forces must have the necessary resources and structure to protect our country, deter aggression and safeguard our vital interests in the wider world, and considers that the Scottish Executive should make urgent representations to the Ministry of Defence against these proposals in the interests of the Scottish economy and Scotland's military culture.

23. Motion without Notice: Murdo Fraser moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by 25 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.13pm.

No. 20 Wednesday 29 September 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Dr David Campbell, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Dunfermline led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1782—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for 29 September 2004—

Wednesday 29 September 2004

after,

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

leave out,

followed by	Executive Debate: Spending Review 2004 – Enterprise, Opportunity and Fairness

and insert,

followed by	Ministerial Statement on Spending Review 2004 – Enterprise, Opportunity and Fairness
followed by	Executive Debate on Ministerial Statement on Spending Review 2004 – Enterprise, Opportunity and Fairness

The motion was agreed to.

3. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Finance and Public Services (Mr Andy Kerr) made a statement and answered questions on the Spending Review 2004 – Enterprise, Opportunity and Fairness.

4. Spending Review 2004 – Enterprise, Opportunity and Fairness: Parliament debated the ministerial statement by the Minister for Finance and Public Services (Mr Andy Kerr) on the Spending Review 2004 – Enterprise, Opportunity and Fairness.

5. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1780—That the Parliament agrees that Rule 5.6.1(c) of Standing Orders be suspended in respect of Members' Business on Thursday 7 October 2004.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1781—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 7 October 2004 be taken at 12.30 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1783—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 6 October 2004

9.30 am	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Ministerial Statement on Efficient Government – Efficiency, Effectiveness and Productivity
followed by	Executive Debate on Ministerial Statement on Efficient Government – Efficiency, Effectiveness and Productivity
followed by	Stage 3 of the School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Members' Business
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
followed by	Debate on Enterprise and Culture Committee's 6th Report, 2004: Renewable Energy in Scotland
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 7 October 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate on Scotland's International Image
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
12.30 pm	Decision Time

Wednesday 27 October 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection

followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 28 October 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

8. Approval of SSIs: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

S2M-1763—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No.2) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/322) be approved;

S2M-1764—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.5) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/323) be approved;

S2M-1765—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.6) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/330) be approved;

S2M-1766—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Irish Sea) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/340) be approved;

S2M-1767—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.7) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/341) be approved;

S2M-1768—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.8) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/344) be approved;

S2M-1769—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No.3) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/352) be approved;

S2M-1770—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.9) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/359) be approved; and

S2M-1771—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Diarrhetic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (No.2) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/378) be approved.

After debate, the motions were agreed to ((DT) by division: For 75, Against 21, Abstentions 11).

9. Committee Remit: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1773—That the Parliament agrees that the remit for the Education Committee be amended to—

> To consider and report on matters relating to school and pre-school education, young people and social work and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Education and Young People.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Designation of Lead Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1774—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 2004.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Designation of Lead Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1775—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Conservation Bodies) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/400).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 8, 9, 10, and 11 as noted above.

13. Development of Edinburgh Airport: The Parliament debated S2M-1723 in the name of Mrs Margaret Smith—That the Parliament notes the importance of Edinburgh Airport to the local, regional and national economy; further notes projections in Her Majesty's Government's white paper, *The*

Future of Air Transport, that Edinburgh Airport will need a second runway by 2020; is sceptical that these projected passenger number increases will necessarily come to pass; recognises that, while setting aside land for any second runway may be a sensible precaution, it creates planning blight for a number of households and concern for many others and that construction would necessitate relocation of the Royal Highland showground; believes BAA plc must engage with all the local communities around the airport and keep them up to date with development plans at the airport in as open and transparent a fashion as possible; recognises the problem of noise pollution from current flight levels; believes that greater provision of high-speed rail could offer genuine alternatives to short-haul air travel, with the added benefit of freeing up capacity for more long-haul international flights and reducing the need for a second runway; welcomes the development of tram and rail links to Edinburgh Airport and the development of all transport links that will reduce congestion in the area, and considers that Her Majesty's Government, the Scottish Executive, BAA plc and all concerned should help deliver sustainable, long-term development of Edinburgh Airport.

The meeting closed at 5.57 pm.

No. 21 Thursday 30 September 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Centralisation of Health Services: Mr David Davidson moved S2M-1784—That the Parliament is opposed to the centralisation of health services across Scotland; notes the threat facing many local hospital services including those at Caithness General Hospital, Western Isles Hospital, Lorne and Islands District General Hospital, Belford Hospital, Inverclyde Royal Hospital, the Vale of Leven Hospital, St John's Hospital, Stobhill Hospital, the Victoria Infirmary, the Western Infirmary, Wishaw General Hospital, Hairmyres Hospital, Glasgow Homeopathic Hospital, Queen Mother's Hospital, Ayr Hospital, Perth Royal Infirmary, Forth Park Hospital, Queen Margaret Hospital, Stirling Royal Infirmary, Falkirk Royal Infirmary, Monklands Hospital and Balfour Hospital and the additional threat to many community and long-term care hospitals right across Scotland; believes that this is part of a strategy of centralising services at a handful of elite hospitals which has led to uproar from coast to coast over hospital reorganisation plans, and therefore has no confidence in the ability of the Minister for Health and Community Care to devise and implement a strategy for the NHS which serves the needs of local communities throughout Scotland.

The Minister for Health and Community Care (Malcolm Chisholm) moved amendment S2M-1784.3 to motion S2M-1784—

Leave out from "is opposed" to end and insert—

> "acknowledges public concern about the extent of proposed centralisation of health services across Scotland; believes that improvement is essential to ensure that all patients have access to both high-quality specialist services and appropriate medical care delivered locally; recognises that NHS boards must pursue clinical strategies which demonstrate regional planning; notes that boundaries are irrelevant to patients; welcomes the determination of the Scottish Executive to develop the planning of healthcare services across NHS board boundaries, within the context of a national strategy; notes the work of the Parliament's Health Committee on this issue; welcomes the decision of the Minister for Health and Community Care to make no decision on new proposals for service change that come before him until such times as the Expert Advisory Group chaired by Professor David Kerr has reported; notes that this provides an opportunity to debate what services are best provided locally, regionally and nationally and that the presumption in the interim is that services will be maintained unless there are genuine issues of clinical safety, agreed by the Minister; affirms the Executive policy outlined in *Partnership for Care* that the patient must be at the centre of the process, and supports a patient-centred policy that acknowledges safety and quality and that also ensures that as many services as possible are provided locally."

Shona Robison moved amendment S2M-1784.2 to motion S2M-1784—

Leave out from "is opposed" to end and insert—

> "is concerned about the centralisation of health services across Scotland; believes that there must be a clear national strategy for the future structure of the NHS in Scotland; therefore calls on the Scottish Executive to suspend all planned reorganisations while a national strategy is developed involving the public and health professionals, and calls

on the Minister for Health and Community Care to issue instructions to NHS boards to put in place appropriate arrangements to retain services faced with centralisation and reinstate any that have been withdrawn without full public consultation and ministerial approval."

Carolyn Leckie moved amendment S2M-1784.1 to motion S2M-1784—

Leave out from "is opposed" to end and insert—

"notes the succession of profound concerns expressed in debates and motions on the NHS; further notes that these concerns are so serious that calls for a moratorium on NHS closures and centralisations have been made for over a year; notes that communities remain at odds with NHS boards and the Scottish Executive over the future of the NHS, that NHS boards implement Executive policy and budgets, notably the expensive PFI/PPP model of funding for capital projects and have no control of pharmaceutical profits, which represent a massive strain on their budgets, that the application of the working time regulations has neither been planned properly nor budgeted for, that new contracts for medical staff at all levels have not been fully funded and that numbers of graduates in all health professions have been, and are, consistently insufficient to meet the needs of patients or a 21st century NHS; believes that NHS boards should be democratically accountable for their responsibilities but that it is the Executive that sets the structural, strategic, financial and political context that they operate in and regrets the failure of the Executive to acknowledge that responsibility in relation to NHS re-organisation or engage in a debate with the public; further believes that the threat of closure of so many important facilities is entrenching the disengagement between communities and government; believes, therefore, that all reorganisation plans in the NHS should be revisited in a national context so that a wide-ranging and meaningful debate about the security and future of the NHS can take place in Scotland, involving all trade unions and professional organisations who represent NHS workers, community organisations, voluntary organisations, the public at large and academics whilst ensuring that resources and strategies are put in place to protect local services until such a debate has taken place and a national strategy is developed that has the confidence of the Scottish people, and sends its support and solidarity to all campaigners attending the demonstration called by the Scottish Health Campaigns Network in Glasgow this Saturday."

After debate, amendment S2M-1784.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 59, Abstentions 0). As a result amendments S2M-1784.2 and S2M-1784.1 were pre-empted.

The motion as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 54, Abstentions 5).

Accordingly the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament acknowledges public concern about the extent of proposed centralisation of health services across Scotland; believes that improvement is essential to ensure that all patients have access to both high-quality specialist services and appropriate medical care delivered locally; recognises that NHS boards must pursue clinical strategies which demonstrate regional planning; notes that boundaries are irrelevant to patients; welcomes the determination of the Scottish Executive to develop the planning of healthcare services across NHS board boundaries, within the context of a national strategy; notes the work of the Parliament's Health Committee on this issue; welcomes the decision of the Minister for Health and Community Care to make no decision on new proposals for service change that come before him until such times as the

Expert Advisory Group chaired by Professor David Kerr has reported; notes that this provides an opportunity to debate what services are best provided locally, regionally and nationally and that the presumption in the interim is that services will be maintained unless there are genuine issues of clinical safety, agreed by the Minister; affirms the Executive policy outlined in Partnership for Care that the patient must be at the centre of the process, and supports a patient-centred policy that acknowledges safety and quality and that also ensures that as many services as possible are provided locally.

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) and the Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen); by the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Finance and Public Services (Mr Andy Kerr) moved S2M-1079—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 105, Against 20, Abstentions 0).

5. Business Motion: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1776—That the Parliament agrees that—

> (a) consideration of the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 5 November 2004;
>
> (b) the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 6 October 2004 on the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Conservation Bodies) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/400); and
>
> (c) the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 6 October 2004 on the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 2004.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1772—That the Parliament agrees that Richard Lochhead be appointed to replace Roseanna Cunningham on the Environment and Rural Development Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1790—That the Parliament agrees that Mr

John Swinney be appointed to replace Mr Andrew Welsh as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Audit Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1791—That the Parliament agrees that Ms Sandra White be appointed to replace Shona Robison as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Communities Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1792—That the Parliament agrees that Michael Matheson be appointed to replace Tricia Marwick as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Education Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1793—That the Parliament agrees that Linda Fabiani be appointed to replace Tricia Marwick as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Equal Opportunities Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1794—That the Parliament agrees that Richard Lochhead be appointed to replace Nicola Sturgeon as the Scottish National Party substitute on the European and External Relations Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1795—That the Parliament agrees that Alex Neil be appointed to replace Mr Adam Ingram as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Finance Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1796—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Stewart Maxwell be appointed to replace Ms Sandra White as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Health Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

14. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1797—That the Parliament agrees that

Brian Adam be appointed to replace Roseanna Cunningham as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Justice 1 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

15. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1798—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Kenny MacAskill be appointed to replace Michael Matheson as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Justice 2 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

16. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1799—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Bruce McFee be appointed to replace Mr Kenny MacAskill as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Local Government and Transport Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

17. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1800—That the Parliament agrees that Tricia Marwick be appointed to replace Linda Fabiani as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Procedures Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

18. Substitution on Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1801—That the Parliament agrees that Stewart Stevenson be appointed to replace Bruce Crawford as the Scottish National Party substitute on the Subordinate Legislation Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

19. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1803—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Rob Gibson be appointed to replace Michael Matheson on the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

20. Membership of Committee: Patricia Ferguson, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1805—That the Parliament agrees that Helen Eadie be appointed to replace Dr Sylvia Jackson on the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

21. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 as noted above.

22. Increasing Gender Pay Gap: The Parliament debated S2M-1410 in the name of Ms Sandra White—That the Parliament notes with concern the result of research by PayFinder.com which indicates that the gender pay gap is getting wider, that it has increased by 5% in the last year and that the gap is now 29% in Scotland and believes that this is an unacceptable situation and that the Scottish Executive has a duty to investigate the matter and bring forward proposals to close the gap.

The meeting closed at 5.59 pm.

No. 22 Wednesday 6 October 2004

The meeting opened at 9 30 am.

1. Time for Reflection: Mr Graeme Sinclair, Deaf Action led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1824—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for 6 October 2004—

Wednesday 6 October 2004

after,

9.30 am	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

leave out,

followed by	Ministerial Statement on Efficient Government – Efficiency, Effectiveness and Productivity
followed by	Executive Debate on Ministerial Statement on Efficient Government – Efficiency, Effectiveness and Productivity

and insert**,**

followed by	First Minister's Motion to appoint a Minister
followed by	First Minister's Motion to appoint Junior Scottish Ministers

The motion was agreed to.

3. School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1825—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill, debate on each part of the proceedings shall be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time-limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 and 2 – no later than 30 minutes

Motion to pass the Bill – 1 hour

The motion was agreed to.

4. Appointment of Minister: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) moved S2M-1822—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Tom McCabe be appointed as a Minister.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (by division: For 62, Against 36, Abstentions 4.

5. Appointment of Junior Scottish Ministers: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) moved S2M-1823—That the Parliament agrees that Rhona Brankin and Johann Lamont be appointed as junior Scottish Ministers.

Shona Robison moved amendment S2M-1823.2 to motion S2M-1823—

Leave out “Rhona Brankin and”.

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (by division: For 35, Against 67, Abstentions 7).

Bill Aitken moved amendment S2M-1823.1 to motion S2M-1823—

Leave out “and Johann Lamont”.

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (by division: For 36, Against 66, Abstentions 7).

The motion was then agreed to (by division: For 67, Against 36, Abstentions 6).

6. School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Amendment 1 was disagreed to (by division: For 35, Against 59, Abstentions 0).

Other amendments were not moved.

7. School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-1813—That the Parliament agrees that the School Education (Ministerial Powers and Independent Schools) (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 68, Against 51, Abstentions 0).

8. Closure of Telephone Boxes by BT: The Parliament debated S2M-1706 in the name of Bruce Crawford—That the Parliament recognises the value of public telephone boxes as an important public service throughout

Scotland in terms of social need and access to emergency services; is concerned about the plans by British Telecom (BT) to close 165 call boxes in towns and villages throughout mid-Scotland and Fife and around 1,000 around Scotland; supports the many community councils who have expressed grave concern at the planned closure of public call boxes in their communities; considers the consultation process conducted by BT to be inadequate, and therefore believes that BT should consult directly with the communities affected and reconsider its plans.

9. Motion without Notice: Bruce Crawford moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by 15 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

10. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) and the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson); by the Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) and the Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

11. Enterprise and Culture Committee, *Renewable Energy in Scotland*: Mike Watson, on behalf of the Enterprise and Culture Committee, moved S2M-1762—That the Parliament commends the 6th Report 2004 (Session 2) of the Enterprise and Culture Committee, *Renewable Energy in Scotland*, including its support for the Scottish Executive's ambitious renewable energy targets; recognises that, if the targets are to be met, further development of all sources of renewable energy will be necessary, and urges the Executive to take active steps to ensure that the targets are met from a range of renewable sources including wind, wave, tidal, solar and bio-mass, that energy efficiency measures continue to increase and that the current planning regime is kept under review to facilitate this.

After debate, motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1826—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 27 October 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 28 October 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 3 November 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 4 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

13. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1827—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that consideration of the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 4 February 2005; and

(b) that the timetable for completion of consideration of the Prohibition of Smoking in Regulated Areas (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 28 January 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

14. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1828—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Housing Grants (Assessment of Contributions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

15. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1829—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Freedom of Information (Fees for Required Disclosure) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

16. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 7, 11, 14 and 15 as noted above.

17. Reserved Contracts to Support Remploy: The Parliament debated S2M-1406 in the name of Helen Eadie—That the Parliament recognises the work of Remploy in Scotland in supporting 700 people with special needs in employment and congratulates the organisation on its training and development programme which has seen the creation of dedicated learning rooms at all 10 of its employment sites, with 275 employees currently undertaking skills training in language and mathematics and a further 135 involved in other learning activity, and a commitment of at least 5% of working time over a year to be dedicated to personal development; notes that this programme has been implemented in just over two years, and believes that the Scottish Executive and all publicly-funded organisations should examine their procurement policies with a view to reserving contracts for supported employment organisations such as those working with Remploy.

The meeting closed at 5.33 pm.

No. 23 Thursday 7 October 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Scotland's International Image: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) moved S2M-1831—That the Parliament shares the Scottish Executive's ambitions to build relationships across national and regional boundaries to deliver social, political, cultural and economic gain; welcomes efforts to promote Scotland's international image and to attract people to visit, live, work, study and do business in Scotland; acknowledges the importance of promoting Scotland's interests overseas; agrees that Scotland has a role in meeting the shared responsibilities of the international community, and welcomes the publication of the Executive's first international strategy.

Nicola Sturgeon moved amendment S2M-1831.2 to motion S2M-1831—

Leave out from "shares" to end and insert—

> "believes that the Scottish Executive has so far failed to fully exploit the enormous international goodwill that exists towards Scotland; calls on the Executive to use the Parliament's limited powers to implement a far more ambitious, strategic and consistent external relations policy and for such a policy to include the establishment of a distinctive presence overseas to promote Scotland, given that Her Majesty's Government will always be unable and unwilling to promote Scotland with the same degree of enthusiasm and effectiveness that we ourselves could do, and further believes that Scotland will only reap the full benefits of our distinctive international image and be able to play our full part in the world when we acquire the powers of independent statehood enjoyed by our many, internationally-successful neighbours."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 30, Against 80, Abstentions 3).

David McLetchie moved amendment S2M-1831.3 to motion S2M-1831—

Leave out from second "welcomes" to end and insert—

> "notes that Scotland's historic reputation abroad was built on solid achievement, and believes that the successful promotion of Scotland depends primarily on substance rather than image."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 25, Against 65, Abstentions 23).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 82, Against 3, Abstentions 28).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Membership of Committee: Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-1833—That the Parliament agrees that

Mrs Mary Mulligan be appointed to replace Bill Butler on the Justice 1 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

4. Membership of Committee: Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-1834—That the Parliament agrees that Bill Butler be appointed to replace Karen Whitefield on the Justice 2 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Membership of Committee: Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-1835—That the Parliament agrees that Karen Whitefield be appointed to replace Johann Lamont on the Communities Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 3, 4 and 5 as noted above.

The meeting closed at 12.39 pm.

No. 24 Wednesday 27 October 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Pauline Steenbergen from Peterhead led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1894—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 27 October 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate on Tackling Drugs Misuse – Protecting Scotland's Communities
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by Swinney:	Members' Business - Debate on the subject of S2M-1655 Mr John Young Carers in Scotland

Thursday 28 October 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate on Improving the Quality and Availability of Scotland's Housing
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Debate on Making the Most of Scotland's Forests
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business - Debate on the subject of S2M-1807 Marilyn Livingstone: National Construction Week, 6 to 13 October 2004

The motion was agreed to.

3. Tackling Drugs Misuse: Protecting Scotland's Communities: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-1882—That the Parliament commends the Scottish Executive's integrated approach to reducing the

supply of drugs and protecting communities from drug-related offending, improving education and information for young people about the risks from drugs and increasing the range and effectiveness of local drug treatment and rehabilitation services to help people to become free from drug dependence.

Stewart Stevenson moved amendment S2M-1882.1 to motion S2M-1882—

Leave out from "commends" to end and insert—

> "agrees that an integrated approach to reducing the supply of drugs, protecting communities from drug-related offending and improving education and information about the risks from drugs is required and that this must provide an increased range and effectiveness of local drug treatment and rehabilitation services to help people to become free from drug dependence which is available at the time each service user takes the step of acknowledging the need for help."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 39, Against 62, Abstentions 18).

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-1882.2 to motion S2M-1882—

Leave out from "commends" to end and insert—

> "deplores the escalating drugs abuse problem in Scotland and the implicit reliance on methadone harm reduction programmes and calls for a radical change in policy to reduce demand for drugs by providing a route to abstinence and taking more effective action to cut the supply of drugs."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 19, Against 100, Abstentions 0).

Ms Rosemary Byrne moved amendment S2M-1882.3 to motion S2M-1882—

Leave out from "commends" to end and insert—

> "views with concern the growing problem in our communities due to drug misuse; views the current provision for drug treatment and support as entirely inadequate, and urges the Scottish Executive to work with all agencies with a view to integrating services and ensuring full resourcing allowing a range of appropriate services across communities."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 39, Against 61, Abstentions 18).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 88, Against 24, Abstentions 7).

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1895—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 3 November 2004

2.30 pm Time for Reflection

followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate on Schools
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 4 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Ministerial Statement on Youth Justice
followed by	Executive Debate on Domestic Abuse
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 10 November 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 11 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions

3.00 pm	Committee Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

5. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1884—That the Parliament agrees that the Fishing Vessels (Satellite-tracking Devices) (Scotland) Scheme 2004 (SSI 2004/379) be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1885—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Modification of National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000) Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1886—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Functions Exercisable in or as Regards Scotland) Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1887—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications of Schedule 5) Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1888—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.10) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/412) be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 69, Against 25, Abstentions 25).

10. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1889—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the International Criminal Court (Enforcement of Fines, Forfeiture and Reparation Orders) (Scotland) (Revocation) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/437).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1890—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Victim Notification (Prescribed Offences) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/411).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1892—That the Parliament agrees that Alasdair Morgan be appointed to replace Stewart Stevenson on the Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 as noted above.

14. Young Carers in Scotland: The Parliament debated S2M-1655 in the name of Mr John Swinney—That the Parliament notes with concern the recent report from the Princess Royal Trust for Carers recording the very high number of young people providing care to parents, brothers and sisters and other family members; warmly applauds the young people who give so much of their time, energy and emotion to support their family; pays tribute to the network of projects that provide support for the education, future development and quality of life of young carers in Scotland, and considers that the Scottish Executive should continue to expand support for young carers in Scotland.

15. Motion without Notice: Mrs Margaret Ewing moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by 20 minutes.

The meeting closed at 6.23 pm.

No.25 Thursday 28 October 2004

The meeting opened at 9.31 am.

1. Improving the Quality and Availability of Scotland's Housing: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-1898—That the Parliament endorses the Scottish Executive's commitment to a 30% increase in affordable housing provision by 2007-08 in order to increase the availability of social rented accommodation for homeless people, reduce pressure on waiting lists and help first-time buyers on to the housing ladder; welcomes the introduction of the Housing Quality Standard and the improvements in housing quality that are resulting from substantial community ownership and fuel poverty programmes; recognises the major achievements flowing from devolution for housing in Scotland, such as a modernised and single tenancy in the social rented sector, progressive homelessness legislation and the development of tenant participation and rights, and looks forward to the forthcoming Housing Bill which will raise standards in the private housing sector and strengthen the rights of private sector tenants.

Christine Grahame moved amendment S2M-1898.1 to motion S2M-1898—

Leave out from "endorses" to end and insert—

> "recognises that it is a basic human right to have the comfort, security and stability of a warm affordable home and that decent suitable housing is crucial to the individual's quality of life, whether young or old, and crucial to healthy, thriving communities and the economy at large; notes that, after five years of the Labour/Liberal Democrat coalition, homelessness has increased substantially and that the right to buy has seriously damaged the socially rented sector; therefore calls on the Scottish Executive to revisit its right to buy policy, to utilise the proposed planning and housing legislation to facilitate the provision of affordable housing and to ensure that Scotland's people have access to the homes they deserve across tenures and that the scourge of rooflessness, bed and breakfast and "sofa surfing" is consigned to history."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 36, Against 79, Abstentions 0).

Bill Aitken moved amendment S2M-1898.2 to motion S2M-1898—

Leave out from "endorses" to end and insert—

> "recognises that housing stock transfer to community-based housing associations, a policy introduced by the Conservatives, gives tenants greater rights, responsibilities and input into the way their housing is run; believes that, to improve the standard of public housing for everyone, it is necessary to step up the process of devolving control of housing from local authorities to local community groups; further believes that, to improve the standard and supply of private housing for rent or purchase, a review and modernisation of the Scottish planning system is required to simplify and speed up the development process, and notes with concern the restraint on new housing construction currently imposed in Scotland by the inadequacies of Scottish Water's sewerage network."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 16, Against 98, Abstentions 2).

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-1898.4 to motion S2M-1898—

Leave out from "endorses" to end and insert—

> "acknowledges the Scottish Executive's commitment to increase affordable housing provision and the beneficial consequences that this will have for a range of people in Scotland; notes that the welcome increases in the provision of new affordable housing may be offset by a loss of affordable housing stock through the right to buy; requests that the Executive's review of right to buy in 2006 under the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 is informed by an open and comprehensive consultation on future options for right to buy; recognises the Executive's efforts to improve standards in housing quality, especially with the introduction of the housing quality standard, fuel poverty programmes and the forthcoming Housing Bill; further recognises the contribution that poor quality housing and lack of environmental awareness in housing design make to Scotland's disproportionate ecological footprint and number of winter deaths; supports WWF Scotland in its call for the Executive to set a target for 10,000 new or refurbished sustainable homes by 2012; believes, therefore, that whilst there have been notable achievements flowing from devolution for housing in Scotland, many challenges lie ahead, and calls on the Executive to report at appropriate intervals on its progress on improving the quality and availability of housing."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 37, Against 79, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 20, Abstentions 30).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Making the Most of Scotland's Forests: The Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Lewis Macdonald) moved S2M-1899— That the Parliament recognises the significant contribution which Scotland's forestry and primary wood processing sector makes to the economy, tourism and jobs; recognises the environmental benefits of the creation and restoration of more than 8,600 hectares of native woodland in the last two years; believes that Scotland's forests can contribute to the achievement of the Scottish Executive's renewable energy targets; welcomes the contribution made to delivering greater benefits to communities through 70 partnership agreements between Forestry Commission Scotland and communities and through the setting up of the regional forestry forums and the Strategic Timber Transport Fund, and believes that all stakeholders from the public, private and voluntary sectors should continue to work together to maximise the value of forestry to the economy, the environment and the people of Scotland.

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-1899.1 to motion S2M-1899—

Insert at end—

> "; further believes that increased emphasis should be placed on the principal economic concerns of the industry; calls on the Scottish Executive to introduce a specific target to promote the use of forestry for biomass; believes in the objective of a greater mix of public, community and private ownership of forestry, and urges ministers to take further steps to promote the use of timber in the construction industry."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 48, Against 67, Abstentions 0).

Alex Fergusson moved amendment S2M-1899.2 to motion S2M-1899—

Insert at end—

> "notes, however, that new planting is at an all-time low, that Forestry Commission Scotland and Forest Enterprise Scotland are budgeted to receive £80 million in the next financial year from the taxpayer with the consequential competitive disadvantage to the private sector and that the promised Executive statement on the link between the agricultural and forestry industries following the introduction of the single farm payment has still not been made, and believes that these factors demonstrate that the Executive betrays a lack of understanding of the importance of the private sector to Scotland's forestry industry."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 71, Abstentions 28).

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1891—That the Parliament agrees—

> (a) that consideration of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 14 January 2005;
>
> (b) that consideration of the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 3 December 2004;
>
> (c) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 28 October 2004 on the Victim Notification (Prescribed Offences) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/411); and
>
> (d) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by the 12 November 2004 on the International Criminal Court (Enforcement of Fines, Forfeiture and Reparation Orders) (Scotland) (Revocation) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/437).

The motion was agreed to.

6. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1905—That the Parliament agrees that Mr

Frank McAveety be appointed to replace Rhona Brankin on the Education Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1906—That the Parliament agrees that Mrs Mary Mulligan be appointed to replace Rhona Brankin on the Audit Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1907—That the Parliament agrees that Margaret Jamieson be appointed to replace Rhona Brankin as the Labour Party substitute on the Enterprise and Culture Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1908—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Frank McAveety be appointed to replace Kate Maclean on the Finance Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9 as noted above.

11. National Construction Week, 6 to 13 October 2004: The Parliament debated S2M-1807 in the name of Marilyn Livingstone—That the Parliament supports National Construction Week from 6 to 13 October 2004 and recognises the many economic advantages for Scotland that an expanding construction industry will bring, notably in employment preservation and creation, training, skills and provision of the built environment; acknowledges the continuing work of the Cross Party Group on Construction which considers and debates all appropriate issues concerning the structure and operation of the construction industry in Scotland as they may affect all relevant stakeholders; supports the industry's schemes to register construction firms through the Construction Licensing Executive and workers through approved registration schemes, thereby protecting the public by eradicating rogue traders, enhancing the industry's image and improving the skills base and health and safety practices, and acknowledges that the Scottish Executive, local authorities and other government bodies can assist by supporting registration schemes by insisting that all public works contractors are committed to them, supporting the education and training infrastructure so that it meets Scotland's construction requirements, acting as an enlightened client by ensuring, where possible, that there are advance programmes of work on which the industry can plan its skills requirements and provide its workforce with security of employment and ensuring that

public works contracts are fair, open, effective and straightforward to administer and deliver.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

No. 26 Wednesday 3 November 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Dr Iain D. Campbell, Free Church, Back, Isle of Lewis led Time for Reflection.

2. Ambitious, Excellent Schools: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-1925—That the Parliament supports the Scottish Executive's agenda for the most comprehensive modernisation programme in Scottish schools for a generation, as described in *Ambitious, Excellent Schools*, which builds on the investment and success in education over recent years and sets out plans to bring a transformation in ambition and achievement through higher expectations for schools and school leadership, greater freedom for teachers and schools, more choice for pupils and better support for learning so that the individual needs of young people can be better met, and tough, intelligent accountabilities to drive improvement.

Fiona Hyslop moved amendment S2M-1925.2 to motion S2M-1925—

Leave out from "supports" to end and insert—

> "acknowledges the publication of the proposed changes to education contained in the Scottish Executive's *Ambitious, Excellent Schools* but is concerned that many of the proposals are structural, administrative and managerial in nature, depend from a resource perspective on the short-sighted presumption of continued falling school rolls and that, although they may have an impact on the educational experience of a few pupils, they will not provide comprehensive change for all and are centred on a national curriculum review which will deliver only in 2007 after the current generation of pupils has passed though school under Labour ministers of education, and urges the Executive to provide a shared national vision and strategy for education which the nation can contribute to by establishing a National Education Convention to address the persistent under-achievement of 20% of pupils and to provide a pupil-centric education system which can create the conditions for success for this generation of school pupils."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 34, Against 81, Abstentions 0).

Lord James Douglas-Hamilton moved amendment S2M-1925.1 to motion S2M-1925—

Leave out from "supports" to end and insert—

> "acknowledges the Scottish Executive's agenda described in *Ambitious, Excellent Schools*; recognises, however, that, in order to achieve its aim of promoting ambition and encouraging excellence, schools must be granted greater autonomy and that public funds must be allowed to follow the pupil to any school of the parents' choosing so that parents can exercise genuine choice between schools and not just within schools, encouraging the expansion of popular schools and the upgrading of unsuccessful schools."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 18, Against 95, Abstentions 2).

Ms Rosemary Byrne moved amendment S2M-1925.3 to motion S2M-1925—

Leave out from "supports" to end and insert—

> "believes that all Scottish schools should be ambitious, excellent schools and that a first move towards achieving this would be to reduce all non-practical class sizes to 20 and all practical class sizes to 15 or less as part of a national minimum class size policy."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 11, Against 81, Abstentions 23).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 69, Against 20, Abstentions 26).

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1939—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 10 November 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 11 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Procedures Committee Debate on its 6th Report 2004: A New Procedure for Members' Bills and on its 7th Report 2004: Timescales and Stages of Bills
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 17 November 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate on the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution in respect of the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 18 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate on the Fire (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution in respect of the Fire (Scotland) Bill
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 of the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

4. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1928—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Approval of SSIs: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved—

> S2M-1929—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/435) be approved;

S2M-1930—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Diarrhetic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (No.3) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/436) be approved;

S2M-1931—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No.4) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/417) be approved;

S2M-1932—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.11) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/418) be approved; and

S2M-1933—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.12) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/447) be approved.

After debate, the motions were agreed to ((DT) by division: For 72, Against 18, Abstentions 25).

6. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1934—That the Parliament agrees that Eleanor Scott be appointed to replace Mr Mark Ruskell as the Green Party substitute on the Environment and Rural Development Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1935—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government and Transport Committee be designated as lead committee and the Enterprise and Culture Committee be designated as secondary committee in consideration of the Transport (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1936—That the Parliament agrees that the Equal Opportunities Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1937—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 as noted above.

11. Development and Manufacture of Renewable Energy: The Parliament debated S2M-1674 in the name of Maureen Macmillan—That the Parliament congratulates Highlands and Islands Renewable Energy Group and the trade union Amicus on their initiative to promote the development and manufacture of renewable energy structures, whether for wind, wave or tidal power, in the Highlands and Islands; recognises that there is a skilled engineering workforce available locally; further recognises the considerable socio-economic benefits that would flow from this work to the nearby communities; believes that renewable energy infrastructure would be better supported by these communities if they perceived that it was bringing local economic benefit, and therefore believes that the Scottish Executive should do all it can to support Highland-based companies in bidding for renewables contracts in Scotland and elsewhere.

The meeting closed at 6.05 pm.

No. 27 Thursday 4 November 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. A Better Deal for Pensioners: Nicola Sturgeon moved S2M-1940— That the Parliament agrees that Scotland must face up to the twin challenges of tackling current pensioner poverty and ensuring decent living standards for future generations of pensioners; believes that removing the pensions means test would help to achieve both of these objectives, and calls upon the Scottish Executive to bring pressure to bear on Her Majesty's Government to begin the process of replacing means-testing with a citizen's pension.

Karen Whitefield moved amendment S2M-1940.5 to motion S2M-1940—

Leave out from "agrees" to end and insert –

> "supports the vision of a Scotland in which every older person matters and every person beyond working age has a decent quality of life; considers that older people's lives have been improved through devolution across a wide range of areas such as health, transport, housing, social justice, volunteering, lifelong learning and tackling anti-social behaviour; recognises the range of measures specifically designed to improve the quality of life of all older people in Scotland, including free personal care for the elderly, free off-peak local bus travel, the central heating programme and funding for the Warm Deal; endorses the partnership between the Scottish Executive and Her Majesty's Government to tackle pensioner poverty, and welcomes the Scottish Executive's continuing commitment to improving the lives of all of Scotland's senior citizens."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 47, Against 66, Abstentions 1).

Mary Scanlon moved amendment S2M-1940.1 to motion S2M-1940—

Leave out from "believes" to end and insert—

> "condemns the Chancellor's promotion of the means test which acts as a major disincentive to save; believes that linking the basic state pension to earnings would lift a million pensioners out of means-testing over a four year period; calls for greater measures to encourage personal savings, and acknowledges that only a Conservative administration at Westminster can implement these changes for the benefit of all Scotland's pensioners."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 16, Against 97, Abstentions 1).

Robert Brown moved amendment S2M-1940.4 to motion S2M-1940—

Leave out from "agrees" to end and insert—

> "welcomes the progress made by the Scottish Executive in ensuring a better deal for pensioners through the introduction of free personal care, a national free off-peak bus scheme and a free central heating and insulation scheme; recognises that pensions policy is reserved to the UK Government; believes that the UK Government's policy on

pensions has failed as nearly 2 million pensioners are missing out on the pension credits that they are entitled to and deserve due to demeaning and unworkable means-testing, and further believes that the state pension must be reformed to ensure that everyone has a decent income in retirement by implementing the Liberal Democrat proposal for a Citizen's Pension, initially for those over 75, with entitlement based on residency and not National Insurance contributions, restoring the link between earnings and pensions, making older pensioners better off by £25 per week for single pensioners and lifting one million UK pensioners out of means-testing."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 14, Against 99, Abstentions 1).

John Swinburne moved amendment S2M-1940.2 to motion S2M-1940—

Insert at end—

> "and restore the link, broken in 1982, between pensions and average national earnings."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 52, Against 60, Abstentions 1).

The motion was then disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 37, Against 76, Abstentions 1).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) and the Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen); by the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson), the Solicitor General for Scotland (Mrs Elish Angiolini) and the Lord Advocate (Colin Boyd); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) made a statement and answered questions on creating safer communities – improving youth justice.

5. Domestic Abuse Services: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-1943—That the Parliament recognises the very serious and totally unacceptable problem of domestic abuse in Scottish society; notes in particular the traumatic effect of domestic abuse on children and young people as well as on women; acknowledges the range of initiatives in this area that have been funded by the Scottish Executive in the last few years, and welcomes the Scottish Executive's partnership working and its investment and work to support those experiencing domestic abuse.

Ms Sandra White moved amendment S2M-1943.1 to motion S2M-1943—

Leave out from "and welcomes" to end and insert—

> "expresses its concern, however, at the level of secure funding to agencies working in this area and the lack of suitably-located alternative accommodation for the victims of domestic abuse, particularly those with children; further expresses concern that services for elderly people who are victims of domestic abuse are even more limited, and commends the role of Tayside Domestic Abuse Service, the only service of its kind in Scotland where police and a voluntary organisation work together to support the victims of abuse, as a model of effective partnership working."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 51, Against 62, Abstentions 0).

Margaret Mitchell moved amendment S2M-1943.2 to motion S2M-1943—

Leave out from "acknowledges" to end and insert—

> "notes with grave concern the escalating pattern of repeat victimisation highlighting the fact that more and more victims are trapped in abusive situations; acknowledges and welcomes the range of initiatives in this area that have been funded by the Scottish Executive in the last few years, and calls on the Executive to continue to explore different means to raise awareness of the issue generally and to ensure that individuals who are trapped in abusive situations are aware of these support services to help them escape from their abusive circumstances."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 47, Against 67, Abstentions 0).

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-1943.3 to motion S2M-1943—

Leave out from "recognises" to end and insert—

> "notes with concern that, despite Scottish Executive initiatives, domestic abuse continues to be widespread; recognises the recent public opinion poll from Amnesty International showing the level of complacency in society about domestic abuse; believes that tackling domestic abuse will require concerted effort by the Executive including a continued focus on public education and awareness-raising, in particular focusing on education and involving non-perpetrating men, along with extending support for those experiencing domestic abuse; welcomes the Executive's recent announcement of £6 million funding for children and young people experiencing domestic abuse but calls on the Executive to detail as soon as possible how this funding will be allocated; notes with concern that there is no national funding strategy for domestic abuse services, that funding for Women's Aid groups throughout Scotland is often on a yearly basis and that the quality of service varies widely according to local authority area and calls on the Executive to put in place a national funding strategy, and recognises that, to tackle domestic abuse effectively, Executive policy-making needs to take into account the interlinkages between all types of gender-based violence and continue to broaden its focus to encompass all forms of violence against women including those in vulnerable minorities."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 37, Against 77, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1950—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 10 November 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Ministerial Statement on Smoking
followed by	Executive Debate on Smoking
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 11 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate on Fostering
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Procedures Committee Debate on its 6th Report 2004: A New Procedure for Members' Bills and on its 7th Report 2004: Timescales and Stages of Bills
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 17 November 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate on the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution in respect of the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 18 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate on the Fire (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution in respect of the Fire (Scotland) Bill
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 of the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

7. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1946—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2004.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 5 and 7 as noted above.

9. Launch of the Gretna-Lockerbie-Annan Economic Regeneration Prospectus: The Parliament debated S2M-1877 in the name of David Mundell—That the Parliament welcomes the launch earlier this year of the prospectus published by the Corridor Regeneration Strategy Steering Group outlining key objectives and a number of themes to stimulate economic growth in Gretna, Lockerbie and Annan to address the impact on the area of the cessation of power production at Chapelcross; notes that the regeneration strategy, with its four principal themes of wealth, diversity, inspiration and inclusion, recognises not only the challenges that the Gretna-Lockerbie-Annan corridor now faces, but also the opportunities to be seized; congratulates the steering group on its genuine joined-up and cross-party working to date, and believes that the Scottish Executive should provide all the support that it can to the steering group's work and to the regeneration of the Gretna-Lockerbie-Annan corridor.

The meeting closed at 5.58 pm.

No. 28 Wednesday 10 November 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Father David Trainer, St Columba of Iona Roman Catholic Church, Glasgow led Time for Reflection.

2. Ministerial Statement: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) made a statement and answered questions on smoking.

3. Smoking: The Parliament debated the ministerial statement by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) on smoking.

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1980—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 17 November 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate on the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution in respect of the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 18 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate on the Fire (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution in respect of the Fire (Scotland) Bill
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 of the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 24 November 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 25 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Green Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

(b) that consideration of the Transport (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 23 February 2005;

(c) that consideration of the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 4 March 2005;

(d) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 12 November 2004 on the draft Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2004; and

(e) that the period for lodging questions for Question Time on 13 January 2005 should end at 10.00 am on Wednesday 5 January 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

5. Office of the Clerk: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-1979—That the Parliament agrees that the Office of the Clerk will be closed on 29, 30 and 31 December 2004.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Decision Time: The Parliament took a decision on item 5 as noted above.

7. Science and the Parliament Event, 10 November 2004: The Parliament debated S2M-1840 in the name of Dr Elaine Murray—That the Parliament welcomes the Science and the Parliament 2004 event being held on 10 November 2004, organised by the Royal Society of Chemistry in association with Scotland's leading science organisations; notes the contribution of Scotland's 40,000 scientists to our economic, environmental and social development; notes that Scotland is a world leader in many scientific disciplines; further notes the Scottish Executive's efforts to foster an environment that enhances pupil and student participation in science, to invest in the science infrastructure and equipment of our educational establishments, to increase investment in research along with supporting greater industrial research and assist in the practical application of our world-beating research, and welcomes the review of the Executive's *A Science Strategy for Scotland.*

The meeting closed at 5.59 pm.

No. 29 Thursday 11 November 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Fostering: The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Euan Robson) moved S2M-1984—That the Parliament, in acknowledging that children thrive best in strong families, recognises the important role that foster carers play in providing a supportive and loving family environment for many of our most vulnerable children and welcomes the Scottish Executive's intention to invest in the future of the fostering service to increase the number of high quality placements and give local authorities resources to establish a fair and consistent system of allowances for foster carers.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) and the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson); by the Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) and the Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Procedures Committee, *A New Procedure for Members' Bills*: Iain Smith, on behalf of the Procedures Committee, moved S2M-1957—That the Parliament notes the Procedures Committee's 6th Report, 2004 (Session 2), *A New Procedure for Members' Bills* (SP Paper 193), and agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in Annexe A to the report be made with effect from 12 November 2004 but with new Rule 9.14A having effect only for as long as at least one Member's Bill introduced before that date remains in progress.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Procedures Committee, *Timescales and Stages of Bills*: Karen Gillon, on behalf of the Procedures Committee, moved S2M-1982—That the Parliament notes the Procedures Committee's 7th Report, 2004 (Session 2), *Timescales and Stages of Bills* (SP Paper 228), and agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in Annexe A to the report be made with effect from 10 January 2005.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 4 and 5 as noted above.

7. Dying with Dignity: The Parliament debated S2M-1673 in the name of Jeremy Purvis—That the Parliament acknowledges the commencement of the

select committee of the House of Lords' consideration of physician-assisted dying and euthanasia; further acknowledges the publication of an NOP opinion poll that showed that 82% of respondents in Scotland favour a change in the law to permit people with an incurable terminal illness close to death to seek help to die with dignity; is concerned that 39% of respondents in Scotland said that they would break the law if a loved one who became terminally ill and was suffering unbearably asked them to help them die; recognises the huge benefit to society and individuals of professionals, volunteers and carers working in palliative care and the hospice movement who work tirelessly with compassion and commitment but recognises that there are some people who will not be helped and that they will seek the right to die with dignity, and calls for a wide debate on end of life issues and consideration of a change in the law.

The meeting closed at 5.50 pm.

No. 30 Wednesday 17 November 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Farkhandra Chaudry, member of the Muslim community of Scotland, led Time for Reflection.

2. Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-1463—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 96, Against 24, Abstentions 0).

3. Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill – Financial Resolution: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-1567—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill, agrees to—

(a) any expenditure or increase in expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b)(ii) or (iii) of the Parliament's Standing Orders, and

(b) any payments in relation to which Rule 9.12.4 of the Standing Orders applies,

arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 113, Against 7, Abstentions 0).

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2018—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 24 November 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate on Green Jobs
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 25 November 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Green Party Debate on Food
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Debate on Violence Against Women
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 1 December 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Public Petitions Committee Debate on Public Petition PE535
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 2 December 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Bill Aitken moved amendment S2M-2018.1 to motion S2M-2018—

Below Thursday 25 November 2004,

leave out

"3.00 pm Executive Debate on Violence Against Women"

and insert

"3.00 pm Ministerial Statement on Efficient Government

3.45 pm Executive Debate on Violence Against Women"

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to (by division: For 17, Against 81, Abstentions 22).

The motion was then agreed to (by division: For 81, Against 17, Abstentions 22).

5. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2011—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2012—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the following instruments—

the Land Registration (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2004 (SSI 2004/476);

the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Rural Housing Bodies) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/477);

the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Prescribed Periods) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/478);

the Lands Tribunal for Scotland (Title Conditions Certificates) (Fees) Rules 2004 (SSI 2004/479);

the draft Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2004; and

the Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004 (Notice of Potential Liability for Costs) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/490).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2013—That the Parliament agrees that the Communities Committee be designated as lead committee in

consideration of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7 as noted above.

9. Pools Companies Holding Scottish Football to Ransom: The Parliament debated S2M-1912 in the name of Roseanna Cunningham—That the Parliament expresses its concern at the decision by Littlewoods, Vernons and Zetters football pools companies to cease payment to the Scottish Football League (SFL) of copyright payments for the right to use SFL fixtures in their pools games; notes that, for this season, the SFL was scheduled to receive around £600,000, which would have meant an income of some £20,000 for each club; recognises that 20% of the SFL's commercial income comes from this source and that this decision will have a major impact on the finances of every member club of the SFL, and therefore believes that the three pools companies should reverse the decision.

The meeting closed at 6.05 pm.

No. 31 Thursday 18 November 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Fire (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-1960—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Fire (Scotland) Bill.

Mr Kenny MacAskill moved amendment S2M-1960.2 to motion S2M-1960—

Insert at end—

> "but, in so doing, recognises that the Fire Service has served Scotland and its communities well and has done so with firefighters, management, employers and local authorities working in partnership and therefore expresses concern about the proposed abolition of the Scottish Central Fire Brigade Advisory Council and its replacement with a non-statutory body, in conjunction with increased ministerial powers allowing for Scottish Executive action without a forum for proper debate and discussion, at a time when there is concern over the retention of control rooms and other aspects of the service."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 40, Against 64, Abstentions 12).

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-1960.1 to motion S2M-1960—

Insert at end—

> "but, in so doing, seeks assurances from the Scottish Executive that the ministerial powers in part 1 of the Bill will not be used to amalgamate existing fire boards in Scotland."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 41, Against 76, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 77, Against 14, Abstentions 26).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2028—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill, debate on each part of the proceedings shall be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time-limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding

any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Group 1 – no later that 45 minutes

Group 2 – no later than 1 hour

Motion to pass the Bill – 2 hours

The motion was agreed to.

5. Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendment was agreed to without division: 6

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

1	(For 7, Against 86, Abstentions 0)
2	(For 14, Against 79, Abstentions 0)
3	(For 13, Against 80, Abstentions 0)
4	(For 13, Against 79, Abstentions 0)
5	(For 12, Against 82, Abstentions 0)

6. Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: Susan Deacon moved S2M-1968—That the Parliament agrees that the Breastfeeding etc. (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 103, Against 13, Abstentions 0).

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2014—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that the timetable for completion of consideration of the Transport (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 4 March 2005;

(b) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 26 November 2004 on the Land Registration (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2004 (SSI 2004/476), the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Rural Housing Bodies) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/477), the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Prescribed Periods) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/478) and the Lands Tribunal for Scotland (Title Conditions Certificates) (Fees) Rules 2004 (SSI 2004/479); and

(c) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 3 December 2004 on the draft Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2004 and the Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004 (Notice of Potential Liability for Costs) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/490).

The motion was agreed to.

8. Fire (Scotland) Bill – Financial Resolution: Ms Margaret Curran moved S2M-1623—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Fire (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure payable out of the Scottish Consolidated Fund in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to.

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 6 and 8 as noted above.

10. Diabetes in Scotland: The Parliament debated S2M-1837 in the name of Karen Whitefield—That the Parliament notes the rising numbers of people with diabetes in Scotland as evidenced in the recent report from Diabetes UK Scotland, *Diabetes in Scotland and the UK 2004*, which shows that there are 148,000 people in Scotland diagnosed with diabetes, a rise of 28,000 since 1996; is concerned that at least 65,000 people in Scotland are undiagnosed, as highlighted in the report, and that this number is rising year-on-year; recognises that diabetes is associated with chronic ill-health, disability and premature mortality and that long-term complications, including heart disease, strokes, blindness, kidney disease and amputations, make the greatest contribution to the costs of diabetes care, and believes that many of these long-term effects could be avoided with earlier identification and more effective treatment.

The meeting closed at 5.56 pm.

No. 32 Wednesday 24 November 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Elizabeth Clelland of Alloa North Parish Church and member of the Clackmannanshire United Prayer Group led Time for Reflection.

2. Towards a Green Jobs Strategy: The Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) moved S2M-2049—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Executive's commitment in *A Partnership for a Better Scotland* to work with business to develop and implement a green jobs strategy; notes the publication of *Towards A Green Jobs Strategy – Opportunities For Business* in June 2004; recognises the importance of sustainable economic development; notes the leadership given by the Executive in identifying potential "big wins" for Scotland, and encourages early publication of a finalised Green Jobs Strategy with an emphasis on action to secure for Scotland the positive benefits to both business and the environment arising from demands for more sustainable products and processes.

Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-2049.3 to motion S2M-2049—

Leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert—

> "recognises the need to have control over energy policy to better enable Scotland to control and capitalise on its natural resources and fully utilise its considerable research and development capability to develop new green technologies that promote green jobs and also recognises that, in order to achieve these objectives and successfully implement a green jobs strategy to the most comprehensive extent, Scotland needs to have the full range of fiscal powers with which to encourage investment, retain intellectual property and high quality jobs, thereby securing the long-term positive benefits for the economy and the environment arising from increased affluence, increased demand for more sustainable products and processes and increased "green" employment."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 29, Against 77, Abstentions 1).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-2049.2 to motion S2M-2049—

Insert at end—

> "but urges the Executive to ensure that such green jobs are not created at the expense of jobs in other sectors of the Scottish economy."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 74, Abstentions 16).

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-2049.1 to motion S2M-2049—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

> “, while welcoming the Scottish Executive’s commitment to develop and implement a green jobs strategy, recognises the importance of placing sustainability at the heart of development and the inherent contradiction in *A Partnership for a Better Scotland* between having economic growth as top priority and having environmental concerns at the heart of public policy; notes that the leadership so far shown by the Executive in identifying and securing “big wins” in terms of green jobs for Scotland would be greatly enhanced if it broadened its conception of green jobs from jobs in the environmental sector alone to mainstreaming sustainability in all enterprise; notes that a broader conception of green jobs could help to resolve this contradiction in the Partnership Agreement, and encourages early publication of a finalised Green Jobs Strategy that covers all sectors of the Scottish economy.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 13, Against 77, Abstentions 17).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 72, Against 0, Abstentions 35).

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2054—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 1 December 2004

2.00 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Ministerial Statement on REGLEG
followed by	Public Petitions Committee Debate: Public Petition PE535
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members’ Business

Thursday 2 December 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate: Aquaculture
12 noon	First Minister’s Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Debate: Efficient Government
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 8 December 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 9 December 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Socialist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

(b) that consideration of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 11 March 2005;

(c) that consideration of the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 21 January 2005; and

(d) that consideration of the Fire (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 28 January 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

4. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2053—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 Modification Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2 and 4 as noted above.

6. Lung Cancer Awareness Month: The Parliament debated S2M-2003 in the name of Irene Oldfather—That the Parliament notes that November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month, the Macmillan Cancer Relief and the Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation's month-long campaign to raise awareness of lung cancer and highlight the message that early diagnosis saves lives; recognises that lung cancer is now the United Kingdom's biggest cancer killer with 94 people a day dying from the disease; recognises that people are 40 times more likely to survive if the disease is detected early on; congratulates NHS Ayrshire and Arran on its innovative Smoking in Schools scheme whereby health advisers visit secondary schools across North Ayrshire to educate them on the dangers of tobacco smoke and to offer cessation services for young people who have already taken up the habit; recognises the importance of educating our young people on the dangers of tobacco smoking; looks forward to the future development of this scheme, and welcomes the Scottish Executive's plans to increase support for those wishing to stop smoking and to ban smoking in public places, which will help reduce cases of lung cancer in Scotland.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

No. 33 Thursday 25 November 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Supermarkets and the Scottish Food Chain: Shiona Baird moved S2M-2056—That the Parliament notes that more than three-quarters of the UK grocery sector is dominated by just four supermarket chains; is concerned about the negative impact that the dominance of supermarkets is having on Scottish farmers, independent retailers, high streets, local economies and consumer choice and health; notes that supermarkets also have significant power to control and lower prices being paid to Scottish producers but fail to translate this into lower prices for consumers; notes the Office of Fair Trading's report that fear among suppliers of being delisted by the major supermarkets is preventing them from complaining under the current Supermarket Code of Practice; calls for an independent overseer of the code of practice who will proactively ensure that it is enforced and who will protect complainants from reprisals, and further calls for the code of practice to apply to the whole food supply chain in order to ensure fair trade for all.

The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved amendment S2M-2056.4 to motion S2M-2056—

Leave out from first "notes" to end and insert—

> ", while recognising that competition matters, including those relating to supermarkets and the food sector, are reserved to the UK Parliament, notes that the Office of Fair Trading is currently carrying out an independent audit of the Supermarket Code of Practice; agrees with the Executive's objective, as set out in *A Partnership for a Better Scotland: A Forward Strategy for Scottish Agriculture* and *Scottish Food and Drink Strategy*, of supporting Scotland's food and drinks industry to build on its reputation for high quality and its strong export record and to ensure that more Scottish produce is processed in Scotland; supports the Executive's funding of the Scottish Agricultural Organisation Society which assists farmer co-ops, and welcomes the implementation of the *Organic Action Plan* and the *Eating for Health* action plan."

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-2056.1 to motion S2M-2056—

Insert at end—

> "recognises that the behaviour of supermarkets can be influenced by pressure from informed consumers as well as the government; calls for a Scottish Executive investigation into each sector's share of the profits between the plough and plate and particularly the farmer's share of every pound spent on groceries; further calls on the Scottish Executive to convene a supermarkets' summit to discuss ongoing concerns; recognises that the more local produce on supermarket shelves and less "food miles" the better it is for the environment and costs; supports a public procurement policy that ensures where possible food is sourced locally; notes that the beef sector's profitability can be increased by scrapping the Over Thirty Months scheme in accordance with Food Standards Agency advice, and calls for this to happen."

Alex Fergusson moved amendment S2M-2056.2 to motion S2M-2056—

Leave out from "negative" to end and insert—

"impact that the dominance of supermarkets can have on Scottish farmers, producers and communities; notes the Office of Fair Trading's report that fear among suppliers of being delisted by the major supermarkets is preventing them from complaining under the current Supermarket Code of Practice; calls for an independent overseer of the code of practice who will proactively ensure that it is enforced and who will protect complainants from reprisals, and further calls for the code of practice to apply to the whole food supply chain in order to ensure fair trade for all, with particular emphasis on ensuring that the primary producer receives a fair reward for his or her product."

After debate, amendment S2M-2056.4 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 64, Against 50, Abstentions 0). As a result amendment S2M-2056.2 was pre-empted.

Amendment S2M-2056.1 was then disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 30, Against 82, Abstentions 0).

The motion as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 28, Abstentions 20).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament, while recognising that competition matters, including those relating to supermarkets and the food sector, are reserved to the UK Parliament, notes that the Office of Fair Trading is currently carrying out an independent audit of the Supermarket Code of Practice; agrees with the Executive's objective, as set out in *A Partnership for a Better Scotland: A Forward Strategy for Scottish Agriculture* and *Scottish Food and Drink Strategy*, of supporting Scotland's food and drinks industry to build on its reputation for high quality and its strong export record and to ensure that more Scottish produce is processed in Scotland; supports the Executive's funding of the Scottish Agricultural Organisation Society which assists farmer co-ops, and welcomes the implementation of the *Organic Action Plan* and the *Eating for Health* action plan.

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) and the Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen); by the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) and the Solicitor General for Scotland (Mrs Elish Angiolini); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Violence Against Women: The Deputy Minister for Communities (Johann Lamont) moved S2M-2059—That the Parliament supports the International Day to Eliminate Violence Against Women on 25 November 2004; affirms its commitment to eradicating all forms of violence against women in Scotland; acknowledges the significant funding that has gone into domestic abuse initiatives over the last four years; welcomes the more recent work of the Scottish Executive in setting up the Violence Against Women Service Development Fund and supporting Rape Crisis Scotland and the ten rape crisis centres throughout Scotland, and, noting the complexity of many of the issues involved, supports the Executive's decision to set up an expert

committee to support the development of a strategic approach to tackling these issues in future.

Christine Grahame moved amendment S2M-2059.2 to motion S2M-2059—

Insert at end—

> "and, in particular to explore the cultural reasons underlying the recent report that one in five young men and one in ten women thought that violence against women was acceptable and to examine the crucial role that the media and entertainments industry has in compounding such attitudes, and, furth of Scotland, abhors the increased use of violence against women as a weapon of war."

After debate, the amendment was agreed to (DT).

The motion as amended was then agreed to (DT).

Accordingly the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament supports the International Day to Eliminate Violence Against Women on 25 November 2004; affirms its commitment to eradicating all forms of violence against women in Scotland; acknowledges the significant funding that has gone into domestic abuse initiatives over the last four years; welcomes the more recent work of the Scottish Executive in setting up the Violence Against Women Service Development Fund and supporting Rape Crisis Scotland and the ten rape crisis centres throughout Scotland, and, noting the complexity of many of the issues involved, supports the Executive's decision to set up an expert committee to support the development of a strategic approach to tackling these issues in future and, in particular to explore the cultural reasons underlying the recent report that one in five young men and one in ten women thought that violence against women was acceptable and to examine the crucial role that the media and entertainments industry has in compounding such attitudes, and, furth of Scotland, abhors the increased use of violence against women as a weapon of war.

5. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1 and 4 as noted above.

6. Encouraging School Debating: The Parliament debated S2M-1998 in the name of Mr Brian Monteith—That the Parliament recognises the great benefits that school debating can offer to students; believes that debate develops powers of argument, increases understanding, boosts critical thinking and promotes engagement with society; considers that students who take part in debating show stronger communication skills, raised self-esteem, are better at working in teams, become more articulate and objective and are likely to be better equipped to become active citizens; believes that the opportunity to take part in debate can have a real impact on the life-chances of young people, particularly of those from relatively disadvantaged backgrounds; supports the work of the English-Speaking Union (ESU), with schools throughout Scotland, in promoting and organising debate; notes that its National Juniors Debating Competition has attracted more than eighty entries from schools across the country, and welcomes the innovative new

debating outreach programme that the ESU is launching in January 2005 in conjunction with North Lanarkshire Council.

The meeting closed at 5.57 pm.

No. 34 Wednesday 1 December 2004

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Laura Anne Teece, John Ogilvie High School, Hamilton, led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2094—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 1 December 2004—

after,

2.00 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

delete,

followed by	Ministerial Statement on REGLEG

and insert,

followed by	Ministerial Statement on Institutional Child Abuse

The motion was agreed to.

3. Ministerial Statement: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) made a statement on institutional child abuse.

4. Public Petitions Committee, *Public Petition PE535*: Michael McMahon, on behalf of the Public Petitions Committee, moved S2M-1988—That the Parliament notes public petition PE535 calling for the Scottish Parliament to urge the Scottish Executive to (a) conduct an inquiry into past institutional child abuse, in particular for those children who were in the care of the state under the supervision of religious orders and (b) make an unreserved apology for the said state bodies and to urge the religious orders to apologise unconditionally.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2095—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 8 December 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by	Ministerial Statement on Local Government Finance Settlement and Non-Domestic Rate Poundage
followed by	Executive Debate: Transport
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 9 December 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Socialist Party Debate: Iraq
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Debate: Fisheries
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 15 December 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 16 December 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business

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

The motion was agreed to.

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2087—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.13) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/484) be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 73, Against 18, Abstentions 21).

7. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2088—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Agricultural Holdings (Right to Buy Modifications) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2089—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Budget (Scotland) Act 2004 Amendment (No.2) Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2090—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the following instruments—

> the Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/491);
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> the Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No.3) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/492); and
>
> the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/493).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9 as noted above.

11. St Andrew's Day: The Parliament debated S2M-2006 in the name of Dennis Canavan—That the Parliament believes that St Andrew's Day should

be recognised as Scotland's National Day with a nationwide celebration of Scotland's diversity of cultures, faiths and ethnic origins.

12. Motion without Notice: Tricia Marwick moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by 10 minutes.

The meeting closed at 6.04 pm.

No. 35 Thursday 2 December 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Towards a Sustainable Aquaculture Industry: The Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Lewis Macdonald) moved S2M-2096— That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Executive commitment, as set out in *A Partnership for a Better Scotland*, to support a sustainable aquaculture industry, through the implementation of the Strategic Framework for Scottish Aquaculture and other measures, including trade defence and a review of the regulatory procedures and associated costs and of the scope for improved access to veterinary medicines, all of which are designed to protect and improve employment and investment opportunities in many parts of the Highlands and Islands, including many of our most remote rural and island communities.

Rob Gibson moved amendment S2M-2096.2 to motion S2M-2096—

Insert at end—

> "and agrees to set out a timetable for the adoption and application of a framework for spatial planning of marine and coastal resources, including fish farming, taking advantage where appropriate of the planned strategic environmental assessment of Scotland's coastline announced by the Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning on 24 November 2004, and calls for a regulatory one-stop shop."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 49, Against 63, Abstentions 0).

Mr Ted Brocklebank moved amendment S2M-2096.3 to motion S2M-2096—

Insert at end—

> "but questions the timetable and scope of the proposed Aquaculture bill; further notes that the Executive has still failed to meet 14 targets it set out in the Strategic Framework for Scottish Aquaculture, and laments that it has taken it six years to set up a review into the current regulatory framework with a view to lightening the burden of regulation that threatens to choke the industry."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 34, Against 77, Abstentions 1).

Robin Harper moved amendment S2M-2096.1 to motion S2M-2096—

Leave out from "commitment" to end and insert—

> "stated commitment to a sustainable aquaculture industry; welcomes and endorses the aim of the Strategic Framework for Scottish Aquaculture to establish "a sustainable, diverse, competitive and economically viable aquaculture industry"; further welcomes the Executive's commitment to a review of regulatory procedures and associated costs; notes that the wording of the title of the motion, through the use of the word "towards", acknowledges that the industry is currently not sustainable, and calls on the Executive,

> following its review, to develop a regulatory framework and overarching statutory code of practice that will include statutory duties and greater transparency for area management groups, codification of sea cage containment standards, statutory sea lice monitoring and reporting, provisions in respect of wild salmon and sea trout lochs, no relaxation of present constraints on the use of veterinary medicines, properly-financed transfer of powers from the Crown Estate to local authorities, proper support for all aquaculture activities and implementation of locational guidelines and optimum stocking levels in addition to working within the carrying capacity of the environment both locally and nationally and throughout the supply chain."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 97, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock); by the Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) and the Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Efficient Government: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-2093—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of *Building a Better Scotland: Efficient Government – Securing Efficiency, Effectiveness and Productivity*; recognises the need to increase the efficiency, effectiveness and productivity of the Scottish public sector, and endorses the Scottish Executive's ambition to make the Scottish public sector the most productive and innovative in the United Kingdom.

Alasdair Morgan moved amendment S2M-2093.1 to motion S2M-2093—

Leave out "welcomes" and insert "notes".

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 26, Against 85, Abstentions 1).

Mr Brian Monteith moved amendment S2M-2093.2 to motion S2M-2093—

Leave out from "and endorses" to end and insert—

> "believes that such efficiency savings can only be made if there is a substantial reduction in the scope and size of government in Scotland, and therefore calls on the Scottish Executive to move away from its target culture of intervention and interference as well as to end the monopoly provision of public services in order to ensure better value for money."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 16, Against 95, Abstentions 1).

Tommy Sheridan moved amendment S2M-2093.3 to motion S2M-2093—

Insert at end—

> "but believes that such efficiency, effectiveness and productivity will only be delivered with the co-operation and involvement of the workers who deliver these public services and not by attacking them or slashing the number of workers employed in these services; further believes that public service workers embody all that is good about our small country and that they should be properly paid and recognised for the essential duties they perform; rejects any suggestion that reducing workforces improves effectiveness, efficiency or productivity but does believe that such action reduces the quality and scope of public services available to citizens across Scotland, and further believes that the privatisation of public services to date has proved clearly that public provision is superior in relation to both efficiency and quality and that further privatisation should therefore be opposed."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 79, Abstentions 18).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 64, Against 22, Abstentions 26).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2091—That the Parliament agrees—

> (a) that the timetable for completion of consideration of the Prostitution Tolerance Zones (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 30 April 2005;
>
> (b) that consideration of the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill and the Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill at Preliminary Stage be completed by 25 February 2005; and
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> (c) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 3 December 2004 on the Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/491); the Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No.3) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/492); and the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/493).

The motion was agreed to.

6. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1 and 4 as noted above.

7. Domestic Abuse Services for All Victims: The Parliament debated S2M-2055 in the name of Mike Rumbles—That the Parliament recognises the very serious and totally unacceptable problem of domestic violence in Scottish society; notes in particular that all victims, whether they be women, men or children, need to be supported, and therefore considers that the Scottish Executive should provide practical help and assistance to all such victims.

The meeting closed at 5.58 pm.

No. 36 Wednesday 8 December 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Marie Cooke, Co-ordinator of the Youth Service of Aberdeen Diocese (based at the Youth Office in Inverness) led Time for Reflection.

2. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) made a statement and answered questions on the Local Government Finance Settlement and Non-Domestic Rate Poundage.

3. Executive-Supported Lifeline Ferry Services in the Clyde and Hebrides: The Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen) moved S2M-2117— That the Parliament commends the Scottish Executive's continued commitment to supporting and investing in lifeline ferry services in the Clyde and Hebrides; endorses its proposals for tendering the main bundle of ferry services as required under European Union rules, and welcomes the proposals for a final round of consultation to obtain the views of local communities and freight service users before proceeding with the tender under EU rules.

Fergus Ewing moved amendment S2M-2117.1 to motion S2M-2117—

Leave out from "commends" to end and insert—

> "believes that lifeline ferry services must be provided and an element of public subsidy will be required for that aim; further believes that the proposed national concessionary travel scheme should be extended to ferry travel; calls on the Scottish Executive to provide documented evidence showing that EU law requires that the tendering process which the Executive proposes must be undertaken; is concerned about the potential impact that this process may have upon the employment conditions of staff working on ferries, and notes that many passengers have voiced serious concerns about both the efficiency and effectiveness of the current ferry services provided by Caledonian MacBrayne which require a thorough and independent investigation."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 53, Against 65, Abstentions 1).

David Mundell moved amendment S2M-2117.2 to motion S2M-2117—

Leave out from "commends" to end and insert—

> "notes the continued uncertainty inflicted upon Caledonian MacBrayne, its employees and customers as a result of the Scottish Executive's handling of the tendering process; regrets that Clyde and Hebridean ferry services are going out to tender purely to satisfy the wishes of the European Commission, and calls on the Scottish Executive to put the interests of our island communities before those of the European Commission."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 32, Against 89, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 53, Against 54, Abstentions 15).

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2130—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 15 December 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Ministerial Statement on Concessionary Fares
followed *by*	Executive Debate: Waiting Times
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 16 December 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Debate: Tourism
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 22 December 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 of the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Motion on the Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 23 December 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Finance Committee Debate: Stage 2 of the 2005-06 Budget Process
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
3.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

5. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2123—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (No.2) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/500) be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 80, Against 19, Abstentions 19).

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2124—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2004 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2125—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Criminal Procedure (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2004 (Incidental, Supplemental and Consequential Provisions) Order 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 3, 5, 6 and 7 as noted above.

9. Retire into Action – CSV Report on Older Volunteers: The Parliament debated S2M-2033 in the name of Sarah Boyack—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of *Retire into Action*, the Community Service Volunteers' research into the benefits of volunteering by older people; celebrates the contribution made by older citizens in supporting local

community organisations and individuals in Scotland; notes the personal benefits to be gained by volunteers such as improved health and confidence, as well as great social benefits; believes that Scotland's ageing population provides great opportunities as well as challenges; notes the work done by older citizens in Edinburgh Central in supporting homeless people and those with debt problems, assisting in schools and running community centres and the many community groups that would struggle to exist without the generous time, expertise and commitment given by so many older people, and, in particular, notes the contribution of the Parliament's neighbours in the Old Town where organisations such as the Committee of the St Anne's Community Centre and the committees of the Dumbiedykes Neighbourhood Association and the Writers Group have worked over many years to support people and enrich their lives.

The meeting closed at 5.55 pm.

No. 37 Thursday 9 December 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Iraq: Frances Curran moved S2M-2132—That the Parliament notes with grave concern that Iraqi civilians have reported the use of napalm and/or phosphorous cluster bombs by US forces in their attack on the city of Fallujah, that the use of such weapons is banned by the United Nations international treaty to which the United Kingdom is a signatory and therefore utterly condemns any failure of the United States to abide by international treaties and the use of such weapons of mass destruction; notes the International Committee of the Red Cross's recent call to both parties to the conflict in Iraq which stated that it is prohibited to torture participants or to subject them to any form of inhuman, humiliating or degrading treatment and that both sides must do everything possible to help civilians caught up in the fighting obtain the basics of survival such as food, water and health care, notes that there were reliable reports of US forces cutting off water supplies to Fallujah prior to the assault and therefore, along with the Red Cross, believes that "for the parties to this conflict, complying with international humanitarian law is an obligation, not an option"; believes that the war in Iraq was based on deceit and lies and that far from ending terrorism "American actions have instead elevated the authority of the jihadi insurgents and tended to ratify their legitimacy among Muslims" and that most Muslims think that "the occupation of Afghanistan and Iraq has not led to democracy there, but only more chaos and suffering", as stated by the Defence Science Board, notes that the war has resulted in a humanitarian disaster with as many as 100,000 Iraqis having lost their lives and malnutrition amongst Iraqi children having almost doubled and that British and US troops are seen by most Iraqis as occupiers rather than liberators and therefore believes that it is in the best interests of all for all troops to be brought home for Christmas.

Mr Duncan McNeil moved amendment S2M-2132.6 to motion S2M-2132—

Leave out from first "notes" to end and insert—

> "believes that there should be a peaceful and democratic Iraq and supports all those who are working for world peace and the extension of democracy; recognises the importance of international support for the people of Iraq in their efforts to achieve stability and democracy; reaffirms its support for a route map to peace in the Middle East which delivers a free and viable Palestinian state and security for Israel; affirms the importance of the principles of the rule of law, including respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, and of democracy, including free and fair elections; believes that the planned withdrawal of British forces should only occur at the first practicable opportunity after the establishment of a democratic government in Iraq; acknowledges that the United Nations should play the leading role in assisting the Iraqi people, in particular in the formation of institutions for representative government; continues to express its gratitude to UK service personnel and their families including those from Scotland, and offers its sincere sympathy to the families of those members of the armed forces who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the service of their country."

Alex Neil moved amendment S2M-2132.1 to motion S2M-2132—

Leave out from “all for all” to end and insert—

> “both Iraq and the international community that the United States of America, United Kingdom and other western forces be replaced as a matter of urgency by a force assembled under the auspices of the League of Arab States, with other appropriate international support.”

Phil Gallie moved amendment S2M-2132.3 to motion S2M-2132—

Leave out from first “Iraqi” to end and insert—

> “after the cessation of the Iraq war, deaths as a consequence of conflict continue albeit at a much reduced rate from that of proceeding years; deplores the continuing violence; trusts the Iraqi people to take a giant step towards democracy and peace in the forthcoming elections; pays tribute to the courageous, professional and effective manner in which British forces are responding to the serious security situation in Iraq; welcomes the return of soldiers from the Black Watch regiment and, in doing so, thanks them for their service to this country and the people of Iraq; wishes the Scots Guards well on their current tour of duty, and believes that at a time of international turbulence our regiments should be strengthened not disbanded.”

Mr Keith Raffan moved amendment S2M-2132.5 to motion S2M-2132—

Leave out from first “notes” to end and insert—

> “deeply regrets that Her Majesty’s Government took the United Kingdom into an unjustified war in Iraq; believes that it would be irresponsible to withdraw British troops until a fully democratically elected Parliament has been established in Iraq and that then a phased withdrawal of troops should begin; believes that the continued presence of multinational forces is essential in order to maintain stability and security prior to the January elections and to avoid even greater loss of life among the civilian population; believes that concerted action must be taken to improve the security situation and to ensure that Iraqi security forces are fully trained and equipped; recognises the bravery and professionalism of our armed forces serving in Iraq, not least those from the Black Watch, who operate in difficult and dangerous circumstances, but believes that no further troops should be committed to Iraq unless requested by United Kingdom commanders for force protection purposes or to fulfil our international obligations towards the people of Iraq; believes that all British forces should serve under British command, and believes that greater United Nations involvement is essential, particularly in the urgently-required humanitarian effort to provide clean water, food and adequate health care and also in economic reconstruction and stabilisation.”

Chris Ballance moved amendment S2M-2132.4 to motion S2M-2132—

Leave out from “it is in the best interests” to end and insert—

> “the only way forward for peace and justice in Iraq is for the British and US governments to request the United Nations to bring in a peacekeeping force made up of soldiers from countries which did not support the invasion to replace British and US troops immediately, in order to allow civic society to re-establish itself in Iraq, and calls on the Scottish Executive to launch an inquiry into the physical and mental health of Scottish soldiers returning from Iraq and to prepare for an anticipated increase in combat stress-related conditions by increasing its support for the charity, Combat Stress, and its Hollybush House appeal.”

After debate, amendment S2M-2132.6 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 54, Abstentions 2). As a result amendments S2M-2132.1, S2M-2132.3, S2M-2132.5 and S2M-2132.4 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 32, Abstentions 22).

Accordingly the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament believes that there should be a peaceful and democratic Iraq and supports all those who are working for world peace and the extension of democracy; recognises the importance of international support for the people of Iraq in their efforts to achieve stability and democracy; reaffirms its support for a route map to peace in the Middle East which delivers a free and viable Palestinian state and security for Israel; affirms the importance of the principles of the rule of law, including respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, and of democracy, including free and fair elections; believes that the planned withdrawal of British forces should only occur at the first practicable opportunity after the establishment of a democratic government in Iraq; acknowledges that the United Nations should play the leading role in assisting the Iraqi people, in particular in the formation of institutions for representative government; continues to express its gratitude to UK service personnel and their families including those from Scotland, and offers its sincere sympathy to the families of those members of the armed forces who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the service of their country.

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Fisheries: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-2129—That the Parliament supports the Scottish Executive in its efforts to negotiate the best possible outcome from the EU Fisheries Council in December 2004, an outcome that delivers sustainable fisheries, sustainable fishing businesses and sustainable fishing communities based on Total Allowable Catches and management controls that are both fair and effective.

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-2129.2 to motion S2M-2129—

Insert at end—

> "; recognises the healthy abundance of many stocks vitally important to Scotland, including nephrops, monkfish and the record haddock stocks, and calls for a management regime that provides adequate fishing opportunities for the fleet in light of this encouraging situation; notes that the general state of stocks in Scottish waters demands proper examination in light of up-to-date science and the views of the fishing industry before any further drastic and unworkable management measures are foisted

on the fleet; believes that recent events further illustrate the flaws in a Common Fisheries Policy in which many Scots who support sustainable fishing policies have lost faith, and therefore calls for control over our fishing grounds to be returned to Scotland."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 31, Against 89, Abstentions 0).

Mr Ted Brocklebank moved amendment S2M-2129.1 to motion S2M-2129—

Leave out from "an outcome" to end and insert—

"urges the Minister for Environment and Rural Development to secure higher quotas and more days at sea to secure a future for our fishermen and their coastal communities, accompanied by an end to the discredited haddock permit scheme with no new restrictions for the nephrops sector, and calls on the Executive to support the view of the vast majority of Scottish fishermen that it is time to end the discredited Common Fisheries Policy and to regain national control of UK waters".

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 39, Against 75, Abstentions 6).

Mr Mark Ruskell moved amendment S2M-2129.3 to motion S2M-2129—

Leave out from "based" to end and insert—

"; notes the North Sea Regional Advisory Council's opinion that "the concept of a partially closed or restricted access area in the North Sea is not ruled out in principle", and calls on the Executive to make proportionate use of closed areas, on-board observers and bycatch quotas in addition to existing management controls in furtherance of its aim to maintain the sustainability of fish stocks at the heart of the strategic agenda for fisheries, as stated in the Strategic Framework for the Scottish Sea Fishing Industry and, with UK and European counterparts, to seek the necessary resources and investment required to support these measures and fishery-dependent communities while fish stocks recover."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 9, Against 102, Abstentions 8).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 94, Against 24, Abstentions 1).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2126—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 7 January 2005 on the draft Criminal Procedure (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2004 (Incidental, Supplemental and Consequential Provisions) Order 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1 and 4 as noted above.

7. Excess Winter Deaths: The Parliament debated S2M-2027 in the name of Mrs Margaret Ewing—That the Parliament notes with growing concern that, despite various efforts to reduce fuel poverty, excess winter deaths still continue to rise; believes that additional measures must be implemented to reverse this trend and eradicate this blight in an energy-rich nation, and therefore believes that the Scottish Executive should review the effectiveness of existing schemes.

The meeting closed at 5.59 pm.

No. 38 Wednesday 15 December 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Very Reverend Graham Forbes, Provost of St. Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Edinburgh led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2167—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 15 December 2004—

after,

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

delete,

followed by	Ministerial Statement on Concessionary Fares

The motion was agreed to.

3. Fair to All, Personal to Each – The Next Steps for NHS Scotland: The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) moved S2M-2155—That the Parliament notes that continuing action is needed to turn round the poor health of many people in Scotland; supports the emphasis that the Scottish Executive has placed, across portfolios, on health promotion; agrees that the Executive is right in tackling the three big killers of coronary heart disease, cancer, and stroke and recognises the progress made to date in reducing mortality rates from these diseases; believes in putting patients first so that they are at the heart of NHS service developments and priorities, and supports the Executive's determination to target additional investment and increase capacity so that the next steps are focused on reducing waiting for out-patient appointments and hospital admissions, on speeding diagnostic tests and on extending patient choice.

Shona Robison moved amendment S2M-2155.3 to motion S2M-2155—

Leave out from first "supports" to end and insert—

> "recognises the progress made in reducing mortality rates from coronary heart disease, cancer and stroke; believes in putting patients first by expanding capacity in the NHS to tackle unacceptably high waiting times for out-patient appointments and hospital admissions, and is concerned that any expansion of the private sector in Scotland can only be achieved at the expense of the NHS."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 39, Against 81, Abstentions 1).

Mr David Davidson moved amendment S2M-2155.1 to motion S2M-2155—

Leave out from “continuing” to end and insert—

> “there is an urgent need to reform the NHS in Scotland; calls on the Scottish Executive to place patients’ needs at the centre of the service, to give patients the choice to move anywhere within the NHS, to ensure that NHS capacity is supplemented where necessary by better collaboration and partnership with the independent and voluntary health and care sectors and to move to a system where money follows the patients, and further calls on the Executive to free health professionals and local managers to respond to patient needs on a local basis and to transfer resources away from bureaucracy and into front-line care.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 103, Abstentions 2).

Carolyn Leckie moved amendment S2M-2155.4 to motion S2M-2155—

Leave out from “continuing” to end and insert—

> “radical continuing action is needed to turn around the poor health of many people in Scotland, most of it poverty-related; further notes that the Scottish Executive needs to do much more if mortality and morbidity are to be drastically reduced, life expectancy increased and health inequalities removed; recognises that the most effective health promotion measure would be the eradication of poverty; recognises that, while Scotland’s people continue to suffer unacceptable levels of ill-health, the NHS needs to have the capacity to treat patients quickly, effectively and as close to their homes as possible; believes that the NHS in Scotland has suffered unprecedented and unsustainable reductions of capacity, particularly through bed cuts, hospital closures, PFI and budget deficits in the last 10 years and that there needs to be an immediate reversal of that trend by securing the NHS as a publicly-owned, publicly-delivered, universal, comprehensive service free at the point of need with the capacity to meet the needs of the population, and considers private health care to be a parasitic drain on NHS assets, resources and staff that merely converts public money into private profit whilst undermining the founding principles of the NHS and threatens its very existence as envisioned by Aneurin Bevan.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 82, Abstentions 23).

Dr Jean Turner moved amendment S2M-2155.2 to motion S2M-2155—

Leave out from first “supports” to end and insert—

> “welcomes the additional investment on health promotion, including its targeting of heart disease, cancer and stroke; however, urges the Scottish Executive as part of its next steps strategy and to fulfil its aim of returning all patients to the heart of the NHS, to include as part of the strategy a comprehensive review of services dedicated to palliative care and chronic conditions and, further, develop a national programme of diagnostic care, all of which continue to be under-resourced and under-funded, and believes that such a review will save the NHS money by identifying, treating and controlling such conditions in a more structured, preventative and cost-effective manner which will alleviate the consequent pressure on hospital beds and in-patient services.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 40, Against 83, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 67, Against 55, Abstentions 1).

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved, S2M-2169—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 22 December 2004

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Ministerial Statement on Concessionary Fares
followed by	Stage 3 of the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Motion on the Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 23 December 2004

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Finance Committee Debate: Stage 2 of the 2005-06 Budget Process
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
3.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 12 January 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 13 January 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

5. Decision Time: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2159—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Thursday 23 December 2004 be taken at 3.00 pm.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2160—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Part 1 Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003: Draft Guidance for Local Authorities and National Park Authorities (SE/2004/276).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2161—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/527).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2162—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Act of Sederunt (Fees of Sheriff Officers) 2004 (SSI 2004/513).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8 as noted above.

10. Rural Abattoirs: The Parliament debated S2M-1721 in the name of Eleanor Scott—That the Parliament notes that the number of red meat abattoirs in Scotland has fallen from 79 to only 44 in the past 20 years, whereas Austria has sustained over 3,000 slaughter facilities in this period; deplores this reduction, given the detrimental impact on animal welfare that results from increased transportation times; recognises the benefits to rural livelihoods, animal welfare and local food production that more rural abattoirs would bring, and considers that the Scottish Executive should invest in, and support the establishment of, new, modern slaughterhouses throughout rural Scotland.

11. Motion without Notice: Mark Ballard moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 6.14 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.14 pm.

No. 39 Thursday 16 December 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Proposed Defence Reviews from a Scottish Perspective: Murdo Fraser moved S2M-2165—That the Parliament notes the proposed cuts in manpower from the Royal Air Force, the Royal Navy and Army throughout the United Kingdom; further notes that this would mean the merger of the Royal Scots and the King's Own Scottish Borderers into one battalion and the amalgamation of all five battalions into a super regiment of five battalions and a reduction in jobs and operations at RAF Lossiemouth and Kinloss; believes that this will have an adverse economic impact on the areas affected by the cuts; further believes that the Scottish regiments are an important part of the tradition and heritage of Scotland; notes that the recent war in Iraq was the latest conflict which showed Scotland's regiments to be a modern, effective fighting force; believes that, in a time of increased commitments across the globe, our armed forces must have the necessary resources and structure to protect our country, deter aggression and safeguard our vital interests in the wider world, and, accordingly, condemns any cuts and mergers and, in particular, believes that the six existing single battalion Scottish infantry regiments should be retained.

Mr John Home Robertson moved amendment S2M-2165.4 to motion S2M-2165—

Leave out from first "notes" to end and insert—

> "acknowledges the importance of Scotland's substantial contribution to the armed forces of the United Kingdom; notes the social and economic value of the military to communities throughout Scotland; believes that Scotland is rightly proud of the historic and current contribution of Scottish service personnel to the defence of the United Kingdom and to peacekeeping operations worldwide; accepts the need for the military to drive decisions about the structure of efficient armed forces for the modern world, and believes that the traditions, community links and identities of Scotland's infantry battalions should be maintained in the armed forces of the United Kingdom."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 50, Against 66, Abstentions 11).

Roseanna Cunningham moved amendment S2M-2165.3 to motion S2M-2165—

Insert at end—

> "and condemns the fact that these proposals have been developed while Black Watch soldiers and other members of the armed forces are involved in a dangerous conflict in Iraq."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 50, Against 72, Abstentions 5).

Mike Rumbles moved amendment S2M-2165.1 to motion S2M-2165—

Insert at end—

> "as the best way to maintain the operational effectiveness of the Scottish infantry."

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 60, Against 55, Abstentions 12).

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 61, Against 59, Abstentions 7).

Accordingly the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes the proposed cuts in manpower from the Royal Air Force, the Royal Navy and Army throughout the United Kingdom; further notes that this would mean the merger of the Royal Scots and the King's Own Scottish Borderers into one battalion and the amalgamation of all five battalions into a super regiment of five battalions and a reduction in jobs and operations at RAF Lossiemouth and Kinloss; believes that this will have an adverse economic impact on the areas affected by the cuts; further believes that the Scottish regiments are an important part of the tradition and heritage of Scotland; notes that the recent war in Iraq was the latest conflict which showed Scotland's regiments to be a modern, effective fighting force; believes that, in a time of increased commitments across the globe, our armed forces must have the necessary resources and structure to protect our country, deter aggression and safeguard our vital interests in the wider world, and, accordingly, condemns any cuts and mergers and, in particular, believes that the six existing single battalion Scottish infantry regiments should be retained as the best way to maintain the operational effectiveness of the Scottish infantry.

2. Justice Issues with Specific Relevance to Reoffending: Miss Annabel Goldie moved S2M-2158—That the Parliament notes the unacceptable rate of reoffending occurring in Scotland today; accepts that there is a place in our criminal justice system for a range of different sentencing options to address this problem but recognises that when a prison sentence is the appropriate disposal then prison is not simply a punishment but is intended to rehabilitate, deter and protect the public; believes that the way to reduce reoffending and subsequently the prison population is to reduce the overall incidence of crime in Scotland, and therefore calls on the Scottish Executive to increase the police presence in our communities to deter and detect crime and to end automatic early release from our prisons to ensure honesty in sentencing.

The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved amendment S2M-2158.3 to motion S2M-2158—

Leave out from "unacceptable" to end and insert—

> "Criminal Justice Plan's acknowledgement that the rate of reoffending occurring in Scotland today is unacceptable; agrees that prison should be used where prison is the appropriate punishment but notes that prison is also intended to rehabilitate the

offender, deter the prospective offender and protect the public; agrees that prison must sit within a range of different sentencing options to address reoffending, and therefore notes the increase in police numbers compared to the numbers delivered by the Conservatives, the establishment of the Sentencing Commission to consider a number of issues including early release, and that the recently published Criminal Justice Plan includes measures to tackle Scotland's high reoffending rates, reduce crime and the fear of crime and strengthen confidence in the country's criminal justice services."

Mr Kenny MacAskill moved amendment S2M-2158.2 to motion S2M-2158—

Leave out from "accepts" to end and insert—

"further notes that the causes of crime are manifold, involving social and economic dislocation and family and community fragmentation with drink, drugs and deprivation remaining at the root of much crime and antisocial behaviour; notes with concern that Scotland is heading towards having the highest per capita prison population in western Europe; calls, therefore, for a visible police presence in our communities and for prison to be reserved for serious and dangerous offenders; calls for action to be taken to ensure that community-based disposals are available for minor offences to ensure rehabilitation and best use of public funds; calls, therefore, on the Executive to ensure that it is not only tough on crime but tough on the causes of crime, and recognises that the solutions are multifaceted and require individuals to take responsibility for their own actions and for society to take responsibility for all its communities."

Colin Fox moved amendment S2M-2158.1 to motion S2M-2158—

Leave out from "the way" to end and insert

", since 80% of male and female prisoners represent no danger to the public, non-custodial sentences should be given much greater consideration and support; calls on the Scottish Executive to provide more specially-trained community police officers accountable to the communities that they serve in order to increase public confidence in the justice system, and reaffirms that, in cases where serious crimes have been committed, remission should be earned and fully recognised by both the wider community and the prison population itself."

After debate, amendment S2M-2158.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 93, Against 24, Abstentions 10). As a result, amendments S2M-2158.2 and S2M-2158.1 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 95, Against 19, Abstentions 13).

Accordingly the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes the Criminal Justice Plan's acknowledgement that the rate of reoffending occurring in Scotland today is unacceptable; agrees that prison should be used where prison is the appropriate punishment but notes that prison is also intended to rehabilitate the offender, deter the prospective offender and protect the public; agrees that prison must sit within a range of different sentencing options to address reoffending, and therefore notes the increase in police numbers compared to the numbers delivered by the Conservatives, the establishment of the Sentencing Commission to consider a number of issues including early release, and that the recently published Criminal Justice Plan includes measures to tackle Scotland's high reoffending rates, reduce crime and the

fear of crime and strengthen confidence in the country's criminal justice services.

3. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

4. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) and the Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen); by the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) and the Lord Advocate (Colin Boyd); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Tourism – Ambitions for Scotland: The Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson) moved S2M-2166—That the Parliament recognises the economic benefits of promoting the long-term growth of Scotland's tourism industry; approves of the Scottish Executive's ambition, shared with VisitScotland and the tourism sector, of achieving 50% revenue growth over the next decade; notes that this will benefit the economies of rural as well as city and urban areas in every part of the country; appreciates that this long-term growth can only be achieved by ensuring that the marketing of Scotland in UK and overseas tourism markets is further strengthened and that the businesses that comprise the tourism and hospitality sectors are encouraged to compete even more strongly and coherently in this most competitive of global industries, and welcomes the additional funding given to VisitScotland to help achieve this.

Brian Adam moved amendment S2M-2166.2 to motion S2M-2166—

Leave out from "approves" to end and insert—

> "further recognises that tourism requires good access and good tourism experiences as well as marketing strategies; expresses concern over the uncertainties introduced by the Tourism Network Scotland (TNS) project, including potential compulsory redundancies, the financial shortfall and lack of a detailed business plan; commends the development of niche marketing strategies and the extension of the seasonal events to ensure that all Scotland benefits from a growing industry; seeks continued commitment to improving access through the Route Development Fund and a strategy for dealing with the consequences of changes to structural funds, and calls on the Scottish Executive, contingent upon production of the TNS business plan, to consider making available transitional funding to address any shortfall due to potential loss of membership income, local authority funding, redundancy costs and the ongoing structural deficit."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 35, Against 92, Abstentions 0).

Mr Jamie McGrigor moved amendment S2M-2166.3 to motion S2M-2166—

Leave out from "approves" to end and insert—

> "urges the Scottish Executive to pursue a more ambitious target for growth in light of the aggressive policies being pursued by competitor countries; appreciates that long-term growth can only be achieved by ensuring that the marketing of Scotland in UK and overseas tourism markets is further strengthened and that the businesses that

comprise the tourism and hospitality sectors are freed from the Executive's policies which are hampering business growth and enterprise throughout Scotland; regrets the uncertainty and consequent damage caused to the industry by the Executive's handling of the tourism network restructuring process; further regrets the potential loss of local knowledge and expertise that may result from the centralisation of the tourism network, and calls on the Executive to ensure that both the local tourist information centres and funding for the new tourism hubs are adequately protected once the new network commences in April."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 18, Against 82, Abstentions 27).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 95, Against 18, Abstentions 14).

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2173—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that the timetable for completion of consideration of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 21 January 2005;

(b) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 24 December 2004 on the Part 1 Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003: Draft Guidance for Local Authorities and National Park Authorities (SE/2004/276) and by 7 January 2005 on the Act of Sederunt (Fees of Sheriff Officers) 2004 (SSI 2004/513); and

(c) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 24 December 2004 on the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/527).

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2174—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Council Tax Abolition and Service Tax Introduction (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 23 December 2005.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (by division: For 84, Against 42, Abstentions 1).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, and 5 as noted above.

9. Knife Crime in Glasgow: The Parliament debated S2M-2038 in the name of Mr Frank McAveety—That the Parliament recognises the unacceptable number of incidents involving knife crime in Scotland and particularly in the east end of Glasgow; believes that the Scottish Executive, Strathclyde police and other key agencies need to work more effectively to tackle this problem; considers that a range of measures to deal with knife

crime are required, and believes that the Executive should consider measures such as restricting access to the purchase of knives, ensuring appropriate programmes are in place to educate young people on the dangers and consequences of carrying and using knives, speedier and effective sentencing for those convicted of knife crime and ensuring that the police have effective powers to deal with those who carry and use knives.

10. Motion without Notice: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by 10 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.19 pm.

No. 40 Wednesday 22 December 2004

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Cardinal Keith O'Brien, Archbishop of St Andrews and Edinburgh led Time for Reflection.

2. Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2201—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill, debate on each part of the proceedings shall be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time-limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 and 2 – no later than 30 minutes

Groups 3 to 5 – no later than 55 minutes

Motion to pass the Bill – 1 hour 40 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

3. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen) made a statement and answered questions on concessionary fares.

4. Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 4, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 14.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

5 (For 86, Against 11, Abstentions 0)
6 (For 89, Against 9, Abstentions 0)
7 (For 89, Against 12, Abstentions 0)
8 (For 89, Against 13, Abstentions 0)
12 (For 87, Against 14, Abstentions 0)

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

2 (For 31, Against 70, Abstentions 0)
15 (For 31, Against 69, Abstentions 0)
16 (For 30, Against 70, Abstentions 0)

Other amendments were not moved.

5. Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-2157—That the Parliament agrees that the Emergency Workers (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 95, Against 15, Abstentions 0).

6. Motion on the Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies: Trish Godman moved S2M-2097—That the Parliament notes that the Commissioner for Public Appointments in Scotland proposes to adopt, as an interim measure, the UK Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies, until such time as a Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies in Scotland is agreed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2199—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 12 January 2005

2.15 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Education Committee Debate: 8th Report of the Education Committee on Child Protection Issues
followed by	Motion on the Gambling Bill - UK Legislation
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 13 January 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Debate: Victims and Witnesses
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 19 January 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 20 January 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate on the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

8. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2191—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the following instruments—

> the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Protection of Children) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/526);
>
> the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications to Schedule 5) Order 2005; and
>
> the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2192—That the Parliament agrees that the Health Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 5, 6, 8 and 9 as noted above.

11. Congestion Charging Scheme Referenda: The Parliament debated S2M-2175 in the name of David McLetchie—That the Parliament congratulates West Lothian Council for agreeing to hold a consultative referendum on the City of Edinburgh Council's congestion charging scheme and for setting a question which conforms with the guidelines issued by the Electoral Commission and regrets that the City of Edinburgh Council, in its referendum, has proposed for answer a question which does not conform with these guidelines and intends to circulate an information leaflet with the ballot paper which will not include statements from parties opposed to the scheme.

The meeting closed at 5.49 pm.

No. 41 Thursday 23 December 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Finance Committee, *Stage 2 of the 2005-06 Budget Process*: Des McNulty, on behalf of the Finance Committee, moved S2M-2179—That the Parliament notes the 8th Report 2004 (Session 2) of the Finance Committee on Stage 2 of the 2005-06 Budget Process (SP Paper 257) and refers the report and its recommendations to the Scottish Executive for consideration.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) and the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson); by the Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) and the Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2193—That the Parliament agrees—

> (a) that the Education Committee and Justice 1 Committee report to the Justice 2 Committee by 24 December 2004 on the Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Protection of Children) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/526); and
>
> (b) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 14 January 2005 on the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications to Schedule 5) Order 2005 and the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

5. Decision Time: The Parliament took a decision on item 1 as noted above.

6. Closure of Craigneuk Development: The Parliament debated S2M-2080 in the name of Alex Neil—That the Parliament expresses its deep regret that the Craigneuk Development and Support Unit has been forced to announce its closure and the forced redundancy of its staff with effect from Christmas Eve, as a direct result of the actions taken by North Lanarkshire Council to withdraw funding from this organisation and the services it provides; notes that the withdrawal of the unit's counselling and support services will have a detrimental effect on the levels of poverty and deprivation in the communities which it serves, and believes that the way in which the council has treated this excellent organisation should be the subject of a

detailed examination by Audit Scotland and the auditors of the European Commission and that appropriate steps should be taken to stop local authorities creating third party agencies which deliberately undermine and subvert the work of existing providers who are doing an excellent job, as was the case with the Craigneuk Development and Support Unit.

The meeting closed at 3.28 pm.

No. 42 Wednesday 12 January 2005

The meeting opened at 2.15 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: David Searle, Assistant Minister, St Andrew's Church, Arbroath, led Time for Reflection.

2. Decision Time: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2236—That the Parliament agrees under Rule 11.2.4 of Standing Orders that Decision Time on Wednesday 12 January 2005 be taken at 5.15 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2238—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 12 January 2005—

leave out from

"followed by	Education Committee Debate: 8th Report of the Education Committee on Child Protection Issues"

to

"followed by	Members' Business: Debate on the subject of S2M-2216 Rosie Kane: Earthquake and Tsunami which hit the coasts of South Asia on Boxing Day 2004"

and insert

"followed by	Member's Oath/Affirmation – Andrew Arbuckle
followed by	Ministerial Statement on the Tsunami Disaster
followed by	Education Committee Debate: 8th Report of the Education Committee on Child Protection Issues
followed by	Motion on the Gambling Bill - UK Legislation
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.15 pm	Decision Time

followed by Members' Business: Debate of the Subject of S2M-2216 Rosie Kane: Earthquake and Tsunami which hit the coasts of South Asia on Boxing Day 2004"

The motion was agreed to.

4. Oath: Andrew Arbuckle took the oath of allegiance before the Clerk.

5. Ministerial Statement: The First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) made a statement and answered questions on the Tsunami Disaster.

6. Education Committee, *Education Committee Report on Child Protection Issues*: Robert Brown, on behalf of the Education Committee moved S2M-2190—That the Parliament notes the 8th Report, 2004 (Session 2) of the Education Committee: *Report on the Scottish Executive's Implementation of Recommendations of the "It's Everyone's Job To Make Sure I'm Alright" Report* (SP Paper 201); notes the Executive's response to the report, and draws the attention of the Executive to the impact of disclosure requirements, particularly in light of the implementation of the provisions of the Protection of Children (Scotland) Act 2003.

After debate, the motion was agreed to. (DT)

7. Gambling Bill – UK Legislation: The Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Tavish Scott) moved S2M-2118—That the Parliament agrees the principle of including in the Gambling Bill provisions which confer powers on the Scottish Ministers, including powers to set fees and make regulations on the conditions to be attached to gambling premises' licences and permits, and agrees that the relevant provisions to achieve this end should be considered by the UK Parliament.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 55, Abstentions 0).

8. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2237—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 19 January 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate: Closing the Opportunity Gap
followed by	Motion on Constitutional Reform Bill – UK Legislation
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 20 January 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate: Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time

2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Debate: Climate Change
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 26 January 2005

2.15 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	SPCB Question Time
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 27 January 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate: Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

9. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2234—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 29 April 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

10. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2235—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Criminal Procedure (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2004 (Incidental, Supplemental and Consequential Provisions) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to. (DT)

11. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 6, 7 and 10 as noted above.

12. Earthquake and Tsunami, Boxing Day 2004: The Parliament debated S2M-2216 in the name of Rosie Kane—That the Parliament is horrified by the catastrophic earthquake and tsunami which hit southern Asia and parts of Africa on Boxing Day, 2004; mourns the enormous loss of lives from Malaysia to Somalia, particularly in Indonesia and Sri Lanka, more than half of whom are expected to be children; congratulates NGOs like Oxfam, the Red Cross, the Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund and others for their instant and courageous response; is concerned that this region did not have the benefit of an early warning system, despite the fact that it sits on a known fault line; is concerned at the initial level of aid offered by the UK Government and believes that the current promised aid is inadequate and should be increased to meet the needs of the entire region; encourages everyone in Scotland to help in any way they can, commensurate with their means, and considers that the Scottish Executive and those in power should set an example above and beyond the support of the Scottish people to ensure that Scotland sends a clear message of support in both words and deeds.

The meeting closed at 6.02 pm.

No. 43 Thursday 13 January 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Make Poverty History: Nicola Sturgeon moved S2M-2240—That the Parliament expresses sympathy and support for the individuals, families and countries devastated by the effects of the tsunami; congratulates the people of Scotland for their magnificent efforts in collecting money and supplies to help ease the immediate plight of those affected and encourages all MSPs to make a payroll donation of one day's pay to the appeals; recognises that long-term support is needed to restore the infrastructure of the countries of South East Asia and that Scotland is well placed to assist in this vital work; calls for a summit of Scottish aid agencies and other interested parties to be organised to discuss and co-ordinate such activities; recognises that more than 200,000 people die of preventable causes every week and that more assistance by the richer countries is needed to tackle global poverty, and supports the Make Poverty History campaign which seeks to remind the member countries which make up the G8 of their responsibilities to the rest of the world and to demand that they take action on debt repayments, trade agreements and aid assistance to prevent people dying because of starvation and poverty.

Patricia Ferguson moved amendment S2M-2240.2 to motion S2M-2240—

Leave out from "and encourages" to end and insert—

> "; notes that the Parliament will facilitate individual payroll donations to the appeals; recognises that long-term support is needed to restore the infrastructure of the countries of South East Asia and that Scotland is well placed to assist in this vital work; notes the meeting of Scottish aid agencies convened by the Scottish Executive to discuss and co-ordinate such activities; notes the continuing dialogue with Scottish aid agencies during this crisis; recognises that more than 200,000 people die of preventable causes every week and that more assistance is needed by the richer countries to tackle global poverty; supports the campaign to make poverty history, and notes the work being undertaken by the Scottish Executive with the Scottish aid agencies and others in the run-up to the G8 summit to support action on debt repayments, trade agreements and aid assistance to prevent people dying because of starvation and poverty."

Mark Ballard moved amendment S2M-2240.4 to motion S2M-2240—

Insert at end—

> "; and believes that such action by the international community must seek to take the final historic step in delivering full debt relief for the debt burdened countries and be based on the principles of fair trade relationships between rich and poor countries, through ensuring that international trade policy is designed to help the poorest countries and the removal of unjust tariffs and trade barriers, and supports the call for a commitment and a timetable for the achievement of the UN target of 0.7% of GDP in overseas development assistance."

Dennis Canavan moved amendment S2M-2240.3 to motion S2M-2240—

Leave out from "calls for a summit" to end and insert—

"; therefore welcomes the recent meeting between the Scottish Executive, aid agencies and other interested parties; recognises that more than 200,000 people die of preventable causes every week and that more assistance by the richer countries is needed to tackle global poverty; notes that the Make Poverty History campaign is a timely reminder that the richer countries must take more effective action on debt repayments, trade agreements and aid, which are inextricably linked; demands that, if the poorest countries are to be lifted out of abject poverty, the G8 and the European Union (EU) must require governments of countries in receipt of economic and structural aid to do all in their power to ensure its fair and equitable distribution, and reminds the G8 and EU of their responsibility to ensure that their policies are not ultimately rendered ineffective by the actions of national and international organisations which have prospered under the current unfair international trade, debt and aid conditions."

After debate, the motion was, with the approval of the Parliament, withdrawn. Accordingly, amendments S2M-2240.2, S2M-2240.4 and S2M-2240.3 fell.

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Improving Rights and Services for Victims and Witnesses: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-2241—That the Parliament acknowledges that the interests and diverse needs of victims and witnesses are central to criminal justice reform; welcomes recent legislation that improves the status of victims and witnesses in the justice system, including the Vulnerable Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2004 and the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003; notes the progress made in implementing the Strategy for Scottish Victims and the recommendations of the Lord Advocate's Working Group on Support for Child Witnesses; notes the major steps that have been taken within the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service, in particular the establishment of the Victims Information and Advice Service and the instigation of a detailed review of the investigation and prosecution of sexual offences, and recognises the Executive's commitment to make further improvements for victims including the reflection of their interests in proposals for reducing re-offending.

Mr Kenny MacAskill moved amendment S2M-2241.2 to motion S2M-2241—

Insert at end—

"; further notes that, whilst it is a citizen's duty to report crime and testify, in doing so significant difficulties and dangers can be encountered by many; calls for additional assistance to be given towards rehousing and protection including a specific Scottish Witness Protection Programme, and further recognises the serious psychological effect that being a witness or victim of crime often involves and so calls for any future reform in this area to include adequate provision for treatment of trauma."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 25, Against 83, Abstentions 7).

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-2241.1 to motion S2M-2241—

Insert at end—

> "; believes, however, that the best support and protection that can be given to witnesses and victims is to cut crime in Scotland, and therefore calls for a greatly-increased police presence in our communities to deter and detect crime, a review of the use of bail and an end to automatic early release from prisons."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 99, Abstentions 0).

5. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on item 4 as noted above.

6. Sustaining Agriculture and Sustaining Communities: The Parliament debated S2M-2209 in the name of Jamie Stone—That the Parliament believes that sustaining a viable agricultural sector involves encouraging an increase in employment on Scotland's land and that this would strengthen the contribution of agriculture to the viability of rural communities and contribute to the nutritional health of Scotland.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

No. 44 Wednesday 19 January 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Mr Jim McColgan, Head Teacher, Echline Primary School led Time for Reflection.

2. Closing the Opportunity Gap: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-2265—That the Parliament acknowledges the progress made in reducing poverty and extending opportunities in Scotland but recognises there is much more to do; welcomes the Scottish Executive's commitment to closing the opportunity gap for those most excluded in urban and rural communities, and supports the Executive's plans to deliver objectives and targets for increasing the chances of sustained employment for vulnerable and disadvantaged groups, improving the confidence and skills of the most disadvantaged children and young people, reducing the vulnerability of low income families to financial exclusion and multiple debts, regenerating the most disadvantaged neighbourhoods, increasing the rate of improvement of the health status of people living in the most deprived communities and improving access to high quality services for the most disadvantaged groups and individuals.

Christine Grahame moved amendment S2M-2265.2 to motion S2M-2265—

Leave out from "and extending" to end and insert—

> "but only in very limited areas; notes that one in three children, one in five working-age adults and one in five pensioners live in relative poverty despite Scotland's wealth; notes the recent report by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, *Strategies Against Poverty*, published in December 2004 which highlighted the link between deprivation and problems such as crime, poor health, premature death, family breakdown and poor educational attainment; further notes that, according to the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, what is required is a modest redistribution of wealth, and believes that, without power over the macro-economy, tax and benefits, any progress towards eradicating poverty will continue to be minimal so that many of Scotland's children will continue to be born to fail and our pensioners will live in poverty or on its margins."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 36, Against 79, Abstentions 2).

Bill Aitken moved amendment S2M-2265.1 to motion S2M-2265—

Leave out from "progress" to end and insert—

> "everyday reality of poverty for many people living in our communities; is shocked that eight of the 10 UK local authorities with the lowest male life expectancy are in Scotland, which is wholly unacceptable in the 21st century; further acknowledges that those living in poverty suffer disproportionately from inadequate public services; therefore regrets that the Scottish Executive's own policies on health, education and crime are serving to entrench the opportunity gap rather than reduce it; believes that concrete policy decisions rather than "objectives and targets" are required to eliminate poverty, and calls on the Executive to give every person in Scotland, regardless of income, the right

to choose the school or hospital of their choice and so end the present two-tier system which deprives those in our poorest communities of quality education and health care."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 19, Against 96, Abstentions 4).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 71, Against 19, Abstentions 29).

3. Constitutional Reform Bill – UK Legislation: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-2119—That the Parliament agrees the principle of having a clear and transparent separation between the judiciary and the legislature and agrees that provisions in the Constitutional Reform Bill establishing a Supreme Court, and provisions consequential thereto, so far as they relate to matters within the legislative competence of the Parliament, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 56, Abstentions 0).

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2272—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 26 January 2005

2.15 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	SPCB Question Time
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate: Elderly People
followed by	Motion on Railways Bill – UK Legislation
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 27 January 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions

3.00 pm	Ministerial Statement: Sexual Health
followed by	Stage 1 Debate: Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill
followed by	Motion on National Lottery Bill – UK Legislation
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 2 February 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate: Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution in respect of the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 3 February 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

5. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2266—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Waste (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2267—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980 (Compensation for Inadequate Professional Services) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/550).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2268—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Notice of Potential Liability for Costs) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/552).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7 as noted above.

9. Eco Schools Programme: The Parliament debated S2M-2141 in the name of Cathie Craigie—That the Parliament recognises the importance of education in raising environmental awareness; notes the continuing and growing success of the Eco Schools programme, run in Scotland by Keep Scotland Beautiful; encourages the Scottish Executive to give continued support to the programme, and congratulates Whitelees Primary School in Cumbernauld on being the 100th school in Scotland to be awarded a Green Flag.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

No. 45 Thursday 20 January 2004

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) moved S2M-2273—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 110, Against 1, Abstentions 4).

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) and the Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen); by the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) and the Lord Advocate (Colin Boyd); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Climate Change: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-2275—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Executive's review of its Scottish Climate Change Programme; notes the corresponding review of the UK Climate Change Programme and the Scottish contribution to this; supports the Executive's commitment to consider options for strengthening its strategic approach to climate change, its commitment to deliver improved greenhouse gas emissions data and its commitment to assess the practicability of introducing Scottish climate change targets, and agrees that climate change, as part of the Executive's commitment to sustainable development, is integral to policy-making in Scotland.

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-2275.1 to motion S2M-2275—

Leave out from "notes" to end and insert—

> "is disappointed to note that a comparison of our per capita greenhouse gas emissions with the United Kingdom and the other EU member states shows Scotland with the fourth highest level of emissions; urges the Executive to adopt ambitious targets in relation to its relevant devolved responsibilities and to take necessary steps to ensure Scotland is able to mitigate and adapt to inevitable climate change; recognises that greenhouse gas emissions can be reduced by a range of measures, including the acceleration of renewables projects, energy efficiency, increased forestry cover, promoting research and development of clean technologies, and greater promotion of public transport, but recognises that, in order to effectively tackle climate change, Scotland requires the powers enjoyed by independent countries, including powers over fiscal, energy, aviation and foreign policy."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 28, Against 80, Abstentions 7).

Alex Johnstone moved amendment S2M-2275.2 to motion S2M-2275—

Leave out from “welcomes” to end and insert—

> “notes the Scottish Executive’s review of its Scottish Climate Change Programme and the corresponding review of the UK Climate Change Programme and, however, urges the Executive to take a more meaningful and balanced approach in supporting other renewable technologies like wave and tidal power and energy from biomass and waste, as well as nuclear technology, which offer long-term opportunities for Scotland at a lower cost to our landscape.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 97, Abstentions 1).

Mr Mark Ruskell moved amendment S2M-2275.3 to motion S2M-2275—

Leave out from “supports” to end and insert—

> “is gravely concerned about the impacts of climate change on Scotland and the rest of the world and its implications for communities, the economy and the environment; is concerned that Scotland is failing to make an equitable contribution to the UK reduction of global greenhouse gas pollution; urges the Executive to set specific carbon reduction targets for Scotland with the aim of a minimum of 60% reduction in greenhouse gases by 2050, as recommended by the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution; calls for a halt to Executive policies and projects that will undermine progress towards achieving this target; further calls on the Executive to set challenging energy efficiency targets in both the domestic and business sectors, recognising the economic opportunities that this affords; believes that there must be an accelerated introduction of all forms of sustainable renewable energy technology, including wave and tidal power, and considers that there is no place for expensive and unsustainable nuclear power in a sustainable Scotland.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 79, Abstentions 20).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 85, Against 21, Abstentions 9).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2269—That the Parliament agrees that the timetable for completion of consideration of the Prohibition of Smoking in Regulated Areas (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be extended to 30 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2270—That the Parliament agrees (a) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 28 January 2005 in relation to the Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980 (Compensation for Inadequate Professional Services) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/550); and (b) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 28 January 2005 in relation to the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Notice of Potential Liability for Costs) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/552).

The motion was agreed to.

7. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1 and 4 as noted above.

8. Robert Burns National Heritage Park: The Parliament debated S2M-2114 in the name of Mr Adam Ingram—That the Parliament deplores the impending disintegration of the Robert Burns National Heritage Park; questions the wisdom of the actions of South Ayrshire Council in withdrawing from the joint board responsible for the park and, in particular, in leasing out the park's visitor centre, the Tam O'Shanter Experience, to a commercial operator thereby eliminating a vital income stream for the upkeep of the Burns cottage and museum; expresses alarm at the formal withdrawal of an application to the Heritage Lottery Fund which, if granted, would have allowed rebuilding and modernisation of the Burns museum enabling proper storing, archiving and display, and considers that all interested parties should work together to ensure that flagship assets for Burns heritage tourism are properly developed in good time for the major events planned for the 2009 Homecoming Year, marking the 250th anniversary of the birth of the national bard.

9. Motion without Notice: Phil Gallie moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended by 15 minutes.

The motion was agreed to.

The meeting closed at 6.15 pm.

No. 46 Wednesday 26 January 2005

The meeting opened at 2.15 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Dr Kenneth Collins, President, Glasgow Jewish representative Council led Time for Reflection.

2. SPCB Question Time: Questions were answered by members of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body.

3. Older People: The Deputy Minister for Communities (Johann Lamont) moved S2M-2298—That the Parliament recognises the contribution that older people bring to our communities; recognises the substantial progress that has been made in meeting the needs of older people through policies such as free personal and nursing care, the central heating programme and free bus travel anywhere in Scotland at any time of day; welcomes other policy initiatives that benefit older people by promoting volunteering and lifelong learning and tackling anti-social behaviour; seeks to build on these by recognising the diversity of older people and tackling ageism, and welcomes the involvement of older people through the Older People's Consultative Forum, and in other ways, in the development of policy across the Scottish Executive.

Christine Grahame moved amendment S2M-2298.1 to motion S2M-2298—

Leave out from second "recognises" to end and insert—

> "for example, as role models, carers and volunteers; recognises the progress that has been made through policies such as free personal care, the central heating programme and the commitment to national free bus travel by 2006; considers, however, that the state pension is inadequate for a basic living standard and requires to be supplemented by the means-tested pension credit which some 30% of pensioners fail to claim; notes that one in five pensioners live in poverty, with some 70% in council tax poverty, and that excess winter mortality rates are three times higher in Scotland than in Germany and Sweden, and asserts that, without an increase in the powers of the Parliament to deliver a citizen's pension providing a decent standard of living which will bring security, dignity, independence and choice, improvements to the lives of Scotland's elderly can only be at the margins."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 40, Against 82, Abstentions 0).

Mary Scanlon moved amendment S2M-2298.3 to motion S2M-2298—

Leave out from second "recognises" to end and insert—

> "acknowledges that substantial progress needs to be made to meet the needs of older people which achieves a sustainable funding agreement to reduce bed-blocking and to end the inequality in funding between council-run homes and independent homes; calls on the Scottish Executive to ensure that all elderly people assessed for free personal and nursing care are given the appropriate care in the environment which suits their needs, either at home or in residential care; acknowledges the central heating programme and free bus travel anywhere in Scotland; looks to the

Executive to propose policy initiatives that benefit older people by promoting volunteering and lifelong learning and tackling anti-social behaviour, and calls on the Executive to build on these by recognising the diversity of older people and tackling ageism and encouraging the greater involvement of older people through the Older People's Consultative Forum, and in other ways, in the development of policy across the Scottish Executive."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 44, Against 71, Abstentions 7).

John Swinburne moved amendment S2M-2298.2 to motion S2M-2298—

Insert at end—

", accepts that, despite these actions, there remains a growing problem of the ageing population demographic timebomb and believes that, without immediate, positive Executive action, many older people will continue to be adversely affected and die in this wealthy society in the 21 st century."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 40, Against 65, Abstentions 17).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 86, Against 0, Abstentions 35).

4. Railways Bill – UK Legislation: The Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen) moved S2M-2244—That the Parliament agrees that those provisions that confer executive powers and functions on the Scottish Ministers in the Railways Bill and those that relate to devolved matters should be considered by the UK Parliament.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2316—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 2 February 2005

2.00 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate: Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution in respect of the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Motion on Serious Organised Crime and Police Bill – UK Legislation
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 3 February 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Ministerial Statement: Grant Awards
followed by	Executive Debate: Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2005
followed by	Motion on Inquiries Bill – UK Legislation
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 9 February 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 Proceedings: Water Services (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 10 February 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Non-Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

After debate, the motion was agreed to (by division: For 65, Against 56, Abstentions 1).

6. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2303—That the Parliament agrees that Mike Pringle be appointed to replace Mr Jamie Stone on the Enterprise and Culture Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2304—That the Parliament agrees that Iain Smith be appointed to the European and External Relations Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2305—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Andrew Arbuckle be appointed to replace Jeremy Purvis on the Finance Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2306—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Jamie Stone be appointed to replace Margaret Smith on the Justice 1 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2307—That the Parliament agrees that Jeremy Purvis be appointed to replace Mike Pringle on the Justice 2 Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2308—That the Parliament agrees that Margaret Smith be appointed to replace Iain Smith on the Local Government and Transport Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2309—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification) Order 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2310—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/9).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

14. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2313—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Remote Monitoring Requirements (Prescribed Courts) (Scotland) Regulations 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

15. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2301—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Council Tax (Discount for Unoccupied Dwellings) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

16. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2302—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications to Schedule 5) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

17. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 as noted above.

18. St Mirren Football Club: The Parliament debated S2M-2065 in the name of Ms Wendy Alexander—That the Parliament congratulates St Mirren Football Club for issuing a lifetime ban to two supporters caught making racial taunts at opposition players during a Scottish Football League (SFL) Division One fixture at St Mirren Park; recognises that St Mirren's prompt action highlights that the club is serious about implementing the measures contained within UEFA's 10 point action plan to combat racism in the sport; hopes that the players and staff of other SFL clubs follow in St Mirren's footsteps for similar incidents, and welcomes remarks from the manager and chairman that St Mirren Football Club is a family-friendly club and this type of behaviour will not be tolerated.

The meeting closed at 5.52 pm.

No. 47 Thursday 27 January 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Energy Policy: Alex Johnstone moved S2M-2320—That the Parliament is concerned that the Scottish Executive's renewable energy policy is unduly biased in favour of wind power to the detriment of other renewable technologies, which has led to widespread local opposition to wind farm developments throughout the country and to higher costs for electricity; furthermore agrees with Allan Wilson MSP, Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning, that the concerns of security of supply and the need for emission reductions mean that it is time for an open-minded debate into the future of nuclear energy in Scotland; supports John Home Robertson MSP's proposal for a Cross Party Group on the civil nuclear industry, and calls on the Executive to work in partnership with the UK Government to create a long-term plan for Scotland's energy needs which b alances renewable production with nuclear energy.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-2320.4 to motion S2M-2320—

Leave out from "is concerned" to end and insert—

> "welcomes the Scottish Executive's study into present and future energy supply and demand in Scotland; supports the Executive's position of not supporting the further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved; supports the Executive's continuing commitment to the development of renewable energy in Scotland, including wind, wave, tidal, solar and biomass power, as a key element of a b alanced energy supply portfolio; supports the Executive's commitment to achieving 40% renewable electricity generation by 2020, and welcomes the Executive's proposal in the Review of the Climate Change Programme to create an Energy Efficiency Strategy for Scotland."

Richard Lochhead moved amendment S2M-2320.2 to motion S2M-2320—

Leave out from "is concerned" to end and insert—

> "believes that Scotland is well placed to be Europe's energy powerhouse given our massive energy resources; believes that onshore and offshore wind energy is an important element in a b alanced renewables policy but that the development of other renewables must be accelerated; shares the frustration expressed by many others, including Highland Council and the Parliament's Enterprise and Culture Committee, who are calling for a national strategic framework for wind farm developments; calls on the Scottish Executive to ensure that the UK Government does not introduce any charging scheme for access to the grid that discriminates against renewables in Scotland; believes that no new nuclear power stations should be built in Scotland, and calls for the Scottish Parliament to have control over energy policy and oil and gas revenues."

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-2320.3 to motion S2M-2320—

Leave out from "is concerned" to end and insert—

> "welcomes the political consensus that climate change is a reality and that alternatives to fossil fuel energy sources must be developed in order to curtail emissions of greenhouse gases; strongly believes that Scotland's energy future requires a wide range of environmentally-sustainable energy sources; agrees with the Enterprise and Culture Committee's Inquiry into renewable energy that Scotland needs to develop urgently all forms of renewable energy including marine, on and off-shore wind and solar sources; believes that a much greater focus on energy efficiency across all sectors must be central to any energy policy; notes the International Atomic Energy Agency's view that nuclear power will be unable to halt climate change and considers that the case for nuclear power in Scotland's long-term energy future remains completely unconvincing, and calls for more powers over energy policy to be devolved to the Scottish Parliament."

Frances Curran moved amendment S2M-2320.1 to motion S2M-2320—

Leave out from "and to higher" to end and insert—

> "; calls on the Executive to state categorically that no new nuclear power stations will be built in Scotland, bring forward the closure dates of all existing nuclear power stations in Scotland, initiate an immediate programme of investment in all aspects of renewable energy and create a publicly-owned, publicly-resourced renewable energy industry."

After debate, amendment S2M-2320.4 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 64, Against 49, Abstentions 2). As a result, amendments S2M-2320.2. S2M-2320.3 and S2M-2320.1 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 64, Against 46, Abstentions 6).

Accordingly the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Executive's study into present and future energy supply and demand in Scotland; supports the Executive's position of not supporting the further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved; supports the Executive's continuing commitment to the development of renewable energy in Scotland, including wind, wave, tidal, solar and biomass power, as a key element of a b alanced energy supply portfolio; supports the Executive's commitment to achieving 40% renewable electricity generation by 2020, and welcomes the Executive's proposal in the Review of the Climate Change Programme to create an Energy Efficiency Strategy for Scotland.

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) .

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) and the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson); by the Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) and the Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Ministerial Statement: The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) made a statement and answered questions on Respect and Responsibility: Our Sexual Health Strategy.

5. Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-2291—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 13, Abstentions 39).

6. National Lottery Bill – UK Legislation: The Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson) moved S2M-2255—That the Parliament agrees that the provisions in the National Lottery Bill that relate to the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers should be considered by the UK Parliament.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2314—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 9 February 2005 on the draft Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification) Order 2005 and the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/9); and by 10 February 2005 on the draft Remote Monitoring Requirements (Prescribed Courts) (Scotland) Regulations 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Office of the Clerk: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2311—That the Parliament agrees that, between 4 September 2005 and 29 May 2006, the Office of the Clerk will be open on all days except: Saturdays and Sundays, 2 December 2005, 23 December 2005 (pm), 26 and 27 December 2005, 2 and 3 January 2006, 14 and 17 April 2006, 1, 26 and 29 May 2006.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Rule 2.3.1: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2312—That the Parliament agrees the following dates in terms of Rule 2.3.1: 8 – 23 October 2005 (inclusive), 24 December 2005 – 8 January 2006 (inclusive), 11 – 19 February 2006 (inclusive), 1 – 17 April 2006 (inclusive), 1 July – 3 September 2006 (inclusive).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 5, 6, 8 and 9 as noted above.

11. Infertility Services in Scotland: The Parliament debated S2M-1852 in the name of Mary Scanlon—That the Parliament welcomes the announcement by the Scottish Executive of its intention to review the Expert

Advisory Group on Infertility Services in Scotland's (EAGISS) guidance on the provision of infertility services by NHS Scotland; notes that implementation of the guidance by NHS boards has been inconsistent since its launch in February 2000; recognises the extreme distress that infertility causes many couples across Scotland and the need to ensure that all couples that are eligible for treatment are able to access the same standard of service regardless of where they live, and considers that the Executive should set a completion date for the review of the guidance in order to address the inequality of service provision that continues to exist.

The meeting closed at 5.55 pm.

No. 48 Wednesday 2 February 2005

The meeting opened at 2.00 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Dr Alison Elliot, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland led Time for Reflection.

2. Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-1812—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

3. Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill – Financial Resolution: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-1819—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure or increase in expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b)(ii) or (iii) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

4. Serious Organised Crime and Police Bill – UK Legislation: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-2243—That the Parliament recognises the importance of building safe and secure communities and agrees that the provisions of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Bill that relate to devolved matters and those that relate to the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers should be considered by the UK Parliament.

Bill Butler moved amendment S2M-2243.2 to motion S2M-2243—

Leave out from "should" to end and insert—

> "apart from those currently contained in clauses 124, 125(3), 127 and 160(5) and (6), should be considered by the UK Parliament."

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 105, Against 16, Abstentions 0).

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 64, Against 57, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly Parliament resolved—That the Parliament recognises the importance of building safe and secure communities and agrees that the provisions of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Bill that relate to devolved matters and those that relate to the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, apart from those currently contained in clauses 124, 125(3), 127 and 160(5) and (6), should be considered by the UK Parliament.

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2360—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 9 February 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 Proceedings: Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 10 February 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Ministerial Statement: Scottish Water's Objectives
followed by	Executive Debate: Anti-Racism Strategy
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 23 February 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 Proceedings: Fire (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Preliminary Stage Debate: Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 24 February 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Non-Executive Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Procedures Committee Debate: 2nd Report 2005, Final Review of Oral Questions
followed by	Standards Committee Debate: 1st Report 2005, Replacing the Members' Interest Order
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2345—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2354—That the Parliament agrees that Mrs Nanette Milne be appointed to replace Mr David Davidson on the Health Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Membership of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2355—That the Parliament agrees that Phil Gallie be appointed to replace Mrs Nanette Milne on the Equal Opportunities Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 as noted above.

10. Philip Lawrence Awards 2204: The Parliament debated S2M-2178 in the name of Susan Deacon—That the Parliament congratulates the youth volunteer group at LGBT Youth Scotland for winning one of the eight 2004 community safety Philip Lawrence Awards for their contribution to the community grid and to improving the lives of others; notes that LGBT Youth

Scotland was the only Scottish organisation to reach the finals of the community safety awards section; recognises the significant work done by LGBT Youth Scotland in tackling homophobia and bullying; believes that this work continues to make a crucial difference to the lives of young people in Scotland, and commends this work to all who are working to challenge prejudice in Scotland.

The meeting closed at 6.01 pm.

No. 49 Thursday 3 February 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. The Economy: Jim Mather moved S2M-2361—That the Parliament calls for Scotland to acquire the economic powers currently enjoyed by other similar-sized European nations; recognises that there are many lessons to be learnt from other such nations, many of whom have fewer natural resources than Scotland but are more globally competitive and have far higher standards of living; notes, in particular, that, unlike Scotland, Norway has benefited enormously from its oil and gas resources with living standards that are amongst the highest in the world and an oil fund for future generations that is now worth well over £80 billion; notes that our oil revenues are projected to reach at least £6 billion in 2005 and to continue well into the future, and calls for Scotland to have control over offshore resources as one aspect of an economic strategy designed to make us a much more competitive nation with world-class public services, constantly-improving skills and infrastructure and our own Scottish oil fund to provide a lasting legacy.

The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) moved amendment S2M-2361.3 to motion S2M-2361—

Leave out from first "calls" to end and insert—

> "welcomes the progress that the Scottish Executive is making towards delivering the priorities of *Framework for Economic Development in Scotland* by working to improve productivity throughout the economy; welcomes, in particular, the record investment in Scotland's transport and electronic infrastructure, world-class universities and colleges and in the wholesale modernisation of Scotland's schools; notes that the Financial Times' fDI European Region of the Future accolade was awarded to Scotland because of this public investment, favourable business environment, level of skills and quality of life; believes that raising Scotland's rate of economic growth sustainably over the long term requires a focus on improving skills, regenerating communities and supporting companies and others to internationalise and invest in research, and recognises that a drawn out and messy separation from the rest of the UK, and prospectively the EU, would undermine these strengths, play into the hands of Scotland's competitors and provide Scotland with a lasting legacy of cost, bureaucracy and barriers to trade."

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-2361.1 to motion S2M-2361—

Leave out from first "calls" to end and insert—

> "agrees that fluctuating prices and finite supplies make oil revenue an unreliable source of income; notes that, even if all revenue from North Sea oil had been allocated to Scotland in 2002-03, net borrowing would still have been £4.4 billion; further notes that Scotland's businesses, who are the core drivers of wealth and economic growth, are demanding concrete action, not constitutional change, and therefore calls on the Scottish Executive to take immediate steps to create a more business-friendly environment by reducing business rates and water charges and cutting red tape, thereby encouraging business development and boosting Scotland's economic competitiveness."

Shiona Baird moved amendment S2M-2361.2 to motion S2M-2361—

Leave out from “recognises” to end and insert—

> “rejects the notion that Scotland’s independent economic future depends on oil; recognises that an economy founded on fossil-fuel use contributes to climate change and other environmental damage, which in turn threatens Scotland’s economic future; recognises that oil is a finite resource which future generations will not be able to depend on for economic security; further recognises that oil is valuable as a chemical resource which should be increasingly conserved for non-fuel uses; believes that building Scotland’s economy on a foundation of renewable energy technologies, energy efficiency and sustainable transport is the way to achieve real sustainability, and calls on the Scottish Executive to give priority to exploring the concept of a “just transition” policy, as advocated by Scottish trade unions, which sets out a path to transform polluting industries into sustainable enterprises.”

Frances Curran moved amendment S2M-2361.4 to motion S2M-2361—

Leave out from “recognises” to end and insert—

> “believes that these powers should include the power to take into public ownership our oil and gas reserves; notes that Norway has benefited enormously from its oil and gas resources with living standards that are amongst the highest in the world; notes that the main reason for this benefit is the interventionist policy of Norway, where the government-owned oil investment fund has now topped £165 billion and its state oil company, Stateoil, has a 51% stake in the two other Norwegian oil companies which brings in 50% of all oil revenues, and believes that a future Scottish government should take into complete public ownership all North Sea oil and gas reserves through a state-owned oil company so that oil revenues can be invested for the benefit of the people of Scotland and not oil company shareholders.”

After debate, amendment S2M-2361.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 56, Abstentions 1). As a result, amendments S2M-2361.1, S2M-2361.2, S2M-2361.4 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 67, Against 56, Abstentions 0).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament welcomes the progress that the Scottish Executive is making towards delivering the priorities of *Framework for Economic Development in Scotland* by working to improve productivity throughout the economy; welcomes, in particular, the record investment in Scotland’s transport and electronic infrastructure, world-class universities and colleges and in the wholesale modernisation of Scotland’s schools; notes that the Financial Times’ fDI European Region of the Future accolade was awarded to Scotland because of this public investment, favourable business environment, level of skills and quality of life; believes that raising Scotland’s rate of economic growth sustainably over the long term requires a focus on improving skills, regenerating communities and supporting companies and others to internationalise and invest in research, and recognises that a drawn out and messy separation from the rest of the UK, and prospectively the EU, would undermine these strengths, play into the hands of Scotland’s competitors and provide Scotland with a lasting legacy of cost, bureaucracy and barriers to trade.

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell) .

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Ministerial Statement: The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) made a statement and answered questions on Grant Awards: SEEKIT/SCORE.

5. Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2005: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-2318—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/19) be approved.

Mr Brian Monteith moved amendment S2M-2318.1 to motion S2M-2318—

Insert at end—

> "but, in so doing, considers that any consequential funding under the Barnett Formula accruing to Scotland as a result of an increase in the grant given to English and Welsh local authorities should be allocated to the Scottish Local Authorities' Revenue Support Grant."

After debate, the amendment disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 41, Against 80, Abstentions 1).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 100, Against 18, Abstentions 5).

6. Inquiries Bill – UK Legislation: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-2242—That the Parliament recognises the benefits of a modern statutory framework for the holding of inquiries into matters of public concern and agrees that the provisions in the Inquiries Bill, so far as they relate to matters within the legislative competence of the Parliament or to the executive competence of the Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 83, Against 39, Abstentions 1).

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2346—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that consideration of the Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 18 March 2005; and

(b) that consideration of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 18 March 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 5 and 6 as noted above.

9. Cuts in Local Benefits Services: The Parliament debated S2M-1916 in the name of Brian Adam—That the Parliament expresses great concern about the impact of the proposed cuts by the Department of Work and Pensions in local provision of benefits advice; regrets the likely reduction in benefits uptake by many vulnerable people; deplores the unfair geographical spread of the cuts, leaving Grampian, Tayside and Fife without any local offices; recognises the consequential increased workload that will fall on local authority and voluntary sector money advice services, and believes that the Scottish Executive should make representations to protect the interests and incomes of the vulnerable in Scotland.

The meeting closed at 5.54 pm.

No. 50 Wednesday 9 February 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Mr Rawdon Goodier, Zen Buddhist Lay Minister affiliated to Portobello Buddhist Priory led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2400—That the Parliament agrees the following revision to the programme of business for Wednesday 9 and Thursday 10 February 2005—

Wednesday 9 February 2005

after,

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill

insert, Ministerial Statement: Scottish Water's Objectives

Thursday 10 February 2005

and delete,

3.00 pm Ministerial Statement: Scottish Water's Objectives

The motion was agreed to.

3. Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2401—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time-limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 to 4 – 20 minutes

Group 5 – 40 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

4. Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 22, 23, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 17 and 18.

The following amendments were agreed to (by division)—

4 (For 81, Against 2, Abstentions 0)

5, 6 and 7 (For 86, Against 3, Abstentions 0)

The following amendment was disagreed to (by division)—

19 (For 6, Against 89, Abstentions 0)

Amendment 20 was not moved.

5. Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie) moved S2M-2349—That the Parliament agrees that the Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 93, Against 21, Abstentions 0).

6. Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill – Stage 3: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-2359—That the Parliament agrees that the Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 87, Against 14, Abstentions 14).

7. Ministerial Statement: The Deputy Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Lewis Macdonald) made a statement and answered questions on Scottish Water's Objectives.

8. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2391—That the Parliament agrees that the timetable for consideration of the Preliminary Stage of the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill be extended to 5 March 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

9. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2399—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 23 February 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 Proceedings: Fire (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Preliminary Stage Debate: Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill
followed by	Motion on International Organisations Bill – UK Legislation

followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 24 February 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Green Party Debate: Energy Efficiency
followed by	Scottish Green Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Procedures Committee Debate: 2nd Report 2005, Final Review of Oral Questions
followed by	Standards Committee Debate: 1st Report 2005, Replacing the Members' Interest Order
followed by	Motion on Disability Discrimination Bill – UK Legislation
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 2 March 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Preliminary Stage Debate: Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 3 March 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Socialist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time

2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

10. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2389—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/34) be approved.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 73, Against 21, Abstentions 22).

11. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2390—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to.

12. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved motion S2M-2394—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the European Communities (Matrimonial and Parental Responsibility Jurisdiction and Judgments) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/42).

The motion was agreed to.

13. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved motion S2M-2395—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of Part 1 Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003: Draft Guidance for Local Authorities and National Park Authorities (SE/2005/14).

The motion was agreed to.

14. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved motion S2M-2396—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Community Reparation Orders (Requirements for

Consultation and Prescribed Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/18).

The motion was agreed to.

15. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved motion S2M-2397—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Family Law (Scotland) Bill.

The motion was agreed to.

16. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 as noted above.

17. Responsible Deer Management: The Parliament debated S2M-2317 in the name of Nora Radcliffe—That the Parliament notes the collaborative work on responsible deer management being undertaken in Scotland and the vital role of deer management groups and their use of the Deer Commission for Scotland's best practice guidance; acknowledges the importance of culling deer using such guidance to avoid poor condition of deer in late winter and unnecessary death by starvation or as a consequence of inadequate habitat and shelter to support them; notes the support of the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in ensuring that culling is carried out professionally and humanely; recognises the contribution that sustainable deer management can make to sustaining rural development, with increased rural employment and public benefits such as habitat regeneration, enhanced biodiversity and reducing risk of road accidents; considers that deer management groups should take the issue forward constructively, implementing deer management planning and setting targets that can be monitored to ensure progress, and concludes that deer management groups should be supported by representation from wider public interests, including local community, recreational and conservation interests, which would be particularly useful during preparation and review of deer management plans.

The meeting closed at 5:51 pm.

No. 51 Thursday 10 February 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Reform of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Services: The Parliament debated the Reform of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Services.

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) and the Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen); by the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) and the Lord Advocate (Colin Boyd); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Anti-Racism Strategy: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-2402—That the Parliament fully welcomes the Scottish Executive's continued commitment to tackling racism and promoting race equality; welcomes the high profile One Scotland Many Cultures campaign and flagship Fresh Talent initiative; supports the continuing need to raise awareness of, and tackle, racism in Scotland and to celebrate our diversity; supports the range of Executive activities and actions to promote race equality including work in health, the police and education, and is committed to eradicating racism in Scotland in whatever form it takes to ensure that we create an inclusive and prosperous Scotland.

Sandra White moved amendment S2M-2402.3 to motion S2M-2402—

Insert at end—

> ", and expresses concern that Labour and Conservative immigration proposals do not reflect Scotland's population requirements or multicultural ethos."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 35, Against 75, Abstentions 0).

Mary Scanlon moved amendment S2M-2402.2 to motion S2M-2402—

Leave out from "and flagship" to end and insert —

> "; supports the continuing need to raise awareness of, and tackle, racism in Scotland and to celebrate our diversity; supports the range of Executive activities and actions to promote race equality including work in health, the police and education; is committed to eradicating racism in Scotland in whatever form it takes to ensure that we create an inclusive and prosperous Scotland, and believes that a fair system of immigration control is necessary in order to promote good race relations."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 96, Abstentions 0).

Rosie Kane moved amendment S2M-2402.1 to motion S2M-2402—

Leave out from “to ensure” to end and insert —

> “, and believes that current immigration and asylum policy from Westminster undermines the Executive’s attempts to eradicate racism in Scotland.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 35, Against 77, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 97, Against 15, Abstentions 0).

5. Business Motion: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Margaret Curran), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2393—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that consideration of the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 18 March 2005;

(b) that the Justice 2 Committee report to the Justice 1 Committee by 25 February 2005 on Part 1 Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003: Draft Guidance for Local Authorities and National Park Authorities (SE/2005/14);

(c) that the Justice 2 Committee report to the Justice 1 Committee by 4 March 2005 on the European Communities (Matrimonial and Parental Responsibility Jurisdiction and Judgments) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/42); and

(d) that the Justice 1 Committee report to the Justice 2 Committee by 26 February 2005 on the Community Reparation Orders (Requirements for Consultation and Prescribed Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/18).

The motion was agreed to.

6. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on item 4 as noted above.

7. A Better Deal for People Dealing with Cancer: The Parliament debated S2M-2294 in the name of Elaine Smith—That the Parliament congratulates Macmillan Cancer Relief on the success of its “A Better Deal for People Dealing with Cancer” campaign which has so far directly helped 8,000 people across the UK access advice on the benefit entitlements of cancer patients; reasserts its support for the campaign and the recent round of radio promotions targeted at areas in the United Kingdom with high cancer and mortality rates and low uptake of disability benefits, including five areas of Scotland; expresses concern that Scotland has the highest non-claimant rate (64%) amongst patients with a terminal diagnosis; acknowledges that the key aim of the campaign is to secure specialist advice for every cancer patient at diagnosis; recognises that such an objective could be best realised through

partnership-working between stakeholders, such as the Benefits Agency, the NHS, local authorities and cancer charities, and considers that co-operation between the Scottish Executive and the UK Government is necessary to facilitate such change.

The meeting closed at 5.40 pm.

No. 52 Wednesday 23 February 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Miss Irene Jovaras, Joint Co-ordinator of the Focolare Movement in Scotland led Time for Reflection.

2. Fire (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2464—That the Parliament agrees that during Stage 3 of the Fire (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 to 4 – 20 mins

Groups 5 to 10 – 45 mins

Groups 11 and 12 – 1 hour

The motion was agreed to.

3. Fire (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 27, 28, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 30, 20, 21, 31, 32, 34, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26.

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

29 (For 6, Against 90, Abstentions 5)
35 (For 33, Against 70, Abstentions 0)

Amendments 33 and 36 were not moved.

4. Fire (Scotland) Bill – Stage 3: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-2421—That the Parliament agrees that the Fire (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 102, Against 3, Abstentions 4).

5. Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill - Preliminary Stage: Bill Aitken moved S2M-2412—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill and that the Bill should proceed as a Private Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

6. International Organisations Bill - UK Legislation: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-2330—That the Parliament recognises the need for the United Kingdom to implement the international obligations for which the International Organisations Bill makes provision, and agrees that those provisions in the Bill that fall within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament and have the effect of conferring functions on the Scottish ministers should be considered by the UK Parliament.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 102, Against 5, Abstentions 2).

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2457—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 2 March 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate: Transport (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution: Transport (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Preliminary Stage Debate: Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 3 March 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Socialist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Stage 1 Debate: Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution: Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution: Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 9 March 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate: Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution: Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 10 March 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

8. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2388—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Remote Monitoring Requirements (Prescribed Courts) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 83, Against 13, Abstentions 12).

9. Committee Remit: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2450—That the Parliament agrees that the remit of the Communities Committee be amended to—

To consider and report on matters relating to housing and area regeneration, poverty, voluntary sector issues, charity law, matters relating to the land use planning system and building standards and such other matters as fall within the responsibility of the Minister for Communities.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2451—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2452—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2453—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the draft Civil Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 as noted above.

14. Responses to Extreme Weather Conditions in the Western Isles: Alasdair Morrison moved S2M-2357—That the Parliament recognises the ferocious storms which caused tragic loss of life in the Western Isles in January 2005; expresses its gratitude to those who took part in the recovery operations; notes that extensive damage was done to the infrastructure which links the islands; further notes that many homes and businesses have been seriously affected and that Comhairle nan Eilean Siar is leading a multi-agency group to establish the extent and value of the damage caused, and believes that the Scottish Executive should consider whether further assistance can be made available to communities in the Western Isles to cope with these exceptional circumstances, while also initiating an assessment of future infrastructural implications of changing weather patterns for the Western Isles.

The meeting closed at 18.00 pm.

No. 53 Thursday 24 February 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Towards an Energy Efficiency Strategy in Scotland: Shiona Baird moved S2M-2462—That the Parliament believes that energy efficiency has great potential to improve efforts to tackle climate change and fuel poverty and to improve quality of life; agrees that energy efficiency has a key part to play in meeting the Scottish Executive's target of eradicating fuel poverty in Scotland by 2016; further agrees that more than half the emissions reductions in the United Kingdom's climate change programme could come from energy efficiency, as stated in the UK Energy White Paper, and commends the Executive for its current initiatives to improve energy efficiency and for its move towards a national strategic approach to energy efficiency as outlined in its climate change consultation.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-2462.1 to motion S2M-2462—

After "improve quality of life" insert—

> "and increase competitiveness of businesses in Scotland"

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 106, Against 6, Abstentions 2).

Christine Grahame moved amendment S2M-2462.3 to motion S2M-2462—

Leave out from "and commends" to end and insert—

> "while supporting any moves to increase energy efficiency notes that this must be in tandem with eradicating fuel poverty which affects 13% of households involving some 30,000 children; notes that for every 5% increase in fuel prices, 30,000 are returned to fuel poverty and that one in five pensioners struggle to keep warm, all of which is often compounded by damp and poor housing conditions which is to be deplored in an energy and resources-rich nation; notes that endeavours to amend the Housing (Scotland) Bill 2001 to raise tolerable standards, including measures to facilitate energy efficiency, were resisted by the Executive on the argument that its fuel poverty strategy would resolve these problems which it singularly is failing to do; calls upon the Executive to raise mandatory housing standards as a matter of urgency, and affirms that only an integrated approach to energy efficiency and fuel poverty can both impact on climate change and improve quality of life."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 28, Against 78, Abstentions 8).

Alex Johnstone moved amendment S2M-2462.2 to motion S2M-2462—

Leave out from "has a key part" to end and insert—

> "is widely recognised as the cheapest, cleanest and safest way of achieving Britain's climate change commitments; notes that while climate change is a global challenge, energy efficiency gives ordinary people an opportunity to act locally and make a contribution, but believes, however, that the Scottish Executive could do more to promote energy efficiency in Scotland."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 36, Against 76, Abstentions 2).

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 76, Against 1, Abstentions 37).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament believes that energy efficiency has great potential to improve efforts to tackle climate change and fuel poverty and to improve quality of life and increase competitiveness of businesses in Scotland; agrees that energy efficiency has a key part to play in meeting the Scottish Executive's target of eradicating fuel poverty in Scotland by 2016; further agrees that more than half the emissions reductions in the United Kingdom's climate change programme could come from energy efficiency, as stated in the UK Energy White Paper, and commends the Executive for its current initiatives to improve energy efficiency and for its move towards a national strategic approach to energy efficiency as outlined in its climate change consultation.

2. Identity Cards: Patrick Harvie moved S2M-2463—That the Parliament notes the Identity Cards Bill currently being considered by the Westminster Parliament; is concerned at the lack of time devoted to the scrutiny of this Bill, which has left important questions unanswered over how the identity card scheme will work in practice; believes the proposals to be flawed on political, technical and financial grounds; is concerned that the national identity card and database offer an ineffective response to problems of security and fraud and pose an unacceptable threat to civil liberties; notes that the current cost estimate for the scheme is £5.5 billion and that further escalation of this cost is expected; rejects the Prime Minister's belief, stated on 1 December 2004 in the House of Commons, that "it is legitimate and right, in this day and age, to ask people to carry identity cards" which appears to go far beyond the current scope of the Bill and would require the consent of the Scottish Parliament; welcomes the Scottish Executive's position that identity cards will not be required to allow access to devolved public services, and calls on the Executive to make a full statement on the intended use of the identity database by devolved institutions.

Mr Alasdair Morrison moved amendment S2M-2463.4 to motion S2M-2463—

Leave out from "is concerned" to end and insert—

> "welcomes the current position of the Scottish Executive in relation to devolved services; believes that identity cards are a central tool in the fight against organised crime and international terrorism; further notes that ID cards would provide a gold standard of identity in the modern world, and recognises that ID cards have attracted overwhelming public support as they assist significantly in delivering safer, more secure communities."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 46, Against 65, Abstentions 2).

Stewart Stevenson moved amendment S2M-2463.1 to motion S2M-2463—

Insert at end—

> "and expresses concern that the data format and operation likely to be associated with proposed identity cards conform to no formal international standard and carry the real risk of data disclosure to commercial interests."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 36, Against 48, Abstentions 30).

Jeremy Purvis moved amendment S2M-2463.3 to motion S2M-2463—

Leave out from first "notes" to end and insert—

> "regrets the introduction of the Identity Cards Bill to the UK Parliament, notes the consistent opposition to these proposals by Liberal Democrats in the House of Commons on the grounds that they will be ineffective in their stated aim of reducing terrorism; believes that there is an excessive cost to the individual and the taxpayer in introducing the identity card; believes that it will lead to increased discrimination and harassment; is concerned for the protection of civil liberties with the lack of definition of how the card will be used; further believes that the UK Government should explore more effective anti identity and benefits fraud, illegal immigration and illegal working measures; is further concerned with the UK Government's intention that by 2013 it will be compulsory for UK citizens to possess an ID card and to produce it when accessing designated public services, and welcomes the commitment by the Scottish Executive that identity cards will not be necessary for accessing devolved services."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 62, Abstentions 37).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 52, Against 47, Abstentions 15).

3. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

4. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) and the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson); by the Minister for Finance and Public Sector Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) and the Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Procedures Committee, *Final Review of Oral Questions and Minor Rule-changes*: Iain Smith moved S2M-2418—That the Parliament (a) notes the Procedures Committee's 2nd Report, 2005 (Session 2), *Final Review of Oral Questions* (SP Paper 287) and agrees that the changes to standing orders set out in Annexe A to the report be made with effect from Friday 18 March 2005, but that the current Rules 13.6 and 13.7 continue to have effect

for the purposes of any Question Time in the week beginning Monday 21 March 2005; and (b) notes the Committee's 1st Report, 2005 (Session 2), *Minor Rule-changes* (SP Paper 271) and agrees that the changes to standing orders set out in Annexe A to the report be made with effect from 18 March 2005.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Standards Committee, *Proposal for a Committee Bill*: Brian Adam moved S2M-2417—That the Parliament agrees to the proposal for a Committee Bill under Rule 9.15 contained in the 1st Report 2005 (Session 2) of the Standards Committee, *Replacing the Members' Interests Order* (SP Paper 266).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Disability Discrimination Bill - UK Legislation: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-2264—That the Parliament agrees the principles contained in the provisions of the Disability Discrimination Bill, including the power to impose duties on public authorities, so far as those provisions relate to matters within the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament or confer functions on the Scottish Ministers, and agrees that they should be considered by the UK Parliament.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Business Motion: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Margaret Curran), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2448—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Abolition of NHS Prescription Charges (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 22 December 2005.

The motion was agreed to (by division: For 99, Against 13, Abstentions 1).

9. Business Motion: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Margaret Curran), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2449—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that the Justice 1 Committee report to the Justice 2 Committee by 4 March 2005 on the draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005;

(b) that the Justice 1 Committee report to the Justice 2 Committee by 4 March 2005 on the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005; and

(c) that the Justice 1 Committee report to the Justice 2 Committee by 4 March 2005 on the draft Civil Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7 as noted above.

11. Scottish Civic Forum: The Parliament debated S2M-2384 in the name of Linda Fabiani—That the Parliament notes the concerns raised about the financing of the Scottish Civic Forum; further notes that the forum was set up to help fulfil the founding principles of the Parliament and, in particular, the engagement of Scotland's people in the new democracy; considers that all those who have an interest in the open democracy heralded in 1999 should act to ensure a continued and healthy future for the forum, and believes that the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body should investigate the possibility of funding the forum directly.

The meeting closed at 6.02 pm.

No.54 Wednesday 2 March 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Fraser Aitken, Church of Scotland, Ayr led Time for Reflection.

2. Transport (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen) moved S2M-2351—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Transport (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 73, Against 18, Abstentions 31).

3. Transport (Scotland) Bill – Financial Resolution: The Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen) moved S2M-2338—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Transport (Scotland) Bill, agrees to—

(a) any expenditure of a kind referred to in paragraph 3(b)(ii) of Rule 9.12 of the Parliament's Standing Orders;

(b) any increase in expenditure of a kind referred to in paragraph 3(b)(iii) of that Rule; and

(c) any payments in relation to which paragraph 4 of that Rule applies, arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

4. Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill - Preliminary Stage: Jackie Baillie moved S2M-2459—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill and that the Bill should proceed as a Private Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2503—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 9 March 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate: Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution: Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill

followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business – Debate on the subject of S2M-1900 Margaret Mitchell: Deafblindness

Thursday 10 March 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Debate: Infrastructure Investment Plan
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 16 March 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Committee Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 17 March 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Conservative Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

The motion was agreed to.

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2490—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications of Schedule 5) (No.2) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2491—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.2) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/69) be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 75, Against 24, Abstentions 24).

8. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2492—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Budget (Scotland) Act 2004 Amendment Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2494—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Police (Retention and Disposal of Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/80).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2495—That the Parliament agrees that the Local Government and Transport Committee be designated as lead committee, and that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as secondary committee, in consideration of the Licensing (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 as noted above.

12. Fairtrade Fortnight: The Parliament debated S2M-2387 in the name of Christine May—That the Parliament recognises that Fairtrade Fortnight will take place between 1 and 13 March 2005; supports this important series of events in raising awareness of the need to provide workers and producers in Third World countries with a better deal in return for their produce; congratulates the growing number of towns and organisations which have

succeeded in achieving the Fairtrade mark; notes that more Fairtrade products are being bought by individuals and used within businesses, and encourages all MSPs and consumers to participate in these events which will help protect the livelihood of small farmers and producers who too often face exploitation.

The meeting closed at 5.51 pm.

No.55 Thursday 3 March 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. School Meals and Our Children's Future: Frances Curran moved S2M-2507—That the Parliament notes that all serious nutritionists are predicting that obesity will double in Scotland over the next 10 years, causing a health crisis which will dramatically increase demand for health services and lower average life expectancy; therefore endorses the principle that radical action is required to tackle Scotland's diet-related health problems; believes that there can be no better use of Scotland's resources than to invest in our children's future, and congratulates the National Assembly for Wales and the city councils of Hull and Glasgow for their action in providing free breakfasts for all primary children and the councils for their further commitment to extending free, nutritious school lunches to all their primary school pupils.

The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Euan Robson) moved amendment S2M-2507.3 to motion S2M-2507—

Leave out from "notes" to end and insert—

> "commends the work the Scottish Executive is doing to tackle childhood obesity, in particular by significantly improving the nutritional quality of school meals across Scotland; acknowledges the significant investment in children's health represented by Hungry for Success, the Executive's programme of activity around school meals and food in schools; recognises the action taken by the Executive to promote physical activity, by amongst other means, the employment of 400 additional physical education teachers and 600 active sports co-ordinators, and welcomes the Executive's commitment to continue investing in a high-quality and attractive school meals service to equip pupils with healthy eating habits for life and in initiatives to improve opportunities for physical exercise in daily life and sporting and recreational settings."

Fiona Hyslop moved amendment S2M-2507.1 to motion S2M-2507—

Leave out from "and the councils" to end and insert—

> "and calls on the Scottish Executive to support the piloting of nutritious free school meals in P1 to 3 in order to provide evidence of the potential benefits of such a policy and practical evidence of delivery and as part of a comprehensive plan to tackle health and fitness in young people covering issues of palate in the early years, health, education and sport to encourage Scottish children to become fit, healthy young Scots."

Eleanor Scott moved amendment S2M-2507.2 to motion S2M-2507—

Insert at end—

> "further commends the Food for Life pilot programme which is delivering not only healthy, local organic school meals, but also a range of educational activities which reconnect children with a healthy food culture and with how their food is produced, and calls on the Scottish Executive to make a commitment to supporting locally-produced GM-free organic food for school meals provision in Scotland".

After debate, amendment S2M-2507.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 77, Against 31, Abstentions 6). As a result, amendment S2M-2507.1 was pre-empted.

Amendment S2M-2507.2 was then disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 52, Against 62, Abstentions 0).

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 79, Against 1, Abstentions 34).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament commends the work the Scottish Executive is doing to tackle childhood obesity, in particular by significantly improving the nutritional quality of school meals across Scotland; acknowledges the significant investment in children's health represented by Hungry for Success, the Executive's programme of activity around school meals and food in schools; recognises the action taken by the Executive to promote physical activity, by amongst other means, the employment of 400 additional physical education teachers and 600 active sports co-ordinators, and welcomes the Executive's commitment to continue investing in a high-quality and attractive school meals service to equip pupils with healthy eating habits for life and in initiatives to improve opportunities for physical exercise in daily life and sporting and recreational settings.

2. The Right to Protest at Gleneagles: Colin Fox moved S2M-2506—That the Parliament puts on record its support for Article 20 of the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights, that "everyone has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association"; notes that the G8 summit will be meeting in Gleneagles in July this year, and resolves to uphold and support the right to peaceful assembly and protest in Scotland, in particular in Edinburgh at the Make Poverty History demonstration and at the summit itself in Gleneagles.

The Minister for Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved amendment S2M-2506.4 to motion S2M-2506—

Insert at end—

> "; further recognises that protestors have responsibilities to uphold the law and deplores calls by an unrepresentative minority to use the occasion to engage in unlawful and violent activity; pledges full endorsement of the work of the Scottish Police Service to ensure public safety and order and facilitate peaceful protest; welcomes the tremendous opportunity presented by the G8 to show to a watching world everything that is good about Scotland and Scotland's people, and acknowledges that the summit is also an opportunity to encourage debate, raise awareness and challenge people within Scotland about the key issues of poverty in Africa and climate change."

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 103, Against 5, Abstentions 6).

Roseanna Cunningham moved amendment S2M-2506.2 to motion S2M-2506—

Leave out from “notes that the G8 Summit” to end and insert—

> “notes that the G8 Summit will be meeting in Strathearn in July this year; resolves to uphold and support the right to peaceful assembly and protest in Scotland, in particular in Edinburgh at the Make Poverty History demonstration and at the summit itself in Strathearn; recognises, however, that those who reside close to the location of the G8 summit also have the right to privacy and to be able to pursue their lives and livelihoods free from harassment from whatever quarter, and considers that the important issues to be debated at the summit should be given as much publicity and consideration as the reported security arrangements.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 37, Against 77, Abstentions 0).

Phil Gallie moved amendment S2M-2506.1 to motion S2M-2506—

Insert at end—

> “and calls on the Scottish Executive to ensure that suitable measures are taken to deter those who seek to abuse such rights through disorderly behaviour and by causing damage to property as well as thwarting the peaceful expression of views by those who attend in good faith.”

After debate, the amendment was, with the approval of the Parliament, withdrawn.

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 103, Against 1, Abstentions 10).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament puts on record its support for Article 20 of the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights, that “everyone has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association”; notes that the G8 summit will be meeting in Gleneagles in July this year, and resolves to uphold and support the right to peaceful assembly and protest in Scotland, in particular in Edinburgh at the Make Poverty History demonstration and at the summit itself in Gleneagles; further recognises that protestors have responsibilities to uphold the law and deplores calls by an unrepresentative minority to use the occasion to engage in unlawful and violent activity; pledges full endorsement of the work of the Scottish Police Service to ensure public safety and order and facilitate peaceful protest; welcomes the tremendous opportunity presented by the G8 to show to a watching world everything that is good about Scotland and Scotland’s people, and acknowledges that the summit is also an opportunity to encourage debate, raise awareness and challenge people within Scotland about the key issues of poverty in Africa and climate change.”

3. First Minister’s Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

4. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health

and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1l: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-2350—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill – Financial Resolution: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-2455—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Edinburgh Tram (Line One) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9A.14.3(b)(ii) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill – Financial Resolution: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-2456—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Edinburgh Tram (Line Two) Bill, agrees to any expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9A.14.3(b)(ii) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Business Motion: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Ms Margaret Curran), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2493—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee report to the Justice 2 Committee by 1 April 2005 on the Police (Retention and Disposal of Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/80).

The motion was agreed to.

9. Motion without Notice: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Ms Margaret Curran), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved, without notice that Decision Time on Thursday 3 March 2005 be taken at 4.40 pm.

The motion was agreed to.

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 5, 6, and 7 as noted above.

11. Renfrew and Inverclyde Scout Association - Lapwing Lodge: Bruce McFee moved S2M-2225—That the Parliament recognises the good works carried out by voluntary organisations in Scotland; notes that Renfrew and Inverclyde Scout Association, supported by East Renfrewshire Council, has made a funding application to the Scottish Rural Partnership Fund – Local

Capital Grants Scheme for the modernisation of facilities at Lapwing Lodge, Renfrewshire, to increase the flexibility of the facility and allow a wider range of groups to access Lapwing, beyond the 40% usage currently enjoyed by community groups, and to ensure the long-term sustainability of this outdoor centre for the next 25 years and beyond; recognises the value of such centres, and consequently wishes Renfrew and Inverclyde Scout Association every success in its funding application.

The meeting closed at 5.27 pm.

No.56 Wednesday 9 March 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Canon Susan Wiffin, Mission and Ministry Officer, Aberdeen Diocese led Time for Reflection.

2. Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm) moved S2M-2352—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill.

Christine Grahame moved amendment S2M-2352.2 to motion S2M-2352—

Insert at end—

> "and, in so doing, notes the Scottish Executive's commitment to protect the National Collections' charitable status but has concerns that Scotland's colleges may fall foul of section 7(3)(b), and calls for there to be a clear statement on the face of the Bill of the purpose of a charity, namely that only those organisations which have as their overriding purpose the provision of a benefit to the public should qualify for charitable status, and for the Executive to bring forward appropriate amendments at Stage 2 to this effect."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 39, Against 77, Abstentions 1).

Tommy Sheridan moved amendment S2M-2352.1 to motion S2M-2352—

Insert at end—

> "but, in so doing, supports the removal of private and other fee-paying schools from the artificial cover of charitable status which saves these elite institutions thousands of pounds in various taxes every year and calls on the Scottish Executive to bring forward amendments during Stage 2 of the Bill to achieve this objective whilst maintaining the status of independent special schools."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 8, Against 77, Abstentions 32).

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

3. Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill – Financial Resolution: The Deputy Minister for Communities (Johann Lamont) moved S2M-2319—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any increase in expenditure payable out of the Scottish Consolidated Fund in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2545—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 16 March 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Procedures Committee Debate: 3rd Report 2005, Procedures in relation to the Commissioner for Public Appointments
followed by	Executive Debate: Housing
followed by	SPCB Motion on Membership of the Scottish Commission for Public Audit
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 17 March 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities; General Questions
3.00 pm	Ministerial Statement on Dentistry
followed by	Stage 1 Debate: Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution: Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 23 March 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion

followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business
Thursday 24 March 2005	
9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care; General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

5. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2535—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Renewables Obligation (Scotland) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2536—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Landfill Allowances Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2539—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2540—That the Parliament agrees that the Communities Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Housing (Scotland) Bill.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2541—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Criminal Legal Aid (Fixed Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/93).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 as noted above.

11. Deafblindness: The Parliament debated S2M-1900 in the name of Margaret Mitchell—That the Parliament recognises the European Parliament Declaration of Rights of Deafblind people which was formally adopted on 1 April 2004 and recognises deafblindness as a distinct disability separate from hearing or sight impairment; considers that more should be done to identify, correctly assess and provide appropriate services for this unique group who cannot automatically benefit from mainstream services or services for people who are either blind or deaf, and further considers that councils should make appropriate provision for this uniquely disadvantaged group, ensuring that they have the same provision of services as outlined in the guidance issued under section 7(1) of the Local Authority Social Services Act 1970 for England and Wales.

12. Motion without Notice: Margaret Mitchell moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 6.03 pm.

The meeting closed at 6.03 pm.

No.57 Thursday 10 March 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. NHS Dentistry: Shona Robison moved S2M-2549—That the Parliament is concerned about Scotland's poor dental health record; notes that only 3.5% of dentists anticipate increasing their NHS provision in the foreseeable future; recognises that if access to NHS dentistry is not improved, then the commitment to provide universal free oral health assessments by 2007 may not be met, and therefore believes that, in order to meet this pledge and safeguard the future of NHS dentistry, the Scottish Executive must provide incentives for dentists to undertake more preventive work including a significant increase in the fee level for oral health assessments, assist dentists more with infrastructure costs in return for greater NHS commitment, reduce bureaucracy and simplify the current fee scale and expand the number of NHS salaried dentists and address dental workforce shortages by increasing the number of dental undergraduates and expanding the role and number of professionals complementary to dentistry.

The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Rhona Brankin) moved amendment S2M-2549.1 to motion S2M-2549—

Leave out from "is concerned" to end and insert—

> "recognises the need to tackle Scotland's poor oral health and improve access to NHS dental services; acknowledges the actions already taken by the Scottish Executive to improve oral health and to recruit and retain dental professionals in the NHS; recognises that further work needs to be undertaken to respond to the outcome of the consultations, Towards Better Oral Health in Children and Modernising NHS Dental Services in Scotland; notes that the Executive's response to the consultations, to be published very shortly, will include measures to address the Partnership Agreement commitments on workforce numbers, training and prevention including free dental checks and will identify the resources needed, and calls on NHS boards, higher education institutions, local authorities, the British Dental Association and the wider professions to engage positively with the Executive after publication to bring early and sustained benefits to the oral health of people in Scotland."

Nanette Milne moved amendment S2M-2549.2 to motion S2M-2549—

Leave out from "recognises" to end and insert—

> "and believes that in order to safeguard the future of NHS dentistry the Scottish Executive should move from fee-based remuneration to capitation-based funding in order to remove incentives for over-treatment and promote preventive measures, expand the role and number of professionals complementary to dentistry in order to free up time for dentists to focus on continuing care, reduce bureaucracy and continue with the development of outreach centres to encourage students to remain in Scotland after graduation."

After debate, amendment 2549.1 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 72, Against 47, Abstentions 0). As a result, amendment 2549.2 was pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 73, Against 16, Abstentions 30).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament recognises the need to tackle Scotland's poor oral health and improve access to NHS dental services; acknowledges the actions already taken by the Scottish Executive to improve oral health and to recruit and retain dental professionals in the NHS; recognises that further work needs to be undertaken to respond to the outcome of the consultations, Towards Better Oral Health in Children and Modernising NHS Dental Services in Scotland; notes that the Executive's response to the consultations, to be published very shortly, will include measures to address the Partnership Agreement commitments on workforce numbers, training and prevention including free dental checks and will identify the resources needed, and calls on NHS boards, higher education institutions, local authorities, the British Dental Association and the wider professions to engage positively with the Executive after publication to bring early and sustained benefits to the oral health of people in Scotland.

2. Early Years Education and Childcare: Fiona Hyslop moved S2M-2547—That the Parliament recognises the vital role of early years education and the importance of quality, accessible childcare in stimulating children's development and supporting working families in particular and the wider economy and society generally; notes with concern the delay in the publication of the national strategy for early years with provision for a national settlement for nursery nurses from the Scottish Executive; supports the immediate extension of free nursery education for three and four-year-olds to a full half day from the current part-time provision and the extension of "nurture groups" across Scotland for vulnerable young pupils, and recognises, however, that in order for Scotland to be able to shape and deliver comprehensive early education and childcare the Scottish government needs to have powers over tax and benefits in order to provide a universal entitlement to emulate the provision of Scandinavian countries who spend four times the proportion of their GDP in support of children in the early years as Scotland.

The Deputy Minister for Education and Young People (Euan Robson) moved amendment S2M-2547.1 to motion S2M-2547—

Leave out from "notes" to end and insert—

> "supports the Scottish Executive's aim to provide more flexible and available childcare to all; acknowledges the significant successes already achieved through the Scottish Childcare Strategy, including making available free part-time pre-school education for every three and four-year-old, establishing a coherent regulatory framework under the Care Commission and expanding childcare provision across all sectors, and endorses the Executive's commitment to universal early education and childcare services with specific support to disadvantaged groups, including those for whom lack of childcare is a barrier to employment, education or training."

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 64, Against 32, Abstentions 23).

Bill Aitken moved amendment S2M-2547.2 to motion S2M-2547—

Leave out from "working families" to end and insert—

> "parents who choose to work; notes that both the Scottish Executive and the Scottish Parliament's Education Committee are currently reviewing early years provision, including issues of recruitment and retention of staff and pay and conditions, and believes that parents must have the flexibility to choose the form of nursery education best suited to their family circumstances and that a nursery voucher that can be topped up represents the best way to achieve this."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 16, Against 101, Abstentions 1).

Rosemary Byrne moved amendment S2M-2547.3 to motion S2M-2547—

Leave out from "in particular" to end and insert—

> "; calls for a recognition of the professionalism of nursery nurses and the immediate establishment of national pay and conditions commensurate with that professionalism; further calls for an immediate response from the Minister for Education and Young People regarding the delay in the publication of the national strategy for early years; demands a system of accessible childcare and nursery education publicly-funded and free at the point of need for all families; supports the wisdom of early intervention in the early stages of education and the implementation of developmental needs provision rather than formal learning, and calls for appropriate support for children with special educational needs and social, emotional and behavioural difficulties and also appropriate support for parents and carers of these children."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 40, Against 78, Abstentions 1).

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to to ((DT) by division: For 67, Against 0, Abstentions 52).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament recognises the vital role of early years education and the importance of quality, accessible childcare in stimulating children's development and supporting working families in particular and the wider economy and society generally; supports the Scottish Executive's aim to provide more flexible and available childcare to all; acknowledges the significant successes already achieved through the Scottish Childcare Strategy, including making available free part-time pre-school education for every three and four-year-old, establishing a coherent regulatory framework under the Care Commission and expanding childcare provision across all sectors, and endorses the Executive's commitment to universal early education and childcare services with specific support to disadvantaged groups, including those for whom lack of childcare is a barrier to employment, education or training.

3. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

4. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Transport (Nicol Stephen); by the Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson), and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Infrastructure Investment Plan: The Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) moved S2M-2554—That the Parliament welcomes the record level of infrastructure investment, as set out in the first infrastructure plan for Scotland, *Building a Better Scotland: Infrastructure Investment Plan: Investing in the Future of Scotland*; acknowledges that the plan addresses the problems bequeathed by decades of underinvestment; recognises that the Scottish Executive is open to working across the public and private sectors in order to ensure that Scotland has the modern infrastructure that is necessary to support economic growth and secure an improved quality of life for the people of Scotland, and agrees that the infrastructure plan will deliver, for the long term, better public services, improved transport infrastructure, modernised colleges and universities, new hospitals, improved housing and new schools.

Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-2554.1 to motion S2M-2554—

Leave out from "acknowledges" to end and insert—

> "and regrets that this investment is not being matched with other credible measures by the Scottish Executive that could genuinely and incrementally increase sustainable economic growth in Scotland."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 26, Against 83, Abstentions 10).

Brian Monteith moved amendment S2M-2554.2 to motion S2M-2554—

Leave out from "welcomes" to end and insert—

> "recognises the substantial level of capital invested in infrastructure in Scotland by successive Conservative governments between 1979 and 1997 which included, amongst many projects, the M8 motorway extension, the Edinburgh City Bypass, upgrade of the A74 to motorway status, the first M77 motorway section, dualling of the A90 and key sections of the A96, the Dunblane by-pass, dualling of sections of the A9, dualling of the A1 between Edinburgh and Haddington, the St James Interchange at Glasgow Airport, dualling of the northern stretch of the A737, dualling of the A78 to by-pass Troon and Loans, dualling of the A71 from Irvine to Kilmarnock, the Dornoch Firth Bridge, the Kessock Bridge, the Kylesku Bridge, reopening of the Edinburgh to Bathgate railway line, electrification of the East Coast main line, electrification of the North Berwick spur line, electrification of the Glasgow to Ayr railway line, the Skye Bridge development, a new ferry service between Campbeltown and Northern Ireland, a new air traffic control centre, the redevelopment of Aberdeen Airport, £8 billion invested in council houses across Scotland, the New Life for Urban Scotland programme, Western Isles Hospital, Caithness Hospital, medicine for the elderly wards and a day hospital at Perth Royal Infirmary, a neo-natal intensive care ward and a midwife-led unit at Forth Park Hospital, a new phase of the Queen Margaret Hospital in Dunfermline, St John's Hospital at Livingston, Ayr Hospital, major refurbishment to Stirling Royal Infirmary, major refurbishment to Falkirk Royal Infirmary, HM Prison Shotts Phase 2, Peterhead Power Station, Torness Power Station, Greengairs Power

Station, the Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre, the Edinburgh Festival Theatre, the Edinburgh International Conference Centre, the Dean Gallery, the Royal Museum of Scotland extension and renovation of the National Library of Scotland; recalls that many of the infrastructure achievements that the Scottish Executive now takes credit for, such as seven new hospital developments, namely the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, Wishaw General Hospital, Hairmyres Hospital, East Ayrshire Community Hospital, Glasgow Royal Infirmary extension, the Western General Hospital extension and Southern Isles Community Hospital, were in fact part of the Conservative Scottish Office programme; reminds members of the Parliament that the Scottish Office between 1997 and 1999 postponed further infrastructure projects by introducing a moratorium on roads spending for two years which delayed initiatives such as the A8000 upgrade to dual carriageway, the new Kincardine Bridge, the Kincardine Bypass and the M74 extension; is pleased to celebrate this year the 10th anniversary of the National Lottery which brought a new and very substantial income stream for capital investment in public buildings that would otherwise not have been built or renovated; notes that increases in spending by the Executive have not led to improvements in service delivery; believes that the Executive has thus far demonstrated that it has a poor record of spending taxpayers' money wisely; welcomes the fact that the Executive is open to working across public and private sectors in order to ensure that we have the modern infrastructure Scotland needs, and believes, however, that in order to support economic growth the Executive needs to cut business rates to at least the same poundage as in England, invest more significantly in roads and transport, open up Scottish Water to full competition and greater investment through privatisation and cut red tape."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 103, Abstentions 1).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 51, Abstentions 3).

6. Business Motion: The Minister for Parliamentary Business, (Ms Margaret Curran) on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2537—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee report to the Justice 2 Committee by 8 April 2005 on the Criminal Legal Aid (Fixed Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: The Minister for Parliamentary Business (Ms Margaret Curran), on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2538—That the Parliament agrees that Stage 2 of the Transport (Scotland) Bill be completed by 24 May 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2 and 5 as noted above.

9. Scottish Mini-Olympics: The Parliament debated S2M-2516 in the name of Robert Brown—That the Parliament notes Glasgow's poor health record, including high rates of coronary heart disease and stroke; welcomes initiatives to increase physical exercise, including the active school

programme, the commitment to ensure two hours of physical education (PE) for schoolchildren every week and the new network of sports facilities across Scotland; believes that developing a competitive spirit in schools and sports clubs and encouraging young people to have a desire to win, whilst concentrating on self-improvement, is central to sporting endeavour; further believes that it is the role of government to provide opportunities for everyone to be physically active for life from a young age; considers that the Scottish Executive, sportscotland, local authorities and other interested organisations should promote sporting competition by establishing a biannual Scottish mini-Olympics for young people at school in which 32 teams, one from every local authority area, would compete against each other in various Olympic-style events, such as track and field and swimming; further considers that Scotland's towns and cities could bid for the right to host the Scottish mini-Olympics every two years, whilst allowing Glasgow to be the first host; further considers that local businesses and community leaders could back their local team at these mini-Olympics through local hero bursary schemes and general support, and believes that bringing back retired PE teachers could help in the training of young Scots in sport, particularly in the run-up to the proposed mini-Olympics.

The meeting closed at 5.58 pm.

No.58 Wednesday 16 March 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Rev Graham K Blount, Scottish Churches Parliamentary Officer led Time for Reflection.

2. Procedures Committee Report, *Procedures in Relation to the Commissioner for Public Appointments*: Karen Gillon moved S2M-2569—That the Parliament notes the Procedures Committee's 3rd Report 2005 (Session 2), *Procedures in relation to the Commissioner for Public Appointments* (SP Paper 304), and agrees that the changes to Standing Orders set out in Annexe A to the report be made with effect from 18 March 2005.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

3. Housing: The Deputy Minister for Communities (Johann Lamont) moved S2M-2585—That the Parliament acknowledges the wide range of policies outlined in *Homes for Scotland's People* to increase the quantity and improve the quality of homes in both the social rented and private sectors; welcomes the £1.2 billion investment to achieve the three-year target of 21,500 affordable homes and the 23% increase in the Communities Scotland budget for next year; endorses the Homestake initiative to help first-time buyers and others into home ownership; acknowledges new planning advice setting a benchmark, where need is demonstrated, of 25% of all new housing development to be affordable homes; supports recent announcements and ongoing work to develop water and sewerage infrastructure for new housing and boost the availability of land, and welcomes the Housing (Scotland) Bill published last week which will seek to raise standards in the private housing sector and strengthen the rights of private sector tenants.

Linda Fabiani moved amendment S2M-2585.2 to motion S2M-2585—

Leave out from "to increase the quantity" to end and insert—

> "and, while welcoming the Housing (Scotland) Bill, notes that the target of 21,500 affordable homes over three years has to be offset against the 18,000 homes per year sold under the right to buy; therefore calls for the right to buy to be reformed for new tenants, while preserving the rights of existing tenants; further acknowledges the insurmountable difficulties for many young people in a first-time purchase, and calls for the introduction of a range of financial packages to assist first-time buyers, including a first-time buyers' grant."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 25, Against 76, Abstentions 12).

Mary Scanlon moved amendment S2M-2585.4 to motion S2M-2585—

Leave out from second "acknowledges" to end and insert—

"and supports extra funding to be given to other low-cost home ownership schemes; is concerned that local authorities are unable to meet the requirements of the Homelessness etc. (Scotland) Act 2003 and the Homeless Persons (Unsuitable Accommodation) (Scotland) Order 2004; acknowledges that, under the Conservative's right to buy policy, home ownership in Scotland has increased from 35% in 1979 to over 65% today, with around 400,000 tenants exercising the right to buy since 1980, and believes that the right to buy should be protected for the next generation of homeowners in Scotland; supports recent announcements and ongoing work to develop water and sewerage infrastructure for new housing and boost the availability of land, and welcomes some parts of the Housing (Scotland) Bill published last week which will bring improvements to private sector housing but is opposed to Part 3 of the Bill, the introduction of the Single Seller Survey."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 14, Against 97, Abstentions 2).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 86, Against 16, Abstentions 11).

4. Scottish Commission for Public Audit: Robert Brown, on behalf of the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body, moved S2M-2511—That the Parliament agrees to the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body's proposal to appoint George Lyon to be a member of the Scottish Commission for Public Audit.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2596—That the Parliament agrees

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 23 March 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate: Growing an Enterprise Culture
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 24 March 2005

9.30 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.00 pm	Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care;

	General Questions
3.00 pm	Executive Debate: Life Sciences
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 13 April 2005

9.30 am	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Independents' Group Business
2.30 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 14 April 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers
2.55 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

and (b) that the period for members to submit their names for selection for General Question Time and Themed Question Time on 14 April 2005 should end at 12 noon on Thursday 24 March 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2587—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Advice

and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2588—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2589—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Civil Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2590—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Establishment of Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2591—That the Parliament agrees to establish a committee of the Parliament as follows—

> Name of Committee: The Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill Committee;
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> Remit: To consider and report to the Parliament on the Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill;
>
> Duration: Until the Bill has received Royal Assent, falls or is withdrawn;
>
> Convenership: The Convener will be a member of the Liberal Democrat Party and the Deputy Convener will be a member of the Labour Party;
>
> Membership: Trish Godman (Labour), Scott Barrie (Labour), Mr Kenny MacAskill (SNP), Mr David Davidson (Conservative) and Mr Andrew Arbuckle (Liberal Democrat).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2592—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Antisocial Behaviour (Fixed Penalty Notice) (Additional Information) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/130).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

12. Designation of Lead Committee: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2593—That the Parliament agrees that the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Bail Conditions (Specification of Devices) and Restriction of Liberty Order (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/142).

The motion was agreed to (DT).

13. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 as noted above.

14. Franz Ferdinand Rocks: The Parliament debated S2M-2425 in the name of Pauline McNeill—That the Parliament congratulates Franz Ferdinand on winning the Best British Band and Best Rock Act awards at the 25th Brit Awards; welcomes the First Minister's view that Scotland should be a future host to the Brit Awards; notes that Scotland has an abundance of talented musicians, demonstrated by the fact that 11 acts are to appear at the international music festival in Texas, South by Southwest; believes that Scotland has a strong contemporary music industry which makes a significant contribution to the Scottish economy, comprising of small, medium and large companies; supports the work of the Cross Party Group on the Scottish Contemporary Music Industry which brings together virtually all strands of the music industry; recognises the commitment of the Scottish Executive to the industry and the funding of research into the feasibility of creating a music industry forum; further recognises initiatives such as Music Works, funded by Scottish Enterprise, and the need for the enterprise agencies to promote a distinct music industry strategy so as to encourage further development of Scottish-based musicians and related business activity, and sends its good wishes to all bands who are participating in South by Southwest.

15. Motion without Notice: Rob Gibson moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 6.03 pm.

The meeting closed at 6.03 pm.

No.59 Thursday 17 March 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Education: Lord James Douglas-Hamilton moved S2M-2597—That the Parliament acknowledges that, as a result of the current government's centralising agenda and top-down approach, education in Scotland is characterised by low levels of attainment, alarming levels of indiscipline in too many of our schools, inadequate vocational provision and over-regulation; believes that developing a system of independently-managed but publicly-funded schools will reduce inequality by giving all parents a choice of school for their children; believes that, as well as supporting alternatives to exclusion, headteachers should have the right in statute to exclude violent and disruptive pupils permanently; opposes the repeal of the School Boards Act 1988 and believes that parents should retain their statutory rights regarding the appointment of headteachers and deputy headteachers; supports the retention of charitable status for independent schools and the extension of this status to all schools that wish it; believes that schools for children with special educational needs are vital to ensure that all are catered for and should be maintained where there is a demand, and notes that the direct funding of schools by the Scottish Executive on a per capita basis will create competition, drive up standards and benefit the council tax payer.

The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved amendment S2M-2597.3 to motion S2M-2597—

Leave out from "acknowledges" to end and insert—

> "recognises the dedication of teachers and support staff in Scotland's schools to achieving excellent outcomes for the young people of Scotland; supports the Scottish Executive's agenda for the most comprehensive modernisation programme in Scottish schools for a generation, as described in *Ambitious, Excellent Schools;* acknowledges the Executive's commitment to building on the investment and successes in education over recent years; welcomes plans to bring a transformation in ambition and achievement through higher expectations for schools and school leadership, and recognises greater freedom for teachers and schools, better parental involvement and choice for pupils, increased and further enhancement of school/college partnerships to extend learning opportunities for pupils and better support for learning so that the individual needs of young people can be better met through tough, intelligent accountabilities to drive improvement."

Fiona Hyslop moved amendment S2M-2597.1 to motion S2M-2597—

Leave out from "acknowledges" to end and insert—

> "recognises the efforts of teachers to deliver a quality education for pupils in increasingly challenging circumstances, the potential of Scotland's pupils to succeed and the need for national government resources, which directly impact on the classroom experience, to provide sufficient time and attention for pupils from teachers in a peaceful, stimulating environment with a relevant, flexible curriculum for them to achieve that potential, and calls on the Scottish Executive to, in particular, develop policies to cut class sizes, to examine the plethora of initiatives and complexity of

competitively bid-for funding streams and to reassess the impact of, and support given to, its social inclusion and mainstreaming agenda to ensure that all children can get the most out of their time in school education."

Tommy Sheridan moved amendment S2M-2597.2 to motion S2M-2597—

Leave out from "acknowledges" to end and insert—

"fully endorses a comprehensive education system based on equality of opportunity for all from the nursery sector through to secondary education and beyond; supports a reduction in class sizes to no more than 20 or, indeed, less, along with suitably-qualified support teachers with expertise in working alongside classroom teachers to support pupils with special educational needs and social, emotional and behavioural difficulties, and recognises that early intervention in early years, learning styles and developing emotional intelligence are key areas that require different approaches to learning and teaching, alongside flexibility to ensure that all children and young people reach their potential."

After debate, amendment S2M-2597.3 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 63, Against 19, Abstentions 25). As a result, amendments S2M-2597.1 and S2M-2597.2 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 62, Against 17, Abstentions 28).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament "recognises the dedication of teachers and support staff in Scotland's schools to achieving excellent outcomes for the young people of Scotland; supports the Scottish Executive's agenda for the most comprehensive modernisation programme in Scottish schools for a generation, as described in *Ambitious, Excellent Schools;* acknowledges the Executive's commitment to building on the investment and successes in education over recent years; welcomes plans to bring a transformation in ambition and achievement through higher expectations for schools and school leadership, and recognises greater freedom for teachers and schools, better parental involvement and choice for pupils, increased and further enhancement of school/college partnerships to extend learning opportunities for pupils and better support for learning so that the individual needs of young people can be better met through tough, intelligent accountabilities to drive improvement."

2. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

3. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) and the Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sport (Patricia Ferguson); by the Minister for Finance and Public Sector Reform (Mr Tom McCabe) and the Minister for Communities (Malcolm Chisholm); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. Ministerial Statement: The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Rhona Brankin) made a statement and answered questions on Dentistry.

5. Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill – Stage 1: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-2353—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT).

6. Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill – Financial Resolution: The Deputy Minister for Justice (Hugh Henry) moved S2M-2227—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any increase in expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b)(iii) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2586—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that consideration of the Housing (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 1 July 2005;

(b) that consideration of the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 13 May 2005;

(c) that consideration of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 25 May 2005;

(d) that consideration of the Family Law (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 16 September 2005;

(e) that the Justice 1 Committee report to the Justice 2 Committee by 15 April 2005 on the Antisocial Behaviour (Fixed Penalty Notice) (Additional Information) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/130);

(f) that the Justice 2 Committee report to the Justice 1 Committee by 15 April 2005 on the Bail Conditions (Specification of Devices) and Restriction of Liberty Order (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/142).

The motion was agreed to.

8. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2598—That the Parliament agrees that Mr Brian Monteith be appointed to replace Mr David Davidson as the Conservative Party substitute on the Enterprise and Culture Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

9. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2599—That the Parliament agrees that Mary Scanlon be appointed as the Conservative Party substitute on the Health Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Substitution on Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2600—That the Parliament agrees that Mr David Davidson be appointed to replace Mr Brian Monteith as the Conservative Party substitute on the Local Government and Transport Committee.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

11. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 5, 6, 8, 9 and 10 as noted above.

12. Commonwealth Week, 14 to 20 March 2005: Year of Africa: The Parliament debated S2M-2483 in the name of Margaret Ewing—That the Parliament welcomes the well-established work undertaken by the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) (Scotland Branch) and the Scottish Executive since the establishment of the Parliament in 1999 to strengthen ties between Scotland and other Commonwealth countries; notes that this year the CPA (Scotland Branch) and the Executive have, as their key focus, sub-Saharan Africa; regards this as totally appropriate in the Year of Africa; welcomes Scotland's long-standing humanitarian work to help the poorest nations in sub-Saharan Africa, and therefore considers that all MSPs should support sustained assistance which can eradicate poverty and the cycle of deprivation which causes millions of deaths per year in sub-Saharan Africa.

13. Motion without Notice: Mrs Margaret Ewing moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 6.15 pm.

The meeting closed at 6.15 pm.

No. 60 Wednesday 23 March 2005

The meeting opened at 2.38 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Christine Riddoch, Diocesan Youth Officer, Diocese of Paisley, led Time for Reflection.

2. Growing an Enterprise Culture: The Parliament debated the subject of growing an enterprise culture.

3. The Future of Clydeside Shipyards: The Parliament debated S2M-2276 in the name of Trish Godman—That the Parliament offers its compliments to the managements, workforces and trade union representatives of the shipyards of lower and upper Clyde who, over and beyond the superb ships they build, work so hard and in a spirit of co-operation to ensure that their maritime industry continues as a viable and important element of the local economies; believes that it is essential that the fine skills, employed in the yards, should be maintained and enhanced by sound apprenticeship schemes, and considers that the Scottish Executive should do everything in its power, on its own account and in co-operation with the appropriate UK ministers, to assist our Clydeside yards to secure vessel orders.

The meeting closed at 5.46 pm.

No. 61 Thursday 24 March 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Firearms Legislation: Mr Kenny MacAskill moved S2M-2622—That the Parliament notes with concern recent tragedies involving firearms and the continuing dangers in our communities posed by both real and replica guns; recognises that, notwithstanding action taken after the Dunblane tragedy in 1996, there are ongoing difficulties and gaps in the current legislation; calls, therefore, for powers over firearms to be devolved to the Scottish Parliament in view of the distinctive nature of our society, the distinct nature of the gun problem in Scotland and the urgent needs in our communities, and further calls for a new and all-encompassing Firearms Act to clarify what constitutes a firearm, who may possess a firearm, the circumstances under which people may acquire, keep and use firearms and all other aspects relating to firearms, including authorisation, monitoring and revocation.

The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved amendment S2M-2622.2 to motion S2M-2622—

Leave out from "notes with concern" to end and insert—

> "extends its sympathies to those affected by recent tragedies involving firearms; acknowledges that following the Dunblane tragedy in 1996 UK governments have considerably tightened firearms legislation so that the UK now has some of the toughest firearms laws in the world; welcomes additional action taken by the Scottish Executive to encourage people to hand in air weapons to the police; reaffirms the benefits of a UK-wide legal framework and system of gun control, and supports the Executive in its continuing engagement with the UK Government on the current wide-ranging and comprehensive review of firearms provisions."

After debate, the amendment was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 72, Against 28, Abstentions 10).

Amendment S2M-2622.1 was not moved.

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 73, Against 25, Abstentions 12).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament extends its sympathies to those affected by recent tragedies involving firearms; acknowledges that following the Dunblane tragedy in 1996 UK governments have considerably tightened firearms legislation so that the UK now has some of the toughest firearms laws in the world; welcomes additional action taken by the Scottish Executive to encourage people to hand in air weapons to the police; reaffirms the benefits of a UK-wide legal framework and system of gun control, and supports the Executive in its continuing engagement with the UK Government on the current wide-ranging and comprehensive review of firearms provisions.

2. Nuclear Weapons: Roseanna Cunningham moved S2M-2640—That the Parliament is opposed to the existence of weapons of mass destruction in Scotland; believes that the existing Trident nuclear system which costs almost £1 billion annually to keep in operation should be scrapped; recognises that a decision on the replacement of Trident will require to be taken within the next UK Parliament; further recognises that the cost of replacing Trident would be over £20 billion, and wishes to register strong opposition to any proposal by Her Majesty's Government to procure a replacement for the Trident nuclear system.

Scott Barrie moved amendment S2M-2640.4 to motion S2M-2640—

Leave out from "is opposed" to end and insert—

> "acknowledges that defence and national security are matters reserved to the UK Parliament and acknowledges, in the words of the Government's Strategic Defence Review, "the goal of the global elimination of nuclear weapons"; welcomes the many moves taken to reduce the number of weapons in the world including UK support for the convention to ban anti-personnel landmines, end-user certificates and other restrictions on the arms trade and the significant reductions in the UK's nuclear weapons stockpile; notes the position of the Scottish National Party, in favour of withdrawal from the United Kingdom and NATO; recognises that withdrawal from the United Kingdom and from NATO would put at risk 25,000 direct MoD jobs in Scotland, 6,000 more dependent on MoD contracts and 12,000 more jobs supported by the military presence, and notes that between 2000 and 2004 the MoD placed 2,500 contracts in Scotland worth around £2 billion, all of which would be at risk under the SNP."

Robert Brown moved amendment S2M-2640.2 to motion S2M-2640—

Leave out from "is opposed" to end and insert—

> "believes that the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty is central to nuclear weapons control; supports the universal ratification of, and adherence to, the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty; regrets that technology in the production of weapons of mass destruction, including nuclear weapons, continues to advance and to proliferate around the globe; supports the retention, against this background, of Britain's nuclear deterrent until real progress can be made on the multilateral elimination of nuclear weapons; believes that for nuclear non-proliferation and weapons reduction to be achieved, nuclear-armed countries such as Britain must be willing to participate in any disarmament process; believes that a decision to commit any research or other funding for the preparation of any successor to Trident must be first approved by the Westminster Parliament and that no effective case for a successor to Trident has yet been made, and calls on the UK Government to press for a nuclear weapons convention to formalise the commitment of all nuclear weapon states to nuclear disarmament."

Chris Ballance moved amendment S2M-2640.3 to motion S2M-2640—

Insert after "£20 billion"—

> "; notes that communities and the environment across Scotland are endangered by nuclear convoys, by the dismantling of nuclear submarines at Rosyth and the testing of depleted uranium shells at Dundrennan; furthermore calls on Her Majesty's

Government to honour its international obligations under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty,"

After debate, amendment S2M-2640.4 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 59, Against 50, Abstentions 1). As a result, amendments S2M-2640.2 and S2M-2640.3 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 59, Against 49, Abstentions 2).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament acknowledges that defence and national security are matters reserved to the UK Parliament and acknowledges, in the words of the Government's Strategic Defence Review, "the goal of the global elimination of nuclear weapons"; welcomes the many moves taken to reduce the number of weapons in the world including UK support for the convention to ban anti-personnel landmines, end-user certificates and other restrictions on the arms trade and the significant reductions in the UK's nuclear weapons stockpile; notes the position of the Scottish National Party, in favour of withdrawal from the United Kingdom and NATO; recognises that withdrawal from the United Kingdom and from NATO would put at risk 25,000 direct MoD jobs in Scotland, 6,000 more dependent on MoD contracts and 12,000 more jobs supported by the military presence, and notes that between 2000 and 2004 the MoD placed 2,500 contracts in Scotland worth around £2 billion, all of which would be at risk under the SNP.

3. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

4. Question Time: Questions were answered by the Minister for Environment and Rural Development (Ross Finnie); by the Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr); and by other Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Life Sciences: The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) moved S2M-2644—That the Parliament recognises the important role of life sciences in Scottish society and the contribution they make to economic prosperity, wealth creation and improving the health and quality of life of millions of people; believes that the sector harnesses Scotland's world-class scientific excellence and fosters greater entrepreneurial spirit; endorses the Scottish Executive's support to the sector, notably through successful, innovative initiatives such as the Scottish Co-investment Fund and the Life Sciences Intermediary Technology Institute; welcomes the Executive's commitment to the Life Sciences Strategy, working in partnership with industry, academia, the investment community, NHS Scotland and all the other stakeholders to create a stable infrastructure in which the life sciences sector can flourish, and supports the firm intention to work in partnership to deliver the 15-year vision for 2020.

Alex Neil moved amendment S2M-2644.1 to motion S2M-2644—

Leave out from "endorses" to end and insert—

> "and also recognises the need to root that spirit and its resultant wealth in Scotland by gaining the economic powers that will allow Scotland to produce an increasingly more competitive proposition, thereby retaining and attracting more investment and talented people and providing an environment that encourages the growth of indigenous and multi-national businesses in Scotland."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 26, Against 75, Abstentions 7).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-2644.2 to motion S2M-2644—

Leave out from "endorses" to end and insert—

> "notes the Scottish Executive's support to the sector, notably through initiatives such as the Scottish Co-investment Fund and the Life Sciences Intermediary Technology Institute; regrets, however, that the Scottish Life Sciences Community Strategy failed to engage adequately with all sectors of the industry; notes the industry's very real concerns about bureaucracy, infrastructure and an appropriate skills base, and therefore calls on the Executive to supplement glossy brochures with tangible action to grow biosciences and encourage venture capitalist investment in Scotland by creating a more business-friendly environment."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 37, Against 64, Abstentions 8).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 62, Against 4, Abstentions 43).

6. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2642—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 13 April 2005

9.30 am	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Independents' Group Debate: Meeting the Needs and Aspirations of people in Scotland
2.30 pm	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate: Women in Prison
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 14 April 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Scottish National Party Business
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport; Justice and Law Officers
2.55 pm	Executive Debate: Skills
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 20 April 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 Proceedings: Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 21 April 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Health Committee Debate: Access to Dental Health Services in Scotland
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities
2.55 pm	Stage 3 Proceedings: Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill

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

The motion was agreed to.

7. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2624—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 8 April 2005 on the Police Grant (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/107);

(b) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 15 April 2005 on the Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/113);

(c) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 22 May 2005 on the Act of Sederunt (Fees of Solicitors and Witnesses in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment) 2005 (SSI 2005/149);

(d) that the Justice 2 Committee reports to the Justice 1 Committee by 22 May 2005 on the Act of Sederunt (Fees of Shorthand Writers in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment) 2005 (SSI 2005/150)

(e) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 8 April 2005 on the Antisocial Behaviour (Fixed Penalty Offence) (Prescribed Area) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/106);

(f) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 8 April 2005 on the Antisocial Behaviour (Amount of Fixed Penalty) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/110);

(g) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 15 April 2005 on the Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/111);

(h) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 15 April 2005 on the Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/112); and

(i) that the Justice 1 Committee reports to the Justice 2 Committee by 15 April 2005 on the Intensive Support and Monitoring (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/129).

The motion was agreed to.

8. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2625—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) that consideration of the Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill at Stage 2 be completed by 6 May 2005;

(b) that consideration of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 24 June 2005;

(c) that consideration of the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 17 June 2005; and

(d) that consideration of the Licensing (Scotland) Bill at Stage 1 be completed by 24 June 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

9. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2623—That the Parliament agrees that the draft Non-Domestic Rating (Valuation of Utilities) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2005 be approved.

The motion was agreed to (DT).

10. Designation of Lead Committees: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved that the Parliament agrees that—

S2M-2626—the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Police Grant (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/107);

S2M-2627—the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/113);

S2M-2628—the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Antisocial Behaviour (Fixed Penalty Notice) (Prescribed Area) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/106);

S2M-2629—the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Antisocial Behaviour (Amount of Fixed Penalty) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/110);

S2M-2630—the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/111);

S2M-2631—the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/112);

S2M-2632—the Justice 2 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Intensive Support and Monitoring (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/129);

S2M-2633—the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Act of Sederunt (Fees of Solicitors and Witnesses in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment) 2005 (SSI 2005/149); and

S2M-2634—the Justice 1 Committee be designated as lead committee in consideration of the Act of Sederunt (Fees of Shorthand Writers in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment) 2005 (SSI 2005/150).

The motions were agreed to (DT).

11. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2, 5, 9 and 10 as noted above.

12. Co-operative Education: The Parliament debated S2M-2411 in the name of Bill Butler—That the Parliament commends the work being undertaken by the Co-operative Group in Scotland to work in partnership with the Scottish Executive and local authorities to introduce knowledge and experience of co-operative principles into the mainstream curriculum of Scottish education; recognises that co-operatives offer a unique and valuable form of business structure from which Scotland can derive economic and social benefit and recognises the need to make more Scots aware of the value of co-operation; supports the establishment of the Co-operative Education Trust Scotland which will involve the wider co-operative movement in education, and believes that the Scottish Executive, Careers Scotland, Learning and Teaching Scotland and local authorities should continue to work with the co-operative movement to ensure the distribution of co-operative resource materials for use in schools, support for teacher placements in the co-operative business environment and support for the involvement of the young co-operatives in schools.

The meeting closed at 5.46 pm.

No. 62 Wednesday 13 April 2005

The meeting opened at 9.30 am.

1. Time for Reflection: Reverend Bob Brown, Queen's Cross Parish Church, Aberdeen, led Time for Reflection.

2. Meeting the Needs and Aspirations of People in Scotland: Margo MacDonald moved S2M-2619—That the Parliament agrees that its members' primary function is to reflect and address the needs and aspirations of people in Scotland.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

3. Women Offenders: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-2689—That the Parliament notes the continued increase in the female prison population; recognises that, to reduce this, greater emphasis on rehabilitation within prisons and in community sentences is required to ensure that problems, including drug misuse, are addressed; believes that community sentences can play a significant role for those women who pose little risk to the public or communities in which they live; acknowledges that family and community support is vital in ensuring that women offenders are able to successfully reintegrate into the community, and recognises that a more integrated system of community and prison-based support services to improve the management of women offenders is required in order to reduce reoffending.

Stewart Stevenson moved amendment S2M-2689.1 to motion S2M-2689—

Insert at end—

> ", coupled with the necessary resources for the Scottish Prison Service, local authorities and voluntary organisations to enable them to make their contribution to achieving this goal."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 36, Against 64, Abstentions 10).

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-2689.2 to motion S2M-2689—

Insert at end—

> ", and acknowledges that the best outcome of all is to advance and promote measures which provide early intervention, thereby ensuring that significantly fewer women enter the criminal justice system."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 41, Against 64, Abstentions 5).

Colin Fox moved amendment S2M-2689.3 to motion S2M-2689—

Leave out from “rehabilitation” to end and insert—

> “alternatives to custody for women and greater access to drugs rehabilitation resources are vital; believes that prison is no place to treat women with severe mental health, drugs or alcohol problems; believes that the vast majority of women prisoners pose no threat to the community and should best serve their sentences in the community; believes that only by tackling the root causes of their offending: poverty, unemployment, domestic violence, history of abuse and health problems, will the current trends of increased incarceration be reversed; further believes that it is unacceptable that women end up in jail for trivial offences like fine defaulting, shoplifting and TV licence evasion, and believes that it is time to end custody as a penalty for these and other such offences.”

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 36, Against 74, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

4. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2692—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 20 April 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 3 Proceedings: Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members’ Business

Thursday 21 April 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Health Committee Debate: Access to Dental Health Services in Scotland
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister’s Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport; Finance and Public Services and Communities
2.55 pm	Stage 3 Proceedings: Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time

followed by	Members' Business
Wednesday 27 April 2005	
2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business
Thursday 28 April 2005	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care
2.55 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to by division: For 75, Against 33, Abstentions 1.

5. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2 and 3 as noted above.

6. Quality of Fife's Train Services: The Parliament debated S2M-2482 in the name of Scott Barrie—That the Parliament notes the importance of the rail network to an efficient public transport system in east central Scotland; notes previous debates in the Parliament that highlighted the poor service offered to Fifers by train operators in respect of reliability and punctuality; regrets that the improvements made to the rail infrastructure in Fife, including longer platforms and increased capacity, are still not meeting the level of demand; notes that the service has failed to improve under the new franchisee; believes that the current level of train cancellation and late running is unacceptable, and further believes that First ScotRail, in particular, must ensure that it improves its performance so that a viable alternative to car usage is available.

The meeting closed at 5.57 pm.

No. 63 Thursday 14 April 2005

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Council Tax: Alasdair Morgan moved S2M-2693—That the Parliament notes that the council tax has increased by 55% since 1997; further notes that the council tax is a regressive form of local taxation which penalises those on low incomes and pensioners and is overwhelmingly rejected by the people of Scotland and that the revaluation of the council tax in Wales has resulted in more than one-third of properties moving up by one band or more, and agrees that there should be no revaluation of properties in Scotland and that the unfair council tax should be abolished and replaced by a fair system of local taxation.

The Deputy Minister for Finance and Public Service Reform (Tavish Scott) moved amendment S2M-2693.1 to motion S2M-2693—

Leave out from first "council tax" to end and insert—

> "Scottish Executive has established the independent inquiry into local government finance consistent with the Partnership Agreement of May 2003; notes that, because of the ongoing inquiry, there are no plans for a council tax revaluation in Scotland; notes that the Labour Party has submitted clear and detailed proposals to support changes to the council tax and that the Liberal Democrats have submitted clear and detailed proposals to support a local income tax, and therefore encourages all parties and others to make submissions to the inquiry."

Mr Brian Monteith moved amendment S2M-2693.2 to motion S2M-2693—

Leave out from "; further notes" to end and insert—

> "and that it is this large rise, and not the tax itself, that has made the cost of local council services a greater political priority and a punishing burden for so many Scottish households; believes that to offer a sustainable and fair solution, therefore, a complete review is required of local authority responsibilities and direct payment of some of these by the Scottish Executive so that council tax may be substantially cut; notes that only the Conservatives are offering such a seismic shift by transferring the full cost of schools to the Executive's Education Department which could result in a 35%, or £384, reduction in Band D council tax for every household, while proposals for a local income tax would maintain the existing total tax take and would only change who pays what amount, and believes that Labour's proposal for the introduction of a new top band will place a disproportionate burden on a small minority, while a new lower band will be of major benefit to the Treasury through reduced council tax benefit payments."

After debate, amendment S2M-2693.1 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 39, Abstentions 7). As a result amendment S2M-2693.2 was pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 20, Abstentions 26).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes that the Scottish Executive has established the independent inquiry into local government finance consistent with the Partnership Agreement of May 2003; notes that, because of the ongoing inquiry, there are no plans for a council tax revaluation in Scotland; notes that the Labour Party has submitted clear and detailed proposals to support changes to the council tax and that the Liberal Democrats have submitted clear and detailed proposals to support a local income tax, and therefore encourages all parties and others to make submissions to the inquiry.

2. Nuclear Power: Richard Lochhead moved S2M-2691—That the Parliament notes that the Committee on Radioactive Waste Management (CoRWM) is due to make its final report in July 2006; notes that the decision on where to locate sites for the long-term storage of nuclear waste is likely to be taken shortly after that date and that a number of potential sites in Scotland have been identified; notes that the UK Government is clearing the way to build new nuclear power stations; further notes that the UK Government has agreed to accept and store nuclear waste from overseas; agrees that only the Scottish Parliament can take the decision to locate any sites in Scotland for the long-term storage of nuclear waste, and rejects the need for a new nuclear power station in Scotland.

The Deputy Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Allan Wilson) moved amendment S2M-2691.2 to motion S2M-2691—

Leave out from "that the Committee" to end and insert—

> "the work of the Committee on Radioactive Waste Management; welcomes the Scottish Executive's study into present and future energy supply and demand in Scotland; endorses the Executive's position of not supporting the further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved; supports the Executive's continuing commitment to the development of renewable energy in Scotland, including wind, wave, tidal, solar, hydrogen, biofuels and biomass power, as a key element of a balanced energy supply portfolio; supports the Executive's commitment to achieving 40% renewable electricity generation by 2020, and welcomes the ongoing review of the Scottish Climate Change Programme and the priority being given to strengthening the contribution of energy efficiency and renewables to reduce carbon dioxide emissions."

Alex Johnstone moved amendment S2M-2691.1 to motion S2M-2691—

Leave out from first "UK Government" to end and insert—

> "House of Commons Scottish Affairs Select Committee concluded in its report, *Meeting Scotland's Future Energy Needs,* that it is 'vital that decisions are taken now, to obviate the possibility of, quite literally, the lights going out in Scotland in the foreseeable future'; further notes that nuclear power is currently estimated to save the United Kingdom annual emissions of eight million tonnes, and therefore urges the Scottish Executive to support any plans brought forward by the UK Government to replace current nuclear power stations with new nuclear power stations in order to protect our energy supply, protect existing jobs and reduce our CO_2 emissions."

Chris Ballance moved amendment S2M-2691.3 to motion S2M-2691—

Insert after fourth “waste”—

> “notes that the industry proposal to base electricity supply on identical reactors of the unproven AP1000 design would undermine the security of electricity supply; notes that the amount set aside from nuclear generation revenues over the last 50 years to pay for decommissioning of existing nuclear power stations is only sufficient to fund the first two years of the Nuclear Decommissioning Agency’s 30-year programme and therefore that the multi-billion cost of decommissioning existing nuclear power stations will have to be paid for by future generations of tax payers and therefore considers that nuclear power is economically unsustainable; further notes that, over its whole life cycle, nuclear power is not carbon-neutral and agrees with the Chief Executive of the Energy Saving Trust that ‘to present nuclear power as one of the main ways of combating climate change is short-sighted’; believes that renewable energy and energy efficiency offer a truly secure and sustainable energy future”.

After debate, amendment S2M-2691.2 was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 43, Abstentions 3). As a result amendments S2M-2691.1 and 2691.3 were pre-empted.

The motion, as amended, was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 65, Against 43, Abstentions 3).

Accordingly, the Parliament resolved—That the Parliament notes the work of the Committee on Radioactive Waste Management; welcomes the Scottish Executive’s study into present and future energy supply and demand in Scotland; endorses the Executive’s position of not supporting the further development of nuclear power stations while waste management issues remain unresolved; supports the Executive’s continuing commitment to the development of renewable energy in Scotland, including wind, wave, tidal, solar, hydrogen, biofuels and biomass power, as a key element of a balanced energy supply portfolio; supports the Executive’s commitment to achieving 40% renewable electricity generation by 2020, and welcomes the ongoing review of the Scottish Climate Change Programme and the priority being given to strengthening the contribution of energy efficiency and renewables to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.

3. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. First Minister’s Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

5. Themed Question Time: Questions on Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport, and on Justice and Law Officers were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers and by the Scottish Law Officers.

6. Skills: The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) moved S2M-2694—That the Parliament acknowledges the importance of a policy of effective skills improvement and the contribution it can make to Scotland’s prosperity; supports the objectives of the Scottish Executive’s lifelong learning strategy which has helped raise the skill levels of Scotland’s current workforce and increased the potential for

future skills improvement; recognises that the sustained success of the Modern Apprenticeship scheme and record investment in Scotland's colleges have contributed significantly to improved skill levels; welcomes the Executive's commitment to improving adult literacy and numeracy rates and to better preparing Scotland's young people for the world of work through enterprise education and greater vocational learning opportunities, and believes that a continued focus on skills can help maintain Scotland's position as European Region of the Future.

Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-2694.1 to motion S2M-2694—

Leave out from "which has helped" to end and insert—

> "and encourages the Executive to embark on a twofold strategy of radically improving the competitiveness of Scotland as recorded annually by IMD of Switzerland and increasingly matching the ability of other parts of the developed world to retain and attract skilled people and the type of investment that capitalises on existing skills and develops yet more skills here in Scotland."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 20, Against 82, Abstentions 9).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-2694.2 to motion S2M-2694—

Leave out from "supports" to end and insert—

> "notes the success of the Modern Apprenticeship scheme initiated in the mid-1990s by a Conservative government which has trained over 75,000 people in Scotland and which is currently providing skills training for over 31,000; notes with disappointment figures from the Futureskills Scotland 2004 report which show that 29% of applicants to skill shortage posts lacked basic literacy skills and 24% lacked basic numeracy skills; notes with concern findings from the same report that between 40 and 50% of employers who have recruited school leavers report that they are not well-prepared for work, and calls for more effective school-college partnerships with a view to improving the skills base of the economy."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 17, Against 69, Abstentions 25).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 15, Abstentions 30).

7. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 2 and 6 as noted above.

8. Hannah Research Institute - Loss of Home Based Scientists: The Parliament debated S2M-2544 in the name of Phil Gallie—That the Parliament views with concern the loss of scientists and support staff as a consequence of uncertainties over research funding currently surrounding the Hannah Research Institute near Ayr; considers that the actions of the Scottish Executive Environment and Rural Affairs Department over recent times have been unhelpful and misleading when considering the research direction that

the Institute has followed; believes that the levels of expertise and knowledge available within Hannah are identical to those that the Executive seeks to recruit under its Fresh Talent initiative and retain, if its much-used phrase of “a smart, successful Scotland” has any meaning, and considers that the Ministers for Enterprise, Health and Rural Affairs should come together to secure the future of this quality Scottish resource.

The meeting closed at 5.57 pm.

No. 64 Wednesday 20 April 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Imam Habib Ur Rahman Rauf, Central Mosque, Glasgow led Time for Reflection.

2. Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2716— That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 and 2 – 1 hour and 10 minutes

Group 3 – 1 hour and 20 minutes

Groups 4 to 7 – 1 hour and 45 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

The Presiding Officer subsequently altered the time limits under Rule 9.8.4A(a).

3. Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 6, 17, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

1	(For 26, Against 77, Abstentions 0)
2	(For 26, Against 78, Abstentions 0)
14	(For 42, Against 62, Abstentions 0)
15	(For 42, Against 61, Abstentions 0)
16	(For 42, Against 62, Abstentions 0)
17A	(For 42, Against 62, Abstentions 0)
19	(For 42, Against 60, Abstentions 0)

Amendments 3, 20, 7, 4 and 5 were not moved and amendment 18 was pre-empted.

4. Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim

Wallace) moved S2M-2666—That the Parliament agrees that the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill be passed.

Fiona Hyslop moved amendment S2M-2666.1 to motion S2M-2666—

Insert at end—

> "but, in so doing, regrets the creation of a legislative framework for imposing variable top-up fees in Scotland's tertiary education system."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 43, Against 62, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 68, Against 23, Abstentions 13).

5. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2713—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 27 April 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate: Financial Services Strategy
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 28 April 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Stage 1 Debate: Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill
followed by	Financial Resolution: Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Environment and Rural Development; Health and Community Care
2.55 pm	Executive Debate: Criminal Justice Plan and Surrounding Issues
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business
Wednesday 4 May 2005	
2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
2.35 pm	General Question Time
2.55 pm	First Minister's Question Time
3.25 pm	Themed Question Time— Justice and Law Officers; Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
4.05 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

(b) that the period for members to lodge questions for First Minister's Question Time on 4 May 2005 should end at 2.00 pm on Friday 29 April 2005, and

(c) that the period for members to lodge questions for First Minister's Question Time on 2 June 2005 should end at 5.00 pm on Thursday 26 May 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

6. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on item 4 as noted above.

7. Boundaries of the Cairngorms National Park: The Parliament debated S2M-2376 in the name of Mr John Swinney—That the Parliament notes that the current boundaries of the Cairngorms National Park differ from those originally recommended by Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) following extensive consultation on behalf of the Scottish Executive; notes that, as a result of these boundaries, large parts of Highland Perthshire and East Perthshire are excluded from the national park; recognises the strength of support within these areas for participation and involvement in the national park; considers that the case for designation of the Cairngorms as a World Heritage Site would be strengthened by the inclusion of the Perthshire area in the park, and considers that the Executive should conduct an early review of the boundaries of the national park and extend the current boundary to that originally proposed by SNH.

The meeting closed at 5.45 pm.

No. 65 Thursday 21 April 2005

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill – Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2717—That the Parliament agrees that, during Stage 3 of the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time-limits indicated (each time limit being calculated from when the Stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when the meeting of the Parliament is suspended or otherwise not in progress):

Groups 1 and 2 – 30 minutes

Group 3 – 55 minutes

Groups 4 to 6 – 1 hour and 15 minutes

The motion was agreed to.

2. Access to Dental Services in Scotland: Roseanna Cunningham, on behalf of the Health Committee, moved S2M-2708—That the Parliament commends to the Scottish Executive the research report, *Access to Dental Health Services in Scotland* (SP Paper 277), commissioned by the Health Committee; draws the Executive's attention to the problems of access to services that the report identifies and their implications for the introduction of free dental checks, and urges the Executive to use the report to inform the implementation of its dental strategy.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

3. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

5. Themed Question Time: Questions on Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport, on Finance and Public Services and on Communities were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Bill was considered at Stage 3.

The following amendments were agreed to without division: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 49, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 45, 42, 8, 43 and 44

The following amendments were disagreed to (by division)—

5	(For 27, Against 70, Abstentions 0)
1	(For 23, Against 73, Abstentions 0)
48	(For 23, Against 70, Abstentions 0)
2	(For 37, Against 57, Abstentions 3)

Amendments 6, 7, 4, 47, 3 and 46 were not moved.

7. Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill - Stage 3: The Minister for Education and Young People (Peter Peacock) moved S2M-2665—That the Parliament agrees that the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill be passed.

After debate, the motion was agreed to (DT).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 2 and 7 as noted above.

9. Protected Geographical Indicator Status for Scotch Whisky: The Parliament debated S2M-2650 in the name of Mr Andrew Arbuckle—That the Parliament believes that EU Protected Geographical Indicator (PGI) status for Scotch whisky would provide a further selling point for the end product; welcomes the fact that this would require the use of Scottish-only grain in the manufacture of Scotch whisky; believes that the industry should apply for PGI status to help ensure the long-term sustainability of Scottish cereal growing, and considers that any such application should be supported by the Scottish Executive.

The meeting closed at 5.41 pm.

No. 66 Wednesday 27 April 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Miss Eilidh Letham, sixth year pupil, Airdrie Academy, led Time for Reflection.

2. Financial Services Strategy: The Deputy First Minister and Minister for Enterprise and Lifelong Learning (Mr Jim Wallace) moved S2M-2729—That the Parliament recognises the central importance of financial services to the Scottish economy; believes the industry's future success is fundamental to achieving sustained economic growth in Scotland; congratulates all those involved in the development of *A Strategy for the Financial Services Industry in Scotland*; believes that the involvement of high level representatives from industry, trade unions, government and other public sector partners will help secure continued success in an increasingly competitive global market, and welcomes the commitment of the Scottish Executive to maintaining a long-term partnership while focusing on effective and timely delivery of the *First Year Implementation Plan*.

Jim Mather moved amendment S2M-2729.1 to motion S2M-2729—

Insert at end—

> "also recognises, however, the threats to the Scottish financial services industry as well as the opportunities and echoes the calls from within the industry for Scotland to have a separate and competitive fiscal regime in Scotland that could strengthen the industry and the case for increased investment in Scotland."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 21, Against 70, Abstentions 6).

Murdo Fraser moved amendment S2M-2729.2 to motion S2M-2729—

Insert at end—

> "notes, however, that, as a result of Labour's stewardship of our economy, the savings ratio is at a historically low level, means-testing has been extended to 5 million pensioners, £5 billion per year has been removed in additional taxes from pension funds and public confidence in the pensions industry has been destroyed, and therefore believes that the financial services industry in Scotland requires a UK government that is committed to restoring trust in the industry and improving incentives to save."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 10, Against 63, Abstentions 24).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 78, Against 0, Abstentions 19).

3. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2735—That the Parliament agrees the following programme of business—

Wednesday 4 May 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Business Motion
2.35 pm	General Question Time
2.55 pm	First Minister's Question Time
3.25 pm	Themed Question Time— Justice and Law Officers; Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
4.05 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 11 May 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Procedures Committee Debate: Report on Private Legislation
followed by	Justice 1 Committee Debate: 3rd Report, 2005, Inquiry into the Effectiveness of Rehabilitation in Prisons
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 12 May 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Finance and Public Services and Communities; Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport
2.55 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

The motion was agreed to.

4. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on item 2 as noted above.

5. Make Poverty History Campaign in 2005: The Parliament debated S2M-2207 in the name of Des McNulty—That the Parliament welcomes the UK Government's commitment to the millennium development goals; welcomes the First Minister's recent statement that Scotland's devolved government can contribute to international development; notes that the crucial G8 meeting will be held in Scotland in July 2005; notes with concern that the current debt crisis, trade injustice and shortcomings of aid further exacerbate poverty, inequality, the HIV/AIDS crisis and environmental degradation across the developing world; notes that, if the international community is to make poverty history, then there needs to be further co-ordinated political action by the world's governments, including the United Kingdom, aimed at trade justice, dropping the debt and providing more and better aid, and considers that the UK Government should lead the way for change and use its influence when it holds the presidency of the G8 and chairs the EU to make poverty history in 2005.

6. Motion without Notice: Des McNulty moved without notice that, under Rule 8.14.3, the debate be extended until 6.15 pm.

The meeting closed at 6.15 pm.

No. 67 Thursday 28 April 2005

The meeting opened at 9.15 am.

1. Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill: The Minister for Health and Community Care (Mr Andy Kerr) moved S2M-2667—That the Parliament agrees to the general principles of the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill.

Carolyn Leckie moved amendment S2M-2667.1 to motion S2M-2667—

Insert at end—

> "but, in doing so, believes that the Scottish Executive's pursuit of further privatisation in the form of joint ventures in section 31 of the Bill compromises the general benefits to health from the Bill and potentially undermines cross-party support for the passage of the Bill."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 9, Against 75, Abstentions 17).

The motion was then agreed to ((DT) by division: For 83, Against 15, Abstentions 3).

2. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

3. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

4. Themed Question Time: Questions on Environment and Rural Development, and on Health and Community Care were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

5. Supporting Safer, Stronger Communities: Reform of Scotland's Criminal Justice Services: The Minister for Justice (Cathy Jamieson) moved S2M-2736—That the Parliament believes that building safer, stronger communities is vital for Scotland's well-being and future success; supports the reform package set out in the Criminal Justice Plan to promote the swifter delivery of sentences that are effective in reducing reoffending and supporting rehabilitation; recognises that violence, particularly knife crime, damages the daily life of already disadvantaged communities, and believes that co-ordinated action to tackle violence and knife crime must be stepped up in communities across Scotland.

Mr Kenny MacAskill moved amendment S2M-2736.2 to motion S2M-2736—

Insert at end—

> "and recognises the need for individuals to accept greater responsibility for their actions and the consequences thereof as well as their own role in criminal justice, from reporting crime to participating in jury service, and equally for the Scottish Executive to recognise its own responsibility to all communities in Scotland and address the problems of drink, drugs and deprivation that lie at the root of much desperation and crime."

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 24, Against 78, Abstentions 0).

Miss Annabel Goldie moved amendment S2M-2736.1 to motion S2M-2736—

Leave out from first "believes" to end and insert—

> "notes the unacceptable rate of reoffending occurring in Scotland today; accepts that there is a place in our criminal justice system for a range of different sentencing options to address this problem but recognises that when a prison sentence is the appropriate disposal, then prison is not simply a punishment but is intended to rehabilitate, deter and protect the public; believes that the way to reduce reoffending and subsequently the prison population is to reduce the overall incidence of crime in Scotland, and therefore calls on the Scottish Executive to increase the police presence in our communities to deter and detect crime and to end automatic early release from our prisons to ensure honesty in sentencing".

After debate, the amendment was disagreed to ((DT) by division: For 15, Against 87, Abstentions 0).

The motion was then agreed to (DT).

6. Approval of SSI: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau, moved S2M-2731—That the Parliament agrees that the Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.3) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/208) be approved.

After debate, the motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 66, Against 18, Abstentions 17).

7. Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill: Financial Resolution: The Deputy Minister for Health and Community Care (Rhona Brankin) moved S2M-2284—That the Parliament, for the purposes of any Act of the Scottish Parliament resulting from the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill, agrees to any expenditure or increase in expenditure of a kind referred to in Rule 9.12.3(b)(ii) or (iii) of the Parliament's Standing Orders arising in consequence of the Act.

The motion was agreed to ((DT) by division: For 83, Against 0, Abstentions 18).

8. Decision Time: The Parliament took decisions on items 1, 5, 6 and 7 as noted above.

9. Reviewing Arrangements for Managing Sex Offenders: The Parliament debated S2M-2573 in the name of Paul Martin—That the Parliament recognises that, following the murder of eight-year-old Mark Cummings by registered sex offender, Stuart Leggate, there is a requirement for a root-and-branch review of how registered sex offenders are monitored and managed in the community; believes that the current sentencing policy for dealing with registered child sex offenders is grossly inadequate and requires review, that it is not acceptable that registered sex offenders are able to legally act under an alias identity and that the current housing allocation policies for dealing with registered child sex offenders present a serious risk to local communities; considers that an inquiry should be held into the events leading up to the murder of Mark Cummings; believes that the Scottish Executive should, as a matter of urgency, bring forward measures that will ensure that the risk to our children posed by registered child sex offenders is radically minimised, and commends the *News of the World* for its campaign in raising the awareness of the need to introduce legislation to manage registered sex offenders more effectively.

The meeting closed at 5.56 pm.

No. 68 Wednesday 4 May 2005

The meeting opened at 2.30 pm.

1. Time for Reflection: Father Raymond Jaconelli, Abbot of Nunraw, Haddington, led Time for Reflection.

2. Business Motion: Ms Margaret Curran, on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau moved S2M-2757—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Wednesday 11 May 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Procedures Committee Debate: 4th Report 2005, Report on Private Legislation
followed by	Justice 1 Committee Debate: 3rd Report 2005, Inquiry into the Effectiveness of Rehabilitation in Prisons
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Thursday 12 May 2005

9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Debate: Schools/Colleges Review
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Finance and Public Services and Communities; Education and Young People, Tourism, Culture and Sport
2.55 pm	Executive Debate: Veterans
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

Wednesday 18 May 2005

2.30 pm	Time for Reflection
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by	Enterprise and Culture Committee Debate: 3rd Report 2005, Restructuring Scotland's Tourism Industry: Report on the Review of Area Tourist Boards
followed by	European and External Relations Committee Debate: 1st Report 2005, An Inquiry into the Promotion of Scotland Worldwide: The Strategy, Policy and Activities of the Scottish Executive
followed by	Business Motion
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business
Thursday 19 May 2005	
9.15 am	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
followed by	Executive Business
11.40 am	General Question Time
12 noon	First Minister's Question Time
2.15 pm	Themed Question Time— Health and Community Care; Environment and Rural Development
2.55 pm	Executive Business
followed by	Parliamentary Bureau Motions
5.00 pm	Decision Time
followed by	Members' Business

and (b) that Stage 2 of the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill be completed by 15 June 2005.

The motion was agreed to.

3. General Question Time: Questions were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

4. First Minister's Question Time: Questions were answered by the First Minister (Mr Jack McConnell).

5. Themed Question Time: Questions on Justice and Law Officers, and on Enterprise, Lifelong Learning and Transport, were answered by Scottish Ministers and junior Scottish Ministers.

6. Supporting Local Producers: The Parliament debated S2M-2726 in the name of Shiona Baird—That the Parliament notes the launch of the new farmers' market at Stonehaven as a welcome addition to the many thriving markets in the north east of Scotland; acknowledges the continuing popularity and growth of farmers' markets, "box" schemes and community-supported

agriculture initiatives across the whole of Scotland; recognises that many consumers are becoming increasingly selective about what they eat and are now consciously rejecting mass-produced, remotely-sourced food in favour of fresh seasonal produce that is grown or reared locally; congratulates local farmers and producers for establishing a range of enterprising initiatives to respond to growing consumer demand for such produce in their areas, and considers that shoppers should actively support Stonehaven's initiative and other examples of sustainable local enterprise which benefit the local producer, the local consumer and the local economy.

The meeting closed at 5.01 pm.

ANNEX A

BILLS INTRODUCED

The following Bills were introduced on the dates shown—

11 June 2004

Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to establish the Water Industry Commission for Scotland; to create offences in relation to the unauthorised use of the public water and sewerage systems; to provide for licensing the provision of certain water and sewerage services; to amend the system for fixing charges for services provided by Scottish Water; to make provision as to Scottish Water's functions; to make provision in relation to coal mine water pollution; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 23) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Ross Finnie
Supported by: Allan Wilson

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 23-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 23-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

28 June 2004

Fire (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision about fire and rescue authorities and joint fire and rescue boards; to restate and amend the law in relation to fire services; to make provision in relation to the functions of such authorities and boards in connection with certain events and situations other than fires; to make provision for implementing in part Council Directives 89/391/EEC, 89/654/EEC, 91/383/EEC, 94/33/EC, 98/24/EC and 99/92/EC; to make other provision in relation to fire safety in certain non-domestic premises; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 24) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Cathy Jamieson
Supported by: Hugh Henry

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 24-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 24-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

30 September 2004

Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision establishing the Scottish Further and Higher Education Funding Council and provision as to its functions; to make provision as to support for further and higher education; to make provision relating to bodies which provide further and higher education; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 26) (Executive Bill)
Introduced by: Mr Jim Wallace

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 26-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 26-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

27 October 2004

Baird Trust Reorganisation Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to transfer the property, rights, interests and liabilities of The Baird Trust to a successor company limited by guarantee and to dissolve The Baird Trust; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 27) (Private Bill)

Introduced by: The Trustees of the Baird Trust

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 27-EN) and a Promoter's Memorandum (SP Bill 27-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

Transport (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to provide for the setting up and functions of new transport bodies and to enable the Scottish Ministers to discharge certain transport functions; to provide further for the control and co-ordination of road works and for the enforcement of the duties placed on those who carry them out; to set up national concessionary fares schemes; and to make other, miscellaneous modifications of the law relating to transport. (SP Bill 28) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Nicol Stephen

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 28-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 28-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

29 October 2004

Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to restate and amend the law relating to female genital mutilation and to provide for extra-territorial effect; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 29) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Cathy Jamieson
Supported by: Hugh Henry

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 29-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 29-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make it an offence to meet a child following certain preliminary contact and to make other provision for the purposes of protecting children from harm of a sexual nature; and to make further provision about the prevention of sexual offences. (SP Bill 30) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Cathy Jamieson
Supported by: Peter Peacock, Hugh Henry

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 30-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 30-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

11 November 2004

Council Tax Abolition and Service Tax Introduction (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to abolish council tax and replace it with a local tax levied on individual income; and to extinguish outstanding liabilities for community charge and certain liabilities for council tax. (SP Bill 31) (Member's Bill)

Introduced by: Tommy Sheridan

A Financial Memorandum (and Presiding Officer's statement on legislative competence) (SP Bill 31-FM) was printed to accompany the Bill. A Policy Memorandum was printed separately as SP Bill 31-PM.

15 November 2004

Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision about charities and other benevolent bodies; to make provision about fundraising in connection with charities and other benevolent bodies; to amend the law in relation to the investment powers of trustees; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 32) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Malcolm Chisholm
Supported by: Johann Lamont, Hugh Henry

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 32-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 32-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

16 December 2004

Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to prohibit smoking in certain wholly enclosed places; to make provision in relation to general dental services, general ophthalmic services, personal dental services and pharmaceutical care services; to make provision in relation to disqualification by the NHS Tribunal; to enable the Scottish Ministers to establish a scheme for the making of payments to certain persons infected with hepatitis C as a result of NHS treatment; to amend the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 as respects what constitutes an independent health care service, the implementation of certain decisions by the Scottish Commission for the Regulation of Care or the Scottish Social Services Council and the provision of information to the Council; to make provision providing further time for applications to be made for registration of child care agencies and housing support services under the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 and provide authorisation for the payment of certain grants to such services while not registered under that Act; to amend the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000 as respects authorisation of medical treatment; to enable the Scottish Ministers to form, participate in and provide assistance to companies for the purpose of providing facilities or services for persons exercising functions under the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 or of making money available to the health service in Scotland; and to amend the rules as to membership of and other matters relating to the Scottish Hospital Endowments Research Trust. (SP Bill 33) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Mr Andy Kerr
Supported by: Rhona Brankin

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 33-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 33-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

19 January 2005

Budget (Scotland) (No.2) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision, for financial year 2005/06, for the use of resources by the Scottish Administration and certain bodies whose expenditure is payable out of the Scottish Consolidated Fund, for authorising the payment of sums out of the Fund and for the maximum amounts of borrowing by certain statutory bodies; to make provision, for financial year 2006/07, for authorising the payment of sums out of the Fund on a temporary basis; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 34) (Budget Bill)
Introduced by: Mr Tom McCabe
Supported by: Mr Jack McConnell, Mr Jim Wallace, Ms Margaret Curran

Accompanying documents (SP Bill 34-AD) were printed to accompany the Bill.

Abolition of NHS Prescription Charges (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to abolish National Health Service prescription charges for the provision of drugs, medicines and appliances or pharmaceutical services in respect of Scottish prescriptions; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 35) (Member's Bill)
Introduced by: Colin Fox

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 35-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 35-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

25 January 2005

Fire (Scotland) Bill —The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 24A) (Executive Bill)

7 February 2005

Family Law (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to amend the law in relation to marriage, divorce and the jurisdiction of the courts in certain consistorial actions; to amend the Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Act 1981; to amend the law relating to the domicile of persons who are under 16 years of age; to make further provision as respects responsibilities and rights in relation to children; to make provision conferring rights in relation to property, succession and claims in damages for persons living, or having lived, together as if husband and wife; to amend Part 3 of the Civil Partnership Act 2004; to make provision in relation to certain rules of private international law relating to family law; to make incompetent actions for declarator of freedom and putting to silence; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 36) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Cathy Jamieson

Supported by: Peter Peacock, Malcolm Chisholm

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 36-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 36-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

9 February 2005

Water Services etc. (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 23B) (Executive Bill).

23 February 2005

Fire (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as passed (SP Bill 24B) (Executive Bill).

28 February 2005

Licensing (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision for regulating the sale of alcohol, and for regulating licensed premises and other premises on which alcohol is sold; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 37) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Mr Tom McCabe
Supported by: Tavish Scott

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 37-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 37-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

1 March 2005

Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 26A) (Executive Bill)

2 March 2005

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision for the assessment of the environmental effects of certain plans and programmes, including plans and programmes to which Directive 2001/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council relates; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 38) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Ross Finnie

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 38-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 38-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

Gaelic Language (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 25A) (Executive Bill)

3 March 2005

Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision for the establishment of community justice authorities; to make further provision for the supervision and care of persons put on probation or released from prison etc.; to amend Part 1 of the Prisoners and Criminal Proceedings (Scotland) Act 1993 so as to make

further provision as respects the release of prisoners on licence; to make further provision as respects the jurisdiction of the Scottish courts in proceedings for offences in relation to the notification requirements of Part 2 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003; to make provision about the recovery of compensation from offenders; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 39) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Cathy Jamieson
Supported by: Hugh Henry

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 39-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 39-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

7 March 2005

Housing (Scotland) Bill—A Bill for an Act of the Scottish Parliament to make provision about housing standards; to confer a right to adapt rented houses to meet the needs of disabled occupants; to provide for the giving of assistance by local authorities in connection with work carried out in relation to houses; to require certain information to be made available on the sale of houses; to regulate the multiple occupation of houses and certain other types of living accommodation; to make provision about mobile homes; to make provision about matters to be considered by local authorities when assessing suitability of persons to act as a landlord; and for connected purposes. (SP Bill 40) (Executive Bill)

Introduced by: Malcolm Chisholm

Supported by: Johann Lamont

Explanatory Notes (and other accompanying documents) (SP Bill 40-EN) and a Policy Memorandum (SP Bill 40-PM) were printed to accompany the Bill.

3 May 2005

Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 29A) (Executive Bill)

4 May 2005

Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 30A) (Executive Bill)

Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Bill—The Bill was reprinted as amended at Stage 2. (SP Bill 32A) (Executive Bill)

The following Bill was withdrawn on 29 September 2004—

Fire Sprinklers in Residential Premises (Scotland) Bill—The Bill, introduced on 17 November 2003, was withdrawn by Michael Matheson. (SP Bill 13 (Session 2)) (Member's Bill)

ANNEX B

SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION

1. Affirmative Instruments

The following instruments were laid in draft before the Parliament on the dates shown for approval by resolution—

14 May 2004

The draft Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004

laid under section 37 of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

18 May 2004

The draft Advice and Assistance (Financial Limit) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004

laid under section 37 of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

20 May 2004

The Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2004

laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Scotland Act 1998

24 May 2004

The Farm Business Development (Scotland) Amendment Scheme 2004 (SSI 2004/236)

laid under section 29(2)(d) of the Agriculture Act 1970

25 May 2004

The Town and Country Planning (Electronic Communications) (Scotland) Order 2004

laid under sections 5(2), 9(4) and 9(7) of the Electronic Communications Act 2000

(Note: The Town and Country Planning (Electronic Communication) (Scotland) Order 2004, which was laid before the Parliament on 25 May 2004, was withdrawn on 3 June 2004)

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.3) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/237)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

3 June 2004

The Town and Country Planning (Electronic Communications) (Scotland) Order 2004

laid under section 9 of the Electronic Communications Act 2000

9 June 2004

The Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Private Jurisdiction and Summary Cause) Order 2004

laid under section 41 of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971

The Small Claims (Scotland) Amendment Order 2004

laid under section 35(4) and 36B(4) of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971

(Note: The draft Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971 (Private Jurisdiction and Summary Cause) Order 2004 and the draft Small Claims (Scotland) Amendment Order 2004, both laid before the Parliament on 9 June 2004, were withdrawn on 11 June 2004)

21 June 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Diarrhetic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/298)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

1 July 2004

The Housing Grants (Assessment of Contributions) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004

laid under section 240A(3) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987

6 July 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.4) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/319)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

12 July 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No.2) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/322)

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.5) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/323)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

20 July 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.6) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/330)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

30 July 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Irish Sea) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/340

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

5 August 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.7) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/341)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

17 August 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.8) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/344)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

24 August 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No.3) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/344)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

31 August 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.9) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/359)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

6 September 2004

The Freedom of Information (Fees for Required Disclosure) (Scotland) Regulations 2004

laid under section 72(2)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

7 September 2004

The Fishing Vessels (Satellite-tracking Devices) (Scotland) Scheme 2004 (SSI 2004/379)

laid under section 15(3) of the Fisheries Act 1981

8 September 2004

The Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Modification of National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000) Order 2004

laid under section 30(3) of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Diarrhetic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (No.2) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/378)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

9 September 2004

The Scotland Act 1998 (Functions Exercisable in or as Regards Scotland) Order 2004

laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Scotland Act 1998

The Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications of Schedule 5) Order 2004
laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 of, the Scotland Act 1998

16 September 2004

The Maximum Number of Judges (Scotland) Order 2004
laid under section 1(3) of the Court of Session Act 1986

24 September 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.10) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/412)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

27 September 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No.4) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/417)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.11) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/418)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act

5 October 2004

The Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2004
laid under section 74(2) of the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000

6 October 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/435)
The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (No.3) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/436)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act

18 October 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.12) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/447)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act

26 October 2004

The Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 Modification Order 2004

laid under section 326(4)(b) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

4 November 2004

The draft Budget (Scotland) Act 2004 Amendment (No. 2) Order 2004
laid under section 7(2) of the Budget (Scotland) Act 2004

The draft Agricultural Holdings (Right to buy Modifications) (Scotland) Regulations 2004
laid under section 91(4)(b) of the Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Act 2003
(Note: The Agricultural Holdings (Right to Buy Modifications) (Scotland) Regulations 2004, which was laid before the Parliament on 4 November 2004, was withdrawn on 8 November 2004)

8 November 2004

The Agricultural Holdings (Right to Buy Modifications) (Scotland) Regulations 2004
laid under section 91(4)(b) of the Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Act 2003

9 November 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.13) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/484)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

10 November 2004

The Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004 (Consequential Provisions) Order 2004
laid under section 32(2) of the Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004

23 November 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (No.2) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/500)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

25 November 2004

The Criminal Procedure (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2004 (Incidental, Supplemental and Consequential Provisions) Order 2004
laid under section 26(4) of the Criminal Procedure (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2004
(Note: The Criminal Procedure (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2004 (Incidental, Supplemental and Consequential Provisions) Order 2004, which was laid before the Parliament on 25 November 2004 was withdrawn on 30 November 2004)

30 November 2004

The Criminal Procedure (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2004 (Incidental, Supplemental and Consequential Provisions) Order 2005

laid under section 26(4) of the Criminal Procedure (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2004

9 December 2004

The Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications to Schedule 5) Order 2005—

The Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2005—

laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Scotland Act 1998

(Note: The draft Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2005, which was laid before the Parliament on 9 December 2004 was withdrawn on 6 January 2005)

The Scotland Act 1998 (River Tweed) Order 2005

laid under section 111 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Scotland Act 1998

(Note: The draft Scotland Act 1998 (River Tweed) Order 2005, which was laid before the Parliament on 9 December 2004 was withdrawn on 16 December 2004)

10 December 2004

The Council Tax (Discount for Unoccupied Dwellings) (Scotland) Regulations 2005

laid under section 33(6) of the Local Government in Scotland Act 2003

16 December 2004

The Waste (Scotland) Regulations 2005

laid under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 and section 2(8) of the Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999

6 January 2005

The Remote Monitoring Requirements (Prescribed Courts) (Scotland) Regulations 2005

laid under section 24B(6) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995

13 January 2005

The Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 (Modification) Order 2005

laid under section 98(5) of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003

18 January 2005

The Scotland Act 1998 (Transfer of Functions to the Scottish Ministers etc.) Order 2005

laid under section 115 of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Scotland Act 1998

20 January 2005

The Scotland Act 1998 (Modifications of Schedule 5) (No. 2) Order 2005
laid under section 115(1) of, and paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 7 to, the Scotland Act 1998

The Local Government Finance (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/19)
laid under paragraph 2(3) of Schedule 12 to the Local Government Finance Act 1992

24 January 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/34)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

27 January 2005

The Budget (Scotland) Act 2004 Amendment Order 2005
laid under section 7(1) of the Budget (Scotland) Act 2004

3 February 2005

The Advice and Assistance (Assistance by Way of Representation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005
The Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005
The Civil Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (Scotland) Regulations 2005
laid under section 37(2) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

The Renewables Obligation (Scotland) Order 2005
laid under section 32(9) of the Electricity Act 1989

The Housing Support Grant (Scotland) Order 2005
laid under section 191(9) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987

The Landfill Allowances Scheme (Scotland) Regulations 2005
laid under section 28(4) of the Waste and Emissions Trading Act 2003

14 February 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No.2) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/69)
laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

21 March 2005

The Producer Responsibility Obligations (Packaging Waste) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005
laid under section 93(10) of the Environment Act 1995

6 April 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 3) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/208)

laid under section 1(8) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

14 April 2005

The Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 (Relevant Premises) Regulations 2005

laid under section 88(4) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

18 April 2005

The Mental Health (Medical treatment subject to safeguards) (Section 234) (Scotland) Regulations 2005—

The Mental Health (Medical treatment subject to safeguards) (Section 237) (Scotland) Regulations 2005—

laid under section 326(4)(c) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

20 April 2005

The Farm Business Development (Scotland) Variation Scheme 2005 (SSI 2005/219)

laid under section 29(2)(d) of the Agriculture Act 1970

25 April 2005

The Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2005

laid under section 36(6) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003

19 May 2005

The Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 (Consequential Modifications and Amendments) Order 2005

laid under section 88(4) of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005

The Mental Health (Safeguards for Certain Informal Patients) (Scotland) Regulations 2005

laid under section 326(4)(c) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

7 June 2005

The Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Scotland) Order 2005

laid under section 141(3) of the Criminal Justice Act 1988

2. Negative Instruments

The following instruments were laid in draft before the Parliament and were subject to annulment—

2 November 2004

The draft Holyrood Park Amendment Regulations 2004

laid under section 6(2) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 as read with article 3(3) of the Scotland Act 1998 (Transitory and Transitional Provisions) (Statutory Instruments) Order 1999 (SI 1999/1096) (superseding section 2(2) of the Parks Regulation (Amendment) Act 1926)

(Note: The Holyrood Park Amendment Regulations 2004, which were laid before the Parliament on 2 November 2004, was withdrawn on 11 November 2004)

11 November 2004

The draft Holyrood Park Amendment Regulations 2004

laid under section 6(2) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 as read with article 3(3) of the Scotland Act 1998 (Transitory and Transitional Provisions) (Statutory Instruments) Order 1999 (SI 1999/1096)

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on the dates shown and were subject to annulment—

6 May 2004

The Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Quota and Third Country Fishing Measures) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI/2004/209)

laid under section 30(4) of the Fisheries Act 1981

7 May 2004

The Food (Emergency Control) (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/210)

laid under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972

The Tobacco Advertising and Promotion (Specialist Tobacconists) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/211)

laid under section 19(5) of the Tobacco Advertising and Promotion Act 2002

10 May 2004

The Primary Medical Services (Consequential and Ancillary Amendments) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI/2004/212)

laid under section 7(4) of the Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004

14 May 2004

The National Health Service (General Medical Services Contracts) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/215)—

The National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Performers Lists) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/216)—

The National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Section 17C Agreements) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/217)—

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

18 May 2004

The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/220)

laid under paragraph 2(2) to schedule 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

19 May 2004

The General Medical Services and the General Medical Services and Section 17C Agreements (Transitional and Other Ancillary Provisions Orders) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI/2004/223)

laid under section 7(4) of the Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004

3 June 2004

The Police (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/257)

laid under section 48(2) of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967

The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/258)

laid under paragraph 2 of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

7 June 2004

The Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/262)—

The Criminal Legal Aid (Fixed Payments) (Scotland) Amendment (No.3) Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/263)—

The Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/264)—

laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

8 June 2004

The Agricultural Business Development Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/267)

laid under paragraph 2(2), schedule 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

The Regulation of Care (Social Service Workers) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI/2004/268)

laid under section 78(1) of the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001

The Food Labelling Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/269)
laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The Individual Learning Account (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/270)
laid under section 3 of the Education and Training (Scotland) Act 2000

9 June 2004

The National Health Service (Tribunal) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/271)
laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Common Agricultural Policy (Wine) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI/2004/272)
laid under Schedule 2 paragraph 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

10 June 2004

The Education Maintenance Allowances (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/273)
laid under sections 73(f) and 133 of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980

The Glasgow Metropolitan College (Establishment) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/274)
laid under section 60 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992

The Waste Management Licensing Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/275)
laid under section 161 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990

The Inshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing and Fishing Methods) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/276)
laid under section 9(2) of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984

The TSE (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/277)—
The Common Agricultural Policy Non-IACS Support Schemes (Appeals) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/278)—
The Pig Carcase (Grading) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/279)—
The Beef Carcase (Classification) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/280)—
laid under schedule 2, paragraph 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

The Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/281)—
The Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/282)—
laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

The Conservation of Seals (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/283)
laid under section 14 of the Conservation of Seals Act 1970

11 June 2004

The National Health Service (Borrowing and Loans from Endowments) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/284)—
The National Health Service (Transfer of Property between Health Boards) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/285)—
laid under section 18(3) of the Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. (Scotland) Act 2003

The Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland (Appointment of Legal Members) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/286)
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

The Victim Statements (Prescribed Offences) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/287)
laid under section 88(1) of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003

The Environment Protection (Restriction on Use of Lead Shot) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/289)
laid under section 161 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990

14 June 2004

The National Health Service (Vocational Training for General Dental Practice) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/292)
laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 (Transitional Provisions) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/293)
laid under section 78(1) of the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001

24 June 2004

The Education Maintenance Allowances (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/301)
laid under sections 73(f) and 133 of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980

25 June 2004

The European Communities (Lawyer's Practice) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/302)

laid under schedule 2, paragraph 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

The Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2004 Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/305)
laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

1 July 2004

The Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/316)
laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

2 July 2004

The Oil and Fibre Plant Seed (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/317)
laid under section 16(6) of the Plant Varieties and Seeds Act 1964

6 July 2004

The Register of Sasines (Application Procedure) Rules 2004 (SSI 2004/318)
laid under section 74(1) of the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000

19 August 2004

The Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 (Payments out of Grants for Housing Support Services) Amendment (No. 2) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/348)
laid under section 109 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001

27 August 2004

The Sports Grounds and Sporting Events (Designation) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/356)
laid under section 18 of the Criminal Law (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 1995

The Environmental Protection (Restriction on Use of Lead Shot) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/358)
laid under section 161 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990

31 August 2004

The International Criminal Court (Enforcement of Fines, Forteiture and Reparation Orders) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/360)
laid under section 26 (10) of the International Criminal Court (Scotland) Act 2001

2 September 2004

The Plant Protection Products (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/368)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

3 September 2004

The National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/369)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/370)

laid under section 138(3) of the Sexual Offences Act 2003

6 September 2004

The General Medical Services and Section 17C Agreements (Transitional and Other Ancillary Provisions) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/372)

laid under section 7(4) of the Primary Medical Services (Scotland) Act 2004

The Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland (Delegation of the President's Functions) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/373)

laid under section 326 of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

The Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland (Appointment of Medical Members) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/374)

laid under section 326 of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

The Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland (Appointment of General Members) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/375)

laid under section 326 of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

The Freedom of Information (Fees for Disclosure under Section 13) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/376)

laid under section 72(2) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

7 September 2004

The Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 (Commencement No. 5 and Transitional Provisions) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/377)

laid under section 78(1) of the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001

8 September 2004

The Fodder Plant Seeds Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/380)

laid under section 16(1) and (6) of the Plant Varieties and Seeds Act 1964

The Agricultural Subsidies (Appeals) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/381)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

9 September 2004

The Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980 (Foreign Lawyers and Multi-national Practices) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/383)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Agricultural Wages (Permits to Infirm and Incapacitated Persons) (Repeals) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/384)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Firemen's Pension Scheme Amendment (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/385)

laid under section 26 of the Fire Services Act 1947 and sections 12 and 16 of the Superannuation Act 1972

The Community Health Partnerships (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/386)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Mental Health (Advance Statements) (Prescribed Class of Persons) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/387)

laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Action 2003

The Mental Health (Patient Representation) (Prescribed Persons) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/388)

laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

The Teachers (Medical Requirements for Admission to Training and Registration) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/390)

laid under sections 6(2B) and 7(8) of the Teaching Council (Scotland) Act 1965

10 September 2004

The National Assistance (Assessment of Resources) Amendment (No. 2) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/389)

laid under section 63(3) of the National Assistance Act 1948

14 September 2004

The Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Satellite Monitoring Measures) (Scotland) Revocation Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/391)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Sea Fishing (Enforcement of Community Satellite Monitoring Measures) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/392)
laid under section 30(4) of the Fisheries Act 1981

15 September 2004

The Fireworks (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/393)
laid under section 16 of the Fireworks Act 2003

The Food Safety (General Food Hygiene) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/394)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Food Safety (Act of Accession concerning the Czech Republic and other States) (Consequential Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/395)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

16 September 2004

The Scottish Network 1 Tourist Board Scheme Order 2004 (SSI 2004/396)
laid under section 173(5) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

The Scottish Network 2 Tourist Board Scheme Order 2004 (SSI 2004/397)
laid under section 173(5) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

The Common Agricultural Policy Support Schemes (Modulation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/398)
laid under paragraph 2 of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/399)
laid under paragraph 2 of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Conservation Bodies) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/400)
laid under section 127(1) of the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003

17 September 2004

The Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland (Disciplinary Committee) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/402)

laid under section 326 of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

23 September 2004

The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/406)
laid under section 54 of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003

24 September 2004

The Victim Notification (Prescribed Offences) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/411)
laid under section 88(1) of the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003

The Miscellaneous Food Additives Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/413)
laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The Feeding Stuffs (Sampling and Analysis) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/414)
laid under section 84(2) of the Agriculture Act 1970

The Public Service Vehicles (Registration of Local Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/415)
laid under section 61(1) of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981

28 September 2004

The Sale of Spray Paint (Display of Warning Statement) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/419)
laid under sections 141(1) and (3) of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004

30 September 2004

The Controlled Waste (Fixed Penalty Notices) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/426)—
The Litter (Fixed Penalty Notices) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/427)—
laid under section 161(3) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990

1 October 2004

The Building (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/428)
laid under section 54 of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003

The Mental Health (Advance Statements) (Prescribed Class of Persons) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/429)—
The Mental Health (Patient Representation) (Prescribed Persons) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/430)—
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

5 October 2004

The Genetically Modified Food (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/432)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The Genetically Modified Animal Feed (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/433)

laid under schedule 2, paragraph 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

7 October 2004

The International Criminal Court (Enforcement of Fines, Forfeiture and Reparation Orders) (Scotland) (Revocation) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/437)

laid under section 26(10) of the International Criminal Court (Scotland) Act 2001

The Genetically Modified Organisms (Traceability and Labelling) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/438)—

The Genetically Modified Organisms (Deliberate Release) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/439)—

laid under schedule 2, paragraph 2 of the European Communities Act 1972

8 October 2004

The Plant Health (Great Britain) Amendment (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/440)

laid under section 6(1) of the Plant Health Act 1967

19 October 2004

The Debt Arrangement and Attachment (Scotland) Act 2002 (Transfer of Functions to the Accountant in Bankruptcy) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/448)

laid under section 62(3) of the Debt Arrangement and Attachment (Scotland) Act 2002

21 October 2004

The Avian Influenza (Survey Powers) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/453)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

27 October 2004

The Feeding Stuffs (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/458)

laid under section 84 of the Agriculture Act 1970

1 November 2004

The Scottish Network 2 Tourist Board Scheme Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/465)

laid under section 173(5) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

2 November 2004

The Debt Arrangement Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/470)

laid under section 62(3) of the Debt Arrangement and Attachment (Scotland) Act 2002

The Education (Graduate Endowment, Student Fees and Support) Switzerland (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/469)

laid under sections 49(3), 73(f), 73B,74(1) and 133 of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980; sections 1 and 2 of the Education (Fees and Awards) Act 1983; sections 1,2 and 3(2) of the Education and Training (Scotland) Act 2000, and section 1 of the Education (Graduate Endownment and Student Support (Scotland) Act 2001

3 November 2004

The Marketing of Fruit Plant Material Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/471)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2(2) to the European Communities Act 1972

The Food Labelling Amendment (No. 2) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/472)

laid under section 48(20) of the Food Safety Act 1990

4 November 2004

The Nature Conservation (Designation of Relevant Regulatory Authorities) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/474)

laid under section 53(4) of the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004

The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/475)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Land Registration (Scotland) Amendment Rules 2004 (SSI 2004/476)

laid under section 27(2) of the Land Registration (Scotland) Act 1979

The Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Rural Housing Bodies) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/477)—

The Lands Tribunal for Scotland (Title Conditions Certificates) (Fees) Rules 2004 (SSI 2004/479)—

laid under section 127(1) of the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003

The Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Prescribed Periods) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/478)

laid under section 74(1) of the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000

9 November 2004

The Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000 (Economy, efficiency and effectiveness examinations) (Specified bodies etc.) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/482)

laid under sections 23(2)(b) and 23(3) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

The Police Pensions Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/486)

laid under section 1(6) of the Police Pensions Act 1976

10 November 2004

The Homeless Persons (Unsuitable Accommodation) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/489)

laid under section 29(5) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987

The Plant Health *(Phytophthora ramorum)* (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/488)

laid under section 6(1) of the Plant Health Act 1967

11 November 2004

The Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004 (Notice of Potential Liability for Costs) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/490)

laid under section 32(2) of the Tenements (Scotland) Act 2004

12 November 2004

The Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/491)—

The Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/492)—

The Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/493)—

laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

22 November 2004

The Agricultural Holdings (Fees) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/496)—

The Agricultural Holdings (Forms) (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/497)—

laid under section 91(3) of the Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Act 2003

The Sea Fish (Marketing Standards) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/498)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

26 November 2004

The Building Standards Advisory Committee (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/506)—

The Building (Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/508)—

laid under section 54(5) of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003

30 November 2004

The Control of Volatile Organic Compounds (Petrol Vapour Recovery) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/512)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Act of Sederunt (Fees of Sheriff Officers) 2004 (SSI 2004/513)

laid under section 40 of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1907

The Water Environment (Register of Protected Areas) (Scotland) Regulations (SSI 2004/516)

laid under section 36(4) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003

1 December 2004

The Common Agricultural Policy Schemes (Cross-Compliance) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/518)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Road User Charging (Exemption from Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/519)

laid under section 81(3) of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001

2 December 2004

The Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/520)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Race Relations Act 1976 (Statutory Duties) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/521)

laid under section 74 of the Race Relations Act 1976

The Protection of Children (Scotland) Act 2003 Determination Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/523)

laid under section 21 of the Protection of Children (Scotland) Act 2003

The Plastic Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/524)—

The Contaminants in Food (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/525)—

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The Police Act 1997 (Criminal Records) (Protection of Children) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/526)

laid under section 125 of the Police Act 1997

The Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/527)

laid under section 35 of the Fire Services Act 1947

8 December 2004

The Salmonella in Laying Flocks (Sampling Powers) (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/536)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

16 December 2004

The General Teaching Council for Scotland Election Scheme 2004 Approval Order 2004

laid under section 14(2) of the Teaching Council (Scotland) Act 1965

17 December 2004

The Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (Devolved Public Bodies) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/543)

laid under section 28(5) of the Ethical Standards in Public Life etc. (Scotland) Act 2000

22 December 2004

The Sweeteners in Food Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (SSI 2004/548)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980 (Compensation for Inadequate Professional Services) Order 2004 (SSI 2004/550)

laid under section 56A(5) of the Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980

The Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003 (Notice of Potential Liability for Costs) Amendment Order 2004 (SSI 2004/552)

laid under section 127(1) of the Title Conditions (Scotland) Act 2003

10 January 2005

The Food Labelling (Added Phytosterols or Phytostanols) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/1)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/3)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

13 January 2005

The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/9)

laid under section 138 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003

14 January 2005

The Road Traffic (Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area) (South Lanarkshire Council) Designation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/11)

laid under paragraph 4 of schedule 3 to the Road Traffic Act 1991

The Parking Attendants (Wearing of Uniforms) (South Lanarkshire Council Parking Area) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/12)

laid under section 142(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

The Road Traffic (Parking Adjudicators) (South Lanarkshire Council) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/13)

laid under section 82(7) of the Road Traffic Act 1991

The Non-Domestic Rate (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/14)

laid under section 7B(1) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975

19 January 2005

The Community Reparation Orders (Requirements for Consultation and Prescribed Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI/2005/18)

laid under section 90(2) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 and section 245K(10) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995

21 January 2005

The Conservation of Salmon (Esk Salmon Fishery District) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/24)

laid under section 10D(1) of the Salmon Act 1986

24 January 2005

The Parking Attendants (Wearing of Uniforms) (South Lanarkshire Council Parking Area) (No.2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/35)

laid under section 142 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

25 January 2005

The Conservation of Salmon (River Annan Salmon Fishery District) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/37)

laid under section 10D(1) of the Salmon Act 1986

26 January 2005

The Potatoes Originating in Egypt (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/39)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

27 January 2005

The Valuation for Rating (Decapitalisation Rate) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/41)

laid under section 6(8B)(c) of the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act 1956

28 January 2005

The European Communities (Matrimonial and Parental Responsibility Jurisdiction and Judgments) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/42)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Antisocial Behaviour (Noise Control) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/43)

laid under section 141(3) of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004

3 February 2005

The Domestic Water and Sewerage Charges (Reduction) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/53)

laid under section 68(4) of the Water Industry (Scotland) Act 2002

The Water Services Charges (Billing and Collection) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/54)

laid under section 68 of the Water Industry (Scotland) Act 2002

7 February 2005

The Housing Revenue Account General Fund Contribution Limits (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/62)

laid under section 204(3) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987

8 February 2005

The Water (Prevention of Pollution) (Code of Practice) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/63)

laid under section 104(1) of the Control of Pollution Act 1974

9 February 2005

The Less Favoured Area Support Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/64)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

11 February 2005

The Possession of Pesticides (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/66)

laid under section 26(1) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

The Sea Fish (Prohibited Methods of Fishing) (Firth of Clyde) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/67)

laid under section 20(5) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967

16 February 2005

The Food (Pistachios from Iran) (Emergency Control) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/70)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

18 February 2005

The Potatoes Originating in the Netherlands (Notification) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/73)—

The Potatoes Originating in the Netherlands (Scotland) Revocation Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/74)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

23 February 2005

The Police (Retention and Disposal of Motor Vehicles) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/80)

laid under section 141(3) of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004

24 February 2005

The Poultry Meat, Farmed Game Bird Meat and Rabbit Meat (Hygiene and Inspection) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/81)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

25 February 2005

The National Assistance (Assessment of Resources) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/82)—

The National Assistance (Sums for Personal Requirements) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/84)—

laid under section 63(3) of the National Assistance Act 1948

28 February 2005

The Water Environment (Drinking Water Protected Areas) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/88)

laid under section 36(4) of the Water Environment and Water Services (Scotland) Act 2003

The Sea Fishing (Restriction on Days at Sea) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/90)

laid under section 30(4) of the Fisheries Act 1981

1 March 2005

The Dairy Produce Quotas (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/91)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Plastic Materials and Articles in Contact with Food Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/92)—

The Colours in Food Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/94)—

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

The Criminal Legal Aid (Fixed Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/93)

laid under sections 33 and 41A of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

2 March 2005

The National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/95)

laid under section 105(1) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Regulation of Care (Excepted Services) (Scotland) Regulations 2002 Partial Revocation Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/96)—

The Regulation of Care (Fees) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/97)—

The Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001 (Transitional Provisions) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/98)—

laid under section 78(1) of the Regulation of Care (Scotland) Act 2001

The Births, Deaths, Marriages and Divorces (Fees) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/100)

laid under section 54(2) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965

The Pollution Prevention and Control (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/101)

laid under section 2(7) of the Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999

3 March 2005

The Non-Domestic Rating (Rural Areas and Rateable Value Limits) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/103)—

The Non-Domestic Rating (Former Agricultural Premises) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/104)—

laid under section 8 of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997

The Valuation (Stud Farms) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/105)

laid under section 8 of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997 and section 7B(3) of the Valuation and Rating Act 1956

The Antisocial Behaviour (Fixed Penalty Offence) (Prescribed Area) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/106)—
The Antisocial Behaviour (Amount of Fixed Penalty) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/110)—

laid under section 141(3) of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004

The Police Grant (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/107)

laid under section 32(8) of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967

The Health Boards (Membership and Procedure) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/108)—
The National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/124)—

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuffs) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/109)—
The Feeding Stuffs (Establishments and Intermediaries) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/116)—
The Agricultural Subsidies (Appeals) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/117)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

The Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/111)—
The Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/112)—
The Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/113)—

laid under section 37(1) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

The Community Care (Direct Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/114)

laid under section 90(2) of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968

The NHS Quality Improvement Scotland (Amendment) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/115)—
The NHS Quality Improvement Scotland (Establishment of the Scottish Health Council) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/120)—

laid under section 105(3) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/118)—
The National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/119)—

The National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/128)—

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

The National Health Service (Dental Charges) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/121)

laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 and section 39(4) of the National Health Service (Primary Care) Act 1997

The Dissolution of Local Health Councils (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/122)

laid under section 8(2) of the National Health Service Reform (Scotland) Act 2004

The Road Traffic (NHS Charges) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/123)

laid under section 16(2) of the Road Traffic (NHS Charges) Act 1999

The Gender Recognition (Disclosure of Information) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/125)

laid under section 24(5) of the Gender Recognition Act 2004

The Non-Domestic Rates (Levying) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/126)—

The Non-Domestic Rating (Valuation of Utilities) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/127)—

laid under section 153 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994

The Intensive Support and Monitoring (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/129)

laid under section 70 of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995

4 March 2005

The Antisocial Behaviour (Fixed Penalty Notice) (Additional Information) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/130)

laid under section 141(30) of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004.

8 March 2005

The Inshore Fishing (Prohibition of Fishing for Cockles) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2005 (SSI 2005/140)

laid under section 9(2) of the Inshore Fishing (Scotland) Act 1984

10 March 2005

The Bail Conditions (Specification of Devices) and Restriction of Liberty Order (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/142)

laid under sections 24B(5), 24D(5), 245A(14) and 245C(4) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 as amended by section 17 of the Criminal Procedure (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2004 and section 5 of the Crime and Punishment (Scotland) Act 1997

The Common Agricultural Policy Single Farm Payment and Support Schemes (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/143)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

11 March 2005

The Home Energy Efficiency Scheme Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/144)
laid under section 15(8) of the Social Security Act 1990

15 March 2005

Act of Sederunt (Fees of Solicitors and Witnesses in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment) 2005 (SSI 2005/149)—
Act of Sederunt (Fees of Shorthand Writers in the Sheriff Court) (Amendment) 2005 (SSI 2005/150)—
laid under section 40 of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1907

16 March 2005

The Pensions Appeal Tribunals (Scotland) (Amendment) Rules 2005 (SSI 2005/152)
laid under paragraph 5 of the Schedule to, and read along with section 13 of, the Pensions Appeal Tribunals Act 1943

17 March 2005

The Additional Support Needs Tribunals for Scotland (Appointment of President, Conveners and Members and Disqualification) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/155)
laid under section 34 of the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004

The Sexual Offences Act 2003 (Prescribed Police Stations) (Scotland) Amendment (No.2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/156)
laid under section 138 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003

22 March 2005

The Invergarry-Kyle of Lochalsh Trunk Road (A87) Extension (Skye Bridge Crossing) Toll Order (Revocation) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/167)
laid under section 34(7) of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991

The Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/171)
laid under section 37 of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986

The Building (Forms) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/172)
laid under section 54(1) of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003

The TSE (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/173)
laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

23 March 2005

The Mental Health (Fee Payable to Designated Medical Practitioners) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/175)—
The Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland (Prescribed Persons) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/176)—
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

29 March 2005

The National Health Service (Travelling Expenses and Remission of Charges) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/179)
laid under section 105(2) of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978

31 March 2005

The Police Pensions Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/200)
laid under section 1(6) of the Police Pensions Act 1976

The Intensive Support and Monitoring (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/201)
laid under section 70 of the Children (Scotland) Act 1995

7 April 2005

The Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland (Authorised Persons) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/205)—
The Mental Health (Provision of Information to Patients) (Prescribed Times) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/206)—
laid under section 326(3) of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003

13 April 2005

The Miscellaneous Food Additives Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/214)—
The Smoke Flavourings (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/215)—
laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

14 April 2005

The Plant Health (Import Inspection Fees) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/216)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

15 April 2005

The Education (Student Fees and Support) Temporary Protection (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/217)

laid under sections 49(3), 73(f), 73B, 74(1) and 133 of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980 and sections 1 and 2 of the Education (Fees and Awards) Act 1983

19 April 2005

The Production of Bovine Collagen Intended for Human Consumption in the United Kingdom (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/218)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

21 April 2005

The Food Labelling Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/222)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

22 April 2005

The Horse Passports (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/223)—

The Land Management Contracts (Menu Scheme) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/225)—

laid under paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

29 April 2005

The Materials and Articles in Contact with Food (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/243)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

4 May 2005

The Fireworks (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/245)

laid under section 16 of the Fireworks Act 2003

5 May 2005

The Feed (Corn Gluten Feed and Brewers Grains) (Emergency Control) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/246)

laid under paragraph 2(2) of schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972

3. Not subject to any Parliamentary procedure

The following instruments were laid before the Parliament on the dates shown and were not subject to any Parliamentary procedure—

4 June 2004

The Shrimp Fishing Nets (Scotland) Order 2004 (SSI/2004/261)
laid under section 20(3) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967

1 July 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/315)
laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

17 August 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 4) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/345)
laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

20 August 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Diarrhetic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/349)
laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

18 October 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Irish Sea) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/446)
laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

1 November 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Diarrhetic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (No.2) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/463)
laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

23 November 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/501)
laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Diarrhetic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (No. 3) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/502)

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

29 November 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (East Coast) (No. 2) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/510)

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

20 December 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No. 4) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/547)

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

22 December 2004

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 10) (Scotland) Partial Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/549)—

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 7) (Scotland) Partial Revocation Order 2004 (SSI 2004/553)—

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

18 January 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No. 2) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/16)

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

4 February 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (Orkney) (No. 3) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/56)

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

14 February 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (Nos. 5 and 9) (Scotland) Orders 2005 Partial Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/68)

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

16 February 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Radioactivity in Sheep) Partial Revocation (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/71)

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

28 February 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 7) (Scotland) Order 2004 Partial Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/89)

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

2 March 2005

The Representation of the People (Variation of Limits of Candidates' Local Government Election Expenses) (Scotland) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/102)

laid under section 76A(3) of the Representation of the People Act 1983

7 March 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 12) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/136)

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (Scotland) Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/137)—

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

24 March 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 7) (Scotland) Order 2004 Partial Revocation (No. 2) Order 2005 (SSI 2005/177)

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

4 April 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 13) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/202)—

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 5) (Scotland) Order 2004 Partial Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/203)—

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 10) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/204)—

laid under section 1(10) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985

13 April 2005

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 5) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/212)—

The Food Protection (Emergency Prohibitions) (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) (West Coast) (No. 3) (Scotland) Order 2004 Revocation Order 2005 (SSI 2005/213)

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20 April 1005

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21 April 2005

The Food Labelling Amendment (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (SSI 2005/222)

laid under section 48(3) of the Food Safety Act 1990

25 April 2005

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17 May 2004

Response to the Parliamentary Audit Committee – Report on SFEFC, Performance Management of the FE Sector in Scotland (SE/2004/96)

19 May 2004

Gaelic Broadcasting Committee Annual Report & Accounts 2002-03 (SE/2004/100)

laid under schedule 19(12) of the Broadcasting Act 1990

9 June 2004

Local economic forums – A follow-up report – a main report and key messages summary report prepared for the Auditor General for Scotland (AGS/2004/5)

laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

10 June 2004

Scottish Local Government Financial Statistics 2002-03 (SE/2004/70)

15 June 2004

Statistical Bulletin: Recorded Crime in Scotland, 2003 (SE/2004/110)

laid under section 47(2) of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967 as amended by section 62 of the Police and Magistrates' Courts Act 1994

16 June 2004

Scottish Enterprise – Account management services to high-growth businesses, a main report prepared for the Auditor General for Scotland (AGS/2004/6)

laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

17 June 2004

Horticultural Development Council – Report and Accounts 2002-2003 (SE/2004/111)

laid under section 7 of the Industrial Organisation and Development Act 1947 as applied by section 88(3) of the Scotland Act 1998

23 June 2004

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman – Report of an Investigation into a Complaint Against Fife Acute Hospitals NHS Trust (SPSO/2004/05)

laid under section 15(1) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

28 June 2004

Financial Reporting Advisory Board Report for the period April 2003 to March 2004 (SE/2004/104)

Annual Report of the Chief Surveillance Commissioner to the Prime Minister and to Scottish Ministers for 2003-04 (SE/2004/109)
laid under section 107(3) of the Police Act 1997

Scottish Hospital Trust Accounts for the period 1 April 2003 – 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/122)
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Scottish Drug Enforcement Agency Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/124)

Scottish Drug Enforcement Agency Corporate Development Plan 2004 – 2007 (SE/2004/125)

29 June 2004

Management of the Holyrood building project – A main report prepared for the Auditor General for Scotland (AGS/2004/7)
laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner Annual Report 2003-04 (SPSC/2004/1)
laid under section 18 of the Scottish Parliamentary Standards Commissioner Act 2002

HM Inspectorate of Education – Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/105)
laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission – Fifth Annual Report and Accounts for the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/126)
laid under paragraph 8(3) of schedule 9A to the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 and section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

30 June 2004

Section 306 – Costs, Sentencing Profiles and the Scottish Criminal Justice System, 2002 (SE/2004/95)
laid under section 306 of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995

ECITB – Annual Report and Financial Statements 2003 (SE/2004/103)
laid under section 88(3) of the Scotland Act 1998

Report by Scottish Ministers to Parliament - Grants Paid under Section 70 of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001 – Financial Year 2003-04 (SE/2004/128)
laid under section 70 of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2001

1 July 2004

Scottish Law Commission – Report on Insanity and Diminished Responsibility (SE/2004/92)

laid under section 3(1)(e) of the Law Commissions Act 1965

Communities Scotland – Regulation and Inspection – Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/108)

Scottish Children's Reporter Administration – Corporate Plan 2004-2006 (SE/2004/116)

Industrial Development Act 1982 Annual Report 2003/2004 (SE/2004/119)

laid under sections 11 and 15 of the Industrial Development Act 1982

2 July 2004

Health and Community Care Review of the Implementation of Part 5 of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000: A Qualitative Study of Implementation and Early Operation (SE/2004/130)

6 July 2004

Scottish Legal Services Ombudsman Annual Report 2003-2004 (SE/2004/102)

laid under paragraph 10 of schedule 3 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990

7 July 2004

Commissioning community care services for older people – A main report and key findings summary prepared for the Auditor General for Scotland and the Accounts Commission (AGS/2004/8)

laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

8 July 2004

Census 2001 Definitions (SE/2004/106)

laid under section 4(1) of the Census Act 1920

14 July 2004

Report of the Gaming Board for Great Britain 2003-04 (SE/2004/127)

laid under section 50 of the Gaming Act 1968

19 July 2004

National Lottery Commission Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/114)

laid under Schedule 2A, section 11(4) of the National Lottery etc. Act 1993 and section 88 of the Scotland Act 1998

British Library Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/115)

laid under section 5(3) of the British Library Act 1972 and section 88 of the Scotland Act 1998

Annual Review of Controls on Imports of Animal Products: April 2003 – March 2004 (SE/2004/138)

20 July 2004

Council on Tribunals Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/107)
laid under section 4(7) of the Tribunals and Inquiries Act 1992 and section 88(3) of the Scotland Act 1998

Meat Hygiene Service Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/121)
laid under section 7 of the Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000

VisitBritain Account 2003-04 (SE/2004/139)
laid under section 6(1) of the Development of Tourism Act 1969 and section 88 of the Scotland Act 1998

MLC Annual Report 2004 (SE/2004/140)
laid under section 19(2) of the Agriculture Act 1967

21 July 2004

UK Transplant Annual Account for the year 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/136)
laid under section 98(1C) of the National Health Service Act 1977 and section 88 of the Scotland Act 1998

National Radiological Protection Board Account 2003-2004 (SE/2004/142)
laid under section 3(4) of the Radiological Protection Act 1970

22 July 2004

National Heritage Memorial Fund Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/117)
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Heritage Lottery Fund: National Heritage Memorial Fund Lottery Distribution Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/118)
laid under sections 34(3) and 35(2) of the National Lottery etc. Act 1993

Report of the Interception of Communications Commissioner for 2003 (SE/2004/133)
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Council for the Regulation of Health Care Professionals Account 2002-03 (SE/2004/143)—
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laid under schedule 7, section 15(5) of the National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002 and section 88 of the Scotland Act 1998

26 July 2004

Food from Britain Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/145)

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29 July 2004

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman – Report of an Investigation into a Complaint Against Perth and Kinross Council (SPSO/2004/07)

laid under section 15(1) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

30 July 2004

Scotland's Population 2003: The Registrar General's Annual Review of Demographic Trends (SE/2004/123)

laid under section 1(4) of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1965

4 August 2004

An overview of the performance of the NHS in Scotland – A main report prepared for the Auditor General for Scotland (AGS/2004/4)

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6 August 2004

Highlands and Islands Airports Limited – Annual Report and Accounts 2003-2004 (SE/2004/137)

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British Waterways Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/146)

laid under section 24(3) of the Transport Act 1962

9 August 2004

Scottish Law Commission Report on Damages for Psychiatric Injury (SE/2004/129)

laid under section 3(1)(e) of the Law Commissions Act 1965

12 August 2004

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Report of an Investigation into a Complaint against West Dunbartonshire Council (SPSO/2004/06)

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17 August 2004

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19 August 2004

Scottish Water Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/153)

laid under section 57(8) of the Water Industry (Scotland) Act 2002

20 August 2004

Scottish Advisory Committee on Distinction Awards Annual Report 2003 (SE/2004/154)

25 August 2004

Statistical Bulletin: Prison Statistics Scotland, 2003 (SE/2004/156)

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laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

30 August 2004

Scottish Fisheries Protection Agency Annual Report and Accounts 2003-2004 (SE/2004/88)

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Fisheries Research Services Report and Accounts 2003-2004 (SE/2004/132)

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Report of an Investigation into a Complaint against Fife Acute Hospitals NHS Trust (which has since been dissolved and its liabilities transferred to Fife Health Board (SPSO/2004/08)

laid under section 15(1) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

1 September 2004

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The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Part 5, Chapter 3) – Report of the Appointed Person for Scotland 2003-2004 (SE/2004/113)

laid under section 291 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002

VisitScotland Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/152)

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6 September 2004

Scottish Ministers' Code of Practice on the Discharge of Functions by Public Authorities under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (SE/2004/204)

laid under section 60(5) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman – Report of an Investigation into a Complaint against Grampian University Hospitals NHS Trust (SPSO/2004/09)

laid under section 15(1) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman – Report of an Investigation into a Complaint against The City of Edinburgh Council (SPSO/2004/10)

laid under section 15(1) of the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002

7 September 2004

The Scottish Law Commission Report on Registration of Rights in Security by Companies (SE/2004/141)

laid under section 3(1)(e) of the Law Commissions Act 1965

8 September 2004

Council for Healthcare Regulatory Excellence Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/148)

laid under section 16(2) of schedule 7 to the National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002

9 September 2004

Audit Committee, 8th Report, 2004, Scottish Executive Health Department Response: Overview of National Health Service Scotland 2002-2003 (SE 2004/206)

14 September 2004

Audit Scotland Annual Report on Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2004 (SP Paper 207)

laid under section 25(6) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

15 September 2004

UK Film Council (Formerly Film Council) Lottery Accounts 2003-2004 (SE 2004/212)

laid under chapter 39, section 35(5) of the National Lottery etc Act 1993 (as amended by the National Lottery Act 1998)

16 September 2004

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laid under section 11(1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1988

17 September 2004

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20 September 2004

Scottish elections 2003: The official report on the Scottish Parliament and local government elections 1 May 2003 (ELC/2004/01)—

The Scottish Parliament election 2003: Campaign spending (ELC/2004/02)—

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21 September 2004

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22 September 2004

Crofters Commission Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/120)

laid under section 2(4) of the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993

Bord na Gaidhlig Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/216)

laid under section 23 of the National Heritage (Scotland) Act 1985

The Electoral Commission Corporate Plan 2004-05 to 2008-09 (SE/2004/217)

laid under paragraph 15(4) of Schedule 1 to the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000

22 September 2004

Crofters Commission Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/120)

laid under section 2(4) of the Crofters (Scotland) Act 1993

Bord na Gaidhlig Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/216)

laid under section 23 of the National Heritage (Scotland) Act 1985

The Electoral Commission Corporate Plan 2004-05 to 2008-09 (SE/2004/217)

laid under paragraph 15(4) of Schedule 1 to the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000

23 September 2004

Scottish Agricultural Science Agency – Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/149)

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27 September 2004

The Queen's Printer for Scotland Report covering the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/157)

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Legal Aid Board Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/158)

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MACS: Our first full year Annual Report 2003 (SE/2004/220)

Seafish Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/221)

29 September 2004

National Library of Scotland Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2001 (SE/2004/224)—

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National Library of Scotland Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/227)—

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Scottish Prison Service – Contract for the provision of prisoner escort and court custody services (AGS/2004/10)

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4 October 2004

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British Waterways Board: Pay of Chair and Board Members (SE/2004/231)

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5 October 2004

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Scottish Higher Education Funding Council Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/219)—

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6 October 2004

Communities Scotland Annual Report and Accounts 2003/04 Corporate Statement 2004/05 (SE/2004/135)

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HM Chief Inspector of Prisons for Scotland Report for 2003/2004 (SE/2004/207)

7 October 2004

A Report by the Scottish Ministers on Further Education in Scotland 2003 (SE/2004/232)

laid under section 1(6) of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992

11 October 2004

Learning and Teaching Scotland Annual Report 2003-2004 (SE/2004/234)

13 October 2004

Scottish Court Service Annual Report and Accounts 2003-2004 (SE/2004/228)

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

14 October 2004

Scottish Prison Service Annual Report and Accounts 2003-2004 (SE/2004/131)

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19 October 2004

Ayrshire and Arran Primary Care NHS Trust – Annual Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/162)—

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Argyll and Clyde Health Board – Accounts for the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/179)—
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NHS Education for Scotland - Annual Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/199)—
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Lanarkshire Health Board – Report by the Auditor General of Scotland (SE/2004/241)—

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20 October 2004

Ayrshire and Arran Acute Hospitals NHS Trust – Annual Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/161)—
Forth Valley Acute Hospitals NHS Trust – Annual Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/163)—
Forth Valley Primary Care NHS Trust – Annual Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/164)—
North Glasgow University Hospitals NHS Trust – Annual Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/173)—
Tayside Primary Care NHS Trust – Annual Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/176)—
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Borders Health Board – Accounts for the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/180)—
Dumfries and Galloway Health Board - Accounts for the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/181)—
Fife Health Board - Accounts for the period 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/182)—
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NHS Scotland – Annual Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/195)—
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NHS 24 – Annual Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/197)—
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Annual Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland 2003-04 (SE/2004/229)

21 October 2004

The Scottish Public Pensions Agency – Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 and Corporate Plan 2004-07 (SE/2004/205)

laid under section 20(6) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

25 October 2004

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman: Report of an Investigation into a complaint against The Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA) (SPSO/2004/11)

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Highlands and Islands Enterprise Thirteenth Network Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/246)—
Highlands and Islands Enterprise Network Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/247)—
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26 October 2004

Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/150)

27 October 2004

Deer Commission for Scotland – Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/215)
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Scottish Environment Protection Agency – Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/223)
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Criminal Injuries Compensation Appeals Panel – Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/239)
laid under section 6 of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Act 1995

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laid under section 23(2) of the Antisocial Behaviour etc. (Scotland) Act 2004

28 October 2004

Big Lottery Fund New Opportunities Fund Annual Report and Accounts and Big Lottery Fund New Opportunities Fund Policy Directions for the financial year ending 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/236)—
Big Lottery Fund Community Fund Annual Report and Accounts for the financial year ending 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/237)—
laid under sections 34(3) and 43D(4) of the National Lottery etc. Act 1993

1 November 2004

Scottish Committee of the Council on Tribunals (SE/2004/203)

2 November 2004

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laid under the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

4 November 2004

Scotland's Budget Documents: The 2004-05 Autumn Budget Revision to the Budget (Scotland) (No 5) Act for the year ending 31 March 2005 (SE/2004/211)

The Judicial Appointments Board for Scotland – Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/238)

VisitBritain Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/250)

8 November 2004

Report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on VisitBritain: Bringing Visitors to Britain Session 2003-2004 (SE/2004/248)

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9 November 2004

The Scottish Screen Annual Report and Accounts 2003-2004 (SE/2004/254)—

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10 November 2004

Sportscotland Report of the Council, Statement of Accounts for year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/256)

12 November 2004

Scottish Economic Report November 2004 (SE/2004/245)

15 November 2004

National Museums of Scotland Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/210)—

Scottish Enterprise Annual Report 2003/04 (SE/2004/251)—

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

18 November 2004

The Historic Scotland Annual report and accounts 2003-04 Corporate plan 2004-07 (SE/2004/208)

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

19 November 2004

Annual Report of the Keeper of the Records of Scotland 2003-04 (SE/2004/252)

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24 November 2004

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25 November 2005

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26 November 2004

Scottish Arts Council Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/268)
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29 November 2004

Home-Grown Cereals Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/242)
laid under section 21 of the Cereals Marketing Act 1965 and section 88 of the Scotland Act 1998

30 November 2004

NESTA Annual Report and Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/160)

1 December 2004

Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service – Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/253)
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7 December 2004

Energy Act 2004: Directions to the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (the NDA) in respect of the Chapelcross Nuclear Site (SE/2004/281)—
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laid under section 3(7)(a) of the Energy Act 2004

10 December 2004

HM Inspectorate of Education in Scotland Annual Accounts 2003-2004 (SE/2004/258)

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

14 December 2004

General Register Office for Scotland Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/270)—

National Archives of Scotland Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/271)—

Scottish Qualifications Authority Annual Financial Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/279)—

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Scottish Qualifications Authority Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/280)

15 December 2004

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laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Government Expenditure and Revenue in Scotland 2002-2003 (SE/2004/273)

16 December 2004

Student Awards Agency for Scotland Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2004/222)—

Scottish Information Commissioner Financial Report 2004 (SE/2004/290)—

laid under section 22(5) of the Public Finance and Accountability (Scotland) Act 2000

Scottish Information Commissioner Annual Report 2004 (SE/2004/289)

laid under section 46(1) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

17 December 2004

Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Fire Services for Scotland Report for 2003-2004 (SE/2004/275)

Scottish Water Interim Accounts for the six months to 30 September 2004 (SE/2004/284)

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20 December 2004

Overview of the financial performance of the NHS in Scotland 2003-04 – A main report prepared for the Auditor General for Scotland (AGS/2004/12)—

Scottish Executive Consolidated Resource Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2004 (SE/2004/267)—

Erskine Bridge Accounts 2003-04 (SE/2004/274)—

Scottish Teachers' Pension Scheme Statement 2003-2004 incorporating a report by the Auditor General for Scotland on the 2003-04 audit of the Scottish Teachers' Pension Scheme Scotland Accounts (SE/2004/277)—

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21 December 2004

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23 December 2004

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26 January 2005

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3 February 2005

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8 February 2005

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17 February 2005

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8 March 2005

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22 March 2005

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23 March 2005

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24 March 2005

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The Electoral Commission Annual Report 2003-04 (SE/2005/58)

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6 April 2005

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29 March 2005

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31 March 2005

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4 April 2005

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6 April 2005

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7 April 2005

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8 April 2005

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13 April 2005

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25 April 2005

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26 April 2005

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13 April 2005

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7 May 2004

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13 May 2004

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14 May 2004

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19 May 2004

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20 May 2004

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3 June 2004

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8 June 2004

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30 September 2004

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2 November 2004

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9 November 2004

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23 November 2004

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25 November 2004

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